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BlackSDA _ 3ABN _ Fallible's questions regarding 3ABN

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 10 2006, 10:12 PM

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Posted by: princessdi Aug 10 2006, 10:22 PM



Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 10 2006, 10:50 PM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 10 2006, 11:30 PM) □

Granted Linda has been through much - but can you name an individual who is REALLY involved in all of this who wouldn't need a rest after the past two years?

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You admit that Linda Shelton has been "through much."

From your point of view, what has Linda Shelton been "through"?

What do you think happened to Linda Shelton?

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 10 2006, 10:52 PM

PD,

Will update you on the neighbors as we grow. But, I am not a novice either to discussion boards or to this topic - if you are in the SDA church in the NAD you really can't have been immune to it (well, maybe, but I might be surprised).

I don't have problems with questions and the seeking of answers - my dad always taught me not to fear questioning - even God if I had to - but I had to be ready for the answer, especially if it is one I don't like.

This question, as honestly innocent as it may seem, with the context of all the hyperbole here could have been asked outside the board and then, if the evidence was substantial it could be brought here. It seems more an attempt to add fuel to an already raging inferno - and here in lies another pitfall of online dialogue, I don't know the poster. I don't know if he can be trusted to ask an innocent question, or if he is attempting to roil things up further. I don't know if he admits that we all have skeletons in our closets - none of us qualified to pass judgement on our fellow man. I know nothing of him - thus my original post was merely an attempt to ferret out motive, as this is the only thing, being new here, I can go on.

Sitting silently and watching doesn't seem to mesh with your point that he was merely asking a question because, quite frankly, so was I. Asking for some support that would lead to this being a viable discussion.

Thanks for the welcome - everyone loves the person who hugs you on the way into church.

- fallible

QUOTE(princessdi @ Aug 10 2006, 11:42 PM)

I understand your concern, however, the only thing I can tell you is that you are one of the few who took it as you did. Most took it in the context that BB ws asking a question. You will see in subsequesnt posts that more research is suggested after no one had an answe to the question. You can't tell someone how to phrase their posts. BB Asked the question, and so far, you are the only one who misunderstood. You may consider observing for a while longer, so you can get a "feel" for the site. I see where you have been visiting and reading, but you may not have comprehended the gravity of the situation being discussed. I understand that it is a lot to take and hard to believe all at once. Take your time and consider the information here with a clear mind.

Also, if you have information to add or refute that which is already been posted, please share.

BTW, Welcome to BSDA! Glad to you decided to join our Family! See you when you get back from visitng your neighbors! Take care!

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 10 2006, 11:08 PM

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So, has Linda been through some hard times? Very hard. Has she seen her life change drastically? Absolutely. Has she lost favor in the sight of her God - who knows? God does and that is all that matters.

But if you were honest, you would have to admit that many of the others who have been involved whose names have been defamed and characters impuned have been through just as much. If you deny this - you place yourself in the seat of judgement, a place I can not join you.

His Will

- fallible

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Posted by: inga Aug 10 2006, 11:21 PM

I am not "sister," and this is from one "fallible human being" to another ...

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You would demonstrate considerably more "common sense" if you showed evidence of having read and understood what has been shared on this board by eye witnesses, including "sister." (As it is, you sound more like an alter ego of Danny and his cohorts ...)

Since we are all "fallible human beings," some posts on this board may not always demonstrate truth or the right spirit, but there is enough factual material here to demonstrate that the work of God is being dragged in the filth by those who are seeking to profit thereby.

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Ah, yes, indeed! But you clearly missed the very beginning of the current installment of the Shelton saga -- the defamation, demeaning and judgement passed on Linda Shelton by Danny and his cohorts. This wasn't just a matter of something that happened two years ago, but it has continued to this day by public (on camera) insinuations and asides by Dan Shelton himself.

The Bible contains some of the best psychology around. When Paul asks, "Who are you, Oh man, who judges, when you are doing the same things?" he was referencing a law of the mind -- that we are most likely to accuse others of what we are doing ourselves. And, of course, that's what Dan Shelton did and continues to do. This wasn't so clear two years ago, but it's abundantly clear now that he has married his 'young thing' after discarding his wife of 20 years **and** excluding her from the ministry she helped found and build. Except for fund raising (if you can call it that), Linda did more for 3ABN during her tenure there than Dan ever did, in my opinion. But, at his word, with the backing of deep pockets, Linda was simply ousted, demeaned, slandered and harassed. And the harassment has continued for these two years ...

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Ah ... but you are doing a fine job of accusing posters on this board of sinning by "defaming, demeaning and judging" Dan Shelton and his cohorts, who are, by implication much holier than the folks who have been involved with 3ABN and are now sharing their disillusionment and experience here. It must be that plank in the way ..


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Someone may correct me, since I'm not a professional in psychology (only a high school teacher), but I think that's called "projecting" -- seeing one's own weaknesses in others. Like Paul said ... Who are you ...?

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If you are a Shelton alter ego, your promise doesn't mean much to us  . If you are not, you are simply blowing smoke.

I happen to know a few folks who are posting on this board and can assure you that they are real, live, breathing people from different parts of the world. They've been there, seen it, experienced it, felt the wrath of the Televangelist, etc. (Oh, yes, and I'm real too. That's my real name. I'm not that keen on revealing my specific address and phone number to the whole unfriendly world, but I'm perfectly happy to speak to anyone whom I can help.)

And you?

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I see that "sister" has aroused your supreme ire by casting this review of salient facts into the form of a "game." You may not know that this is an excellent teaching method. And it's working. People are putting the pieces of the puzzle together. And I have a hunch that it's at a point where people who need to **do** something are actually "getting it." Further developments to follow ..

You also appear to be forgetting a few stories and counsels in the Bible. I suggest you review the story of Achan, for instance. The concept of sharing the guilt of sins we could prevent/expose is biblical. You might check out what Ezekiel has to say on the subject. Somewhere in this forum is a quote by Ellen White on the same subject as well, if that means anything to you.

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Again, what you say may apply to you and your post. But you are assuming that the folks posting here are **not** sharing Jesus with their neighbors. And you are assuming that what is said here is simply a waste of time. You may be wrong on both counts.

Much of your advice below is good. However, I disagree with your assumption that the exposure of evil done in the name of the Lord is the devil's work. The Lord is looking for honest and true souls in His service -- men who in their inmost souls are true and honest, men who will stand for the truth though the heavens fall, men who do not fear to call sin by its right name. He doesn't need "great men" or TV stars who are more interested in power, prestige and money than in ministering. Sometimes He uses poor "fallible human beings" to bring down those who are using the truth of God for profit and personal aggrandizement.

My prayer is that somehow the Lord Almighty will use the testimony of these poor "fallible human beings" who know from experience the scandalous abuse hidden behind a veneer of "service" at 3ABN to root out the evil and bring honor to God rather than dishonor.

Inga

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Posted by: PaperTigers Aug 10 2006, 11:22 PM

fallible,

if you would actually sit down and read all of the posts you would see that we are just people seeking answers.. some of us do have first hand experience. i will say that i worked there for a while... you may ask why we aren't more open with exactly who we are... and if you are asking this question than you don't know much about Danny or how he operates.. for safety reasons i think a lot of us have remained anonymous for the time being..

i am not ashamed of who i am nor am i deliberately trying to hide myself.. i hope that you will eventually see this board as i see it... a group of loving, caring people who are just seeking answers and the truth...

~PaperTigers

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 10 2006, 11:32 PM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 10 2006, 11:30 PM)

Please explain for me PP how a man taking a leave from what has obviously been a difficult time can be used as evidence that the Trust Services Dept. has been done away with?

Speculation, innuendo, that is all I read here - not much substantiated truth.

First of all,

Welcome to the BSDA.

As to your question:

In your original posting, you didn't call it "evidence." You called it "**semblance of realistic weight** ."

Therefore, my answer also used the phrase "semblance of realistic weight."

The "realistic weight" is that:

Danny Shelton has served as the main fund raiser and some will say that a three-month leave is rather long to go without your main fund-raising person.

Large, deferred, gifts go through the Trust Services department. So, we'll know soon enough what happened to the Trust Services Department, if anything.

As for the speculation, this is a really a discussion board, not a court room. We're not here to submit "evidence" into court. So, please note that I never used the word "evidence."

Once again,

Welcome to BSDA

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Maybe I have misunderstood your post here, but I TOTALLY DISAGREE WITH YOU. People INTENTIONALLY do things to us to HURT us all the time. WE have a choice how we will respond. People who use their power to abuse us in some way are deliberate in their actions.

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AGAIN, YOU ARE IN ERROR. By their fruits you can know them NOW and KNOW the difference between good and evil, christian and non-christian. This is where behavior oozes out quite naturally because of what is in the heart. You do not have to be past dead to have this happen before your very eyes.

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Do you live on the same planet I do? I can spread the word and love of Jesus AND also call wrong where I see it. There is evil all around us, some of it is disguised unless you look a bit closer, and there are most definitely times to say NO because that is FALSE teaching. How can you know what is true and false unless you look at it? It's not about "worrying", it's about using your brain.

- fallible

Posted by: sister Aug 11 2006, 12:07 AM

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Since your post appears to be directed toward me personally, I will answers some of your concerns. I will deal specifically with those that I have bolded from the quoted text above.

I. I don't recall ever reading in the Bible that it is another human beings responsibility to defame, demean, or pass judgement against another child of God on this earth.

