

A close-up portrait of Ann Coulter with long blonde hair, looking directly at the camera with a neutral expression. She is wearing a gold hoop earring and a necklace with small cross pendants. The background is plain white.

# **DARKNESS**

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*“For Satan himself masquerades as  
an angel of light.”*

*– 1 Corinthians 11:14*



A close-up portrait of Ann Coulter with long, wavy blonde hair, looking directly at the camera with a serious expression. She is wearing a black top, a gold chain necklace with a circular pendant, and a gold earring with three pearls. The background is dark and out of focus.

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## Preface – Knowing Ann

In 1997, I watched Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas give a speech televised on C-Span. During his speech, I erupted with these words spoken aloud, “*God*, I love that man.” He had proven to me before, he proved to me then, and he has proven to me since then that *he is a person of honor and integrity*.

Similarly, on July 27, 1997, Ann Coulter’s appearance on MSNBC triggered a belief that, like Thomas, Coulter was a person of honor and integrity.

Again, I burst out with these words spoken aloud, “*God*, I love that woman.”

For over two decades, Coulter has proven to me that she is not “a person of honor and integrity.”

Five weeks ago, on June 20, 2021, a confluence of experience and observations coalesced to prompt a shocking realization that Coulter is not a Christian (although I had harbored those suspicions for decades). (It was then – five weeks ago – that I began writing *this* book.)

It is painful to say what is clear: [Ann Coulter is not – and never has been – a Christian.](#)

What brought about this paradigm shift in my thinking? For months, I have been listening to an 83-part series by Pastor Alistair Begg on the book of Ephesians and I had just read Lucas Miles’ must-read book, *The Christian Left*, which addresses the non-biblical and anti-scriptural beliefs and worldview of many on the Left (and some on the Right) who claim to be Christians but have not truly been born again and who do *not* understand the Gospel of Christ.

Begg’s exegesis of the apostle Paul’s letter to the believers at Ephesus highlights the stark demarcation between believers and non-believers, between the children of Darkness and the children of Light, between those who are *part of* the world and those who have been *transformed* into the kingdom of Light.

Before conversion (being born again), every Christian, like every other human being, was Dark. After becoming part of the body of Christ, living “in Christ,” we have become Light. We are, therefore, to let our lights shine before mankind to the glory of God (Mt. 5:14-16), giving others hope for a better present and an eternal future in paradise.

Ann is not Light; she is Dark. Darkness pervades her tweets, her books, and her being. The fruit of the Spirit is *utterly lacking* in her life. The almost 60-year-old Ann Coulter is physically and *spiritually barren*. Moreover, on the crucial essentials of the Christian faith – repentance, a forgiving spirit, and walking with Jesus – Coulter’s grade is a bigly F.

Clarence Thomas and Ann Coulter are *polar opposites*, yet, *I still love them both*.

Indeed, about two decades ago, I first feared that Ann was not a Christian and that she might be one of those whom Scripture describes as “objects of his wrath – prepared for destruction” (Rom 9:22). (See Rom. 9:14-25 for context.)

Therefore, on three different occasions, I pleaded with God to spare Ann’s eternal soul, even offering my own in exchange for hers ([as Moses did with the Israelites](#)). I knew then and I know now that only Jesus saves, but I was willing to exercise *Jesus’ sacrificial love on Ann’s behalf*, and He knew the depths of my heart and my sincerity.

Ever since, my prayers have been for God's intervention in her life, that He remove the scales from her eyes, soften her heart, and draw her to repentance and into an eternal relationship with Him.

There are many people I would take a bullet for. Ann remains one of them.

## CHAPTER 1: Before I Knew Ann Coulter

**“for her resolute covenant with liberty and truth, her passionate defense of the weak and voiceless, and her principled moral conservatism.”** – Alamo Award presented to Ann Coulter on 7/31/97

I first became aware of Ann Coulter’s existence when I stumbled upon her as a contributor on MSNBC in early August, 1996. In her roundtable debate with fellow contributors (yes, they literally sat at a round table), Ann fervently, passionately defended liberty and opposed the surveillance state. Ann was sharp, quick, incisive, and spoke with conviction and clarity, adroitly rebutting arguments made against her viewpoint.

