

THE S.B.N.R. DECEPTION (SATANIC FORM OF GODLINESS)

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SERIES: Youth Disconnect!

2 Timothy 3:1 This know also, that **in the last days perilous times shall come.**

2 For men shall be **lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, **unholy**,**

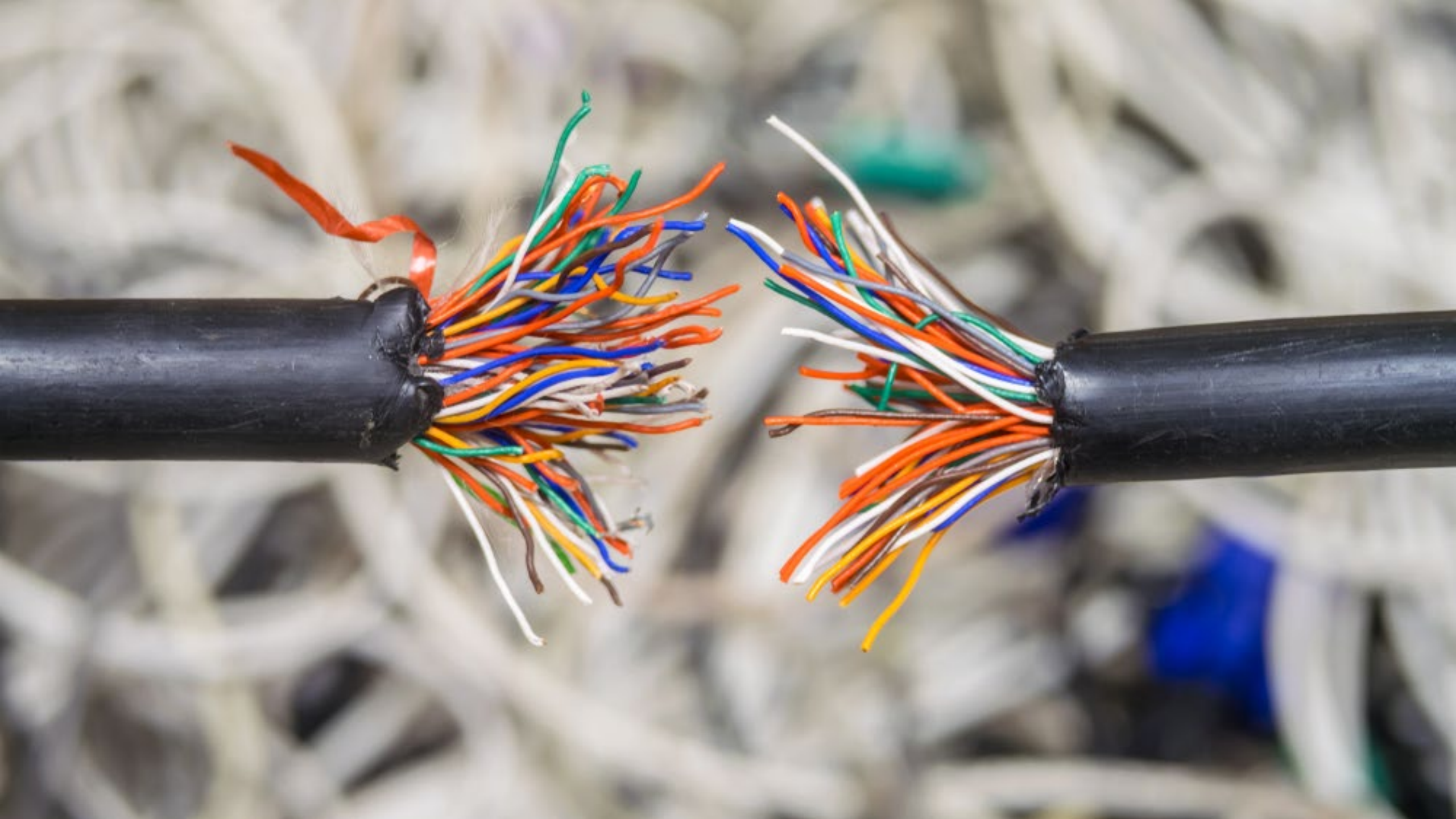
4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;

5 **Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.**

"Here he [Paul] describes the characteristics of a **new Paganism**, which went under the name of Christianity."

