

## G12; An autocratic Church, and the world at its feet?

### ***G12; revealing the reality about the so called Government of Twelve; 3ª part***

Many of us, at the outset, thought that “the evangelical” G12 meant “Group of Twelve”, considering that it was an operational cellular method, helping in the evangelistic task and in the pastoral care of the people in the church... How far we were then of understanding the reality of this issue!

And it's that G12 does not mean “Group of twelve”, which would not in itself have been a great problem; but “**Government** of twelve”, with its resulting implications, which we will see in depth in this article.

When we speak of “government”, then we are handling concepts like authority and power. To whom and where does the Government of 12 direct its authority and power?

#### **I. THE AUTOCRATIC CHURCH?**

Clearly, in first place, G12, or Government of twelve, tries to direct all action of authority and power on the very same Church, through a pyramidal network structure, where hypothetically all the followers of that system will have to be *leaders*, and each one will have to govern a cell of twelve people, as a basic group.

Also each *leader* as well is led (or governed) by his immediate superior; and so on until reaching the cupola (the top of the pyramid) where in the end, only one person is the main leader, or governor of all, in this case, this would be Caesar Castellanos, concerning the men; and his wife Claudia Castellanos, in respect to the women, since G12 is arranged homogenously.

The logical conclusion which we arrived at, warning us of the direction that G12 is taking, is that if model had total acceptance, it would be a structured Church of pyramidal form and absolutely hierarchical, with Caesar Castellanos at the top of it.

Is this the way of procedure that the Lord Jesus chose for His Church? Certainly, no!

And, nevertheless Castellanos insists saying in his book (Translated from “Liderazgo De Éxito A Través De Los Doce” “Successful Leadership through the Government of Twelve”) that “*to implement the model of the twelve (G12), implies to leave the traditional (that is to say, the concept that there has always been of the Christian church), “and to throw itself into conquering a totally different world” (?) (1)*



<< and to throw itself “into conquering” a different world >>

Which will be that “totally different world” that it is going to conquer through implementing the *Vision*, as he calls it? Much later we will understand more about that subject, and we will see that it is an absolutely trivial question.

Castillanos, being elevated as a prophet, says he has received the final model from God to understand how to do church like this, for these last days. A revelation that without doubt is not in the Bible, although he assures us that each apostle of Christ had his twelve, and each one of those, also his twelve.

Although he assures it, he cannot prove it, because it is not certain.

But he insists that his model is the true and genuine one from God, and, therefore, cannot be mixed with other proposals, not even apparently similar ones. He says: *“One mustn’t adopt just a little bit from here, and another little bit from there”* (2). He is talking about the different models, like those of Korea, El Salvador, Honduras, etc. to *“have the perfect model”* (3), because he says that *“this never works”* (4).

#### ***The Vision could have been left for Caesar Castillanos only***

The followers of the *Vision* of Castillanos must have been very grateful to their mentor for being so extremely generous. Castillanos says that God himself gave him the formula for success, as he calls it. And he adds: *<< I could have reserved it exclusively for me >>* (5)... But he says that the Lord encouraged him to be generous and not to keep that “treasure” only to himself (6). Please note the level of such an impressive privilege that Castillanos has from the Providence (Provider)!

#### **Having arrived here, please allow me to establish three points:**

a) - God never would give a revelation like this to a single man, and later say to him: *<<Be generous, do not keep this treasure for yourself, share it with other pastors, share it with the world >>*, as Castillanos testifies in his book that God said to him (7). (In addition, such a commentary offends the intelligence of the reader)

b) - God is no longer going to give a revelation that has not already been given in the Bible.

c) - The Lord spoke to His people through the prophets (O.T.), but now he has spoken to us by the Son, and consequently the Biblical canon is already closed (Hebrews. 1:1, 2)

#### ***At the height of the very Bible***

But having lifted up his G12 model to the level of revelation given by God in exclusive form, Castillanos does not have any other option but to keep on defending his revelation through thick and thin, as true and authentic in its total conception and content; and as far as this, he declares in plain language: *“The model of the twelve (G12) is very jealous (zealous), or it is taken in its totality, or not at all, there is no middle ground”* (8).