In time, as I watched her appearances on MSNBC and other talk shows, she vigorously presented a Christian conservative worldview and addressed politics, culture, and morality from a biblical perspective.

I was particularly struck by her ferocious advocacy for the pro-life movement – from abortion to euthanasia. At one point, she said that she could inject a pro-life position into *any* argument she was making about *anything*.

Coulter said:

“I’m pro-life, because I think it *is* a *human*, so yeah, I think the fetus can be protected. But even for the pro-choicers it seems to me there’s an argument here and I think it’s a little incoherent position to begin with but it seems to me the position is, if the woman *wants* to carry the baby to turn *then* we’ll treat it like a baby. ... So, if what makes the fetus a *life* – and this isn’t *my* position but it *seems* to be the position of a lot of pro-choicers – is the *intent* of the woman to *carry* the baby to term, then in *these* cases they *were* carrying the baby to *term* but giving it *brain* damage by smoking *cocaine*.”<sup>1</sup>

“It really is *amazing* – the *only* thing liberals are for choice on is *aborting* your *baby*. You’re *not* for choice in *what* your children can be taught in school; you’re *not* for choice in *what* *school* your child can go to. The *one time* you believe in freedom it’s for *aborting* a *fetus*.”<sup>2</sup>

“David Kessler – most dangerous man in America, of the FDA – has *now* ruled that an *unconscious* [person] or a patient *unwilling* or *unable* to give consent ... and if you can’t find a person’s *relative*, you go right ahead and just start *experimenting*. ... I do think it’s *alarming* that we have all these right-to-die initiatives, *euthanasia* movement, and *now* permitting medical experimentation on people without their *consent*. You can really judge a *society* by how it *treats* the *weak* and the *voiceless*. And I think this is a *huge* story and a *frightening* start down a *nasty* road.”<sup>3</sup>

Defending the weak and the voiceless was a prominent theme during Coulter’s appearances on MSNBC.

Coulter was similarly adamant about adultery, promiscuity, and divorce.

In Coulter’s words:

“To be absolutely *punctilious* about the Bible description of *divorce*, it is *considered* adultery because the ‘one and only’ is your one and only. So, you may go through our little civil procedures but your second wife would be considered – I guess divorce would be



better than adultery as long as you don't re-marry because the marriage would *technically* be considered adultery.”<sup>4</sup>

“Well, I have to say, I'm all against *extortion* but I'm all for outing *adulterers*, whether it's some Hollywood *starlet* telling on a politician. I *love* that. Oh, yeah, I *love* that. It's like having all these *Bernie Goetz*s of *adultery* out there. They're *preventing* people from committing *adultery* for fear of being *exposed*.”<sup>5</sup>

“I think *adultery* is worse than *cross-dressing*, certainly.”<sup>6</sup>

In addressing the Circle of Friends, part of a grove celebrating AIDS victims, Coulter turned the conversation to God and America's Christian heritage:

“You were asking, ‘Why is this a *grove* rather than a *traditional* monument to the *woman*?’ before, and one thing that *struck* me when you said that is there *aren't* monuments for people who *died* of lung *cancer* or drunk *driving* or something [else], and that *monuments* like the *Lincoln* memorial and *Jefferson* Memorial are *quite* different from this, and that is, it is **suffused** with the idea of **God** and our **Maker**, and that's just really completely *absent* here. And when she was saying ‘Well, *Nature*’ – *Nature* seems *completely* inapposite to this. I mean, it's *nature* that *did* this to them. If anything, it *oughta* be *God* with *forgiveness* and *hope*.”<sup>7</sup>

Coulter frequently extolled the importance of character and its relationship to liberty and God.

