Subject: Re: Bulletin Board Posted by william on Sun, 23 Oct 2011 23:06:24 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

james wrote on Sun, 23 October 2011 16:56I sometimes just want to.....Praise The Lord.

Gillyann I wuz trying to (in a not so serious way) say to William and Grandom that maybe they should adjust their additudes...

Adjustment applied!

Quote: btw: I don't think I've heard the egg-shells reference either...must be cause I'm from de south. But believe me, we got plenty of saying that don't make sense either.

Etymology needed because I thought it was a southern phrase... them northerneer's are more of the 'you've-got-to-break-a-few-eggs-to-make-an-omelet' type of folks.

Quote:My convictions about divine healing and health are obviously not shared by everyone(not that I have ALL the answers and see 100% manifestations in this area everytime)...but I'm not a debater by nature, nor do I enjoy arguing.

Convictions and opinions are one thing, I'm interested in finding out God's expressed will in the matter -- that's something we can take to the bank! We might have come close but at this point the issue still seems much too subjective to stamp it a 'Christian doctrine'. Perhaps there isn't a 'one-size-fits-all' answer to the question (Occult or not) but you'd think that if this is something that a Christian Church takes a stand on there would be some clear scriptural evidence to back up the conviction or opinion. A Christian who dabbles in the occult should be subject to excommunication for the offense, to my knowledge this never happened at FA (with the exception that some were ostracized to the point that they had no choice but to excommunicate themselves.)

So far I have not been able to find any evidence in the written material from FA (HEF) where medical science and drugs (with the exception of the mind-altering type -- LSD, etc.) were defined as occult. You'd think there would be a whole chapter devoted to a practice so wide-spread in Christian circles but I can't find anything. I quoted brother Freeman's definition of the occult in one of my notes and nothing in that definition mentioned med-science. That was from a tract dealing with occult oppression and the methods of deliverance but again, nothing was mentioned. There must be a reason for the oversight if it was indeed as important as it became in our circles. Books may contain outdated material -- I understand that -- but a TRACT? A tract can be updated almost immediately and given the importance of the subject an update would be the only responsible thing to do.

This may be because the tract was given as a revelation/prophecy (I think I'm right about that) which, if true, begs the question--Why wasn't this crucial information included?

I'll say it again, I'm not 'approving' medical science but there is a big difference between a lack of faith for healing and seeking healing from an occult source.

Quote:I'm also sure that there are some inconsistencies in my application of my convictions...I run across them from time to time and have tried to seek The Lord for wisdom and direction when I do. It's easy to draw line in the sand; it's much harder to not cross it.(or paint ones self into a corner)

Just take 2 'chill' pills and see how you feel in the morning...

<grin>

Blessings, William

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