Considering the charges you have made against me, I am surprised at this statement. For is this not exactly what you have chosen to do in regard to me? Am I not a child of God and you have passed judgement against me. If you refer to the posts I have written concerning 3ABN, I have become like he "watch man on the wall" who warns the camp of Spiritual Israel of those who claim to represent God, yet their behavior is diametrically opposed to the laws of God. We are not called to bear judgement upon the issue of an individuals salvation, but we are instructed that we can recognize a

tree by the fruit it bears. It is not defamation of Danny Shelton's character when I warn others to beware for the safety of the female members of their families because a young woman has given a sworn, written testimony that he molested her. I have not committed slander nor libel against any of the individuals of whom I have written or spoken about because to do so I would have to bear false witness against them, I have only written the truth.

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First of all I have made no accusations, I have primarily written narratives recounting situations that have occurred at 3ABN or in the lives of individuals involved in leadership positions in order to enlighten the reader concerning what takes place behind the scenes at 3ABN. BSDA has given the "other side" an equal opportunity to present evidence in this situation. The fact there has been no response from the principle individuals involved is not my responsibility, but tends to lend credence to the truth of my presentations. You challenge me to reveal my identity, in order to know your identity, this is of no interest to me. My emphasis is on relating truth in regard to the situation at 3ABN, not in gaining notoriety for myself. It is the message that is important, not the messenger. What gives credence to my claims is not my identity, but the affirmation of other witnesses that have knowledge of the same facts.

3. What is accomplished here... stop the hate, stop the false accusations, stop the salacious innuendo, stop being about the Devil's business... Let God heal the pain in your soul that leads you here to wreak havoc on the lives of others and lead even more down the path of backbiting, gossip, and slander.

I will address the above comments as a group. Hopefully, what is accomplished here is giving the reader the opportunity to separate truth from error. And the desire to have further investigation and action emanating from the leadership of the Seventh-day Adventist Church in regard to a ministry that claims to represent it to the World. I have no hate in my heart, only sadness for the victims of these predators and for these abusers who continue down a path that can only lead to destruction. I pray for God's healing for all who have been involved in this situation. About the Devil's business? No, it is not I who has wreaked havoc upon the lives of others, nor have I lead others down the path of backbiting, gossip or slander. I have been an advocate for those who, through fear of reprisal, have not had the opportunity to tell their story publicly.

Fallible humanbeing, by your choice of persona you have implied that you are capable of error in judging others, as are we all. In the context of my writing on BSDA, rather than judge, I have chosen to present facts in a way that softens the impact of the information. For those of us who have worked or lived within the 3ABN compound there is the possibility of losing hope. Like the martyrs in the book of Revelation, we ask the Lord, "How long?" For some it is only the grace of God that gives them the courage to continue on. What damage has been done to Danny Shelton? Very little compared to the shame and memories that the girl he molested will carry with her the rest of her life.

Posted by: beartrap Aug 11 2006, 12:12 AM

A young lady walked along a path in the woods. The sun was shining, and the birds were singing. she saw where someone had diverged from the path and created a shortcut. "Aha!" she said to herself. "I will save a little time here." The shortcut was heavily flowered, and the way looked even better than the established path. "See?" she thought, "Someone has finally become smarter than the people who run this forest, and created something that really works better for the denizens of the woods.

She walked merrily down the shortcut path enjoying the many flowers that didn't seem to grow

on the regular path. "Oh, every body really should start following this path" she thought, "It is so much more efficient and the way to the end is so much quicker." Suddenly she found herself sinking in a quicksand bog. As she started to sink, she noticed that past the bog, the flowers were thick with thorns. turning her head, she finally noticed that so were the flowers that she had passed along her way. Grabbing at a thorny vine which tore her hands to shreds, she slowly pulled herself out of the quicksand, and hurried back to the main path. "I must warn the others" she thought.

As many people came along the path and noticed, with delight, the shortcut, she cried out, "Please, don't take the shortcut. those flowers you see are covered with thorns, and there is a quicksand bog in which you will drown. Please! Stay on the path!"

"This horrible woman is telling a bunch of rumors!" many of the people groused. "She is trying to keep a great thing from happening. Yes, she may have thought she experienced something bad, but we can see that this path is strewn with flowers, and it is a faster route to the destination. She is a rumor-mongering, tale-spreading hussie for saying such things about something that is such a blessing. Look at all the happy people walking down that path. She should be stoned for trying to divert us from the true path."

Many people walked down that path, were torn by thorns, and fell into the bog. Some pulled themselves out by the thorny vine, and others sunk to their demise, choosing to believe they were still on the better path, and still shouting back that the path was beautiful.

Tremendous abuse was heaped on the woman who chose to warn the people about the shortcut, but many lives were saved by her warnings, and this, to her, was worth the abuse she suffered day after day.

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QUOTE

Losing ones job, again justifiable termination or being cut from the herd doesn't matter - it is all painful and tiresome to the spirit.

It would matter if it happened to you and you lost your employer's health insurance plan when you needed it, as did Linda Shelton. It would be painful to more than just your spirit to need medical care without insurance.

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I think that the Church of Christ Scientist says something like that: "We choose it by our thoughts."

Personally, I think people do bad things to us all the time (as Sonshineonme has stated in the post just above this one). That's why we have jails and prison farms and why we must buy theft insurance.

QUOTE

So, has Linda been through some hard times? Very hard. Has she seen her life change drastically? Absolutely. Has she lost favor in the sight of her God - who knows? God does and that is all that matters.

Hard times wasn't the issue. You said, "Granted, Linda has been through much." You obliquely veered off your original statement of "much." Now, you suddenly sound like you're quoting ***A Tale of Two Cities***: "**It was the best of times, it was the worst of times.**"

QUOTE

But if you were honest, you would have to admit that many of the others who have been involved whose names have been defamed and characters impugned have been through just as much. If you deny this - you place yourself in the seat of judgement, a place I can not join you.

Oh, you are so right!

Many other people are losing their reputations because **people reap what they sow**. Since Linda was defamed and her character impugned, I'm not surprised that Danny Shelton and his cohorts are now reaping what they sowed.

Pete

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 11 2006, 12:54 AM

QUOTE(beartrap @ Aug 11 2006, 01:12 AM)

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Many people walked down that path, were torn by thorns, and fell into the bog. Some pulled themselves out by the thorny vine, and others sunk to their demise, choosing to believe they were still on the better path, and still shouting back that the path was beautiful.

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A very appropriate parable, Beartrap!

Posted by: Chez Aug 11 2006, 01:15 AM

QUOTE(Panama_Pete @ Aug 10 2006, 11:04 PM)

I just finished watching the two-hour "3ABN Live" program. I thought I heard Danny say, briefly, that he and Brandy were **leaving** 3ABN for an absence of two or three months.

This has the semblance of realistic weight when Mr. Shelton said it, himself, assuming I heard right.

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By the way, is Brandy on the program for training? They seem to be trying to encourage and/or include Brandy, but she does not seem to get it. [Something is missing.] There is trouble in paradise.

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Posted by: Clay Aug 11 2006, 01:36 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 10 2006, 10:12 PM) □

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snip...

thank you for sharing your opinion, and welcome to the forum... I don't agree with anything you have posted thus far except for one thing.... yes you are fallible as are we all...

Posted by: IMM Aug 11 2006, 06:46 AM

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Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Aug 11 2006, 06:57 AM

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Posted by: Uncle Sam Aug 11 2006, 07:06 AM

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Is this leave of absence like when President Bush takes a vacation? He is still "running the country" just not in the White House???

Posted by: September Aug 11 2006, 08:34 AM

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If your accusations are true - and based on reading all the posts in these threads over the past few months there is a significant lack of voracity for the truth here - then do not fear reprisal and make your identity known. You call for truth and evidence and a forthcoming spirit from the "other side" - I challenge you to make the first step! Post a picture, a real name, all the other information that would give credence to your claims. Lest anyone respond with a comment of "hypocrisy" here, if "sister" and all the other nameless souls here will come out of hiding - so will I.

If you are about God's work - then be about it. But if you are about your own - vengence, spite, anger, condemnation then move your vendeta somewhere else - only you know why you would take God's work and turn it into a trivialized game for which you are the master decision maker.

All of us - get off the computer, go to our neighbors, pray with them, show them the true love of God and hasten His return. What is accomplished here - nothing! What new soul is lead to the all ways forgiving love of the Father by your hours spent here - none. Come here - lift each other up, deepen your love relationship with your Saviour and take this glow to others - stop the hate, stop the false accusations, stop the salacious innuendo, stop being about the Devil's business. Be about God's - loving them that hate you, despise you, speak ill will of you, persecute you . . . Let God heal the pain in your soul that leads you here to wreak havoc on the lives of others and lead even more down the path of backbiting, gossip, and slander.

Lift God up, lift your fellow man up, lift your own soul up to Him who can heal you and make you whole! Lay your heart bare on the alter for His cleansing touch. Leave behind the work of the Dark One and lay hold to the light, the Light at the end of the world - Jesus. Be happy. Be assured that God IS in control - not me, not you, not any of the other posters here, not Danny, the Board, the Conferences or Unions or Divisions. God's people are in His hands - the world IS His and He will make all right.

My Hope is in Him - not myself,

- fallible

Posted by: awesumtenor Aug 11 2006, 08:49 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 12:30 AM)

Except possibly within an online discussion where not all posts are read, context is often absent, and tossing out something like that can be misconstrued as "truth" as a discussion starter.

For instance, what "IF" I posted here and claimed that I knew you were the wife of the Lake Region Conference President and you had a personal axe to grind with one of the employees of 3ABN. But - I began it this way:

"I heard that PrincessDi is the wife of the Lake Region Conference President, and she had a run in with so-and-so at 3ABN and THAT is why she is so vehemently against 3ABN and its ministry - can anyone tell me if this is true?"