By the way, although it is not less important, *“to adopt the Vision”* (as Castillanos calls the issue), necessarily implies to get on his boat, which he himself commands, since only he, is the “deposit taker” of this *celestial Vision*. A priori, this implies on the part of those that adopt the *Vision*, subjecting themselves to Castillanos and the *“spirit of the Vision”*, that has nothing to do with the Holy Spirit. Weigh up the terrible spiritual implications that all this entails.

And it is that Castillanos expresses it in an impressively emphatic form: *“The Lord showed me the so called concept of G12, that is to say, the Government of the twelve”*

Establishing it in this way, Castillanos is putting his *Vision* on the same level as the Bible, which cannot be taken eclectically (eclectic means selecting ideas or beliefs from various sources). Therefore, in this attitude, the *Vision* of the Government of Twelve would have to be the final and unquestionable revelation of God, not only just for Castillanos who says he received it on *“Colombian beaches with his family on vacation”* (9), but for all Christians who appraise. Peculiarly, a similar *Vision* of government of twelve, was also said to have been received by the catholic priest Jose M<sup>a</sup> Escrivá de Balaguer, the founder of Opus Dei, but this time in a more mystical way than that of Castillanos; in the middle of a spiritual trance, according to what he assures in his memoirs.



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However, if according to Castellanos, it were the Lord who showed himself to him, then this would be the last and hidden revelation that God, ignoring his Word, would have for the Church in these last days... Certainly, we cannot believe Castellanos; before that we believe God himself, when His Word says, that nothing can be added nor taken away from it! (AP. 22:18, 19)

**1. By the mouth the fish dies** (Translation of a Spanish expression that means: By his very words, from his own mouth, he is discovered)

In the first place, the concept of "government", as exactly G12 teaches it, is not Biblical. No human being can take the place of Christ on the Earth, nor in the Church; and nevertheless this is G12; government of the church towards the church, as a hierarchic and autocratic mode, appropriate of the church of Rome, in such way, that, perverting the Biblical concept of submission (Ephesians. 5:21), the one who is led is tied, enslaving himself to his leader, and it does not matter in which level of the pyramid both are.

The following has been said by Ken Gott; one of the neo-Pentecostal ministers, better known in the United Kingdom, that, to date, belongs fully and plainly to G12 of Caesar Castellanos, and is a member of his twelve in Europe: (it was said in the G12 conference in London in 2002)

*I am in Pastor César's international team, my wife is with Pastor Claudia, been part of that team for over a year and count it a great privilege and honour, and I do honour him today, and also for giving me the privilege of addressing you also because when I am speaking to you I am well and truly under his authority I want to make it known that I am not under his authority in the vision alone, he is my spiritual father and he is my mentor and any part of my life he is allowed to speak into and frequently does" (10)*

The apostles of Christ, knew that they did not have to exert that type of dominion and control on the disciples, since they had understood from the Lord Jesus, that the Holy Spirit is the one who was going to take His place in that sense, and not one of them (Jn. 14:25, 26); and not even the Holy Spirit, who is God, does those things that Gott mentions.

The apostles did not order the disciples what they should or should not do, nor did they "enter (so deeply) anywhere in their lives". (In the sense that the person becomes controlled by the other one.)

Peter himself taught this: <<*Be shepherds of God's flock that is under your care..... not lording it over those entrusted to you, but being examples to the flock ...*>> (1 Pedro 5:2, 3), and nevertheless Ken Gott, boasts declaring that his leader Caesar Castellanos can enter into any aspect of his life, ... saying that does!

If Gott allows him to do that, he will also do it with his "twelve", and so on. In this way, the Holy Spirit is left out of the whole issue in this "government of twelve". No longer is it God who directs this faction of the Church, but man, and in a dictatorial way.

Later on in his address he says this in front of thousands of listeners: "I don't have the mind set that I had before...If Pastor César said- "Ken & Lois I'm sending you to Miami; God will look after the church, God will raise up somebody else"- I want to tell you I would go. The problem with the western mind set is we say I'll pray about it. (11)

We see here, that for Gott, it is not the Holy Spirit who has to speak to him for example, to go to Miami, but his leader Castellanos. And it is not worth the excuse to say that he obeys the Holy Spirit because he (the Holy Spirit) speaks to him through Castellanos, because then he would be saying (and implying) several things:

1. **The Holy Spirit does not speak to him directly.**
2. **He needs Castellanos so that the Holy Spirit can speak to him through him.**
3. **Castillanos is *infallible* (because he will obey him without questioning )**
4. **Castillanos is the mediator between God and him.**

Certainly it is sad that men who are assumed to be of God say these things. On the other hand, we must always look for guidance in prayer from the Lord for everything, mainly when the subject is important, and this is not "the *western mind*", but Biblical, and never systematically (automatically and without thinking) that which a man orders; not even to suggest, however "holy" he may seem to be.