(Ellicott's Commentary)

"Many young people **consider themselves spiritual - a Springtide study found that 78% described themselves as such, even if they did not identify with an organized religion..."** (*WSJ*, Oct. 25, 2021)



"Many young people consider themselves **'spiritual but not religious.'** So what does that mean for Christianity going forward?"
(WTVF-Nashville, "Issues of Faith")



1 Samuel 1:9 So Hannah rose up
after they had eaten in
Shiloh...Now Eli the priest sat
upon a seat by a post **of the**
temple of the LORD.

1 Samuel 2:21 And the LORD visited Hannah, so that she conceived, and bare three sons and two daughters. And the child Samuel grew before the LORD.

22 Now Eli was very old, and heard all that his sons did unto all Israel; and how they lay with the women that assembled at the **door of the tabernacle of the congregation.**

23 And he said unto them, Why do ye such things? for I hear of your evil dealings by all this people.

24 Nay, my sons; for it is no good report that I hear: ye make the LORD'S people to transgress.

26 And the child Samuel grew on, and was in favour both with the LORD, and also with men.

1 Samuel 2:27 And there came a man of
God unto Eli, and said unto him...

29 Wherefore kick ye at my sacrifice
and at mine offering, which I have
commanded in my habitation; **and**
honourest thy sons above me...

**1 Samuel 3:21...the LORD
revealed himself to Samuel
in Shiloh by the word of
the LORD.**

1 Samuel 4:2 And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of the army in the field about four thousand men.

3 And when the people were come into the camp, the elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the LORD smitten us to day before the Philistines? **Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the LORD out of Shiloh unto us, that, when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the hand of our enemies.**

1 Samuel 4:5 And when the ark of the covenant of the LORD came into the camp, all **Israel shouted with a great shout**, so that the earth rang again.

7 And the Philistines were afraid, for they said, God is come into the camp. And they said, Woe unto us! for there hath not been such a thing heretofore.

8 Woe unto us! who shall deliver us out of the hand of these mighty Gods? these are the Gods that smote the Egyptians with all the plagues in the wilderness.

9 Be strong, and quit yourselves like men, O ye Philistines, that ye be not servants unto the Hebrews, as they have been to you: quit yourselves like men, and fight.

10 And the Philistines fought, and **Israel was smitten**, and they fled every man into his tent: and there was a very great slaughter; for there fell of Israel thirty thousand footmen.

11 And **the ark of God was taken**; and the two sons of Eli, Hophni and Phinehas, were slain.

5 Now Eli was ninety and eight years old...

18 And it came to pass, when he made mention of the ark of God, that he fell from off the seat backward by the side of the gate, and his neck brake, and he died: for he was an old man, and heavy...

19 And his daughter in law, Phinehas' wife, was with child, near to be delivered: and when she heard the tidings that the ark of God was taken, and that her father in law and her husband were dead, she bowed herself and travailed; for her pains came upon her.

20 And about the time of her death the women that stood by her said unto her, Fear not; for thou hast born a son. But she answered not, neither did she regard it.

21 And she named the child **Ichabod, saying, The glory is departed from Israel: because the ark of God was taken, and because of her father in law and her husband.**

1 Samuel 7:3 And Samuel spake unto all the house of Israel, saying, If ye do return unto the LORD with all your hearts, then **put away the strange gods and Ashtaroth from among you**, and prepare your hearts unto the LORD, and serve him only: and he will deliver you out of the hand of the Philistines.

4 Then the children of Israel did **put away Baalim and Ashtaroth**, and served the LORD only.

10 And as Samuel was offering up the burnt offering, the Philistines drew near to battle against Israel: but the LORD thundered with a great thunder on that day upon the Philistines, and discomfited them; and they were smitten before Israel.