Now, a wander in here who happens across it but doesn't bother to see if there is any support or denial of this statement might just very well head out the door with this tidbit in their minds as truth.

Online dialogue is dangerous.

- fallible

Only to those who don't know... but seeing that there are many here who know each other not just as names on a computer screen but in real life as well, those of us who know Di outside of BSDA would tell you to put down the crack pipe and slowly back away... and that would be enough folk that those who didnt know would realize that you were out of your tree for saying something like that.

The same applies to the 3ABN issue. This is just not a bunch of church folks gossiping at a potluck; the ones talking about things going on there are people who know Danny Shelton and who have worked with him for years... It's people who have been members of the 3ABN board... it's people who are *in his family*. If it was one or two people, you could credibly say maybe is a disgruntled ex-employee or what have you... but for you to say, in spite of the growing mountain of evidence that you see nothing credible, then you need to change the first part of your screen name from 'fallible' to 'gullible'... and while you're at it... I have a bridge to sell you in Brooklyn... cash please, in small bills...

In His service,
Mr. J

Posted by: summertime Aug 11 2006, 01:59 PM

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Like an echo, a good ghostwriter will speak with the same accent and syntax as the person for which he is "ghosting"..... only better. But "better" in the sense of sounding, as one man put it, "more like me than what I do myself". If one is ghostwriting for someone who sounds educated and imaginable..... then that sound comes through. But only if

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 06:10 PM

PT,

Just so you can rest easy know that I have read all the posts I can access here, read the novella *The Televangelist* and the lengthier *Unofficial History of 3ABN* as well as materials from 3ABN, the 3ABN website, mailings from 3ABN, listened to conversations at potlucks and in the foyers of churches. I have talked to pastors, church leaders and anyone I thought might be able to give me information.

I am sorry if this doesn't enable you to make it seem if I am uninformed, uneducated, and unable to take part in this conversation - but I am not lost here. So if I don't agree with you, that is something you will have to grapple with - I am going to ask questions, I am going to listen - but don't expect me to believe you just because you say something, just because you say it is from personal experience. I may give you the benefit of the doubt - but I may very well disagree with you outright. I will make my own decision on this issue and not be badgered, belittled or shouted out. I want to know the truth - and quite frankly don't feel I have gotten it fully from anywhere - including here.

I don't know if I will see this space the way you described it - but I am open to that possibility. Currently I don't. But, time can change things.

- fallible

QUOTE(PaperTigers @ Aug 11 2006, 12:22 AM) □

fallible,

if you would actually sit down and read all of the posts you would see that we are just people seeking answers.. some of us do have first hand experience. i will say that i worked there for a while... you may ask why we aren't more open with exactly who we are... and if you are asking this question than you don't know much about Danny or how he operates.. for safety reasons i think a lot of us have remained anonymous for the time being..

i am not ashamed of who i am nor am i deliberately trying to hide myself.. i hope that you will eventually see this board as i see it... a group of loving, caring people who are just seeking answers and the truth...

~PaperTigers

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Well unless I am mistaken there are no Internet connections in space or on any other planets - so I guess you have to accept the fact that yes, I am on the same planet as you . . . and no I do not agree with you.

- fallible

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 06:21 PM

Clay,

Did any of the martyrs in this earth's history stand behind a false identity. If what is spoken is the truth then speak that hard truth with your own mouth, and your face seen.

A few quotes from Emerson come to mind here:

"Whoso would be a man (and I would add - or a real woman), must be a nonconformist... It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the great man (or woman) is one who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude."

"Speak what you think now in hard words and to-morrow speak what to-morrow thinks in hard words again, though it contradict every thing you said to-day... Your genuine action will explain itself and will explain your other genuine actions. Your conformity explains nothing."

There doesn't seem to be any openness here to a dissenting voice - even one who only claims to not be buying the entirety of either side's story. If this doesn't sit well here then this isn't a forum, but rather a closed discussion where you can only take part if you sign off on the dotted line of prescribed line of thought (not unlike today's political parties I might say).

- fallible

QUOTE(Clay @ Aug 11 2006, 09:08 AM)

And that is important because? I am not going to try to interpret the motive for your question but I would bet that if it were you who had personally been mistreated and were fearful of someone trying to get you, you would not be jumping at the opportunity to tell everyone who you are...

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There are indeed two sides to every story. No one is blameless to some degree. But in some cases, you have a MAJORITY, or a "conspiracy" working behind the scenes to fool those that would be fooled they are a target audience because they WANT to believe what they want to see, based on one side of the story, instead of accepting what they learn if they will take their head out of the sane and seek more information, along with evidence that can also be obtained. You don't have to know every detail. But many of us have been along for the ride for some time now, some WAY back, that have no axe to grind, only that they are appalled that people continue to look away SIMPLY because that is easier, more comfortable, and what happens is the deeds and acts are only perpetuated. In every case like his, time eventually stops and the ride has to end. The ride will end whether you and I agree or not. The truth always finds it's way to the top - for God is indeed in charge.

There are many many people that can give testimony to how things have been run at 3abn, people have been treated and manipulated, and deals made. Like it or not - they exist and my guess is that once fear is removed from the picture, more will be likely to speak up. It's too bad that they feel trapped in fear to speak, but my guess they will be encouraged more and more as time goes by. Keep looking. Get your head out of the "uptopia" sand pit that people want to believe exists, for if people are so easily fooled because they won't take time to know the real story of what happened to Linda, with all the witness', and also the stories of so many others, just think what they will fall for next.

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Well unless I am mistaken there are no Internet connections in space or on any other planets - so I guess you have to accept the fact that yes, I am on the same planet as you . . . and no I do not agree with you.

No, I don't think you do live on this planet with the rest of us. You have an apparent diconect to human reality.
- fallible

Posted by: calvin Aug 11 2006, 06:56 PM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 06:21 PM) □

Clay,

Did any of the martyrs in this earth's history stand behind a false identity. If what is spoken is the truth then speak that hard truth with your own mouth, and your face seen.

A few quotes from Emerson come to mind here:

"Whoso would be a man (and I would add - or a real woman), must be a nonconformist... It is easy in the world to live after the world's opinion; it is easy in solitude to live after our own; but the great man (or woman) is one who in the midst of the crowd keeps with perfect sweetness the independence of solitude."

"Speak what you think now in hard words and to-morrow speak what to-morrow thinks in hard words again, though it contradict every thing you said to-day... Your genuine action will explain itself and will explain your other genuine actions. Your conformity explains nothing."

There doesn't seem to be any openness here to a dissenting voice - even one who only claims to not be buying the entirety of either side's story. If this doesn't sit well here then this isn't a forum, but rather a closed discussion where you can only take part if you sign off on the dotted line of prescribed line of thought (not unlike today's political parties I might say).

- fallible

The mere fact that you have been allowed to post your unedited and uncensored comments here for all to read speaks to the openness of this forum. The fact that many don't agree with you is another matter entirely.

Btw, many of us are not hiding. So spare us the self-righteous indignation. You can step out from behind the tree and show us your face anything, as I and many have done here.

Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Aug 11 2006, 07:09 PM

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 07:15 PM

Hey Watchbird,

I addressed this before and will again one more time. I have been part of Adventist forums all the way back to the very first one and am very familiar with the tactics employed to try and wear down those who do not agree with you - sorry they won't work. I want answers and the truth. So expect me to be here for awhile.

I have met Danny three times. I have met Linda just as many times. I have no need to support either one. In short I do not have a personal axe to grind.

If you are unable to accept that someone out there in this big wide world doesn't buy what your selling ad infinitum then just ignore my questions and my part in this discussion and focus on those who will not question you. I am surprised that you have a problem with a truth seeker and want to try and frame them so they can't raise pertinent issues and questions.

One last time, I am not Danny, do not communicate with Danny, have any personal stake in 3ABN or Linda's musical ministry. I want the truth and here I am to pick this source - like it or not you can't harang me out of here. I will leave when I feel my questions have been answered.

- fallible

QUOTE(watchbird @ Aug 11 2006, 07:02 PM)

Like an echo, a good ghostwriter will speak with the same accent and syntax as the person for which he is "ghosting"..... only better. But "better" in the sense of sounding, as one man put it, "more like me than what I do myself". If one is ghostwriting for someone who sounds educated and imaginable..... then that sound comes through. But only if

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 08:11 PM

Calvin and BB,

Calvin, as owner I would expect that you would be fully forthcoming with your identity. But, the players in this particular segment of this forum have set the "rules" they play by. Can I get answers to my questions better by giving my identity - who knows. My point about identity mirrors another post in a 3ABN thread - that when you accuse, when you present information as fact and don't reveal your identity your information automatically carries less weight for many.

Okay, a point here BB. You mention that many of the people posting here worked at 3ABN or are even currently working there. IF, all this is the truth and such egregious activities are taking place it seems there would be no fear of reprisal - at least in the long run. If it is true then step up and like the voice crying in the wilderness don't hide. I am not here to make a statement about anything. I said I was here to ask questions and that is what I have done.

You say I am not accepting what is being said - should I? I don't think anyone seeking the truth should walk into the room and without asking all the necessary questions accept what is being said there as the truth. Do you do that? I doubt it. So don't expect me to - but to expect me to be here with an open mind because that is how I have arrived. Sure there is a defensive mechanism that kicks in when everyone sitting in the room automatically discounts you because you don't buy in, but I try to temper that with the fact that there seems to be a vested interest in bringing down 3ABN - and anyone who questions the validity of what is said here is persona nongrata. And lest there be any doubt - my disbelief is because I am seeking.

I watched the same show last night that all of you did - or at least I think I did. Danny said he and Brandy were going on an extended vacation. This leaves two options to consider:

A. Danny and Brandy are exhausted from all the personal attacks and the rancorous accusations that have been aimed at them.

