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An Unauthorized History of 3ABN, Chapter 8 (still more of the televangelist)

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 **sister**

May 30 2006, 10:33 AM

Post #1

"The Televangelist", Part 8...

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"After his first wife died, the televangelist married a recently divorced young lady with two children: a girl and a boy. His new wife served as executive vice president of the ministry, and was in charge of production, programming, publishing, and radio. As her children grew into their teens, her son developed problems with violence and drugs. The televangelist told her that this was her son, not his. He said that he did not want the boy in his house, and that this situation would have to be dealt with by her alone. He would have nothing to do with the boy.

The child's situation worsened until a foreign doctor visited the ministry and said that he would be willing to take the boy back to his country and put him in rehab. The televangelist's wife took a friend of hers and went to visit her son in this overseas rehab for three days. While there, she was also with a very good friend who was retired from a lifetime of work in the Church. The gentleman had served as a pastor and conference official in many parts of the world for fifty years and was now working with the televangelist's ministry. His wife was suffering from cancer, and was undergoing treatment from the same physician who was treating the boy.

Upon returning home, the televangelist's wife walked into a nasty surprise. Her husband greeted her with an accusation of adultery with the doctor. He demanded that she cease all communication with him. Outraged, she at first ignored him. The situation escalated."

Reading the above extraction from "The Televangelist" I thought of the accusation of martial misconduct that has been charged against Linda Shelton — "Spiritual Adultery". Turning to the word of God, I sought the Biblical definition of wrongdoing pertaining to divorce and remarriage. Opening my Bible and turning to the book of Matthew I read the following in chapter 5, verse 12: "*But I say unto you, That whosoever shall put away his wife, saving for the cause of fornication, causeth her to commit adultery: and whosoever shall marry her that is divorced committeth adultery.*" What does "Spiritual Adultery" have to do with fornication? To be sure that I was not mistaken, reading on in Matthew 19: 8, 9, my suspicions were confirmed, it was not Linda who had committed adultery: "He said to them, "*Because of your hardness of heart Moses permitted you to divorce your wives; but from the beginning it has not been this way. And I say to you, whoever divorces his wife, except for immorality [fornication], and marries another woman commits adultery.*"

According to scripture it is the husband, that has put away his wife for grounds other than fornication and remarried, that has committed adultery. Interesting... The Bible is positively clear upon this subject. There are no gray areas or shadows in which to hide. No mention made nor definition given of Spiritual Adultery in regard to divorce. So how has this strange fire made it's way into the temple of God? Or is it only applicable in the 3ABN Worship Center, where the high priest, John Lomacang presides over the 3ABN congregation of Danny Shelton. And if repeating the mantra

"*Spiritual Adultery*" over and over again is intended to give all this foolishness credibility, then Dr. Walt Thompson must be Danny's personal guru.

Upon reviewing the letters written by Dr. Walt Thompson concerning Danny's actions in regard to divorcing Linda and his remarriage to Brandy, not once is the charge of fornication made against Linda. So why is the scarlet letter "A" pinned upon her? What makes her an adulteress in the eyes of God? Like the woman dragged through the streets and thrown down on the ground in front of Jesus, was Linda caught in the act of adultery? No. Then why has she been publically dragged through the mud and deposited by her accusers at the feet of the court of Adventist public opinion: to be tried, convicted and branded as an adulteress without a shred of evidence?

The right to confront one's accusers is granted to every defendant charged with even the most heinous of crimes. Yet, through coercion, Linda was duped into relinquishing her rights to publicly exonerate herself against the fallacious charges made by her ex-husband and the chairman of his independent ministry board. With her options for employment going down the drain along side her reputation, what other choices were left to her but to take the money and run?