13 So the Philistines were subdued, and they came no more into the coast of Israel: and the hand of the LORD was against the Philistines all the days of Samuel.

"Ashtaroth: The name of the supreme goddess of Canaan and the female counterpart of Baal...The name and cult of the goddess were derived from Babylonia, where **Ishtar represented the evening and morning stars and **was accordingly androgynous...**"**

(International Standard Bible Ency.)

"...on the tomb of Eshmunazar,
king of Sidon...Ashtoreth herself
is termed *Shem-Baal*, 'the name
of Baal.'"

(The Sunday at Home, 1879)

"Originally Ashtoreth had been derived from Babylonia...and she was described as androgynous, both male and female."

(The Illustrated Bible Dictionary, 1908)

"Central then to the Mesopotamian perspective is the existence of antitheses and contradictions...Inanna-Ishtar is both male and female...she breaks the boundaries between the sexes...'Though I am a woman I am a noble young man'**...'**...when I sit in the ale-house, I am a woman, (but) verily I am an exuberant man'**...'"**
(Rivkah Harris, *Gender and Aging in Mesopotamia*)

"The most highly venerated deity in Ancient Mesopotamia was Inanna, who was also known as Ishtar...She was known as the Queen of Heaven...She also was believed to have the ability to change a person's gender. This power of Inanna's, the ability to change a man into a woman and vice versa, is well accounted for in multiple poetry fragments..."

The words of Enheduanna, Inanna's High Priestess in the city of Ur...attest to this. In her [ancient] *Passionate Inanna* she writes...'To turn a man into a woman and a woman into a man are yours, Inanna'...her cult members and priests were known for their androgyny...The gender-blurring members of her cult have often been included in poems and dedications written for her, often with Inanna personally transforming the gender of her devotees.'

(Morg Daniels, *Ancient Mesopotamian Transgender and Non-Binary Identities*)

"The chief participants and actors in the goddess's cult are well-known by name...in the [ancient] *Descent of Ishtar* the reference...may indicate they were transvestites...'They decorate the napes of their necks with colored bands...**Their right side they adorn with women's clothing...**

Their left side they cover with men's clothing...The one who covers the sword with blood, he sprinkles blood...'...By emulating their goddess who was both male and female, they shattered the boundary between the sexes."

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2 Kings 17:33 They feared the LORD, and served their own gods, after the manner of the nations whom they carried away from thence.

1 Kings 18:21 And **Elijah** came unto all the people, and said, **How long halt ye between two opinions?** if the **LORD** be **God**, follow him: but if **Baal**, then follow him...

Zephaniah 1:2 I will utterly consume all things from off the land, saith the LORD.

3...and the **stumblingblocks with the wicked...**

5 And them that worship the host of heaven upon the housetops; and them that worship and **that swear by the LORD, and that swear by Malcham;**

8 And it shall come to pass...that I will punish the princes, and the king's children, and **all such as are clothed with strange apparel.**

**Jeremiah 17:9 The heart is
deceitful above all things,
and desperately wicked:
who can know it?**

**Psalms 15:1 LORD, who shall abide in thy
tabernacle? who shall dwell in thy holy hill?**

**2 He that walketh uprightly, and worketh
righteousness, and **speaketh the truth in his heart.****

**3 He that backbiteth not with his tongue, nor doeth
evil to his neighbour, nor taketh up a reproach against
his neighbour.**

**4 In whose eyes a vile person is contemned; but he
honoureth them that fear the LORD. He that
swaureth to his own hurt, and changeth not.**

"The one whose walk is blameless, who does what is righteous, who **speaks the truth from their heart.**" (*NIV*, Ps. 15:2; also *New Catholic Bible*, etc.)

"...spirituality divorced
from religion **looks**
within..."

