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Posted by: erik Jan 25 2007, 10:31 PM

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
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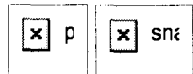
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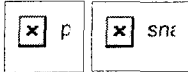
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Iwill say this the same logic can and very well might be used in different direction against another board the 3ABN board that might even be the fair thing to happen, and some of those board members have very deep pockets, way deeper then 3abn's. In fact the church board that is being threaten here might just want to luach a counter strike and teach the high and mighty 3 abn board a sound and much needed lesson

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
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Proceed, so we can glean all the clues you keep leaving behind. Be careful not to hang yourself in the process!

It seems to me that my contribution to this mess is documented facts from the IL vs. 3ABN Property Tax Lawsuit and the IRS 990's that 3ABN files each year.

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Danny is entitled to only loyal employees. He uses tests to see it they are true blue! Danny is entitled to this and if someone should think differently, Danny is entitles to dismiss them.

If they might cause problems for Danny, God has entitled Danny to destroy them! He has proof! Just look at how God has blessed him financially!

However, there is one entitlement that has not been completed! Linda is not on welfare and she is very happy in her new found freedom. Her life is great and has peace that passes understanding. She has peace, joy and love for her fellow man. She has forgiven Danny for all his destruction and is free indeed.

Danny can't stand this. That is why you are here, Bystander. You are here to continue to destroy that one entitlement for Danny. What a job description.

These threads have nothing to do with Linda what-so-ever! She is a non-issue. Only you and your crew even bring her up.

The issues are about Danny, Tommy Shelton, Brandi, Brenda, Shelly and DJ Quinn, John Lomacang, Kay Kuzma, Mollie & Hal Steenson, Larry Ewing, now CA Murray, Walt and the rest of the board.

Let us not forget the special donors. Keep talking; we are taking notes and saving your posts so they can be regurgitated at a later date.

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Is is intended to bluff? Perhaps.

But, in my opinion, sooner or later, there will be cases of litigation. These 3-ABN issues are headed for the civil courts. Those courts are the only venue, in my opinion, that will resolve some of these questions.

Who will begin the litigation? I do not know. When will additional litigation begin? I do not know.

Frankly, I suspect that before this is all over ligation will have been started by people on several sides of the issues.

Why do we not have more litigation than has been started? Who knows. But, under the law, there are circumstances where defendants may have advantages over the plaintiff. This may be why some, on both sides, have stated that they wish for the other side to file.

Well, this will probably become more complicated with the passage of time.

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Sounds like you have an accounting background! Thanks for the info. I am still wondering about the auditors. How independent are they? Who selected them? And, I wonder who completes the Shelton income tax return? I'm no tax expert, but it sounds to me like a comparison of the 3ABN IRS Form 990 and the Shelton IRS Form 1040 might be interesting...

Thanks for the update,

Snoopy

Posted by: andithomas1 Jan 26 2007, 12:30 PM

You can get the 990 filed by 3ABN on "guidestar". It is a site that has all not for profit entities and

the 990's they file. I didn't try to print their 990 but I know you can get them off that site. 990's are public information except for the listing of who donates to them-that is not public. The 990 doesn't really give enough detail-I would love to see their trial balance to determine what is really going on with the funds.

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She hasn't made up a story; she has asked questions... you, rather than answer said questions, choose rather to make up a story in an attempt to disparage Fran, in the hope of changing the subject.

I think if we were to look up "one-trick pony" your picture would be next to it...

In His service,
Mr. J

Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 26 2007, 02:20 PM

QUOTE(Fran @ Jan 26 2007, 04:52 AM)

Maybe we should be proactive and sue Riva, 3ABN/ Danny and Tommy???

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Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 26 2007, 03:25 PM

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Posted by: andithomas1 Jan 26 2007, 03:32 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 26 2007, 03:25 PM)

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That makes the company libel if that sex offender is given access to children in the workplace and some thing happens to a child there. I am not a lawyer but I know that. It is also damaging to the

image of that entity and most companies would not want this information made public especially one that receives the bulk of its revenues from contributions. Preception is everything!

Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 26 2007, 04:45 PM

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I understand if something happens to the child, but what about as far as the government is concerned. Aren't offenders put on some kind of limitation of being near children? If that's the case, then a company who hires an offender and knows they will be around children must be liable for putting the person and children in that position. Am I reading too much into this? It just seems there would be some restriction against companies doing this...

Posted by: Noahswife Jan 26 2007, 05:06 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 26 2007, 04:25 PM) □

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The mere fact that one is a lawyer does not mean one knows the answer that would apply. Different jurisdictions have different statutes that apply to registered sexual predators and new ones are being proposed every day. Individual convicted predators may also have different restrictions as part of their probation.

One would also want to distinguish between criminal and civil penalties.

Even if someone is not a convicted offender, I believe that if a child were the victim of abuse and the corporation should have known there was that possibility based on the abuser's history and did nothing to prevent it, the corporation would be liable.

IMO

nw

Posted by: princessdi Jan 26 2007, 05:11 PM

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employee was to be working with children.

Posted by: Observer Jan 26 2007, 05:18 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 26 2007, 02:25 PM)

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Yes, if there is a tort (injury). I do not have to be an attorney to know that.



No, if there is not tort.

Posted by: Noahswife Jan 26 2007, 05:33 PM

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Any company with sense and any company receiving good legal advise on risk management would do it.

