Holy Hip Hop Exposed!

These six [things] doth the LORD hate: yea, seven [are] an abomination unto him:
A proud look,....(Proverb 6:16-17)

According to the Word of God the Christian hip hop movement is an enemy to God. It appears on the surface to most believers to be a movement endorsed by God, but the scriptures say otherwise. There has been a recent push lately to bridge the gap between the world and Christianity; the holy hip hop movement is aiding in that heresy. This hip hop movement is just another avenue of approach for the devil.

Can you show me in the New Testament where our individual ministry is supposed to be appealing to the world? Can you show me where our personal ministry is to be anything other than sharing the plan of salvation? No, you cannot; go to the websites of these groups and show me how to be saved. If they are trying to do God’s work wouldn’t they at least outline the plan of salvation on their websites or in at least some of their songs? Even one????? But you say they get thousands to come to Christ at their concerts right... I am here to tell you that it cannot be the Christ of the Bible that they are coming to. The Christ of the Bible does not endorse Christians appealing to the world in Jesus' Holy name. "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them." -Ephesians 5:11

The movement

One of the organizations that is leading the battle for supremacy in trying to bridge the gap between the world of secular hip hop to the fake world of so called Christian hip hop is Crossover church based in Tampa
Bay Florida headed by Pastor Tommy Kyllonen aka Urban D. Read the following excerpt from crossoverchurch.org/usatoday/usatoday.html

Says Kyllonen: "It's all about the word of God delivered in an honest, postmodern way. ... We're non-denominational, but we're not lone rangers doing some crazy theological thing."

After inquiries from around the country, Kyllonen six years ago created an annual conference at Crossover to spread techniques for running a multimedia church with biblical integrity and a hip-hop flavor. This year's event drew 250 performers, pastors, youth ministers and more from Japan to Barcelona to Omaha.

Hip-hop's outsize volume and in-your-face imagery are "unavoidable" today, Bruno told one of the workshops. "We're not looking to rule all churches, but we will be a major part of the next generation. We want what the whole church wants — to be rescued and redeemed." (emphasis added)

"Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." (James 4:4) Hip hop is of the world. Crossover church is now airing ads on MTV and BET for their church services! These are two of the most demonic Networks on basic cable television. Would they allow me to run an ad that says Jesus Christ is the only way to heaven? No! Listen to what Peter said: "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation." (1 Peter 1:15) You can't turn something worldly like hip hop into something holy like Peter is talking about. Ephesians 5:19 reads, "Speaking to yourselves in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and MAKING melody in your heart to the Lord."

Pastor Tommy gives sermons dressed like a gang banging thug thus teaching a lost generation of young people that they can have Christ without rejecting their identity of this sick world. They have street break dancers and hip hop music playing while tossing out the hymnal books according to their website. To their credit on crossover church's website they do say that Jesus Christ is the only way to heaven in the "about us" section of the churches website. But according to Tommy, his
goal is other than that- "My calling is to reach unchurched youth," says Kyllonen. Do we want to reach the unchurched according to God’s Word? Or do we want to warn people about hell and share the plan of salvation with them? What will they do to the unchurched? Make them churched? What does that mean? Well I guess it means religion and that is what they claim to be against.

I am sure that Judas said the same things to people when he was with the disciples. When Jesus told the disciples that one among them was a traitor they looked at each other trying to figure out who it could be. Also do not forget that the devil can appear as an angel of light which means obviously talk is cheap. Although, I will say if anyone has been saved at this church then praise God for those souls but do not claim to be biblical because you are not!

This movement has been pushing forward for many years now but has accelerated in recent months. Mostly because of the increase in ecumenical movements such as Rick Warren’s “Purpose Driven” church heresy and many other organizations that are now funding this music. Look friend, do you think MTV and BET are of the Lord? Of course not! Would they have allowed John the Baptist to have a commercial on their networks? Not a chance in hell and you know it. This movement is so much more than this church, in fact it encompasses quite a number of so called Christian rap groups that tour the country with secular groups and play on almost every Christian television network. Teens are being misled by the masses because many churches endorse these artists which is a shame from hell.

As I said, this article is not about crossover church but rather the so called "holy hip hop movement" befriending the world and leading the body of Christ towards ecumenicalism. ...whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." (James 4:4) Check out this information from pastors.com (referring to Tommy Kyllonen) His Tampa Bay Devil Rays hat sits backwards on his head. With a big medallion around his neck, a black shirt, and gray sports coat, Pastor Tommy Kyllonen (a.k.a. Urban D.) looks more like a hip-hop DJ than the urban pastor he is. He stands behind a pulpit that looks like a large spray can – an ideal prop to reach a demographic well acquainted with graffiti.
Nelly: Do a search on this artists songs and MTV videos if you are not familiar with rap music. If you are a Christian you need to wake up to stuff like this. You can not have it both ways my friend. It's either the Lords way or the highway; and you know where that highway leads to. Make no mistake the holy hip hop crowd, Christian Rock crowd, and other CCM camps are in violation of Gods word by befriending the world. This music appeals to the flesh the same way secular music does. According to Tommy Kylonen, this style is what he wants people to retain if that's where they feel comfortable. . . . Where is Christ? Now if you listen to the music, yes you will notice a difference in lyrics but the music is the same garbage that the world loves. You can't sing these melodies in your heart because they are not yours, in other words you did not create the melody in your heart to honor and worship the Lord. I dare you to say that you would take the Lord Jesus Christ, the Creator of the Universe, Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Author and Finisher of our faith, to one of these concerts or to a hip hop church service?