

## JOHN WEMBER AND HIS FALSE DOCTRINES

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In June 1991, the Albert Hall was filled. The theme for the evening was London for Jesus – Together We Stand.

It was organised by Gerald Coates and Sandy Miller and their special guest was John Wember, known as one of the Kansas City Prophets who have their own brand of theology.

Sandy Miller comes from Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, a church that has embraced Wember's teaching. The other organisers are from the Vineyard Fellowship, a charismatic group who had held a four day conference entitled Church Leadership in the Decade for Those involved in Christian Fellowship.

As you entered the auditorium you were met with a cacophony of amplified sound which threatened to deafen you for life. The stage was lined with microphones, amplifiers, keyboards, drums, guitars, coloured lights and what appeared to be miles of cable. The mighty organ was locked.

Dress was casual and sometimes very scruffy.

The so-called worship leader said, "Holy Spirit, you are welcome in this place".

The Bible tells us to pray to God the Father and that the Holy Spirit is to lead worship not a mere man or woman.

Choruses or jingles were sung in an excessive repetitive almost hypnotic fashion. Amazing Grace had an upbeat rock rhythm and did not sound as it was written. The noise was too much. There was an enthusiasm which was out of control, there was swaying, jumping up and down, lifted hands and a sort of dancing. At the end of each song sung umpteen times, there were bursts of applause, cheers and whistles. It was wild and manic.

Sandy Miller said that the evening and its content was 'God's idea'. How insulting to God. Roger Forster of Icthus was interviewed plugging the March for Jesus and Challenge 2000.

Then during some of the singing, some were chanting the Name of Jesus and shouting Praise the Lord or Alleluia. Some girls who were dressed as tarts and chewing gum and filing their nails were chanting Jesus, Jesus, Jesus.

One speaker said, "It ain't 'alf great bein' in God's gang!".

Lynn Green spoke in true charismatic form and said, "We want to take over every church!".

John Wember rambled for a long while and spoke of four things. He said, "We can do anything Jesus did!".

Utter nonsense. We cannot die on the Cross to save people from their sins!

Wember said, "In the future we shall do things greater than anything Jesus did!".

Wait for it! He then said that he was a special disciple and chosen by God to bring in the New Reformation.

He said, "Every Tom, Dick or Harry can learn to do the works of Jesus!".

He then listed miracles he had successfully performed. He had cured the deaf (he would have many new applicants after this night), restored sight to the blind and lengthened bones. He referred to his healing clinic.

The meeting then went back to the musicians.

At the end of the meeting, a leader announced that the bar was now open. The Albert Hall later said that they had made a very handsome profit from the takings for alcohol that night!

On leaving the Hall, some young people said, "This was almost as good as a pop concert!".

I walked through Hyde Park. A young couple who were not married to each other and who had been on the stage talking about how they had found the Lord and were saved were on the ground in the Park naked from the waist down and having sexual intercourse!

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