If I recall correctly we had a recent case here in the midwest that involved a local catholic parish. When abuse was discovered it was discovered the person doing the back ground checks for the parish was a previously convicted predator himself.  

nw

Posted by: inga Jan 26 2007, 07:13 PM

QUOTE(September @ Jan 25 2007, 11:40 PM)

Okay, I'm no legal expert and can't even speak 'legalese' but that letter sounds like a 3rd grader wrote it!

Well ... maybe not a third-grader. But it is thoroughly unprofessional. It is clearly intended to intimidate. (That's actually the most cost-effective way to use a lawyer -- to intimidate one's opposition.)

Perhaps we should set up a fund or at least let the COG board know that we will do our mites to their defense fund, should it become necessary.

Posted by: Fran Jan 26 2007, 08:03 PM

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Fran: I asked questions. You have no idea what information I have or do not have. Is this your threat to me, again? Sure sounds like it. What would you say if I told you I bought some of those assets and followed the money? Now notice here, again, I am asking a question!

WWJD: You, also, will be accountable to God and man for statements such as these.

Fran: Oh, yes, I realize this! That is why I have been screaming for ever how many years it has been.

WWJD: You said it all when you said WHAT DIDN'T THE AUDITORS FIND?

Fran: That is what auditors look for silly! That is why they trace things from source to death and then from death to origination. Give me a break!

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Fran: You are correct! And this should apply to them also. The problems lie in what is not in the Financial Statements. You know, it is those things that have to be put into the 990's through the notes. Corrections of \$2.4 + million would be on the serious side in my opinion. This amount is relevant enough to raise red flags everywhere!

Thank you for your comments. If I remember it correctly, Jesus chased the money changers out of the temple. The comment can be applied to any entity that does not follow GAPP, has missing Assets, and multiple Bank Accounts assigned to family members instead of to the Non-Profit entity. This applies to all non-profit entities.

As I have repeatedly told you over the last 3 years, I have never met Linda or Danny. I have never spoken to either through the phone or mail. I have never been about the marriage. Ask your friend Greg. It is true.

I am not about trying to destroy a ministry. I am 100% about changing the way 3ABN does accounting. I am about making them deal with GAAP and to become transparent in their transactions with family and the ministry. I am about finding any/all of the fake Dummy corporations under Danny Shelton's control.

I am about seeing that every individual that gives a donation to 3ABN will be able to check and see where their money went! I am about stopping nepotism with in the entity.

I am about changing the policy and procedures that are not as the Employee Handbook claims. The Employee Handbook needs to be followed to the letter.

The IL vs. 3ABN is very clear as to just who handles the finances and Personnel of 3ABN. Danny Shelton did! If it had been Linda, I would be doing the same thing. Management at 3ABN is not competent. That is exhibited over and over in the lawsuit. Management did not think following GAAP was important.

Were the auditors independent? I will give that a 100% resounding "YES". Danny Shelton would have never allowed such an audit to be written! I say that with 99.9% probability that I am correct, that this audit was definitely independent. I surely wouldn't pay for that audit from auditors that I had hired.

Now as far as Linda is concerned, I do not believe she committed adultery in any way shape or form. I believe Danny has an obsession with Linda. His hatred far exceeds his common sense! Just saying the name "Linda" must makes the hair on his back stand up!

He nails her to the cross every time he gets the chance. It has been a very stupid tactic. It has worked against everything he has tried to do.

By the way, I am not in a Linda camp. I don't think I am worthy to pass her test of me. I am here so 3ABN can be used as God has intended from the beginning.

God does not want alleged child molesters any where near the 3ABN Ministry. God does not want alleged adulterers in high positions at 3ABN. God wants to see accountability in the use of funds in His store house. God wants moral individuals to represent Him to the world.

Why does everyone think 3ABN would die without Danny? No way! Everyone is replaceable, yes, even you and me! 3ABN may have a few hic-cups, but the show would go on! They may have to take a few months to revamp the accounting processes.

The first change would have to do with cash control. The CEO of any entity should never touch cash money! They alone should not have signature authority. Checks need 2 signatures.

Man, look what you have gone and done! I will turn you back to regularly scheduled programming. Surely you get the points I have stated.

Posted by: Fran Jan 27 2007, 12:03 AM



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Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Jan 27 2007, 10:59 AM

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Posted by: Fran Jan 27 2007, 04:33 PM

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Bump just for you.

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You are constantly talking about generalized legal documents. Not necessarily 3ABN's documents. You are extremely misleading when you say "what if you had purchased assets and followed them. " That plants a huge ugly seed in people's mind. But, for those "with it" enough to see the venom that drips off of your collection of posts, they will come to this conclusion: That if you had such evidence you would not be sitting on it. You would have hit the door of the 3abn ministry with storm troopers in tow. Again, that shows me, that this was just one of many dishonest scenerios painted by you as if they were fact. Your if, ands, and buts, are killers. You say God put you here to help expose all of the errant ways of the 3ABN financial department then why aren't you there. Being on this little website won't accomplish anything. If you have the credentials to teach their accounting office then go there and do so. For myself and many others listening to the credentials of the chief financial officer on the 3ABN live a week ago is enough for me. He worked for years for the Waterhouse investing firm, one of the biggest in the world, as well as several other esteemed financial institutions. By reports from those who know him personally, he is viewed as a wonderful and sincere christian with the utmost integrity. Those that know he and his family closely say he would never ever do anything dishonest or underhanded in any way.

Now, you start out that the divorce is not what you are about. That Danny or Linda is not what you are about. Then you make a statement that you would not be counted "worthy" to pass Linda's test? Fran my my. That statement is so obviously "hero worship" that it should be the definition placed in Webster's dictionary.