In Coulter's words:

“That is the whole *purpose* of having *standards* and *religion* and *character*. You don't just set the bar up until you're tempted to violate it. It's like the Oscar Wilde line – ‘I can resist anything but temptation.’ ... I think that's why this country has been *able* to have unprecedented *freedoms* that other countries have never even *seen*, because we have always had a private moral *structure*. Unfettered freedom is *not* such a great thing if people *don't* have character.”<sup>8</sup>

“I just *can't* really see how you can teach *values* separate from *God*. ... [A proponent of character education] said ‘It's hard to argue with the concept of mutual *respect*.’ Well, excuse me, but all of *world history* shows how *easy* it is to argue with the concept of mutual respect. And people *forget*, we're now living off of the moral *capital* of the *last* two centuries of this country. It was really an incredibly novel *concept* this idea that our *Creator* endowed us with inalienable *rights*. *That's* what mutual respect comes from. That's what so much of our *common*, what we *assume* to be this *common* character *attribute* comes from. And to just have it *disembodied* from a *belief* in a higher being, why *should* a kid behave? Yes, it's good for a society for people to behave honestly and fairly, but it's not necessarily good for that *kid*. Why shouldn't he say ‘I want to be king; you're my slave?’”<sup>9</sup>

“That's the whole argument for there not being a *king*, because no one's *born* with more *rights* than someone else. We all have these inalienable rights that *come* from the Creator and we're all used to *assuming* all of this and *assuming* that that is what's wrong with *slavery* but it never *occurs* to us, unless you look at these *incredibly sick* practices in various countries in *Africa* where they sell *young virgins*, not sell but give them to *priests* to make up for rapes or crimes of their ancestors.”<sup>10</sup>

“I’m talking about the *Creator*. I’m talking about *our* religion, this country’s *founding* religion, not *voodoo*.”<sup>11</sup>

Coulter, who has strong Catholic familial roots and also ancestral roots going back to the Puritans, is a Presbyterian. Coulter defended the Catholic Church thusly:

“[Individually] you’re supposed to look and see, what you think, *how* you should live your life under Christ. But one of these *decisions* is, *do* you accept the Catholic Church or *don’t* you.”<sup>12</sup>

“When churches just abandon the Ten Commandments and go into *social* policy, not to mention, *that* is something that’s sort of – I’m not a *Catholic* – but, it’s something that’s *admirable* about the Catholic church. Modernity marches *forward*, and, fortunately, it hasn’t marched so far as to start saying, you know, ‘*Stealing* is OK.’ But for other things, people are always criticizing the Catholic Church for not *bending* but, that makes it seem a little *more* like a church. If it’s *true*, it’s *true*, and it’s not just some *consciousness*-raising *rap session*.”<sup>13</sup>

“The American *Bishops* are always getting into trouble when *they* try to get into *social* policy. What the *Church* is supposed to *tell* you – or *Religion* is supposed to tell you – is how to *behave* in *your particular life*, not to be coming up with *grand economic schemes*. That isn’t what you *turn* to a church to *tell* you about. There’s no reason to think that they have any particular *expertise* on that.”<sup>14</sup>

“I don’t think this is part of *Catholicism itself*, it’s part of a Catholic *school*, but there are a few basic *things* like no women *priests*, that I don’t think you can go in and challenge the church on – and *Christ* is the *Savior* ... It seems odd that they would be teaching *any* sort of sex education class in a *religion* class that *any* parents could object *to*, but apparently most of the parents in the school supported *these* parents. ... I *totally* understand the parents desire to want to teach their children about sex *themselves*, not having anything to *do* with that the curriculum *itself* is, but just wanting your *children* to hear about the most important thing in *life* from *you* rather than a *stranger*. I can *totally* sympathize with that.”<sup>15</sup>

Coulter boldly addressed the Christian viewpoint on homosexuality:

“It’s more than just *comfort* [zone]. For every major *religion*, [homosexuality is] a *sin*, it’s more than just a *weird peculiarity* of the *person* who feels *uncomfortable*. ... It’s the virtue of *hypocrisy*: Everybody has *sins*, and that’s why people don’t hate *homosexuals*. But you don’t have to *promote* that as an activity for *everyone*, or anyone.”<sup>16</sup>