Ken Gott himself publicly makes an explosive show of faith, this time in the person of Castellanos, thus declaring:

**<<This Vision is the vision of God... I am not ready to adopt this Vision, if I call it G7 or G5. If it is G12 it is G12. If Pastor Caesar Castellanos says that we need 12 for the government, hear me boys! We will get those 12! >> (12)**



There is no questioning of what the leader Castellanos says! What he says, is what has to be done, and that's it.

It seems unbelievable that we can come to such naive nonsense, following man and his word, even more when the word warns us by saying: "Cursed is the one who trusts in man, who depends on flesh for his strength, and whose heart turns away from the Lord." (Jeremiah 17:5) It specifically tells us that the person who follows man as if he were following the Holy Spirit, is under curse!

Be very careful when one comes to believe that God is still giving extra Biblical revelation through supposed prophets, which now in this dispensation don't exist on God's behalf, only in the imagination of the gullible! (See Hebrews 1:1-2)

### ***Easy to enter; Tremendously difficult to get out of***

But this out of order, exaggerated and perverted sense of submission 'takes its toll' on the 'ones being led', once they wake up from the state of 'limbo', realizing the lie and the deception that they were induced into, as they try to get out of it.

A short time ago, a very good friend of mine who is a pastor of a congregation here in Madrid, commented on what had happened to him recently. It turns out that this servant and his congregation had been in communication with another congregation overseas for some years. They received support from them, and apparently everything was a blessing, until that church entered into G12. Having persuaded the pastor of that church of my friend that they also enter into that system, after a moderate time of reflection, having analysed the issue in question, my friend said that he didn't feel that it was from God for his congregation.

The pastor, who believed he was the "Apostle" of the congregation of my friend (My friend has spent a long time, together with his wife and other people who are responsible for looking after the church), started to insist over and over again that he change his opinion, but he didn't achieve it. And to cut a long story, I will say, that my friend, together with the elders of the church, had to make it known, by letter, to the "Apostle" and his leadership team (which they like to call themselves) that they were not going to continue under the "covering", being incompatible with G12. The reply was striking and captivating (dictatorial). This man, the "apostle" responded in this way, among other things, saying:

*<< You have the freedom to ask us to free you (in which case you will need to come and have a meeting with the leadership of the church here). But you don't have the authority to take the church out from under our supervision and leadership >>... Judge for yourselves.*

The conclusion is clear. For this "apostle" and his leaders, the church of my friend was his property. How this reminds me of the feudal proceedings of the middle ages!

It didn't matter here of the fact that my friend, his wife, and all the faithful followers, had been years and years battling in the ministry to lift up the congregation, suffering as people suffer for the Gospel here in Spain. According to the "apostle", my friend had no right to leave his "covering".... These are the consequences of spiritual *authoritarianism*, typical of the Government of 12 (G12)

The same thing happens as in the destructive sects: It's easy to get in, but it is obstinately difficult to get out of.

We understand this: Every man that lets himself be spiritually dominated by another man, is a slave to him, and every man that accepts spiritual dominion from another man, makes him an antichrist.

### **2. An effective system of control and dominion**

Tricia Tillin, theologian and author of a lot of accurate articles about apologetics, writes in this mode about G12:

*"Openly stated to be a discipleship program, G12 is perhaps the ultimate in control. However, the program is presented as the best and perhaps the only way to win the world to Christ." (13)*

That the Government of twelve is a system of control and dominion over its applicants is an absolute reality, visible for all who have eyes to see.

G12, with the motive of producing disciples, in reality teaches that the Lord Jesus established to certain men that they take His place on Earth, and that these (men), successors of the Apostles of Christ, are the Governors of God here today, that they should direct the lives of the Saints, with the objective of establishing the Kingdom on Earth. This (principle / doctrine) is called *Dominionism* (Kingdom Now).