I also noticed in a previous post by you (if I am incorrect just tell me) where you made the statement that Goldie is not here to save them now. Or something to that affect. I assume you meant by "Goldie" that you were referring to the Shelton's mother. If so, What did you mean by save them. What authority or power did she hold that she could "save them, or anyone?" just curious.

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Posted by: NormF Jan 27 2007, 07:52 PM

Long ago, even back into prehistoric times (otherwise known as the years before 2004), Danny made it abundantly clear to his enemies that he was funded by the deepest pockets in Adventdom (also known as Garwin McNeilus) and that GM was only too happy to underwrite legal costs too, no matter how long they might drag out or how costly they became. Over time, that list of persons came to include Linda, Derrell, and others. Danny has repeatedly used such threats; there

is a consistent pattern. When things get too hot for him, if the person currently in his sights isn't dancing to his tune, he has assured them he will sue them for every penny they have. Has he done that, actually taken legal action? Yes and no, though for our purposes here, the specific, nuanced answer doesn't matter. What matters is the pattern of threats.

Obviously, ordinary people cannot win megabuck battles. Danny made it clear to those he threatened thus that it didn't matter to him whether he won or not; bankrupting them would serve him just as well as winning in court. I'll not speak to his success rate in this note, except to say it depends on how you define success (and ethics and morality) ... and how far down the road you are looking. I'd like to believe that in the end however, the truth will out, despite the course so far.

The reason for glancing at history this way is to better assess where things stand today. This present threat to this pastor is another page out of the same play book, clearly meant by its deliverer to serve the same ends.

As for the literary/legal quality of the letter, either the guy is a dolt as a lawyer, or to put his best spin on it, he has completely removed his lawyer's cap before sitting down to write. Of course, as a piece of intimidation, it's quite a lu-lu. One could hardly get more obvious, or belligerent. In other words, completely consistent with the play book.

Now then, will Danny actually have him go forward with such a suit? Hard to say. As erratic and unstable as he's becoming of late (and those surrounding him as well it appears) and as deeply as he has dug himself into the hole he is in, who can say? Anything is possible at this point.

Personally, I do not think this particular world will follow T.S. Eliot's pattern: "Not with a bang but whimper." ... although, for what it's worth, there is also such a thing as a whimpering bang. This one (the 3ABN affair) is, in my view, not likely to go quietly into that dark night.

Hope for the best, expect the worst.

Regards,
Norm

Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 27 2007, 07:57 PM

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Okay, now you really cannot believe this stuff, right? Oh my, well what can I say?

Let's start with, yes I do believe that ministries and people should accept that people can be delivered from their sins. Absolutely. However, I do not think it wise to hire a known sex offender for a position in the Production Department where there are children. That seems like common sense.

I said at the beginning of this that I did not know the circumstances in Bill's case, but I can say that

you don't get slapped with "aggravated" anything unless it was either unwanted or forced. I don't believe it was a romantic liaison gone bad.

Since you know the story, I have some questions...

1. Exactly how many convictions would have made the light bulb to turn on?
2. As you admit that 3ABN knew Bill was a sex offender, where was the memo to the staff and parents who brought there children into the station telling them of this?
3. Wasn't Bill brought into 3ABN by J. Yeager, Dan's son-in-law? Doesn't that make him a Shelton family member (you know, the "ones being blamed for everything?")
4. What is the difference in being an "employee" who is at the station everyday around children and a "contract worker" at the station everyday around children?

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Norm, thanks for reminding us of the McNeilus-3ABN connection. Since McNeilus is also the major force behind ASI, it really makes it laughable to hold ASI up as an "objective" organization to review the ethics of Dan Shelton and 3ABN.

As for the legal threats, you've said it well ...

(Good to hear from you again!)

Posted by: Snoopy Jan 27 2007, 09:07 PM

QUOTE(Bystander @ Jan 27 2007, 05:32 PM)

When I saw that you posted this sometime ago, I looked into it. Here is what I found out.

Hhhmm... - you just "looked into it" which implies to me that any joe or susie could "look into it" just like you did...apparently all of this is public information...so maybe you could help me out with who I should contact to verify the following:

"Herb Grimm was never an "employee" he was a construction subcontractor."

I guess that depends on how he was paid - would it be someone in accounting who would verify that? Is that actually public information?

"The story on Bill C only takes a few phone calls to the right officials. 10 or 12 years ago in a town in Southern Illinois Bill was a teacher in upper high school grades or lower college grades (wasn't clear on that) He made the huge mistake of having an affair with a female student. (Not a child or even a young student). Her parents found out and pressed charges."

Yup - that would be public info.

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WOW - that does NOT sound like public information. Whom might I contact to confirm that? Someone in 3ABN management, or on the 3ABN board? Oh - by the way - respectfully, how do YOU know all this???

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Praise the Lord!!!

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I would really like to do just that. But I need your help. Please let me know who might confirm the employee (W-2)/contractor (1099) status of Herb Grimm and who to call to confirm the actions of 3ABN administration.

Best regards to you!!

Snoopy

Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 27 2007, 09:25 PM

Yes, indeed, how do you know these things? I don't think it was published in the T'ville Gazette.

Posted by: ex3ABNemployee Jan 27 2007, 09:34 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 27 2007, 09:25 PM)

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Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 27 2007, 09:50 PM

Bystander, you said that this girl that Bill had the "affair" with wasn't "a child or even a young student. Her parents found out and pressed charges."