B. He is guilty of one or more of the accusations that have been made - and come on be honest they are accusations at this point (innocent until proven guilty) - and he is seeking a quiet way out to exit.

Can you know which - no. Time will tell. Time will also tell where the truth is and who hasn't been presenting it.

I would love to converse with you Bill - don't know how that is possible but maybe we will find out one day.

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QUOTE(JustTana @ Aug 11 2006, 08:57 PM)

Well, I'll try again to post to this thread. It is my humble opinion that whatever Danny may have said last night about him and Brandy taking a 'leave of absence' is more about trying to convince people that he knows he needs to make changes in his life. However, I think it is only a smoke screen to try to fool Brandy, first of all, and then those faithful followers in the audience. As I wrote to Don Schneider today, who is a very personal acquaintance of my sister, she has personal knowledge of much of the behavior described in 'The Televangelist.' She is also a former member of the Springfield, Illinois church where Linda went after her firing and in talking with friends from there, was told how upset the placement of John Stanton made the people, especially as it related to removing Linda from any place in the church doings. She also knew Danny personally when he tried to become a literature evangelist. Her husband was the top salesman in Illinois and **it was obvious that Danny had no desire to follow any of the programs that were in place. It was also very obvious that there was great trouble in the marriage and it was shortly after his stint at book sales that she was killed in the accident.** The document regarding Kay's making plans to leave Danny was very much true to what was being observed by my sister and others in the literature camp. My sister will be contacting Don Schneider as soon as she can and I will report to you what we find out, or not, from him. It is entirely possible that he will not be able to say much or will say things that must stay 'off the record' for now. In any case I will let you know the outcome.

JustTana

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 08:22 PM

DF,

I can't speak for anyone but myself. Yes, I am. Does that mean I agree with you, well it seems here that if I don't I am in line to be impuned. I don't come down on one side or the other - do I lean one way or the other, yes probably. At this point I will not take a stand either way.

It seems to me that if those here are desirous of me believing them they wouldn't resort to the tactics that always arise in discussion threads to drive out those who don't "agree."

There isn't a right or wrong way to seek the truth other than these two things:

- A. Request the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- B. Ask questions until they are all answered.

Oh yes, and don't be afraid of the bravado.

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Mr. J

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 09:39 PM

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- fallible

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
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Posted by: princessdi Aug 11 2006, 10:09 PM

First of all, Fallible, nobody is trying to roust you out. YOU are the one who was talking about people not identifying themselves. BSDA existed long before this mess at 3ABN came to light and people were making decisions then about how much of themselves to reveal. Why? Because this is the 'World wide web'? Maybe? 

You have not been hazed, trust me. However, you need to go ahead and ask your questions, and those who can will answer to the best of their ability. So far, you have only said you have read everything posted here, plus and still not come to the same conclusion most here have. There is no problem with that. Not everyone already here have come to the same conclusions. If you have been reading as you say you have, you will know that Calvin and Daryl among others were both skeptics not two months ago. In spite of that, Calvin still provided opportunity for information to be posted.

Also, if you have been reading this site, you will know that questions are not a problem. Some believe we question too much. So your accusations of us being afraid of your questions are foundless. Try again, that dog won't hunt here.

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I respect your right to be skeptical, as I often am. In this case you can choose to believe what you want. I do not judge you. I am quite comfortable saying that this is not a "he said/she said" situation because it absolutely is not. I don't expect you to believe me, as that is not my goal. Can you let us know what specific issues, point by point, you are having trouble with in this or other discussion threads?

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 10:48 PM

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Matthew 7:1 "Do not judge, or you too will be judged." but that is only a piece of the advice

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Have I passed judgement on an individual here? Please show me. I have said I don't believe some of what is presented here - and I am not sure about other information. If you feel judged by that, my apologizes - but I am not going to bail on my quest.

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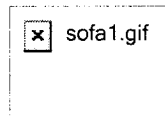
Check, call or raise to you...

In His service,
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Posted by: princessdi Aug 11 2006, 10:58 PM

Ahhhhh! so these are the questions you be trying to get to! This is going to be good!

Hersh, Re!, have some fried meaty bits, popcorn, juice? Sit over here!!!



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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 11 2006, 11:07 PM

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

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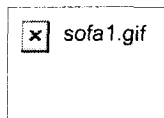
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
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
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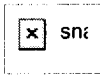
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Some only see "their side" of the truth..... Thank you JESUS (with his meat eatin' self) is the ultimate judge of me. Some of these folks would send me straight to hells....



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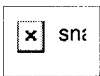
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Posted by: princessdi Aug 11 2006, 11:43 PM




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
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Thanks, Beartrap.

enjoy these quotes of yours.

Posted by: inga Aug 12 2006, 12:01 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 08:15 PM)

I have been part of Adventist forums all the way back to the very first one and am very familiar with the tactics employed to try and wear down those who do not agree with you - sorry they won't work. I want answers and the truth. So expect me to be here for awhile.

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If you'll simmer down and stand back a bit, perhaps you can learn to ask honest questions. And if you wish people to tell you why/how they know certain things and you don't believe them, please be prepared to say **why** you don't believe. That would result in some fruitful dialogue. Continuous attacks on posters here gets you nowhere. It just makes you sound like Danny, and that's not a compliment in these parts.

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I have met Danny three times. I have met Linda just as many times. I have no need to support either one. In short I do not have a personal axe to grind.

Sure fooled us on that one!


QUOTE

If you are unable to accept that someone out there in this big wide world doesn't buy what your selling ad infinitum then just ignore my questions and my part in this discussion and focus on those

who will not question you. I am surprised that you have a problem with a truth seeker and want to try and frame them so they can't raise pertinent issues and questions.


The problem is not asking questions. The problem is your manner of posting in which you question the integrity of the posters here, rather than asking honest questions.

As far as being unable to accept that "someone out there" doesn't believe what is presented here, you're certainly well aware of it. Dan, Walt Thompson and John Lomacang, among others are doing a fine job of putting out "information" to tell the world that this is all a bunch of lies and that Danny is God's man, while Linda is on the level of Lucifer (insinuated by Walt Thompson).

We are very much aware that ours is a minority position. You are, of course, with the majority, so you must be right. 

Once again, if you'll get off your high horse and start asking thoughtful questions, you'll get worthwhile responses. Acting like Danny here won't cut it ...


Posted by: inga Aug 12 2006, 12:27 AM


QUOTE(calvin @ Aug 11 2006, 11:35 PM) 

Those that know me know that one thing I can't stand is whiners. Get the chip off your shoulder. I am tired reading of you being tired of how you are treated because you are in the minority on this subject or being roused as you put it. You knew the vocal members on this subject where pro Linda supports before you started posting here. If you don't think BSDA is open enough for you then leave. But I am not going to listen to you whining about my house.

You got points to make, then make them and be prepared to defend them. That's all that's needed.

BTW, you got a seat at the table as long as I allow you to have the seat.

You said it, Calvin! 

Of course, if you don't allow "fallible" to continue posting his whining, he'll say that we couldn't take his asking questions. 

PS Man, oh man, this "fallible" poster sure **acts** like a Danny plant, even if he isn't one!

Posted by: inga Aug 12 2006, 12:37 AM

QUOTE(Panama_Pete @ Aug 12 2006, 12:47 AM) 

Thanks, Beartrap.

I enjoy these quotes of yours.

Me too! than And your parables/analgies are good too!

Posted by: Clay Aug 12 2006, 12:59 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 08:22 PM)

DF,

I can't speak for anyone but myself. Yes, I am. Does that mean I agree with you, well it seems here that if I don't I am in line to be impuned. I don't come down on one side or the other - do I lean one way or the other, yes probably. At this point I will not take a stand either way.

It seems to me that if those here are desirous of me believing them they wouldn't resort to the tactics that always arise in discussion threads to drive out those who don't "agree."

There isn't a right or wrong way to seek the truth other than these two things:

- A. Request the guidance of the Holy Spirit.
- B. Ask questions until they are all answered.

Oh yes, and don't be afraid of the bravado.

- fallible

no need to claim something that is not true... you can agree or disagree... there is no party line here, so discuss away.... perhaps you can begin at the beginning and answer this simple question.... does spiritual adultery exist and is it grounds for divorce?

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 01:12 AM

Inga,

Have I been on a high horse - maybe so . . . but that could be a product of trying to convince many that I am not a lapdog of either side, and certainly not Danny or any of the other prominent individuals you mention. Defensive, yes. Out to defame, no.

Okay my first problem here is the novella "The Televangelist." Why is it that what Linda's camp claims is the truth has to be presented this way? If the truth is the truth then why is the author afraid to spell it out line by line with his own name and within the context of a forthright expose. I am not convinced by fiction - and though there may be truth buried in there, it is still fiction.

Don't you grow tired of the spin masters - from both sides of the issue? Yes, I want 3ABN to lay their evidence on the table. I believe it will be substantial and supported - a gut instinct. (and to be honest I find a need to defend myself in advance from those who will condescend because I don't have "fact" - while many have indicated rejecting me out of hand through comments like smelling a rat . . . should I just ignore that and let it go, maybe). I honestly believe that each party in the end of a marriage is "guilty." No situation like this is ever the fault of a single party. An affair, whether with a person, a job, alcohol, drugs, gambling is always a symptom of much deeper and more serious problems with in the relationship. One can leave a marriage long before

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I had to smile when you said I am in the majority. Based on the past two days I can't say I agree with that while I am here. But I suspected that in advance.