(Barna.com, 2017)

"...Linda Mercadante spent several years interviewing SBNRs. In her book 'Belief without Borders', she identifies some common values. **SBNRs tend to be individualistic, trusting their own experience and intuition as a guide.** They reject claims that any one religion contains the ultimate, exclusive truth...They often explicitly reject what they understand to be central Christian beliefs..."

(IFYC.org)

Proverbs 18:2 A fool hath
no delight in
understanding, but **that**
his heart may discover
itself.



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"In 1528...Sebastian Franck decided he'd had enough of organized religion...Franck declared that the true church was the invisible fellowship of people who were instructed, not by the pope **or the Bible, but by **the divine spark within**..."**

(IFYC.org)

**"To substitute Scripture for
the self-revealing Spirit is to
put the dead letter in the
place of the living
Word..." (Franck)**

"Rev. Erika Forbes' pastoral calling regularly brings her to the Whole Woman's Health abortion clinic in Fort Worth. She blesses the clinic and escorts patients inside...the few Texans still eligible for abortion need spiritual support, Forbes said...'I took a sacred vow to help people live a life free of shame, stigma and judgment,' said Forbes, an ordained interfaith minister..."
(Texas Tribune, Nov. 24, 2021)

Psalms 78:58 For they provoked him to anger with their high places, and moved him to jealousy with their graven **images.**

59 When God heard this, he was wroth, and greatly abhorred Israel:

60 So that **he forsook the tabernacle of Shiloh, the tent which he placed among men;**

**Jeremiah 7:4 Trust ye not in
lying words, saying,, The temple
of the LORD, **The temple of the
LORD** The temple of the LORD,
are these.**

"In their view the maintenance of the temple-service was a charm sufficient to avert all evil." (*Barnes' Notes*)

**"Men think that ceremonial observances will supersede the need of holiness..."
(*JFB Commentary*)**

7:9 Will ye steal, murder, and commit adultery, and swear falsely, and burn incense unto Baal, and walk after other gods...

10 And come and stand before me in this house, which is called by my name, and say, We are delivered to do all these abominations?

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12 But go ye now unto my place which was in Shiloh, where I set my name at the first, and see what I did to it for the wickedness of my people Israel.

14 Therefore will I do unto this house, which is called by my name, wherein ye trust, and unto the place which I gave to you and to your fathers, as I have done to Shiloh.

18 The children gather wood, and the fathers kindle the fire, and the women knead their dough, to make cakes to the queen of heaven, and to pour out drink offerings unto other gods, that they may provoke me to anger.

22 For **I spake not unto your fathers**, nor commanded them in the day that I brought them out of the land of Egypt, concerning burnt offerings or sacrifices:

23 But this thing commanded I them, saying, **Obey my voice**, and I will be your God, and ye shall be my people: and **walk ye in all the ways that I have commanded** you, that it may be well unto you.

24 But they hearkened not, nor inclined their ear, but walked in the counsels and in the imagination of their evil heart, and went backward, and not forward.

29 Cut off thine hair, O Jerusalem, and cast it away, and take up a lamentation on high places; for the LORD hath rejected and forsaken the generation of his wrath.

30 For the children of Judah have done evil in my sight, saith the LORD: they have set their abominations in the house which is called by my name, to pollute it.

1 John 5:2 By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments.

3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments...

**Luke 12:48...For unto
whomsoever much is given, of
him shall be much required: and
to whom men have committed
much, of him they will ask the
more.**

Isaiah 6:2 Above it stood
the seraphims: each one
had six wings; **with twain**
he covered his face...

2 Kings 18:4 He removed the high places, and brake the images, and cut down the groves, and brake in pieces the brasen serpent that Moses had made: for unto those days the children of Israel did burn incense to it: and he called it Nehushtan.

Hebrews 12:16 Lest there be any fornicator, or **profane person, as Esau, who for one morsel of meat **sold his birthright**.**

17 For ye know how that afterward, when he would have inherited the blessing, he was rejected: for he found no place of repentance, though he sought it carefully with tears.