Danny has divorced Linda, remarried and presumably gone on with his life. Why then continue this vendetta against Linda? Why persevere in attempting to ruin her reputation, close any avenues for her to pursue her livelihood and discredit her word? **Is Danny so afraid of Linda? Why?**

Does God change His mind? For example does he raise up a new prophet and through him say, "Sorry, it seems I made a mistake. Fornication is not the only reason I am willing to accept for divorcing your wife. I have created a new category just for your situation: Spiritual Adultery. If your wife talks on the phone too long to a foreign doctor, who is not her husband, and perhaps you as her husband is already looking for a plan to put her away, this is now acceptable Biblical grounds for divorcing her." Convenient, yes! Consistent with the character of God as revealed through Scripture? Come on Danny, we didn't just fall off a turnip truck passing through T'ville yesterday.

In this strange tale of intrigue it appears that Danny has followed

the example of the leadership and/or current prophet of the LDS church, taking this page from his book: the proclamations of the current prophet supersedes the Word of God. As the book of Mormon supplants the Bible as the rule of conduct, so the proclamations of Danny and the chairman of the 3ABN board usurp Biblical authority in regard to acceptable grounds for divorce. Are Danny and the chairman of his board standing on "Holy Ground" in their continued harassment and accusations against Linda or are they standing on dangerous ground in positioning Danny above the law of God?

Stayed tuned...

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May 30 2006, 11:09 AM

Post #2

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Just a quick clarification. It was not Polly's Place Network, but two Polly's Place shelters that have previously received funding from ASI. An application for an ASI grant this year was completed and turned down, but Polly's Place Network intends to apply for future grants from ASI and, in time, hopes to develop a good working relationship with them.

Although Danny, Dr. Thompson, John Lomacang, and others have set forth to block any ministry opportunities that Linda may pursue, this is a big world. The church is made up up of many people, and even ASI (and other such organizations) consist of a number of people who are capable of thinking independently of the arm-twisting, and we pray that in all of these situations, the clearer heads will prevail in the end.

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 **Panama Pete**

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QUOTE(sister @ May 30 2006, 07:38 PM) [snapback]132840[/snapback]

I agree with you completely. But, it is unfortunate that they continue trying...

 **Clay**

May 31 2006, 05:14 AM

Post #9



good points Inga... time will tell.... 😊

"some engage in 2 dimensional thinking in a multidimensional reality..."

Clay, 4-08

" Much to learn you still have....." -Yoda-

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 **Clay**

May 31 2006, 07:03 AM

Post #10



the questions about home churches and what the Jews were in the grand scheme of things have been moved to their own thread...(in the theology section)

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 **sister**

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Post #11

Danny and Pope John Paul II ...

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Arrayed in all his pontifical glory, Pope John Paul II, with skill and craftiness, personified the Catholic Gospel for twenty-seven years. He became the face of Catholicism to the world in the latter part of the twentieth century until his death in 2005. Did this "Vicar of

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Christ" have infallibility in all matters concerning the Church as he, by Catholic profession, ruled in the stead of the Son of God on earth? Were his pronouncements accepted as the voice of God within the independent state of Vatican City and to his followers around the world? Was his seat of power holy ground? It is to the adherents of the Catholic Church. And finally, what do Pope John Paul II and Danny Shelton share in common? In what paradigm of reality do these two men stand adjacent, imbued with substitutable power?

The first law of the real estate business is location, location, location. For John Paul II the location was Vatican City. In this tiny sovereign state, only about 100.8 acres, he ruled supreme. And Danny Shelton? Again location, but unlike Vatican City State which is encapsulated within the city of Rome, Italy; the compound of 3ABN is located adjacent to the rural hamlet of Thompsonville in the backwoods of Southern Illinois. But it's land holdings are nearly double that of Vatican City. And the power that Danny wields within his independent ministry is equal in it's scope and self-professed infallibility as his Catholic counterpart the Pope: he depends on his word being above reproach and his actions unquestioned. Like the Protestants who questioned the authority of the Catholic Church in the middle ages, the employees that dare to question the propriety of Danny's actions are swiftly dealt with—not by burning at the stake, even southern Illinois is not that backward—but by other forms of disciplinary action. Actions that may continue long after they have permanently left the confines of 3ABN.

