

# The Message

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# How to Spot the False Gospel

“Though I or an angel from heaven preach any other gospel, let him be accursed” (Galatians 1:8).



# There Must Be Understanding

When anyone hears the word of the kingdom, and does not understand it, then the wicked one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart (Matthew 13:19).

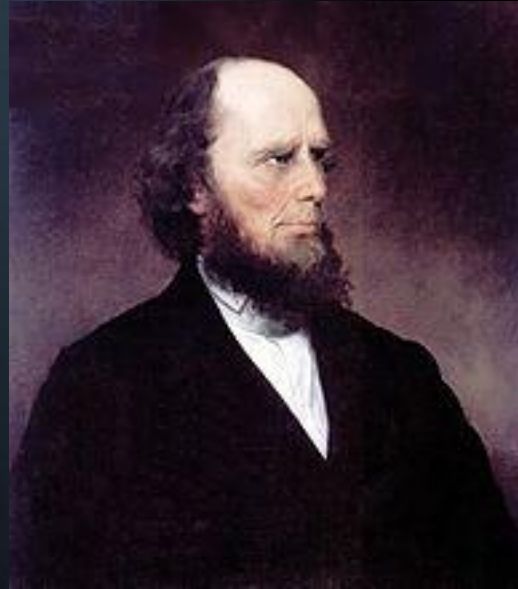


# Decisionism

But he who received seed on the good ground is he who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and produces (Matthew 13:19,23).



# Decisionism Originated from Pelagianism



# Pelagius



**PELAGIUS**

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Or say down Sin Originall, or that  
The Love of God in Man predestinate .*



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1. Sin (Self control)
2. Righteousness
3. Judgment to come.



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**Thirdly**, they must understand what Christ did in making atonement for them.

“The Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all”  
(Isaiah 53:6).



**“Whosoever shall call upon the name of  
the Lord shall be saved”  
(Romans 10:13)**



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