

Dear Brother Leon,

Thank you for your letter and suggestion, and especially for its friendly tone, even if the content was a bit decapitating. Now that I have got over it a little, I think I can answer your communication.

All I have ever tried to do has been to serve the Lord in the way I recognize as His will for me. Over the last years, the Lord has taught me not to trust anyone but Him and His Truth because even leaders make mistakes and can go wrong, being as imperfect as anybody else. And should they go wrong, I am not to follow them, but stick to the Lord and His Truth as I see it, not as I am told to see by others. Before that, say until five years ago, I had had more trust in the leaders of God's people, believing they were wholly devoted to God's cause, and the truth and its real arrangements were their only guiding lights. I had learnt that based mainly on the teachings and lives of the star members and Bro. Jolly. Unfortunately, the more recent leaders do not fit into this old pattern.

Starting from my protest (based on what Brother Johnson says in E 4, 280, top of the page) against open clericalism in Poland five years ago, in 2009, tons of misrepresentations have been heaped upon me by the leaders of our movement, including Bro. Ralph, who by email and letter brought a number of general accusations against me, never mentioning any specific ones and never asking me to explain any of them. Just wounding me and then leaving me to bleed, even though I begged him for details offering to explain any charges against me brought to his attention. All my questions, requests and begging went unanswered. He wouldn't hear what I had to say on my living in unchastity, alcoholic problem, trying to lead the young people away from the Movement, publishing E volumes on my own without Bro. Woznicki's knowledge, etc. It was only last year that I understood that he had been manipulated and directed by three brethren, whom he trusted so much that he took their word for facts without checking on things. I learnt about it through his own mistake, when in the letter prohibiting me to teach contrary to Janusz Puzdrowski on justification, he printed one page too many, put it in an envelope, and sent the letter on to me by snail mail. Big questions on my mind were then as follows: "How can the leader of God's people do such things? Can he be manipulated by others in fulfilling the duties of his office? Can he support error and prohibit a brother to defend the Truth?"

I'm sorry about what I am going to write now, but I think that's the right time to do so, it being a heavy burden on my mind and heart for more than a year now. Please do not take it as criticism, but as my personal dilemmas, which I am trying to sort out to the best of my ability, ones that have made me what I am today. You will remember that when J. Puzdrowski started to preach his error on justification here in Poland, in May 2012, and then in the US the same year, and when you sent me some considerations on the present situation containing eleven points, one of which was the same as his error (I mean point No 5: "*Since 1954 tentative justification has been granted to the Epiphany Camp for building up the Camp, only for those who go on to full Consecration.*"), I asked you how can this be, showing it was in line with what J. Puzdrowski had been teaching, but out of harmony with our Truth literature. What you did then was to defend his position in a few emails to me by sending me numerous paragraphs from the PT allegedly teaching the same thing. When after reading the paragraphs I couldn't find any support for this understanding and asked you to underline the sentences teaching so, you wrote me a less friendly letter asking me how it was possible that so many quotations from the PT and two pilgrim talks (J. Puzdrowski had delivered only two of them by then, the other two coming in May 2013) still had not convinced me of the Truth on justification. I had no other choice but to stop writing to you about it, but another set of questions started to sound in my mind: "Why is

the Bible House defending an errorist? Why was there no reaction from any US brethren when J. Puzdrowski presented his error from the convention podium there? Why did the chairman of that convention close J. Puzdrowski's talk by saying "Yes, brethren, all this is in our books and our magazines?"

Then came May 2013, another convention in Poznan, and the same J. Puzdrowski on the program with his error, both in doctrine and his unchristian spirit, in another two talks, one more time entirely devoted to sifting the brethren with his anti-ransom teachings. Two weeks later I had a pilgrim service at Lodz, one of the biggest classes in Poland. My dilemma was: "What should I do now, as a pilgrim entrusted by the Lord with the Parousia and Epiphany Truth? Anti-ransom teachings are being freely presented at Epiphany conventions and the Bible House won't stop it. What's more, for some reason they defend it. Shall I resign from the office of the aux. pilgrim and leave the Movement corrupted by such serious error? Brother Johnson wrote we should not give up ourselves but defend the Truth until we are kicked out. If that happens, we can be sure it is the Lord's will for us."