In the question of infallibility, the Pope lays claim to this attribute by virtue of the Catholic tradition of his supreme apostolic authority. Danny's claim to infallibility comes from 3ABN tradition introduced by Mollie Steenson. When Danny installed Mollie in the position of his personal secretary, she immediately undertook the task of expanding upon the pronouncement she and Hal had made during an employee week of prayer a number of years before. She declared to both Danny and her fellow employees that God speaks to Danny and speaks through Danny to 3ABN. When ET Everett arrived on the scene, she enlarged upon Mollie's pronouncement, encouraging Danny in his belief that whatever thoughts and impressions he received regarding **anything** was the voice of God. Danny believed that God was showing him things in dreams and visions, and if you disagreed with him, in fact you were disagreeing with God himself, for Danny **is** the voice of God at 3ABN. Newcomer

to the fold Shelly Quinn has perpetuated Mollie and ET's worship of Danny.

It is interesting to note the following: the tradition of 3ABN takes the infallibility of Danny a step beyond Papal infallibility, which does not signify that the Pope is specially exempt from accountability to sin, whereas Danny has laid claim to being relieved from answerability for certain sins "since God has given him such a great task to perform".

Danny's followers? It is opening night at the Spring 2006 3ABN Campmeeting... The floor director counts down the seconds 5...4...3...2...1...cue Danny and let the games begin. Poised and oozing with self-confidence Danny is truly in his element: from the well groomed hair implants on the top of his head to the fresh shine on his dress cowboy boots and a smile calculated to open the pocketbooks of the assembled followers, he picks up his microphone. Approaching center stage, Danny calls forth the faithful to testify of his greatness. Thrilled with being in the actual presence of this holy man of God— who has been called forth, a lowly carpenter himself just like Jesus, "to bring the three angels message to a lost and dying world"— the faithful line up to shake the hand of the man who stands on Holy Ground.

Like the faith healer in his traveling tent show, Danny parades a selected few of his target market, the elderly who have arrived in their Winnebagos prepared for a great show at the hands of their spiritual leader, up to the stage. After receiving the adoration of a wrinkled, white haired old soul, smiling sweetly at her he says, "Can I give you a hug?" As a blush creeps up upon her ancient countenance, microphone in one hand Danny's other arm encircles her shoulders. As he draws her close to his chest he gives her a slightly flirtatious smile and looking toward the audience he addresses his wife, "Brandy, is it alright if I hug this lady?" Giving Brandy's response, to the gentle laughter of the assembled crowd, he replies with a Cheshire Cat smile on his face, "Brandy says it's okay, go right ahead."

Just as the Pope stood high above the square in Vatican city, Danny now stands upon center stage in the Worship Center at the 3ABN compound. Thousands of the faithful, densely crowded in front of St. Peters Basilica, their gaze turned upon the balcony high above them, raise their voices in adoration as John Paul II waves to them. Eight satellites beam the image of Danny Shelton to

television sets around the world, as the faithful tune in to see this holy man of God, the spiritual leader of the 3ABN Church. Raising their pens in adoration, tithes and offerings are willing sent in response to the solicitations of the man who represents the Seventh-day Adventist Church to his viewing congregation of millions.

As Pope John Paul II became the face of Catholicism to the world, it has been claimed that Danny Shelton has become the face of Adventism to the world. And both, when standing within their sovereign states, confidently believe they are "standing on Holy ground". The only difference is that Danny chooses to sing his verison.

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 [sonshineonme](#)

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Post #12



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Sister said:

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I had already put this comparison together some time back and it still disturbs me very much. People can't see the forest for the trees. The very thing that we have been warned to watch for, could it be so close that we can not see it? 🤔

message for this time is a message of mercy. The slogan of "Mending broken people" fits right in. If only they actually did that, instead of breaking whole people so they need mending!!!!!! 😞

Thanks Inga, and I hope you are right. I can only speak from my observations.

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sister

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QUOTE(Panama_Pete @ Jun 1 2006, 12:29 AM)

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I have some comments.
3ABN is Danny Shelton.

Judge Barbara S. Rowe, in the 3ABN Illinois Tax Case, ruled that 3ABN is a private Shelton business, based on the evidence presented to the court.