In order for them to do this, wouldn't the girl have had to be under 18, a minor, a child, you know -- young? Just checking...

Posted by: Aletheia Jan 27 2007, 10:02 PM

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Hey, WWJD;

Where did you go? I'm waiting for a eresponse.

We also need to keep all this financial stuff up front for the "members in the pews" to read and understand!

You just want this to go away? It won't. It is in legal documents!

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Posted by: erik Jan 27 2007, 10:23 PM

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I did a search of his name and "lawyer"....and it appears that he has worked for 3ABN before...on another case...



Posted by: September Jan 27 2007, 10:28 PM

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QUOTE(erik @ Jan 27 2007, 08:23 PM)

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Erik,
Good question, and maybe a good time to bring this up again.
First of all, you can do a search here at BSDA and find info on him in other threads.
Also, you can do a google search on him as well, and see pictures and probably some nice-ities about him as well. I would encourage you to do some research of our own so you can claim you did this and none of us just spoon fed you information.
Then, there are many here who can also give you added information.
I will tell you he owns a (now sold I believe) a cement company in Minnisota, that brought in mega bucks, which he has given ample to the church (Mission I believe) and also a staunch supporter of Danny (not Linda) and 3abn. He has been allowed "pull" as he has money to withdraw if you don't go along with his preferences in things. Like a lot of people with money who give it away, there are some strings attached. Some not so good strings (power).

Posted by: franklyamazed Jan 27 2007, 10:31 PM

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No, they are not stock holders or anything like that, but they may be suckers - additional victims if you please. A truly Christian organization should not need to hide behind legalistic interpretations to avoid truth or at least obscure it.

Posted by: PrincessDrRe Jan 27 2007, 10:32 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 26 2007, 06:45 PM)

I understand if something happens to the child, but what about as far as the government is concerned. Aren't offenders put on some kind of limitation of being near children? If that's the case, then a company who hires an offender and knows they will be around children must be liable for putting the person and children in that position. Am I reading too much into this? It just seems

there would be some restriction against companies doing this...

Sex offenders are not supposed to work in any area where children are present.



Posted by: sonshineonme Jan 27 2007, 10:34 PM

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I would encourage them to get their money back out (as far as wills/trusts/assets left to 3abn). And for monthly checks, send to HOPE channel. Good ministry!!

Posted by: Aletheia Jan 27 2007, 10:36 PM

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I am very sorry for that, and while that may be true, it doesn't mean that was the case in West frankfort, or that the incident with Mr Dunning did happen as is claimed...

Posted by: ex3ABNemployee Jan 27 2007, 10:38 PM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Jan 27 2007, 10:36 PM)

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Do you believe my statement?

Posted by: lookin4truth Jan 27 2007, 10:41 PM

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Posted by: ex3ABNemployee Jan 27 2007, 10:49 PM

Boy, it's amazing how quiet some people get when asked a direct question.

Brad Dunning's statement revealed details I didn't know about until I read it here. According to

Brad, he was told the EXACT same thing by Tommy that I was about his "medical condition." Brad and I have not talked since he left the Ezra school. If he's lying, that was still a pretty good trick to know the exact wording that was told to me, even though he hadn't asked me about it.

But then again, why deal with the facts?

Posted by: Clay Jan 27 2007, 10:52 PM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Jan 27 2007, 10:22 PM) □

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you have the nerve to suggest that someone is ignorant? While you might have been blessed with a brain, it is clear that it has not been used in some time...the content of your posts is nothing more than hot air looking for a place to escape.... lucky for you that bsda allows everyone to be heard no matter how ludicrous they are, or clueless they might be...

you remain tiresome.... totally...

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you are having difficulty because in the words of my mother, "you don't have the mind of a duck...." Yet you continue to badger people who do have the info..... why are you here again? Oh that's right, you are a Danny apologist.... can't refute the message but maybe you can distract people from it....

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QUOTE(PrincessDrRe @ Jan 27 2007, 11:32 PM) □

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But organizations hire them to work with children anyway. Any info on if they have a right to do that...legally. Since Bystander has already said, 3ABN knew Bill was a sex offender but hired him anyway because it was "only once" and he had repented...

Posted by: Clay Jan 27 2007, 11:04 PM

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this comment proves it... you have not been paying attention... nor have you been seeking the truth.... if you had you would know who he was and what he said... it appears you are without a clue as well as tiresome...

Posted by: sonshineonme Jan 27 2007, 11:05 PM

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Alethia, I have read most of your posts. I think as a person just looking at what you ask, I would like to think you are doing just that - asking. But, some of your replies and comments back are saying more then just "well, I think there should be MORE proof" or "I dont know if I can accept it yet myself with just this amount of info" or maybe say NOTHING? - could be, you will have to WAIT till some boulder drops on your head and you feel the pain and see the rock in your living room for you to remove all doubt of what happend? I am not being sarcastic, but, if you have ever been on a jury (have you?) and you hear from the witnesses and other people who tell of other pieces that help you put a circumstantial situation together (and this is not all circimstantial I might add, there are concrete documents as well) to decide who is lieing and who isn't, you learn that there are many things you have to decide your conclusion on things that you can't see for yourself, but have to trust those giving testimony. We have common sense, brains and senses that come together to help us discern things. Now, this is not a court of law, this is true, but you came here. You choose to read, reply and discuss things. No one is forcing you. If you want to glean all you can, take what you get and wait for the rest to take place if you need more. Keep in mind; no one is going to spend time sitting here telling you of their "witness" or "testimoney" just for the fun of it. There are some SERIOUS issues going on that exist for a reason - and we can't simply say "it's the devil". Maybe I made it too simple. But like I said to you once before, keep it simple. Don't make it more complicated. And if you don't agree, say it once. Or don't say it, but if you are sincerely looking for truth and facts, you either take what you can find here or leave and look somewhere else. What you find here is what you get. You are in a sense chasing your tail.