Coulter resoundingly condemned pornography:

“Hollywood *loves* pornography. ... What *Larry Flynt* is promoting are essentially masturbatory aids no different from a blow-up doll. ... It is just *so* hypocritical for *Hollywood* to be engaging in its *usual* cowardice and *masquerading* as *courage*. *That* is just *vomit*-provoking. They *love* pornography.”<sup>17</sup>

Coulter's fervor was evident in her championing equal justice under the law:

"This is *very important* how our *society* treats the *rich* and *powerful* – other than Al Gore and Bill Clinton, we know how they get treated: they can commit felonies and get *away* with it. But not everybody *can*! *It's not anarchy yet!* We are *still* a nation of *laws*."<sup>18</sup>

Coulter was incensed over the horrific torture inflicted by a couple of rogue cops:

"[This police torture] is *so* horrible and *sick*. ... This was a *sick, torturous* – I wouldn't believe *this* of almost *anyone* – not an *IRS bureaucrat* or an *ATF officer*. I find it very difficult. It just doesn't ring true to me that anyone other than a *vicious hardened criminal* would do something like this. ... This is *more* than a *beating*, though. This is *sick*. ... *No!* This isn't just *one step more* than a beating. This is *so sick* it's off the *charts*. ... This is a *sick torturing* of another human. I mean, sticking a stick up the guy's *rectum*, then in his *mouth*, and then in his *rectum*. This is *Ted Bundy sick*."<sup>19</sup>

"This is *so barbaric* and *savage*. *Whoever* did it is an *animal*. This is *barbaric*. This is *criminal*. It's just like blaming Ted Bundy's *mother* for what *he* did. I don't think you can blame [the system] when it goes off the charts like this. ... I don't think *external influences* create this sort of *barbarism*, this sort of *torture*. That comes from someone being *evil* on the *inside*. And there's *nothing* you can do about that with the *attitudes* of the cops."<sup>20</sup>

"These are just *criminals* and they should be treated the way *all* criminals should be treated. In fact, it *is* a little bit *worse* when a *cop* does it ... But I don't like *extending* that to the *general idea* that the cops are *always* like this. This is *so repellent*. ... There are *two* criminals in a force of *38 thousand*. ... If he *did* what he is *alleged* to have *done*, it seems to me that's a bit *worse* than being a *racist*. I know, being a *racist* is a bad thing, but I'd rather have someone hate me for my *race* than stick a toilet plunger up my anus."<sup>21</sup>

Coulter pointed to the key aspect of the gospel of Christ:

"[Time survey showed 67% believe they can get to heaven on deeds and behavior *alone*.] That is so antithetical to Christianity, the idea deeds and behavior *alone* get you into Heaven. The *key thing* here is *Christ!*"<sup>22</sup>

Coulter's commentary and the fervency of her espoused beliefs on a wide range of political, moral, and spiritual issues convinced me that she was a person of character and conviction, so much so that I would eventually give her an Alamo Award for being a courageous freedom fighter.

Coulter's award was bestowed upon her **"for her resolute covenant with liberty and truth, her passionate defense of the weak and voiceless, and her principled moral conservatism."**<sup>23</sup>

In time, I would learn that, in reality, every accolade given to her was wrong and the opposite of the truth.<sup>24</sup>

## Endnotes:

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## CHAPTER 2: The Ann Coulter I Knew and Know

*“You’re like a one-man truth squad.”* – Ann Coulter, 8/13/97

*“I think the world of you, Ann, but I don’t trust you.”* – Dan Borchers, 10/20/97

The Ann Coulter I knew in the late 1990s was a mixture of Dark and Light. At first, the Light – by force of will, charismatic personality, and an adopted Christian *persona* – appeared to predominate. But a dense Darkness dwelled deep within, revealing itself in often surprising, and nasty, ways.

The summer of 1997 was an exciting time for me. My conservative newsletter, *BrotherWatch*, was gaining momentum; I was editing newsletters for other publications; and (I thought) my friendship with Ann was blossoming.