I've been to Thompsonville, and I've come away with the impression that 3ABN is **100 percent** Danny Shelton. In fact, I think there is **nothing** about 3ABN that is **not** Danny Shelton. The 3ABN often-repeated slogan, "Remember, this is God's ministry, not Danny's ministry," strikes me as being **a carefully constructed misrepresentation** of the facts.

It is an interesting fact that after Linda was fired, Danny put more of his relatives onto the payroll in the "family business". It appears that almost the entire Shelton clan has returned to the fold at 3ABN. Interesting...

As to the slogan, I agree with Panama Pete.

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Post #56

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The "miracle" story is that Hal and Mollie Steenson donated one hundred thousand dollars worth of equipment.

I guess the old saying is true...if you repeat a falsehood long enough, soon enough you'll believe it and have others believing it as well. I've heard and seen that Steenson donation story so much that...well...let's just say, I don't believe it anymore... 🙄 🙄 🙄

 "Press on, regardless...what's to come is better than what's been...!"

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Persecution...

As Danny eases himself into his red chair on the "3ABN Today" set, there is a grim look to his countenance. Leaning back, he closes his eyes as his fingers beat rhythmically upon his thigh. *How dare they write these things about him!* A flurry of activity on the set surrounds him: cameras move into position, a final sound check, everyone prepares as the opening is rolled and the floor director readies to cue Danny. But in the midst of this hyperactivity, like the eerie silence that inhabits the eye of a hurricane, Danny sits motionless — thinking and waiting.

The opening roll is over and Danny is cued, a smile lights up his face as he welcomes the viewers. Upon closer observation, the smile stops at his eyes. According to the popular saying, "the eyes are the windows to the soul": in contradiction to the smile, there is no welcoming light behind the curtains that veil the entrance to this individual's psyche, his eyes remain dark and piercing. Looking directly into the camera Danny raises up his shoulders slightly and like the consummate actor that years of experience have produced, a feigned look of pain and disbelief crosses his face as he makes the following statements—his declaration calculated to position himself among those who have been persecuted for the cause of

God: *"I do not understand why these people are writing all these lies about me and John Lomacang, this ministry is not about Danny Shelton, it is about God. I know that we should expect to be persecuted. But when they write these lies they are really persecuting God and his church."* Throughout these utterances of suggested innocence and his claims of oppression by those representing the of workings of Satan, that same intense expression remains in his eyes, a cold darkness that no light can penetrate.

The Bible pronounces blessings upon those who have been persecuted for righteousness' sake, for those who have had all manner of evil **falsely** testified about them for the sake of the advancement of the Gospel and they are promised great rewards in Heaven: *"Blessed are they that have been persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye when men shall reproach you, and persecute you and say all manner of evil against you **falsely**, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven; for so persecuted they the prophets that were before you."* Matthew 5:10-12.

The preceding Scripture does not call those blessed and persecuted who persistently continue to sinfully soil themselves and have had their dirty laundry aired in public. It is not persecution when victims stand up and divulge the details of the injustice that has been inflicted upon them and name their abusers. Or when other unscrupulous actions are disclosed in the light of day. Reward? It would appear that ingenious schemers are capable of calculating their own rewards on earth and bestowing it upon themselves in this world — for no reward is laid up in Heaven for those who have done all manner of things in God's name, yet upon whom He must turn his back and say, "I never knew you".

The greatest rewards of all? Living for eternity in the presence of God, walking and talking with Jesus and the fellowship of the faithful in Christ. Not jet planes, basketball courts, herds of horses or all the pleasures that ill gotten gains can provide: all these things will all pass away. And all that will remain is the character that has been developed in a man, woman or child through an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ.

Has Danny Shelton been persecuted for righteousness' sake? Has he been beaten for his faith, lost his livelihood or been convicted in a court of law for following the dictates of a Holy Spirit influenced conscience? Have falsehoods, calculated to stopping the spreading

of the Gospel, been hurled at Danny? Has Danny been persecuted like the prophets that came before him? No, but many of his clandestine activities are being uncovered publicly and they have not been committed for the furtherance of the Gospel. Is it possible to work like the Devil to further the cause of God? Or when a person gets caught with his hand in the cookie jar, is that persecution?

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