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
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Posted by: sonshineonme Jan 27 2007, 11:12 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 27 2007, 09:11 PM)


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Posted by: sonshineonme Jan 27 2007, 11:17 PM

QUOTE(husbandoftheyear @ Jan 27 2007, 09:14 PM)

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it'll pass 
nothing shocks me anymore!

Posted by: ex3ABNemployee Jan 27 2007, 11:18 PM

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Posted by: Clay Jan 27 2007, 11:26 PM

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Posted by: husbandoftheyear Jan 27 2007, 11:33 PM

Just to give you a hint, Aletheia, he's the one who posted, "I'm Duane Clem...do you believe my statement?" That was right before you claimed to not have read his statement.

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It's a little SCary if you think about it....

Posted by: ex3ABNemployee Jan 27 2007, 11:39 PM

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Don't count on it Ex. She is really slow, and must have everything explained to her at her level. She is not one to bring anything concrete to the table, if you get my drift. She has trouble remembering

what side she is on. Confused she is.

By the way, Welcome. I wish it were under different circumstances. Tommy Shelton must be stopped. Thank you for helping us clean out the garbage.

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Posted by: roxe Jan 28 2007, 12:34 AM

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and truth was being sought...

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Jan 27 2007, 11:14 PM)

I simply did not **feel**

now i see that it's all about personal **feelings** that must be matched...

unbelievable...

Posted by: awesumtenor Jan 28 2007, 12:51 AM

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Thank you.

Cindy, you have done nothing but try to discredit any and everyone who disagreed with you since you came to this forum and for a long time prior to that in other forae.

When you came here you insisted on 'first hand' knowledge... when given first hand knowledge now you still don't "feel" that is sufficient.

Stop the madness and admit you have no intention of believing anything other than the party line you've bought into... a party line you accepted on far less evidence than has been given you to prove it bogus...and you never have had any such intent.

In His service,
Mr. J

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I don't see what my dates of employment with 3ABN have to do with anything, but if I recall correctly I worked there between 1986 and 1988.

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comment, posted in Damage Control:

QUOTE

Also didn't you tell me Clem's brother had claimed he had "relationship" with Tommy, and was defending Tommy? How old did he claim he was at the time?

Posted by: Ralph Jan 28 2007, 12:57 AM

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Posted by: sonshineonme Jan 28 2007, 01:04 AM

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You are so right. Could this be the real Voltaire wanna be?

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she does have a way with words... emotional words...

she posted that she is an unlicensed nurse: post #63 on

<http://www.blacksda.com/forums/index.php?showtopic=11136&hl=nurse&st=60>

however, maybe she decided that nurses don't make enough money, so didn't bother with the license...

but went to law school and got that license instead... would explain alot...

here, her gender = f... hmmm.... maybe? maybe not?

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Jan 28 2007, 01:50 AM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Jan 27 2007, 09:48 PM)

"may be suckers" and "may not be suckers"....

If what is claimed here is true, then 3ABN is acting criminally, and IF that is proven and they are charged, and found guilty, then those people you talk about will probably see the need to do as you say.

But to warn with evil surmisings, gossip and slander, and unproven accusations? That is not of God.

We are never called to issue those kind of warnings.

Okay Cindy, you've made the charge now I want to see you make a list of what you say are evil surmisings, gossip and slander, and unproven accusations.

Gather your evidence from the many posts here and present it with the appropriate headings, ie. Evil Surmisings

- 1.
 - 2.
- and so on.

If you can't come up with a list, best not be making such a charge unless you follow it with IMO for we all are welcome to post our opinions here.

QUOTE(ex3ABNemployee @ Jan 27 2007, 09:49 PM) □

Boy, it's amazing how quiet some people get when asked a direct question.

Brad Dunning's statement revealed details I didn't know about until I read it here. **According to Brad, he was told the EXACT same thing by Tommy that I was about his "medical condition."** Brad and I have not talked since he left the Ezra school. **If he's lying, that was still a pretty good trick to know the exact wording that was told to me, even though he hadn't asked me about it.**

But then again, why deal with the facts?

Duane, this is so well put. How can anyone with a brain not see that this is truth?

Posted by: Fran Jan 28 2007, 02:25 AM

3ABN Jan 2007 Letter.....

QUOTE(Bystander @ Jan 27 2007, 06:31 PM) □

Bystander: You are constantly talking about generalized legal documents.

Fran: Wrong! The documents are not "general" but "Concrete." The court findings from the IL vs. 3ABN Property Tax Lawsuit and IRS Form 990's are concrete legal documents.

Bystander: Not necessarily 3ABN's documents.

Fran: Are you stating publicly that 3ABN's documents do not match those legal documents? Oop's! That is scary, isn't it!

Bystander: You are extremely misleading when you say "what if you had purchased assets and followed them. " That plants a huge ugly seed in people's mind.

Fran: Well, rest easy. I did purchase some assets! Yep; got receipts too! I even have one Tax Deductible Receipt for one of my my purchases. It states I donated money to 3ABN. It also says I received no goods for that donation ~ I'm sorry, for that purchase. Don't worry; I was smart enough not to claim that tax deduction. I would suggest that you are correct about my comment planting "Hugh Ugly Seeds" in people's minds. Only now they are NOT seeds. They are facts.