I gave Ann her Alamo Award on the last day of July, 1997. Our 30-minute meeting in her office was friendly and we quickly maintained regular correspondence. But I was soon to discover that the “real” Ann Coulter was different from her public persona.

My personal and professional experiences with Coulter are well documented.<sup>1</sup>

In a nutshell, Coulter sought out my help and courted my friendship *when she stood to gain from it*; otherwise, she ignored me, *broke every promise she made to me*, and treated me as if I were a non-entity. *Ann has treated others in similar fashion.*

Over the past quarter-of-a-century, I’ve seen the good, the bad, and the very, very ugly in Coulter’s life.

When she’s at her best, [she’s very good](#).<sup>2</sup> But that is increasingly a rarity these days.

**The once positive, upbeat, enthusiastic freedom fighter has become a bitter, angry, crazy cat lady.**<sup>3</sup>

As it turns out, *much of Coulter’s public persona was a fraud*. Coulter courted important people and feigned friendships. On *The Drive Home* (9/29/16), Coulter boasted (emphasis added), “But all the people that I had to be talked into liking before because they’re technically on my side, whoa, they’re all gone now.” Her next words: **“I don’t have to pretend I like them anymore. It was all the ones I hated. Gone, gone, gone.”**<sup>4</sup>

Case in point: Coulter appeared *once* on Fox News Channel’s show, *The Five*. She was introduced as a guest and immediately exclaimed, “**I love The Five at Five.**” Later in the show, she again referred to *The Five at Five*, which prompted a correction from a co-host who informed her that the *correct* name of the show is *The Five* – a show Coulter clearly **never** watched yet claimed to **love**. (Talk about sucking up.)

### Moments of Light

Yet, I believe there were moments and periods of genuineness and spontaneous compassion.

In 2001, her book editor was on his deathbed and she spent time with him and his loved ones, even dedicating her next book to him.

Coulter also [attended to Father and Mother](#) during their declining mental and physical health as they approached death.<sup>5</sup>



Around ten years ago, a person who had organized her Canadian book tour fell deathly ill. Ann called to console and encourage his mother.

On one occasion, while having drinks after a TV show with the show's host and others, Ann saw that one person appeared to be depressed. She asked, "Are you OK?"

During one book signing, a fan asked Ann who had most impacted her life. She instantly replied, "Jesus Christ."

These vignettes are both telling and encouraging.

### Periods of Darkness

The above are examples of Light,<sup>6</sup> but Darkness has pervaded most of Coulter's commentary for decades.

Of course, Coulter is friendly and charming to speech sponsors, TV and radio talk show hosts and producers, autograph seekers, and at book signings – that's her revenue stream. Others? Not so much.

In reality, *Coulter vehemently hates the bulk of humanity*.<sup>7</sup>

### Both Light and Dark

Again, Coulter has always been a mixture of Light and Dark (sadly, over these many years, the Darkness is increasing and prevailing).<sup>8</sup>

In 1991, Coulter published a beautiful piece in *Human Life Review* entitled, "[Why Nobody is Really Pro-Choice](#)."<sup>9</sup> In it, Ann obliterated any rationale for being pro-choice (really, pro-abortion). Ironically, beginning during the 2000 election cycle, [Coulter abandoned her pro-life fervor and actively opposed politically-engaged pro-lifers for personal reasons and political pragmatism](#).<sup>10</sup>

Also in 1991, Coulter attempted to publish, in *National Review*, a very-lengthy polemic against feminists. [The publication rejected her piece and suggested she go on Valium](#). In the end, she published about half of her vitriolic polemic in her essay collection, *How to Talk to a Liberal (if you must)*.

Whatever lightness Ann has expressed and exhibited was a reflection of what she had [learned as a child at home, in church, and Catholic K-8 education](#),<sup>11</sup> while the darkness and hatred erupts from her own wounded being, from the deep, dark recesses of her soul.

This is evident in the ease with which she has repudiated in practice what she professes in public.

My own experiences from 1997 alone corroborate that conclusion. On 7/31/97, during a 30-minute private meeting with Ann in her office at the Center for Individual Rights, I gave her everything she had asked of me ... and more.