I decided to follow the star member's advice, prepared a talk on justification along the lines of the error presented, and gave it at Lodz, well knowing the brethren record pilgrim talks, and then put it online for anyone to listen to, especially when they deal with topical issues. Also, immediately on returning from Lodz, I translated the talk into English and sent it to you, Brother Leon, expecting – based on our previous correspondence – an official letter removing me from the pilgrim office as a sifter. I was prepared for that and was sure I would get such a letter. For some reason, I didn't, and when Brother Dan came to Poland in July, he started to defend the old Truth, which inspired a new hope in many of us.

But even Brother Dan left a problem in my mind. I had given him the letter from Bro. Ralph prohibiting me to preach against J. Puzdrowski's error. In one of the emails we exchanged later on, he explained the prohibition from the letter as being the result of my not having been asked to defend the Truth. It's obvious the letter was not inspired by the Lord and was wrong in every way, if only because it had been drafted by others, given to be signed to Bro. Ralph, and then sent to me as an official letter from the leader of God's people, whereas actually it was coming from three power graspers then busy with undermining the ransom and scheming to take over the leadership of the movement globally! My dilemma: "Do I need to be asked to defend the Truth first? Isn't it my duty before the Lord? Can I ever be asked to defend the Truth by those who say the Truth is different from what I see it to be?"

And now your charge against me from the last email: "I have a tendency to work in the Lord's time; waiting for Him to give the direction of removing or punishing a Brother, letting the judgment call to be his. In difference to that you tend to hurry that time and move forward on your time."

You say we are different in respect of waiting for the Lord, with you waiting for Him and only acting when He shows the direction, and me hurrying and moving forward on my time. Maybe you are right, maybe not. How can you be sure that whatever you do, or not do, is of the Lord? I cannot say that of myself. All I can say is I am trying to do my best in deciphering the Lord's will for me, especially in the face of problems like the ones we are having to deal with right now. I don't want to run ahead of the Lord, and I'm sure He knows it. If ever I do, it's not because I want to. It's my mistake, born out of zeal for the Truth, and not out of desire to teach the Lord, become a leader or great teacher, and get power over the brethren. Whenever I realize I have done anything like that, I'm ready to repent and ask forgiveness. I don't defend my mistakes, and I welcome any specific suggestions as to where I have gone wrong.

Your suggestion for me not to make my discourses available online must be connected with my last talk, "The Sifting against the Ransom". I knew some would raise hue and cry against it, and that's why I translated it for you and sent it along two days after delivering it at my local class. All I did in the talk was to take Brothers Russell's and Johnson's comments with regard to the first sifting, type and antitype, and show how perfectly they fit in with what we have been (and still are) seeing recently. It just couldn't have been accidental or insignificant in the Lord's dealings with His people now, but must have served as a test, probably for the Youthful Worthy class, about to complete their earthly course. I would be grateful for any comments about what is wrong in what I said.

As to my talks online, I have this to say. It's not possible to control it completely, as anyone can record anything on their mobile from their seat in the audience and then put it online, which is a common practice in Poland, and has been one for years now. I can control it only partially, only those talks which I put in my dropbox, where I store my audio files. However, my last talk on the Sifting against the Ransom appeared on facebook before I had put in my dropbox, so you see how unmanageable this could be. I think you don't mean every talk I give, anyway, but only the more controversial ones, of which there have been a few over the last years, it being the result of the rough times we are going through and the need for such subjects, as I see it, of course, but whose conscience should I listen to? I must say what deep down I feel the Lord wants me to say, and I can't make it any other way! If not that, I will say nothing.

All I can propose is that before I put any controversial discourse in my dropbox, I can send it to you for evaluation. If you say it's not suitable for the brethren at large, I will not put it in the dropbox, which, however, does not mean it will not find its way online from other sources, over which I have no control whatsoever.

That's all I can say in this situation. I am deeply sorry for having to mention some bitter facts, which I keep to myself and try to cope with on my own, which has been tearing me apart for months now, leading to some mental tension. I don't share those things with the brethren at large, but I feel I have had to describe them to you here, seeing you suggested I keep my talks away from the brethren in general. I will continue thinking about it trying to understand the Lord's will in this matter because, as I have said above, I cannot rely on what another human being tells me. It's my own conscience regulated by the Lord's Word as I understand it at any given time of my life that I try to heed. I think it's a safe rule to follow.

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