Bystander: But, for those "with it" enough to see the venom that drips off of your collection of posts, they will come to this conclusion: That if you had such evidence you would not be sitting on it. You would have hit the door of the 3abn ministry with storm troopers in tow.

Fran: So my "venom is dripping". I really must get a napkin.

Fran: I do not beat people's doors down. I would never enter the 3ABN compound. I would be a nervous wreck watching my back from the true "Venom dripping from management" about Linda.

Fran: People say, "If you jump into a snake pit, you will eventually get bitten."

Fran: By the way, who said I was sitting on anything. I believe in full disclosure. Obviously you are afraid of it. You are the one sitting on information. If you had evidence about Linda, you would have a 3ABN Today, Thursday nights, 2 hour program putting it on display!

Bystander: Again, that shows me, that this was just one of many dishonest scenarios painted by you as if they were fact. Your ifs, ands, and buts, are killers.

Fran: I will try to find time this week end to put some facts from the IL vs. 3ABN Property Tax Lawsuit and some of those silly little notes that drip with venom. That would be your venom, not mine, since 3ABN prepared those telling notes attached to the IRS Form 990's. However, I can't reveal all, since these facts will come forward at a later time. Besides, if you knew what all I had, you would destroy all the evidence and act like you had no idea what had happened.

Bystander: " You say "God put you here to help expose all of the errant ways of the 3ABN financial department", then why aren't you there.

Fran: Please! I was put here to slap 3ABN into shape? Give me a break. That is pitiful. However, God did bring it to my attention in a mighty way. When I saw that Trust Funds were being "forgotten" and were "falling in the cracks," I realized I had to do something about it.

Fran: When I saw that money given to other ministries was posted as 3ABN donations, I became disgusted. I have been screaming ever since! I have been crude, rude and blunt. I have not been politically correct by choice. Those with grace and who can say the "right" words are doing that part. That is not the place for me. Get in my way and I will tell you to move. All that politically correct garbage leaves everyone wondering just what was said. I do not believe you will have a problem understanding my opinions.

Bystander: Being on this little website won't accomplish anything.

Fran: Wrong. It has kept this alive for 3 years! It has withstood all the red herrings and smoke screens coming from your department. Never under estimate the power of God to reveal even more and more. In fact, you should be prepared for it.

Bystander: If you have the credentials to teach their accounting office then go there and do so.

Fran: Is this a personal invite? I have to pass. You cannot teach anything to those who already know it all.

Bystander: For me and many others listening to the credentials of the chief financial officer on the 3ABN live a week ago is enough for me. He worked for years for the Waterhouse investing firm, one of the biggest in the world, as well as several other esteemed financial institutions. By reports from those who know him personally, he is viewed as a wonderful and sincere Christian with the utmost integrity. Those that know him and his family closely say he would never ever do anything dishonest or underhanded in any way.

Fran: Let me see; was that his signature on that fraudulent receipt I received? I will

check and let you know.

Bystander: Now, you start out that the divorce is not what you are about. That Danny or Linda is not what you are about. Then you make a statement that you would not be counted "worthy" to pass Linda's test? Fran, my, my. That statement is so obviously "hero worship" that it should be the definition placed in Webster's dictionary.

Fran: No it is not idol worship. She shines much brighter than I do. That is real. Anyone that could take what she has been dealt is a saint! I'm not that at all. If Danny did that to me, I would be screaming at the top of my lungs and telling everything to anyone who would listen. But that is me. She IS better than me in that sense. She is greater than Danny in that sense too. Every time he opens his mouth to spew his poisonous venom at Linda, all it does it does is slap Danny right in the face!

Bystander: I also noticed in a previous post by you (if I am incorrect just tell me) where you made the statement that Goldie is not here to save them now. Or something to that affect. I assume you meant by "Goldie" that you were referring to the Shelton's mother.

Fran: Yes, I was referring to the Shelton's mother.

Bystander: If so, what did you mean by save them? What authority or power did she hold that she could "save them, or anyone;" just curious.

Fran: Was she a mother? That says it all.

Bystander, maybe to HOTY: I agree with your opinion of what the girl thought later. It has been 10 or 12 years and I am sure she already does. I might disagree about informing the people that work around him for this reason.. it was quite some time ago,

Bystander: I believe he went through counseling as part of his rehabilitation and most of all because this was a one time incident and has never happened again. Just a matter of opinion I guess.

Fran: Are you sure he was "Successfully" treated and it has never happened again?

Bystander: But the release of this info from HOTY was to imply that 3abn is lax in who they hire while I wholeheartedly agree It was good of them to give him a chance.

Fran: I am a mother. He would have had to receive a second chance elsewhere. You know, like where there are no children? I agree that 3ABN has made serious mistakes in their hiring policy. They need a new policy manual with guidance from a professional who gives a crap about kids! 3ABN has proven they don't!

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Posted by: September Jan 28 2007, 08:51 AM

QUOTE(Aletheia @ Jan 27 2007, 11:36 PM)

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Comments like that are why victims are afraid to come forward! I'm afraid that what I described

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Posted by: NormF Jan 28 2007, 09:14 AM

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Why don't you focus on the real issues which are first and for most Tommy either proving these boys wrong, or if he is guilty openly saying yes i have done these evils and Jesus is healing me.

Secondly, if the 3abn books are above board post them here so all can see what is the big serect??