Twice, Ann was so overwhelmed by my largesse that she searched her desktop for something, *anything*, to give to me.

Something within Ann *compelled* her to give me something in return.<sup>12</sup> *That was Light*.



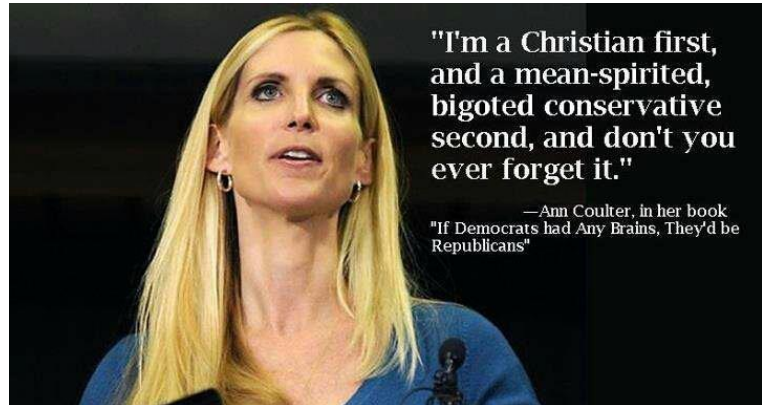
In contrast, over the next four months, Ann asked for my help on a number of occasions but, during that same four-month period, she never kept a promise she made to me. Every promise, no matter how easily kept, was broken. *That was Dark.*

I've witnessed different *kinds* of Darkness in Ann over the past 25 years: selfishness, petulance, arrogance, excessive ambition, treachery, hatred, hostility, hubris, apathy, bitterness, fear, and insecurity.

### Both Light and Dark (cont.)

In 2010, [Coulter penned an explicitly Christian essay](#).<sup>13</sup>

In her essay, Coulter observed that faith in Jesus Christ's sacrifice for our sins freed us to be forgiven. She concluded with these excellent words, "With Christianity, your sins are forgiven, the slate is wiped clean and your eternal life is guaranteed through nothing you did yourself, even though you don't deserve it. It's the best deal in the universe."



Truth and humility in one paragraph!<sup>14</sup>

Coulter also wrote that spiritual transformation is the natural consequence of being forgiven by God. All Christians, having been forgiven by God, should therefore live transformed lives in which they no longer dwell in sin. (Ironically, Ann herself has not lived a transformed life.)

As Coulter put it, "Christianity is also the hardest religion in the world because, if you believe Christ died for your sins and rose from the dead, you have no choice but to give your life entirely over to Him. No more sexual promiscuity, no lying, no cheating, no stealing, no killing inconvenient old people or unborn babies – no doing what all the other kids do."

But has Ann given her life "entirely over to Him?" Obviously not.

[It appears that Coulter has given up on the world's "hardest religion"](#) – because she's looking to *human effort* and not the *power of the Holy Spirit*. **Hers is a works-oriented faith, not a grace-filled one.**

Six years later, I wrote:<sup>15</sup>

*"I suspect that Ann never really believed in the Christian ideals and conservative principles she espoused. Indeed, she was not the 'true believer' everyone believed her to be. Rather, she adopted those ideals and principles from her parents, whom she loved. Her father died in 2008; her mother in 2009. Since then, Ann's moral and spiritual compass no longer exists. Ann is being tossed to and fro by the pragmatism of the moment and the passing whims of her heart."*

*"Coulter hates conservatives, Christians, and pro-lifers for being what they are because she once believed she belonged in those categories. Now, whenever these people of principle act on their principles, she is put to shame as a charlatan. They expose Coulter for who she really is – a fraud."*

“Will Ann always be a fraud? Only God knows and only *He* can bring meaning and direction to her life. Unless and until Ann courageously faces the reality of who she has become and fights the good fight of faith to become the person God has called her to be, she will always be filled with hate and fear.”

“May God grant Ann repentance and transform her heart.”