I would like to know the exact citation where you claim Dr. Thompson equated Linda to Lucifer. In my book Danny is a man. Do I believe God has reached souls through him, absolutely. Do I believe that God reached souls through Linda, just as assuredly. But, I don't think He is having much success right now reaching any one through either of them. When I read the two documents here The Televangelist and The Unofficial History - I sense vindictiveness, this raises red flags. So, I find a skepticism about arguments based on these writings.

I do take issue with the quick run to see every action at 3ABN as rife with evil intent. For instance Danny's decision to take a break from the rigors of 3ABN. It seems to me that had I been in his shoes I would be emotionally, mentally, physically exhausted and my spiritual life stretched to the breaking point. Is it at all possible that he is just tired and needs a break? Yes, yes, yes, I know the other argument is just as possible - but why even speculate, why don't those of us on the outside sit back and see where things go. Personally I think he is exhasuted and needs a break. If solid, irrefutable evidence surfaces to contrary I will accept that.

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Can you clear the murky water?

- fallible


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If you want to ask questions, by all means ask them. Ask honest questions and refrain from ad hominem statements. In nearly every post you've made you have either directly or by implication attacked posters on this board instead of "asking questions."

If you'll simmer down and stand back a bit, perhaps you can learn to ask honest questions. And if you wish people to tell you why/how they know certain things and you don't believe them, please be prepared to say **why** you don't believe. That would result in some fruitful dialogue. Continuous attacks on posters here gets you nowhere. It just makes you sound like Danny, and that's not a compliment in these parts. 

Sure fooled us on that one!  The problem is not asking questions. The problem is your manner of posting in which you question the integrity of the posters here, rather than asking honest questions.

As far as being unable to accept that "someone out there" doesn't believe what is presented here,

we're certainly well aware of it. Dan, Walt Thompson and John Lomacang, among others are doing a fine job of putting out "information" to tell the world that this is all a bunch of lies and that Danny is God's man, while Linda is on the level of Lucifer (insinuated by Walt Thompson).

We are very much aware that ours is a minority position. You are, of course, with the majority, so you must be right.

Once again, if you'll get off your high horse and start asking thoughtful questions, you'll get worthwhile responses. Acting like Danny here won't cut it ...

Posted by: Clay Aug 12 2006, 01:28 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 10:48 PM)

Okay here is a question:

Does this area of your discussion board see itself as the heir apparent to the reign at 3ABN?

Another:

Has it ever been presented here that this forum will bring down 3ABN and replaced it with a Linda run entity? Or that it has the power to do so?

Another:

Where does this group derive it's authority to lay claim to the reigns at 3ABN?

One last question - don't you want this to be an open discussion? Or is this a one sided discussion board - meaning can no one come in and disagree or at least be skeptical?

- fallible

fallible change your name to clueless... in all the threads here about 3abn, not one (and I have read them all, even started a few) no one has talked about bringing down 3abn and replacing it with something run by Linda..... alternatives to 3abn have been discussed, including having a black 3abn, did you see that thread?

As for your other... be skeptical to your heart's content, but the more you post the more I think you have left home without your sign..... let me check I think we can get you some cheese and crackers to go with that "whine."

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 01:32 AM

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I am still working on this one, but the concept seems plausible. The idea of laying with the world instead of God is a metaphorical concept I can agree with. I think of the call to be in the world but not of it. If we lust after the world and the glitter it has to offer is our heart given to another that isn't our Savior? It isn't to much of a stretch to see the concept of spiritual adultery as having credence.

Now, the hard part of your question. Is it grounds for divorce? That seems to be a sticky wicket - from a hard and fast interpretation of the Scriptures there seems to be little if any reason to divorce. But, what about in situations of abuse or total neglect? Are there any reasons for divorce outside of the act of physical infidelity? What about lusting within your heart - you can make a claim (Biblically supported) that this is infidelity and viable cause for divorce. I don't know if spiritual adultery is cause or not - I haven't studied enough to make the decision.

Here is where we have a he said/she said moment. Who wanted the divorce and how do we truly know for sure. Who was there at each moment to know for sure who wanted it and who didn't. Who was truly fighting to save the marriage and who wasn't?

- fallible

QUOTE(Clay @ Aug 12 2006, 01:59 AM) □

no need to claim something that is not true... you can agree or disagree... there is no party line here, so discuss away.... perhaps you can begin at the beginning and answer this simple question.... does spiritual adultery exist and is it grounds for divorce?

Posted by: Clay Aug 12 2006, 01:37 AM

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Posted by: beartrap Aug 12 2006, 01:48 AM

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Certain experts said that there was no real proof that anything would happen that would affect those areas, and the "unbiased" people who wanted to know the "truth" had found their "truth." The truth that they had been seeking. The mountain exploded and caused damage far worse than even the most pesemistic USGS scientists had thought. Many people were killed as an enormous area was destroyed by the flood waters that resulted from the instant melting of the ice and snow on Mount St. Helens. The "truth" sought by the local industry people, and by the governor... the "truth" that that was found in the agreement of those who chose to disregard the USGS warning cost many lives. The "truth sought by the "unbiased" industry and government people was conveniently truthful until the mountain blew.

Convenience truth-seekers see the truth where they know it will be, and where it will mean the most to them. The so-called experts are nothing more than people who are attempting to deprive the industry of its revenues, whether they be dollars, or an increase in church membership.

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 01:50 AM

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 01:57 AM

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Here is a clue....

QUOTE

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on the just and on the unjust. (46) For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax collectors do the same?

she should not have been treated as she was.... bottomline.... now you can dance around that basic fact, but it remains... she should NOT have been treated as she was.... deal with that.... do you agree or not?

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 02:07 AM

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Your answering my questions with questions will simply make me restate my question until you answer it... and we can do this all night if you wish....

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 12 2006, 02:35 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 12 2006, 02:12 AM)

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<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=10128>

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It starts right here....

QUOTE

Eph 5:25 Husbands, love your own wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself for her,

Now if Mr. Shelton loved her, then what should his actions have been? How should he have treated Linda? answer that one question, in fact it has to be answered before we can continue or even if we continue....

To me, if he loved her, he would have found a way to handle this without everyone being all in their business... he would have arranged it so that even if they parted ways no one would think ill of her and that she would be gainfully employed even if she wasn't at 3abn....

So start there fallible.....

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 02:51 AM

Pete,

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I think that your claim that the letter insinuates or even directly associates Linda with Lucifer is weak. The quote makes a point of the pain God experience at the lose of Lucifer and then suggests that all those involved might understand lose like this a little more clearly because of what happened with Danny and Linda. He references directly the issue of pain and grief which the whole lot of them experienced during that upheaval. The connection is not drawn between Lucifer and Linda, but rather between the pain God experienced and the pain Danny, Linda, their family and friends experienced as a result of the divorce.

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QUOTE

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a federal agent
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a cleansing agent
5. means effecting result: the means by which an effect or result is produced
As C.E.O. you will be expected to be the main agent of change.
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7. computer program for routine tasks: a computer program that works automatically on routine tasks such as sorting e-mail or gathering information

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 03:06 AM

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At some point there I thought it was obvious that I agreed no one deserves the treatment that Linda recieved (assuming all the accusations are valid and verified), in the same vein Danny hasn't deserved what has happened to him.

- fallible (or whatever you decide to call me, it doesn't matter)

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 12 2006, 03:24 AM

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As for the quote, please read it again. It doesn't say "experience," as you say it says. Your eyes are seeing a word that is not there in order to find your interpretation that is not there.

It says "experiences such as this." Experiences is plural. That refers to the experiences -- or events -- of Lucifer and his evil angels leaving heaven and Linda Shelton and those who supported her leaving 3ABN. That's where the equating takes place.

Thompson says. "Experiences such as this with Linda, I think, help us to understand the pain of loss."

Dr. Thompson does not say the experiences are the pain. He clearly says the experiences "help us to understand" the pain of loss. You're just plain wrong with your interpretation. And you need eyeglasses, too.

Posted by: watchbird Aug 12 2006, 05:18 AM

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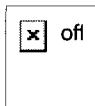
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Thanks Clay.....

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ticker..... hijacker.....

And give me a few more minutes and I could probably come up with some more.....

Evidence?..... He has taken two threads completely



..... He has waltzed (pun intended) around the room kicking shins right and left not even limiting himself to those who have responded to him.


..... He has shown by his posting that he doesn't even understand the difference between a question and a challenge.



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..... He has thrown multiple challenges out at the same time, thus showing himself to be true blue, died in the wool (actually that is a not an applicable metaphor ... but don't know the kiwi words for wool from sheep who are born that color), expert, well polished and experienced **manipulator!**

That's it! that's the general term that covers all of the above so I propose as his nickname.....


fallible manipulator

Now please BSDA admins (blessings on your whole tribe) ... won't you please ...  ... rescue the two threads that fm has hijacked..... (as you have done in the past when things moved off

topic)..... by moving all of the  and just plain  posts to a new thread

I started to suggest a name, but decided against it..... it was too appropriate) so that we can get back to Sister's intended purpose for this thread, and also back to the subject that Brother Bill raised in his thread having to do with Trust Services.

Thanks much..... in advance. You've been so kind to do this on other occasions.



Posted by: Nuggie Aug 12 2006, 05:31 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 11:07 PM)

A last note - yes, if those who claim to have "been there" added their identity to their claims (either here in this board or outside of this board) it would add credence to their claims - as of now they still contain that hole of identity.

My identity - I am not making claims, not making accusations, not pointing fingers. I want some answers to the questions in my mind.

I respect your right to be skeptical, as I often am. In this case you can choose to believe what you want. I do not judge you. I am quite comfortable saying that this is not a "he said/she said" situation because it absolutely is not. I don't expect you to believe me, as that is not my goal. Can you let us know what specific issues, point by point, you are having trouble with in this or other discussion threads?