The fastest way to kill lies about anything, is to state the truth and in case the facts that

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http://research.nps.navy.mil/cgi-bin/vita.cgi?p=display_vita&id=1069353065

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With a large number of 3-ABN supporters here, I am waiting to see if any of them will respond. They respond to everything else. Why should they not come on and either agree that 3-ABN ought to give us equal space, or disagree if they will.

Posted by: Fran Jan 28 2007, 02:33 PM

QUOTE(Snoopy @ Jan 28 2007, 02:04 PM)

I believe Dr. Troy resides in California...

I am aware of that fact.

Did she go and examine the trust fund policies and procedures while examining the documents to see if all was done correctly? If she did, I would like to talk to her.

Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Jan 28 2007, 03:17 PM

QUOTE(Observer @ Jan 28 2007, 11:19 AM)

Most of us are aware that this website has given Danny, 3-ABN, and all who defend them full freedom to post whatever they wish here.

O.K.

Now 3-ABN has posted on their website one version of the letter that Harold Lance sent out stating why ASI pulled out. I have stated that Harold's letters contains factual errors. I wonder what the response would be if I were to request that 3-ABN post a response from me in which I detailed the factual errors in that letter!

By the way, as both Bob Pickle, and Gailon Joy are named in that posting, and both also claim it contains what I call errors, does anyone think that 3-ABN would allow their response to be posted?

Can we expect 3-ABN to do for us what we do for them?

Now back to another subject.

Observer,

Did you compare the letter you received to the one posted at the 3ABN website? The wording is different in places.

Posted by: Observer Jan 28 2007, 04:12 PM

QUOTE(Daryl Fawcett @ Jan 28 2007, 02:17 PM)

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Daryl:

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I will give you an example.

In a previous life, I arranged for a friend of mine to give a talk to SDA clergy on religious liberty. He was a clergyperson, a recognized scholar and expert on certain Old Testament books, an attorney who specialized in First Amendment issues (U. S. Constitution), and a one-star general in the U. S. Army.

Following his talk to SDA clergy I decided that I wanted to publish it. I knew that he would not want everything that he said to be sent in print to others. So, I edited and otherwise rewrote it. I then sent my edited document to him requesting permission to publish it. He returned it with further changes, and permission to publish providing I made the additional changes.

I had no problem doing so. The reality is that I was essentially helping him to write an article for publication, which did not have to be the same as what he covered in speaking to SDA clergy.

In the same sense, I do not have a problem with Harold providing 3-ABN with an edited version for them to publish.

That is O. K. also.

Posted by: Daryl Fawcett Jan 28 2007, 06:57 PM

As long as they both are saying the same thing, which it seems they are, I would agree with you.



Posted by: Skyhook Jan 28 2007, 08:40 PM

Johann, I like the title the prominent leader in our church gave D.S. The "self appointed pope." It sounds like it fits. Perhaps we should name him Pope Dan the first. Or better yet just "the SAP" for short.


Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Jan 29 2007, 05:38 PM

QUOTE(eye witness @ Jan 28 2007, 09:12 AM)

Pickle, WHAT HAVE I MISSED HERE? Again, what are the credentials OF THE COMPETENT INVESTIGATOR, GAILON ARTHUR JOY?? How many indictments for embezzlement did he have? Was it 28? Or was it more? Gailon Arthur Joy reminds me of "Inspector Clouseau" the Pink Panther. Who has no conflict of interest? Get real Pickle.

Having watched all of the Pink Panther movies I might just state, for the record, that Inspector Clouseau always gets the bad guys.

Posted by: Richard Sherwin Jan 29 2007, 06:09 PM

Touché! 

QUOTE(PeacefullyBewildered @ Jan 29 2007, 06:38 PM)

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Posted by: Pickle Feb 1 2007, 09:20 AM

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Otherwise, you are in danger of appearing ignorant, unlearned, and/or deceptive.

My apologies if that is too plain, and my apologies in advance if you can point out to me how I misunderstood what you were saying.

By the way, have you ever been indicted or charged for anything, or have you ever been involved in illegal activity?

Posted by: Pickle Feb 1 2007, 09:31 AM

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I do have a problem with it, and I doubt that is what happened. If that is what happened, then Harold Lance has extreme ethical problems.

I spoke with him at 4:38 pm (2:38 pm his time) on Wednesday, January 24, and alerted him to the

fact that he had violated his own confidentiality agreement. I wrote him that night, and he replied at 5 pm on Thursday. I wrote him again by 6:30pm.

For him to polish up his statement and provide it to 3ABN would have been extremely unethical, especially since I had already on Wednesday alerted him to the fact that his document contained serious errors.

Thus I think he likely was not the one who polished it up. I can't imagine him being that blatantly crooked.

Posted by: eye witness Feb 1 2007, 12:22 PM

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You have but a short time and you are working intently to kill, steal and destroy ministries and peoples lives. My friend the Gates of Hell can not prevail against God's church and when Jesus comes it will be the church triumphant. With you or without you.

Choose ye today whom you will serve.

Posted by: Pickle Feb 1 2007, 12:29 PM

eye witness,

In this case I think I will follow Jesus' example.

No comment.

QUOTE(Is. 53:7)

"He was oppressed, and he was afflicted, yet he opened not his mouth: he is brought as a lamb to the slaughter, and as a sheep before her shearers is dumb, so he openeth not his mouth."

Posted by: PeacefullyBewildered Feb 1 2007, 12:38 PM

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I can see Pastor Bob Pickle's fruits right here on this forum when I see victims of abuse coming out of the shadows and into the light. He has worked diligently to open the way for them to begin healing.

