

Memorandum I: The Sai Era

To: The Rector and Vestry of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Medina, WA

From: [The Rev. David R. Graham](#)

Date: Friday, March 12, 1999

Subject: **Church And The Delivery Of Grace**

When the German pastors signed the oath to Hitler and the Vatican aided the Holocaust and other atrocities -- as they continue to do -- the world saw that the organization of the delivery of Grace which had obtained as the church for over a millennium had come to an end.

Circumstances differ and change and the organization of the delivery of Grace differs and changes with them. Because of different circumstances, we have several religions, to accommodate times and tastes. However, within each religion, the organization of

the delivery of Grace changes as circumstances do, as well.

The means of the delivery of Grace most of us grew up with have been diminishing in effectiveness for 60 or more years. Their soteriological puissance may be compared with a fan that is turned off: the blades slow to a stop gradually, giving the impression the fan is still on when in fact it has been shut off and is merely decelerating to a stop.

With one exception, all activities at St. Thomas are soteriologically infecund, hollow eggs, or in common parlance, bogus. Music is done as well or better -- and certainly more happily -- commercially. Welfare is conducted by government or task-oriented private agencies. Hand-holding is done at our athletic/social clubs. And the preaching and ritual of the church (Word and Sacrament) are expanded to

comprise the ordinary living of life, which is the structure and the substance of Grace.

Worship and service occurring at St. Thomas are soteriologically infecund, habits of nostalgia, a waste of time, money and energy that could be eliminated immediately with immediate improving effects in our community, nation and world.

The one activity at St. Thomas that is soteriologically fecund, delivering Grace, is the day school. Teaching the young is delivering Grace.

Duty is God, Work is Worship. This is our watchword that identifies the organization of the delivery of Grace for hundreds of years forward.

Let the day school have the entire St. Thomas Church property with one proviso: that the present or a

smaller sanctuary be established and maintained by the Vestry as a Prayer Hall for the adherents of all religions.

There is no need for services of worship on any day(s). Indeed, these are bogus unless conducted by a Sage, who would do so only periodically and usually not in public -- nor in any fashion familiar to most. Let the Sanctuary be a Prayer Hall for all humanity and all religions. Let reminders of at least the five great religions be enshrined there along with veneration of humanity's spiritual leadership: Saints, Sages, Great Ones and Avatars.

Do we need a Rector ... or a Bishop? Only if he or she earns their living outside of the Episcopacy. An Episcopal officer living off the laity could not be a guide of souls during this era's organization of the delivery of

Grace. The evidence is staring us
in the face.

Grace is being delivered in the
workaday world: the church is the
world, the world is the church.

Grace is organized accordingly, as
the world's own lineaments.

Nothing is secular, everything is
sacred. There is no free will, only
divine will.

It is time to stand tall. The world
has come of age. Bonhoeffer,
Teilhard and Tillich have been
vindicated in their several ways,
especially Tillich.



Memorandum II: The Sai Era

To: Whom It May Concern

From: [The Rev. David R. Graham](#)

Date: October 4, 1994

Feasts of Sts. Francis of Assisi and Glenn Gould

Subject: **Jesus In India**

Within five years, awareness of this matter is going to overwhelm the church and reduce it to a laughingstock, more than already it is. The church will be defenseless against a charge of massive fraud.

The leadership even won't take the charge seriously. They will seek to regenerate what they regard as their successful track record stone-walling the work of Reimarus in the Eighteenth Century and Schweitzer in this -- never mind the inexorable, steady decline of income and respect that stone-walling engendered.

As the fraud is revealed, the perpetrator will be abandoned. Whereas the work of Reimarus and Schweitzer decoupled the church from culture -- they demonstrated that a commitment to facts was not the guiding principle for the collection and emendation of literature that became known as The New Testament. -- the present work -- to locate Jesus in India -- will decouple religion from the church.

In addition, within 25 years, this work will decouple the church from secular, parochial clergy. Clergy will have to earn a living at a regular occupation (Pauline model) and they will have to be spiritually-oriented -- oppositely of their present "orientation."

This development will profoundly impact existing lines of communication into the laity's purse.

Note that one of the sources of this awakening is Celtic Christianity, represented by [Lindisfarne](#), [Sirius Community](#), [Findhorn](#), [Barbara Thiering](#) and [Margaret Starbird](#).

Another effect of this work will be a church without *kerygma* (preaching). Or, more exactly, a church in process of re-collating and even re-creating its *kerygma*. This means a church without a Mass as we know it. The generations coming along are now and will continue not supporting the church built by this generation and its forebears.

Christianity is repetition of the Name of Jesus, which is a Name of God. This insight is the truth for which the Knights Templar were calumniated. Jesus is for all mankind as they are, not for Christians. The religion he taught and exemplified is universal, non-denominational and utterly self-

evident to whom God chooses to reveal it, and when.



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