Definition of hypocrisy: 1 : a feigning to be what one is not or to believe what one does not;
specially : the false assumption of an appearance of virtue or religion

You want others to identify themselves, but you won't. You said you're not making claims, accusations, or pointing fingers, but you are. Put up or shut up.

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 09:47 PM) □

AT,

As I mentioned before - this tired routine of trying to roust me because I don't agree isn't going to work. I want the truth - and if I don't believe you it isn't my job to tell you why. I have heard much from both sides and this area seems to feel they have a preponderance of the Linda side of the story - so here I am reading and asking questions. Why do you feel threatened because I refuse to jump when you ask.

Interesting that I have to go through the hazing in order to be given a chance to ask questions - but I will and I will ask the questions I seek answers to - don't bother responding if you are threatened my reticence to just accept as truth what is here - simply because it is here. If it the truth it will be come evident and I will add it to what I have heard other places.

I don't have to refute anything at this point because I haven't done anything other than say I am skeptical - and rightly so, as anyone should be in a he said/she said situation. I don't believe I will find the truth in one place - but will find what is available by going to each place it is being discussed and asking questions - then and only then making a decision for myself.

Sorry, the seat is mine - and if I lean over and ask you what the teacher just said, are you going to turn away from me because I didn't agree with you on some point? Is this a discussion, a place to seek truth, or a place only the "faithful believers" come and preach to the choir?

In His Service,

- fallible

Are you serious? Here's where you're wrong and clueless...nobody's trying to oust you just because you ask questions or disagree. But, you need to do more than throw some words around! If you come on here and start disagreeing with everything then you DO have an obligation to show proof or expect to be challenged. Surely you can't be that naive.

Posted by: watchbird Aug 12 2006, 05:43 AM

QUOTE(Clay @ Aug 12 2006, 01:28 AM) □

fallible change your name to clueless... in all the threads here about 3abn, not one (and I have read them all, even started a few) no one has talked about bringing down 3abn and replacing it with something run by Linda..... alternatives to 3abn have been discussed, including having a black 3abn, did you see that thread?

As for your other... be skeptical to your heart's content, but the more you post the more I think you have left home without your sign..... let me check I think we can get you some cheese and crackers to go with that "whine."

I won't repeat all that I said about this on the other thread this guy has hijacked..... but I will repeat my call for this thread as well as Sister's thread be cleansed from all of the posts and the posts generated since fallible materialized amongst us and that they be placed in a separate thread.

See my comments on Sister's thread, "Who is it?" for details. Though I'll add one thing here. In my comments there I had said I would not suggest a name for the new thread..... but, inspired by PrincessDrRe, I insert one word into the one that had occurred to me then, and venture to suggest it "Fallible's padded playpen"..... oh yeah ... include a blanky he obviously needs one..... poor thing.

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 12 2006, 05:50 AM

QUOTE(watchbird @ Aug 12 2006, 06:18 AM)

Now please BSDA admins (blessings on your whole tribe) ... won't you please rescue the two threads that fm has hijacked..... (as you have done in the past when things moved off topic)..... by moving all of the and just plain posts to a new thread (I started to suggest a name, but decided against it..... it was too appropriate) so that we can get back to Sister's intended purpose for this thread, and also back to the subject that Brother Bill raised in his thread having to do with Trust Services.

Thanks much..... in advance. You've been so kind to do this on other occasions.

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I agree with Watchbird,

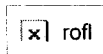
It would be better to move the off-topic postings. With so many reading the threads, the people deserve to have something readable if they're going to spend the time here.

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 12 2006, 05:57 AM

QUOTE(watchbird @ Aug 12 2006, 06:43 AM)

"Fallible's padded playpen"

Fallible's Padded Playpen



I'm laughing so hard I'm falling out of my chair.

Posted by: Clay Aug 12 2006, 06:21 AM

task done.... Fallible has a thread to himself. Likewise any question that he poses that is not related to the thread in question will be moved here.....

Posted by: Freedom Aug 12 2006, 07:07 AM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 09:48 PM)

Freedom,

Isn't it the modus operendi to use a pseudonym when posting here? Okay, sarcasm aside . . .

I have not worked at 3ABN, that isn't a prerequisite to discovering the truth is it? I am not working there now. yes, we us a pseudonym to protect our identity. Like I've said, and others if you know how 3ABN operates you'd understand the need for pseudonym identity. Also, with this day and age one needs to take safety precautions regarding posting identities online. Yes, even on christian sites!

I will allow you that personally you don't feel I am cognizant of what happens at 3ABN, that I am not privy to what goes on behind the scenes - but if I were in either camp I sure would be worried about Toto running up and pulling the curtain aside - **IF** what has been presented by both sides is anywhere near the truth. You are free to believe what you will about me - that isn't my concern. what past employees have posted here is correct and if you are truly seeking answers, that IS your concern.

Matthew 7:1 "Do not judge, or you too will be judged." but that is only a piece of the advice
M 7: 2 and 3 "2: For in the same way you judge others, you will be judgedm and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you. 3: Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?"

Have I passed judgement on an individual here? Please show me. I have said I don't believe some of what is presented here - and I am not sure about other information. If you feel judged by that, my apologizes - but I am not going to bail on my quest.

If you truly seek my identity I am sure you can find a way to reach me and we can talk. Oh yes, I jumped in already and I am not getting out of the pool.

- fallible

Calvin,

Have I been disrespectful? I don't think so. Am I going to make it clear that I am hear not to take one side or the other - but rather to seek insight - sure. How many posts have told me to leave thus far? And now you threaten to drop me because I will not be viewed as a "Danny supporter" and at the same time don't buy into Linda's story either.

Okay here is a question:

Does this area of your discussion board see itself as the heir apparent to the reign at 3ABN?

Another:

Has it ever been presented here that this forum will bring down 3ABN and replaced it with a Linda run entity? Or that it has the power to do so? Another:

Where does this group derive it's authority to lay claim to the reigns at 3ABN?

One last question - don't you want this to be an open discussion? Or is this a one sided discussion board - meaning can no one come in and disagree or at least be skeptical?

- fallible

have pasted some of your comments for you to reread and I HOPE that you will be able to see your judgemental comments.

My point about identity mirrors another post in a 3ABN thread - that when you accuse, when you present information as fact and don't reveal your identity your information automatically carries less weight for many.

Okay, a point here BB. You mention that many of the people posting here worked at 3ABN or are even currently working there. IF, all this is the truth and such egregious activities are taking place it seems here would be no fear of reprisal - at least in the long run. If it is true then step up and like the voice crying in the wilderness don't hide. I am not here to make a statement about anything. I said I was here to ask questions and that is what I have done.

You say I am not accepting what is being said - should I? I don't think anyone seeking the truth should walk into the room and without asking all the necessary questions accept what is being said here as the truth. Do you do that? I doubt it. So don't expect me to - but to expect me to be here with an open mind because that is how I have arrived. Sure there is a defensive mechanism that kicks in when everyone sitting in the room automatically discounts you because you don't buy in, but I try to temper that with the fact that there seems to be a vested interest in bringing down 3ABN - and anyone who questions the validity of what is said here is persona non grata. And lest there be any doubt - my disbelief is because I am seeking.

Posted by: Brother Sam Aug 12 2006, 09:06 AM

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Posted by: watchbird Aug 12 2006, 09:41 AM

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Actually, yes, I do think it is time for that though I think it should be in a new thread rather than tacked on the end of this lengthy one. And perhaps it should not be "**every** little dirty thing", but we certainly do need for people to understand that Linda was not the only person he ever did "dirty things" to. IOW, we need to change the spotlight that has been focused on Linda into a floodlight that illuminates all of the others that he has (and still is) abusing.

We also need to broaden the scope beyond a mere recital of "what Danny did". What about others there who either carried out his orders to abuse others, but did so on their own initiative? Some of the names we have already heard, but what about others?

But enough for here. Maybe Clay will begin a thread with a more appropriate title where we can carry on with this.

Posted by: sonshineonme Aug 12 2006, 09:51 AM

QUOTE(Brother Sam @ Aug 12 2006, 08:06 AM)

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Two thoughts:

Fallible is TRYING reverse psychology to get EVERYTHING on the table (no, not all the real names yet) - he/she is provoking for all truth to come out - what's here is not enough, we want it all from everyone that has been there/done that.

Fallible is working for the other camp and is hijacking this - to feed the crowd that are coming here

for TRUTH more SPIN. The more I read of fallible, the more fallible I see he/she is. Or very good at playing spin games (yes, I know, sounds familiar). Too many questions that have all the answers at his/her feet.

Everyone interested, do the reading. Read Linda's website too. Listen to the people that have worked there. There is NO hate in ANYONES voice. They are WITNESS'S. You know what a witness is?

wit·ness

n.

1. One who can give a firsthand account of something seen, heard, or experienced: a witness to the accident.

2. One who furnishes evidence.

Something that serves as evidence; a sign.

Law.

3. One who is called on to testify before a court.

4. One who is called on to be present at a transaction in order to attest to what takes place.

5. One who signs one's name to a document for the purpose of attesting to its authenticity.

6. An attestation to a fact, statement, or event; testimony.

(see dictionary.com if you don't believe me)

Now, HUSH UP (I did say that with a smile on my face, sort of) and IF you REALLY want to KNOW, then USE YOUR BRAIN. There is more then enough information to give you a heads up to the basics of how people were treated, how the shelton game is played (which you would be good at). and the old saying "KISS" which means KEEP IT SIMPLE STUPID. Because if you don't, you are no different then many theologians (in our church and out) I know who can sit and spin on something for so long, they are no longer even hearing what anything really means. They just love hearing themselves TALK.