I have seen Pastor Tommy Shelton's fruits in the tormented testimonies of the Clem brothers, Brad Dunning and the mother of a victim (who was 8 or 9 when abused).

It is pretty easy to see who is choosing to serve the Lord and who is choosing to serve Satan and Self.

Posted by: eye witness Feb 1 2007, 01:38 PM

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Posted by: Clay Feb 1 2007, 01:41 PM

QUOTE(eye witness @ Feb 1 2007, 01:38 PM) □

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Posted by: eye witness Feb 1 2007, 03:03 PM

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Posted by: Grace Feb 1 2007, 03:14 PM

QUOTE(eye witness @ Feb 1 2007, 08:38 PM)

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For all who confess and repent.

Posted by: watchbird Feb 1 2007, 03:19 PM

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Posted by: eye witness Feb 1 2007, 04:02 PM

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Watchbird who are the victims? And who are you victimizing? Is God's grace only written by your fingers? Repentance who needs to repent besides you and I? Reformation, tell me about reformation, is this not a work of the heart also? Do you know any of these peoples hearts? Tell me now about restitution, what is the depth of restitution and for whom would this resitution ride on? First we must be clear on what was taken and from whom. Tell me Watchbird what would the restitution be? Clearly there is a difference between works and salvation by Grace through Jesus Christ. Works are taking the law and anything that God has given to us and proceeding with any of it "on our own". We can't make the law holy, it already is. We can do nothing in and of ourselves otherwise it is works. Please Watchbird tell me who is it that owns the guilt in this?

Posted by: erik Feb 1 2007, 04:16 PM

QUOTE(eye witness @ Feb 1 2007, 02:02 PM) □

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EW,

So just what are you suggesting be done then, NOTHING????????????????????????????????

i am sorry but that is as they say here a dog that can not hunt period.

erik

Posted by: watchbird Feb 1 2007, 04:23 PM

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What is our part as sinners? To accept Jesus' robe of righteousness.

Can someone, say a pastor for example, who has abused and betrayed young people, accept this saving robe of righteousness while he has not yet approached his victims and asked for their

forgiveness or inquired what can be done to help them heal?

PB

Posted by: watchbird Feb 1 2007, 05:46 PM

QUOTE(erik @ Feb 1 2007, 06:12 PM)

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erik

Well... it is true that he is a preacher, so the tone would fit. But OTOH, the profile says "female", so let's assume that she was being truthful to at least this extent....

Posted by: Pickle Feb 1 2007, 06:02 PM

eye witness,

You have tried to come down hard on people who would like to call sin, all sin, by its right name. And yet you also accused Gailon of embezzling without giving the clarification that he gave, that he got caught on the technicality that if you hold on to an amount of money someone else owes you, in Vermont you can be convicted of embezzlement.

Now wouldn't you say that your accusation was deceptive, just like Danny's is everytime he says it? Or do you have evidence that explains away Gailon's explanation, but like Danny, you are hiding that evidence so no one can see it?

Do you work for Danny?

Why would you call me a pastor? I'm just curious.

Posted by: Green Cochoa Feb 1 2007, 06:16 PM

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Er....whatzat? Ellen White, speaking of the Matthew 18 principle, which most certainly applies to this case, said:

"If thy brother shall trespass against thee, go and tell him his fault between thee and him alone: if he shall hear thee, thou hast gained thy brother" (Matt. 18:15). This is the way in which misunderstandings are to be settled. Speaking alone, and in the spirit of Christ to the one who is in fault, will often remove the difficulty. Show Christlike love for your brother by seeking to adjust the difficulty "between thee and him alone." Talk quietly together. Let no angry words escape your lips. Present the subject in a way that will appeal to his best judgment. And if he will hear you, you have gained him as a friend. {UL 106.2}

Whatever the character of the offense may be, this does not change the plan God has made for the settlement of misunderstandings and personal injuries. Act out the spirit of Christ. Take the recipe God has provided, and carry it to the spiritually diseased [one]. Give him the remedy that will cure the disease of disaffection. Do your part to help him. Feel that it is a duty and privilege to do this, for the sake of the unity and peace of the church, which is very dear to the heart of Christ. He does not want any wound to remain unhealed on any member of His church. All heaven is interested in the interview between the injured member and the one who has been guilty of error. After settling the difficulty, pray together, and angels of God will come to you and bless you. There is music in heaven over this union. {UL 106.3}

As the erring one accepts the testimony borne, and gives evidence of true repentance, the sunshine of heaven fills his heart. Hearts are drawn together. The healing oil of love removes the disease and soreness of the wrong. The Holy Spirit binds heart to heart. {UL 106.4}

Those who have been united in Christian fellowship offer prayer to God, and pledge themselves to deal justly, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with God. If they have wronged others, they continue the **work of repentance, confession, and restitution**; and the disease is healed. They are fully set to do good to one another. This is the fulfilling of the law of Christ. {UL 106.5}

Repentance, confession, and restitution are all required. But these cannot atone for the sin, for God has been wronged in the person of His saints. The Lord Jesus alone is able to atone for sin, by the application of His blood, shed for the guilt of the sinner. His blood cleanses from all sin.--Manuscript 47, April 2, 1902, "Lessons From the Eighteenth of Matthew." {UL 106.6}

Regarding the "works" of repentance, confession, restitution, and reformation there are over a hundred references to these (as works) in her writings. Perhaps the Bible uses the word "fruits" in place of "works" at times. And by their "fruits" we shall know them!

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