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All over the world, most denominations still have in effect the Old Testament priest-system. This also includes the religious ‘pastor system’, which is just a rewording of the title ‘priest’, operating under the same religious, old covenant, hierarchy format as the priest-system.

The priest (and pastor) systems are obsolete. They never should have continued on, after Jesus’ resurrection.

“In speaking of a new covenant, he makes the first one obsolete. And what is becoming obsolete and growing old is ready to vanish away.” Hebrews 8:13

The brethren no longer need priests (or pastors) to have access to God. Jesus is now our High Priest alone.

“Therefore, brethren, having boldness to enter the Holiest by the blood of Jesus, by a new and living way which He consecrated for us, through the veil, that is, His flesh, and having a High Priest over the house of God,” Hebrews 10:19-21

We now live under a better covenant.

“by so much more Jesus has become a surety of a better covenant.” Hebrews 7:22

The priest-system held us captive. We operate with the Holy Spirit now, not under priests.

“But now we are released from the law, having died to that which held us captive, so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit and not in the old way of the written code.” Romans 7:6

Every Christian is a priest of God, not some ‘special’, man-appointed person.

“But you are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.” 1 Peter 2:9

Each of us is a living saint ([Ephesians 6:12](#)). A saint is not an appointment by a religious system, after someone has died. Another, false doctrine, created by the priest-system.

These current-day, old covenant priests, also insist on being called ‘father’. Another violation of God’s Word.

“Do not call anyone on earth your father; for One is your Father, He who is in heaven.” Matthew 23:9

The priest-systems are based upon their man-made doctrines, their hierarchies, their misplaced worship... these repugnant, religious, “[things of the flesh](#)”.

“For those who live according to the flesh set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those who live according to the Spirit, the things of the Spirit. For to be carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace. Because the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be. So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God.” Romans 8:5-8

Priests and pastors are not our heads. God says, “But I want you to know that the head of every man is Christ” 1 Corinthians 11:3.

“as also Christ is head of the church” Ephesians 5:23

What does God say that we are to do with those who oppose His Gospel?

“Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple.” Romans 16:17-18

Entire religious structures were birthed from ‘pastors’ being mentioned just once in the New Testament ([Ephesians 4:11](#)), after apostles, prophets and evangelists. The mature in Christ’s function, is to equip and serve the spiritual babes in Christ, to help them grow and mature into spiritual adults. Into their destinies with God.

“But Jesus called them to Himself and said, “You know that the rulers of the Gentiles lord it over them, and those who are great exercise authority over them. Yet it shall not be so among you; but

whoever desires to become great among you, let him be your servant. And whoever desires to be first among you, let him be your slave—just as the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.” Matthew 20:25-28

Anything else, is false.

Any priest/pastor-systems that are in operation in the world today, are in direct contradiction to God's Word.

Avoid them. Find true mentors. Follow God. Discover your destiny with Father, under Jesus, through the Holy Spirit!

Good Hunting!