Tricia Tillin carries on saying with respect to this: “

G12's stated vision is that of Jesus in Matthew 28:19-20: "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations. . . ." but as I have said before in this series, the verse is misinterpreted to mean that all "nations" are to be "discipled" or brought under the control of a religious world government headed up by apostles and prophets. (In reality, Jesus sent out his followers to spread the gospel message that would result in individual people from OUT OF all nations ("OF all nations") receiving him and becoming Christians.) (14)

This is the reality, and please, don't be misled (tricked)

### ***Excluding the Holy Spirit***

With all this, the Holy Spirit is in fact excluded, being substituted by the so called “*spirit of the vision*”, which is what the *Vision* implements, which is to say, the government of men of the Church, and through the world Church, through 12; this number expresses perfect government. So, Theocracy, therefore, is only attributable to the one and only Jesus Christ, or to his true substitute – The Holy Spirit, (John 16:7), and which will only be implemented in this world, when our Lord Jesus Christ in his glorious return (2<sup>nd</sup> Coming) will establish HIS KINGDOM (and only his) on this Earth, through Israel, and with His Bride, the Glorified Church - and never before, and in no other way! (Rev 19:11-21) (Rev 20:1-6)

### **II. GOVERNING THE CHURCH, SO AS TO GOVERN THE WORLD**

In second place, the supposed government of the church doesn't just end up there, on itself, but goes much further than that.

In reality, the intention to lift up a hierarchic and autocratic church, with the G12 model, obeys the Romanic and Babylonian intention of governing the whole world, with the excuse and pretext of doing it “for Christ”

G12, doesn't really contemplate the very near Rapture of the Church, the glorious 2<sup>nd</sup> coming of Christ to this world and the establishing of His Kingdom by Himself (Jesus Christ), but however, following the Post-Millennium concept of Origen and Agustin de Hipona, teaches that the hierarchical Church, now under the concept of G12, in spite of the bad way the world is going, is going to improve the world, until it *Christianizes* it, the nations are discipled, and then Christ can come, (and some teach – maybe he will come back, or maybe he won't come back!)

### ***Humanism versus prophetic revelation***

Castellanos here assures this. Firstly, he makes a description of how things are going, saying:

<< We must be conscious of the situation in which our nations live, the world is in upheaval.... humanity finds itself assisting in a horrified way a horrific (dantesque) spectacle characterized by violence, natural disasters, wars, corruption that **makes us believe** that society is ill” (15)

Well, in first place, we are not so blind to simply “suppose that society is going wrong”. The reality around us is evident for all to see.

And he carries on by saying: << *This present restlessness and worry, makes man glimpse at the future in a desperate way, **however, we are in time to give an answer of breath (of fresh air) to all those who doubt a better tomorrow***. (16)

Here we have it: According to Castellanos, and all the Dominionist currents, The Church has been designated by God to make the world change, and that everyone stops “*doubting for a better tomorrow*”. With everything lyrical, utopian and Hollywood-like about this question, Biblically will there be “*a better tomorrow*” before Christ returns in Glory, when this world is with its arms wide open expecting the rise of the Antichrist?

The “*better tomorrow*” will be, for the true Christians of the day, already so very close, when Christ comes (returns) for us (1 Thes 4:13-17), and for the chosen that will stay on the Earth after the Judgment of the Nations (Matthew 25:31-46), the day in which we return with Christ to establish the true Millennium; the devil being tied up for a thousand years (Rev 19:11-21) (Rev 20:1-4)

Meanwhile, the Bible teaches us that there will not be a “*better tomorrow*”. To believe this is to base it on openly humanistic and anti-Biblical positioning.

Nevertheless, for G12, the humanistic concept is premium over prophetic revelation, sustaining that the Church, with G12 as the banner (at the forefront) will achieve bringing in durable justice and peace to this planet. Therefore, it teaches on an exalted Church here and now, that will govern the nations, having previously conquered “for Christ”.

Castellanos clearly teaches this: <<***God wants us to start conquering the nations for him. The Lord is breathing winds of blessing for this world. Winds of political, economic and social change... >>*** (17)

Please, pay attention to what the Bible truly teaches. Emphatically, the Word of God tells us that this world, just as we know it, is going to get worse, and is going to be judged by the same God. (Is 24:1-11) (Amos 5:18-20) – and in a major part of the prophets – Rev 8, 9, 10, 11, 16, 19 etc, etc.) and that the Church will be raptured (taken up to Heaven) at any moment (1 Tim 4:13-18) (1 Cor 15:50-53) (Mat 24:40-44) etc...