## Selling Her Soul

How awful it must be for a control freak like Coulter to realize, day by day, that she is increasingly not in control?

Alistair Begg recently wrote (emphasis added):

“Richard Niebuhr, in his book, *The Nature and Destiny of Man*, suggests that modern political tyranny may be traced to a darkly conscience realization of the insecurity of man’s existence; **the excesses and atrocities of people in power may speak to the fact that, in their deepest hearts, they’re not really in control of anything at all.**”<sup>16</sup>

Hence Coulter’s hate-filled behavior.

Although Ann never *labeled* herself a “moral conservative,” her espoused viewpoints – and the passion with which she espoused them – certainly led most people to reach that conclusion.

As it turns out, *Coulter discarded all of those once-cherished beliefs and principles for political expediency and professional success – [for a pot of porridge](#).*

What good are wealth, fame, glory, and power if you’ve lost your very soul?

Or, as Jesus asked, “[What good will it be for someone to gain the whole world, yet forfeit their soul? Or what can anyone give in exchange for their soul?](#)”



The world will one day vanish but we will live forever – in either heaven or in hell.

I *thought* I knew Ann Coulter, but I was *wrong*.

Ann *thought* she knew God, but she was *wrong* (see Chapter 4: I Never Knew You).

## Endnotes:

- 1 See Preface: Alamo Remembered in the *Beauty of Conservatism* at <http://bit.ly/2a79k0j>; Preface: Image Obsessed in *Vanity: Ann Coulter's Quest for Glory* at <http://bit.ly/1M2z2O5>; and Preface in *#NeverTrump: Coulter's Alt-Right Utopia* at <http://amzn.to/2fzA9Mr>.
- 2 See Case Study: Pussyfooting Around in *Joker: Ann Coulter Unplugged* at <https://bit.ly/2TtHtF>.
- 3 I do enjoy her tweets about animals, usually dogs, sometimes cats or other animals. And, of course, Ann can be *funny*!
- 4 See Preface: Coulter Puts God and People in Boxes in *Joker: Ann Coulter Unplugged* at <https://bit.ly/2TtHtF>.
- 5 See Chapter 8: The Lost Art of the Eulogy in *Vanity: Ann Coulter's Quest for Glory* at <http://bit.ly/1M2z2O5>.
- 6 Actually, this is only a *vestige* of Light. In the Sermon on the Mount, Jesus was explicit: "If you love those who love you, what reward will you get? Are not even the tax collectors doing that? And if you greet only your own people, what are you doing more than others? Do not even pagans do that?" (Mt. 5:46-47).
- 7 See Chapter 8: Polemics R Us in the *Beauty of Conservatism* at <http://bit.ly/2a79k0j>; Appendix 1: Sampling of Coulter's Elimination Rhetoric in the *Gospel According to Ann Coulter* at <http://bit.ly/2aHmMwv>; Case Study # 5: Raising Cain for McCain and Fascist Christians in *Vanity: Ann Coulter's Quest for Glory* at <http://bit.ly/1M2z2O5>; and Case Study: Politics of Death in *Joker: Ann Coulter Unplugged* at <https://bit.ly/2TtHtF>.
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- 12 What did Ann give me? A music magazine given to her by a friend (he gave her a free subscription) and a transcript of a recent television interview (Ann had begun to highlight her portions of the transcript.) Ann gave me what was *available*, without regard for whether it was *wanted*. In contrast, what I had given Ann were things she had requested as well as additional publications that I *knew* would interest her.
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- 14 Note that she calls it the "best deal," implying it is *transactional* in nature and not a gracious gift from a loving Father. I addressed *Coulter's transactional view of relationships* in Preface: Coulter Puts God and People in Boxes in *Joker: Ann Coulter Unplugged* at <https://bit.ly/2TtHtF>.
- 15 See "Coulter Hates What She *Isn't* and Who She *Is*" at <http://wp.me/p4jHFp-eH>.
- 16 Alistair Begg, *Brave by Faith*, 2021, pg. 33.