Posted by: PrincessDrRe Aug 12 2006, 09:53 AM

QUOTE(PaperTigers @ Aug 11 2006, 01:22 AM)

...if you would actually sit down and read all of the posts you would see that we are just people seeking answers.. some of us do have first hand experience.

Fallible states that they have "read everything"..... I don't think so.

QUOTE(beartrap @ Aug 11 2006, 02:12 AM)

....Many people walked down that path, were torn by thorns, and fell into the bog. Some pulled themselves out by the thorny vine, and others sunk to their demise, choosing to believe they were still on the better path, and still shouting back that the path was beautiful.

Tremendous abuse was heaped on the woman who chose to warn the people about the shortcut, but many lives were saved by her warnings, and this, to her, was worth the abuse she suffered day after day.

Good post Bear!

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 08:10 PM)

.....**I want to know the truth** - and quite frankly don't feel I have gotten it fully from anywhere - including here.

Imma be honest again.... No - you don't want the truth. Because the "truth" has been given to you....and you refuse to see it....

QUOTE(Daryl Fawcett @ Aug 11 2006, 09:09 PM)

If fallible is looking for people to release their identity, it would be appropriate for fallible to lead the way.

...and this ain't happening - so we can let this totally go.

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 09:15 PM)

....I have met Danny three times. I have met Linda just as many times. I have no need to support either one. In short I do not have a personal axe to grind.....

.....One last time, I am not Danny, do not communicate with Danny, have any personal stake in 3ABN or Linda's musical ministry. I want the truth and here I am to pick this source - like it or not you can't harang me out of here. I will leave when I feel my questions have been answered.

Me thinks thou doest protest too much.....

sn:

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 11 2006, 10:11 PM)

....I watched the same show last night that all of you did - or at least I think I did. Danny said he and Brandy were going on an extended vacation. This leaves two options to consider:

A. Danny and Brandy are exhausted from all the personal attacks and the rancorous accusations that have been aimed at them.

B. He is guilty of one or more of the accusations that have been made - and come on be honest they are accusations at this point (innocent until proven guilty) - and he is seeking a quiet way out to exit.

Can you know which - no. Time will tell. Time will also tell where the truth is and who hasn't been presenting it.

You forgot "C" - Linda was actually clear in all of this and Danny is ...well...."EVIL".... you forgot that one....

sn:

QUOTE(princessdi @ Aug 12 2006, 12:09 AM)

Also, if you have been reading this site, you will know that questions are not a problem. Some believe we question too much. So you accusations opf us being afraid of your questions are

foundless. Try again, that dog won't hunt here.

Now, proceed with your questions. snr BTW, Happy Sabbath!

4eaty Bits?

QUOTE(inga @ Aug 12 2006, 02:01 AM)

You're familiar with the tactics, and you are using them against posters on this forum.

Again, you appear to be projecting your own tactics on others.

De-nial is not just a river in Egypt...."

QUOTE(Clay @ Aug 12 2006, 04:15 AM)

...Your answering my questions with questions will simply make me restate my question until you answer it... and we can do this all night if you wish....

I'm so "into this" - getting my question answered with "another question" - Like I'm not gonna keep asking you the ORIGINAL QUESTION ovah and ovah and ovah and ovah..... *le'sigh*

QUOTE(Panama_Pete @ Aug 12 2006, 05:12 AM)

Thompson says, and I quote. "Experiences such as this with Linda." That's called equating.

This was your question: "**I would like to know the exact citation where you claim Dr. Thompson equated Linda to Lucifer.**"

Dictionary definition of equate:

"To correspond."

You're just upset because the quote is actually there. You asked the question because you thought the quote was not around anywhere. And you thought wrong. Now you have to deny that it exists. So sad.

per the "Lang-west" you used the dictionary function correctly....carry on!

snr

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Posted by: Hersheys99 Aug 12 2006, 10:07 AM

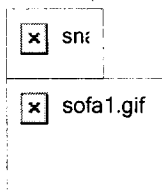
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Right on pernt Re!! You go girl!



Posted by: Fstpicker Aug 12 2006, 11:08 AM

QUOTE

"God lost one of his closest companions when Lucifer went astray. More than that, myriads more angels left with him when he left heaven. Talk about grief or emotional pain. Experiences such as this with Linda, I think, help us to understand the pain of loss, and the reality of the war between God and Satan. "

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Just my 2 cts. worth...

Jeff

Posted by: Panama_Pete Aug 12 2006, 12:24 PM

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That's an interesting puzzle: Would 3ABN management actually compare people to Lucifer? Are they putting the words "Linda" and "Lucifer" into the same, small paragraph to keep them separate, independent thoughts?

Let's look at that.

First of all, we have seen over the past 2 years that Dr. Thompson is Danny's spokesperson. The magazine articles site Dr. Thompson as the author. Thompson repeats what he feels is on the mind of Danny Shelton, the President of 3ABN

Now, let's go to the Ariid Abrahamsen letter of June 20, 2006 to find this:

"Linda was living in an impossible situation. Danny was "in her face" on a regular basis. At times he would say, "If you don't say you're a pathological liar, the marriage and 3ABN is over. If you don't say you're an adulterous woman the marriage and 3ABN is over for you. If you don't say you've given your heart to another man and that **he is a demon** the marriage and 3ABN is over..... etc."

The Lucifer and Linda paragraph **isn't the only place** where you will find the theme of "**he is a demon.**"

When you wade through **all** of the documents and get a "feel" for them, the preponderance of the weight is that **both** the Norwegian doctor and Linda are being called or compared to either the Devil or a demon. **It's a recurring 3ABN theme.**

Therefore, I see absolutely **no reason** to believe that Dr. Thompson is being more restrained than the President of 3ABN, Danny Shelton, for whom Thompson speaks.

Is it carrying things way too far? Yes, of course. But that's another issue.

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Aug 12 2006, 01:09 PM

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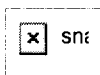
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Posted by: BrotherBill Aug 12 2006, 02:51 PM

QUOTE(fallible humanbeing @ Aug 12 2006, 02:50 AM)

Clay,

Okay, the first item you mentioned. The "gag" order. Was this tied to the severance package she accepted? And, didn't it only cover the time during which the severance was being paid? I think that time is up - or at least close to it. Did Linda willingly of her own volition sign these documents? Did she have -any- legal council before she did, any at all? Did she avail herself of legal guidance?

- fallible

Linda was not permitted legal counsel if she wanted any kind of severance package. It was handled differently. The gag order is not over. As to Linda's willingness to sign documents, she did. Were there extenuating circumstances? Yes. Remember, she was also being divorced at the time.

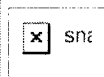
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Panama_Pete gave one perspective on what Thompson might mean.... Fstpicker gave a different one. I'm not at all sure that we would need to choose between them. I think that it is for certain that Danny and his Pentecostal cohorts at 3ABN use a LOT of "demon" language that goes beyond what most of us are used to or comfortable with or would believe if we understood it. Thompson, coming from an Adventist background may or may not pick up all of the doctrinal implications of their use of language. What is certain, however, is that he picks up Danny's and ET's and Mollie's terminology and buys into what he thinks they mean by it..... and if they use an analogy, he is almost certain to use it also whether or not he applies it in quite the same way that they do. IOW when we "hear" Thompson's words, we are also hearing Danny's words. So for us to interpret them we need not only to ask what Thompson might have meant by them, but also what Danny or ET or Mollie would have meant by them.

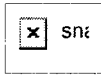
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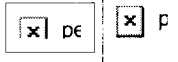
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Posted by: princessdi Aug 20 2006, 10:22 PM

Gurl!!! OK?! Popcorn? Proppell?



QUOTE(PrincessDrRe @ Aug 20 2006, 06:39 PM)

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 22 2006, 05:21 PM

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<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9818&view=findpost&p=138641>

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A new Sda face for 3abn well our wishlist

sonshineonme

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<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9818&view=findpost&p=138602>

clay

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watchbird (in response to clays comment above)

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missthg (also in response to clay)

sounds good to me!

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9818&view=findpost&p=138518>

4reneyonly

Pull the plug!

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9818&view=findpost&p=138127>

watchbird

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<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9818&view=findpost&p=138203>

clay

Sometimes an "entity" cannot be saved, its gotta be discarded.

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?s=&showtopic=9818&view=findpost&p=138612>

awesumtenor

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
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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 23 2006, 08:41 AM

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You are right, you pressed that question rather vigorously when last we chatted. I am pretty sure that I agreed with you, that IF Linda has been treated the way she has portrayed it, then yes she was treted in an unChristian way. But, in a full dialogue on the subject you have to ask - Has Danny been treated with any less an unChristian spirit in the past year? To answer no would indicate the the responder believes that in any relationship if something goes wrong it is only one persons "fault" therefore only one person should be made to "pay." They have BOTH paid dearly. In all reality if Danny's heart is still true to the mission presented to him in the begining (and I believe it is) he may very well have to step back or step down to give 3ABN a firm enough footing to continue forward in spreading the message. God continues to bless 3ABN behind the scenes and He continues to reach many people through it's continued broadcasts. This will be a very difficult and heart breaking action - just as Linda's removal from the ministry she helped begin was heart breaking. For both it is like losing a loved one, losing a child - and there are very strong and deep emotions in both instances.