It's not certain that “*The Lord is breathing winds of blessing for this world. Winds of political, economic and social change...*” *This is only in the imagination of Castellanos, and in those that are like him; Or perhaps this attractive speech, as well as being political, obeys a more sinister premise....*

We will be very clear, this appealing to a “better tomorrow”, is no more than a smoke curtain on the part of Castellanos, and all the workers of the New World Order, to try to push their own lot, and those outside of their own circles, towards their true intentions, that are in no way Scriptural, but yes, they are very terrifying.

### **1. Conquer the nations?**

Castellanos argues about his vision, that already is not only from the Church, and for the Church, but is also directed towards the world, saying; << ***The conquering of our nations is given through the principle of the twelve and the cell vision >>*** (18)



### *Conquering the nations*

And he dares to say in another place: <<*The principal of the twelve ...is a strategy predominantly Biblical for the Conquering of the entire nations*>> (19)

Has the lord raised up His Church to conquer the whole of the nations? Was this the teaching of Jesus of Nazareth? This dream of the Crusades of the Roman Catholic Church. "Conquer the nations", "Christianise the world", "Disciple the nations", "Dominate the nations for Christ", are all concepts openly Dominionist (Kingdom Now), that G12 handles as it pleases and shamelessly, contrary to the word of God, and that are completely distanced, and contrary to the word of God, from the moment that our Lord Jesus said that His Kingdom wasn't from this world (John 18:36) and that the kingdoms of this world would become kingdoms of our Lord and his Christ, when He himself comes in glory, announcing that very event with the sound of the trumpet of the seventh angel (Rev 11:15) and not before.

Trying to get the church to conquer the nations and "Christianize" them, is the error and stupidity of many, and the illustrious intention of a few to deceive others, trying to lift up in the precise moment the false church of the False Prophet, to give total backing to the Beast Antichrist when he appears (Rev 13)

### *One World G12 Vision*

The objective is clear. The strategy is clear and lethal at the same time. Destroy the Church of Jesus Christ, through lies that appear to be truths, and truths taken out of context, so that they become lies. All of that, fitting in with the devil's nature. The following has been proposed, although it will never be achieved - that Jesus words will never be carried out: "*I will build my Church, and the gates of Hell will not overcome it*" (Mathew 16:18b)

## One World Cellular Vision G 12



The apostle Martín Brenes of G12 in California, says: "*As you can see under our title, there always appears the man that God brought to the world to build one New Vision, the Vision of the Truth*" (referring to Cesar Castellanos)

### *The power of Religion*

One of the strongest religious powers in the world is that of Christianity in all its possible versions.

From there the Ecumenical emphasis about “unity” of all Christians, regardless of doctrinal differences. A Jesuit slogan and action par excellence.

Therefore, what these specialist characters are trying to reach in human behaviour and helping to establish the kingdom of the Antichrist (Rev 13) is to create “the type of Christian that they desire” (23) with the intention of world dominion and control.

We cannot do anything else, but sadly regret and recognise that G12 is a very important part of all this world set-up. The Bible calls *apostasy* this pseudo Christian movement that is capitalizing, not only through G12, but by other currents of false Christian spirituality that are very popular nowadays, including Papal Catholicism (2Thes 2:3)

All this has as a finality the lifting up of the New World Order, the filthy and blasphemed copy, although short lived and sterile in regards to the Messianic Kingdom, which ONLY the King Jesus Christ will establish when he returns in glory, and the glorified Church, with him (Zac 14:5) (Rev 19:11.21) (Rev 20:1-6)

### **Concluding**

In view of all this, we can't do anything other than encourage, and exhort everyone not to be: “infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching, and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into him who is the head, that is, Christ.” (Eph 4:14-15)

Let's return to the Scriptures, just as they have been handed down to us, so that we can be people: “of God, thoroughly equipped for every good work”, and distance ourselves from wrong, which is getting more and more subtle and imperceptible, but no less damaging (2 Tim 3: 14-17)

### **The Lord Jesus is coming soon!**

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#### **Notas:**

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