As to the relationship issue, I've been there, been through divorce and I know personally that there were the things I was responsible for and then things my Ex was responsible for. It was no less painful for either one of us. I remember watching 3ABN programming before the roof caved in and seeing a growing tension between Danny and Linda. It was obvious that both were seeking more influence and control and things were not right off the set. The visible aspects of the disintigration of a marriage are only symptoms of much deeper problems in the relationship. The true worm that is turning is hidden behind the closed doors of the home and that is what is never seen - but most needs to be cured. We can hear the alleged slanderous accusations flying from all sides but the truth of why the marriage fell apart is something only those two know - and I feel safe in saying, will not divulge.

Both sides are hurt and angry and have lashed out - it happens in most divorces. I said things that later I went back and made right and there were things said about me that so extremely spurious and hurtful. Unless you have been there you just can not understand.

So, given your feelings about the perceived treatment of Linda - does that justify crucifying Danny and rallying around a cry to end 3ABN? (I am not accusing you of this, but asking the question in a larger context as it applys to all of these threads.) If the people who need to know, do - and ultimately God knows and is in control - then why not let it play out in a less public way so that BOTH Linda and Danny can have some respite from the public floggings and begin the healing process they both so desperately need.

Another question, someone in another thread insinuated that 3ABN's drop from Skyangel was akin to an act of God - maybe even His sign that it should disappear. Could it be that it happened because God wanted to give everyone time to heal in a less visible way. The whole issue of

dealing with the satellite provider was really a board issue to deal with since they approve contracts of that nature. This "down time" might very well have been necessary so that Danny and Linda could heal in a more private way - but here is the church body desperately seeking the public airing of everyones dirty linens. I dare say it is the church body is has kept this going and has not let them work through the grief process and begin to heal.

Again - my thoughts, take it all with a grain of salt.

- fhb

QUOTE(Clay @ Aug 22 2006, 08:35 PM) □

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Nathan's girlfriend came along and stayed about a week. Then Linda came for a 3-day visit to see the progress, and Brenda Walsh came along to check on Linda, as I was told at the time. I went there too while Linda and Brenda were there. The first person I saw near Arild's house was a charming young person I had never seen before, I thought. When I started talking to him I discovered it was a re-created version of Nathan.

I have often wondered later why Dr. Walt Thompson and Danny Shelton have publically stated that his whole thing had nothing to do with Nathan, but then I recalled what extremely poor relationship here was between Danny and his foster son.

From this time on I was in close communication with the following three persons:

Danny Shelton
Linda Shelton
Dr. Arild Abrahamsen

All three were telling me their thoughts and reporting what they were doing, either by e-mail or by phone. Danny and Linda were extremely busy during the month of February 2004. Rallies in Florida and the Phillipines. Then they were back home in March, and that is when things started rolling.

So I also experienced first-hand most of the things you find in Dr. Arild Abrahamsen's letter here, and can verify it is the truth. I had also talked to Dr. Walt Thompson, Nick Miller and John Lomacang before the divorce. I could verify that my wife and I had been with Arild in Norway when Danny insisted he and Linda had been together in Florida. Danny refused us to appear before the board to verify Linda's innocence.

I could go on telling how Danny told the worst tales about Linda. How he insinuated Arild had killed his wife, etc.

Read Arild Abrahamsen's account. If you have any questions feel free to ask. My e-mail is johann@direkte.org.

Posted by: Observer Aug 23 2006, 07:36 PM

You said: "She could have had Brenda for instance handle communiques with her son's Dr. "

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Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 23 2006, 11:55 PM

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You asked, "If he was hurt, why air the dirty laundry globally?" - I think you answered your own question there. When someone has wronged us, for most the instant reaction is how can I defend myself - by striking back. In most cases that is done with words, in others people actually physically strike out. Our sinful nature says, you hurt me so I will hurt you back. Danny's responses, in my mind, indicates that there was genuine emotional pain. If he wasn't hurt why bother with Linda, why even give her words and actions credence?

An acquaintance of mine has been involved in a divorce that has taken four years (so far) and for her personally almost 30K dollars in attorney fees. I listen to her talk about the situation and so much of it is a constant back and forth between them because they are both still in so much emotional pain that they can't stop trying to hurt the other one more than they hurt. Consider this for a moment, if you were in Danny's shoes wouldn't it come to mind that one way to certainly hurt Linda would be to try and cut her off from her friends?

I don't for a second condone that kind of action or any other that leads to causing another person loss or pain. My point here is not to defend Danny, but to point out that there is plenty of blame to go around and we really don't need to heap coals on the fire by aiding in continuing the strife.

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QUOTE(Chez @ Aug 23 2006, 02:41 PM)

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I don't see Danny as the victim; I do see him as the bully and his cronies who agreed with him are co-conspirators. It is sad that all of this is done in the name of Christ.

Posted by: fallible humanbeing Aug 24 2006, 12:22 AM

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QUOTE(princessdi @ Aug 23 2006, 02:07 PM)

. . . Danny and his people have done ALL of the talking and accusing . . .

Is this accurate? Has Linda truly not discussed her side of the story with no one? Now, what if when her severance ends (someone mentioned 4 more payments so I am guessing that means 4 more months) she "goes public" with her case against Danny - what will the end result be? Will that just be a new chapter of pain for both of them.

There has been much mention of Danny acknowledging his failings and making amends. Does this make him unloveable? Unforgivable? Jesus' admonition to Peter to forgive 70 x 7 doesn't come with a caveat that first the offending individual must apologize. Earlier today I made this point, who are we to demand Danny's or Linda's apology for anything they did - we can not hold them accountable, it is God's work to do this.

So then, if we look at the accusations here and for a moment consider that where the divorce and subsequent name calling and finger pointing are concerned, we can do no more than pray for each. Pray the holy Spirit works in their hearts and breaks them at the foot of the Cross so they can make the peace between them they both need.

What does that leave. The issues that have been raised about Danny and his behavior with certain employees and others outside the bounds of 3ABN. As I said a day or so ago - where is the documentation? Where are the primary sources? Without these there is only the word of a few former employees and those who feel they are providing a truthful witness. Are there just as many who have had interactions and dealings with Danny who bear witness to an entirely different reality? Who do we believe?

Is there an ongoing investigation in regards to the affidavit in regards to the molestation charge? If there is there should be something that can be provided to show this is an ongoing situation or not. The affidavit itself with the individuals name removed would lend credence to the charge.

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In His service,
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Posted by: Truly Blonde Aug 24 2006, 04:37 PM

QUOTE(inga @ Aug 23 2006, 10:34 PM) 

Truly Blonde, I'm afraid you're forgetting the time line!!

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You are also assuming that Dan must have told Linda that Melody slept with him, and I'm guessing that is an incorrect assumption.

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Posted by: Truly Blonde Aug 24 2006, 04:53 PM

Sorry Inga I guess that is why I am Truly Blonde. I thought I read somewhere that The wife to be when she found out about Melody confronted Danny and he continued with the same behavior. I do not know when Linda found out about Alyssa. I was just wondering if anyone knew if legal action was being taken. To me this is worse then what Danny is doing to Linda. I agree that there has been a lot of mud slinging by Danny and his gang and I cringe when I hear people say he is the face of the church. I have watched 3abn for at least four years and I have to admit that I don't usually watch the programs that he is on. I watch Dr. Bohr, Dough Batchelor, The pastor from Moses Lake etc. I have watched house calls a few times but I really don't care for John Lomancang. I love his singing voice though. I watched a program with a group of people that Mollie was leading out in and to me it was just a fund raiser type program. They obviously pick and choose what e-mails they read as my husband asked a question about grace and they never even addressed it. I to would like to know if any of the former employees have any hard evidence of the things they are accusing Danny and his gang about. I don't need to know what the e-mails say just do you have anything or is all just hearsay? This is second party info. A lady in our church visited another church and Linda happened to be at that church. I don't know if she was speaking or just visiting but after church she talked to my friend and she went on and out about Danny and the things he had done to her. My friend said she was really shocked and thought she should get on with life. As far as I know my friend knows nothing about the things i have read here just the things she has heard from Danny and his gang. Don't know if she would have responded differently if she knew. The point being that Linda is talking maybe not like Danny but she is talking. Once again I think it is more important about the criminal things he is doing then if he has asked Linda for forgiveness for the way he has treated her. Also a question---the people on this thread who have worked for 3abn do any of them have any legal recourse in the handling of their departurers or is it a case of they are too afraid of Danny to do anything? What about a class

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Posted by: Barbara Kerr Aug 24 2006, 10:47 PM

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I'm not really sure why you are pursuing this "face of Adventism" thing, other than to try to draw Linda right back into the picture with you for some reason. Interesting.....

Yes, you are what I refer to as "the poster child" for the Adventist church. I've called you that for a long time now and as beartrap pointed out, the reference predates anything happening on this forum now.

Danny, if you're curious as to *why* your face is the most visible one out there, it's because *you make it* the most visible face out there. You are the only president of a major network that is continuously in front of the camera. Look around. You don't see the president of ABC, CBS & NBC in front of the cameras day and night. (I'll give you Pat Robertson though -- he's always there)

I do find it interesting that you don't like the title now. Why not? I would think that you would be flattered. Of course, I gave up a long time ago trying to figure out why you do the things you do.

Barbara Kerr

Posted by: JustTana Sep 2 2006, 11:57 AM

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Sorry for the delay. I've been in the hospital and did not know this thread had grown so much. Anyway, there was a great deal of speculation regarding Kay's death after it was reported that there were no skid marks on the pavement, even though it was also reported that Kay said, "OH, no!" just before impact. It only makes sense that that report would have come from Melody. What happened to the police reports and was there an examination of the brakes after the accident? I do not know the answers to these questions, but I know that police reports are sometimes changed if enough money exchanges hands. Was that done here? Again, I do not know but there are enough questions about the whole situation that I am really curious about the answers. Who knows? Only God.

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