## CHAPTER 3: You Will Know Them by Their Fruit

***“A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, nor can a bad tree bear good fruit. ... Therefore, by their fruits you will know them.”*** – Matthew 7:18,20 (NKJV)

How do we know whether a person is godly or not, a Christian or not?

Jesus provides a gauge by which we may discern a person’s spiritual state: *Examine the fruit of that person’s life.*

“Watch out for false prophets. They come to you in sheep’s clothing, but inwardly they are ferocious wolves. **By their fruit you will recognize them.** Do people pick grapes from thornbushes, or figs from thistles? Likewise, every good tree bears good fruit, but a bad tree bears bad fruit. A good tree cannot bear bad fruit, and a bad tree cannot bear good fruit. **Every tree that does not bear good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. Thus, by their fruit you will recognize them**” (Mt. 7:15-20).

“No good tree bears bad fruit, nor does a bad tree bear good fruit. **Each tree is recognized by its own fruit.** People do not pick figs from thornbushes, or grapes from briars. *A good man brings good things out of the good stored up in his heart, and an evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in his heart.* **For the mouth speaks what the heart is full of**” (Lk. 6:43-45).

The apostle Paul amplified Jesus’ observation in many of his letters. The book of Ephesians is a good starting point (see section: Being “In Christ” below).

**How do we bear the *right* fruit?** Jesus told His disciples on the eve of His death:

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener. He cuts off every branch in me that bears no fruit, while every branch that does bear fruit he prunes so that it will be even more fruitful. You are already clean because of the word I have spoken to you. Remain in me, as I also remain in you. **No branch can bear fruit by itself; it must remain in the vine. Neither can you bear fruit unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing.** If you do not remain in me, you are like a branch that is thrown away and withers; such branches are picked up, thrown into the fire and burned. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. **This is to my Father’s glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples**” (Jn. 15:1-8).

Unless we are “in Christ” (“in the vine”), we *cannot* bear good fruit.

Paul wrote, “(for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth)” (Eph. 5:9).

In his letter to the Christians in Galatia, the apostle Paul drew a stark demarcation line between pagans and believers. The former exhibit the “works of the flesh” and the latter the “fruit of the Spirit.”

“The acts of the flesh are obvious: **sexual immorality, impurity and debauchery; idolatry and witchcraft; hatred, discord, jealousy, fits of rage, selfish ambition,**



**dissensions, factions and envy; drunkenness, orgies,** and the like. I warn you, as I did before, that those who live like this will not inherit the kingdom of God” (Gal. 5:19-21).

“But the fruit of the Spirit is **love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control.** Against such things there is no law” (Gal. 5: 22-23).

Which set of markers seems to better describe the life, attitude, words, and work of Ann Coulter?

Consider, too, the words of the prophet Micah: “He has shown you, O mortal, what is good. And what does the LORD require of you? **To act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God**” (Micah 6:8).

Do *those* attributes describe Coulter?

Hardly.

Coulter has always done what she wants to do when she wants to do it in the manner that she wants to – regardless of the consequences to herself, and, especially, to other people.

Over the past two decades and more, [Coulter has deliberately seared her own conscience](#) by knowingly violating her espoused beliefs and principles and by opposing the word and will of God in both word and deed.



Coulter feigns a “faith” which is faithless. [Coulter trusts only in herself, her wealth, her power, and her glory.](#)<sup>1</sup>

### Moderate Nihilist

Henry David Thoreau was a “moderate nihilist”<sup>2</sup> who wrote, in *Walden*, “The mass of men lead lives of quiet desperation.” Thoreau’s words may shed light on [Coulter’s infamous tweet](#): “We singles live empty lives of quiet desperation and will die alone.”

Is Coulter a moderate nihilist like Thoreau? Moreover, what *true* Christian *believes* this? A Christian’s life is full to the brim and overflowing with God’s peace, joy, and love.

Coulter is renowned as a linguistic bomb-thrower and iconoclastic columnist. She is proud of her “rapier-like wit” and loves “going for the jugular.” Those can be pretty amoralistic attributes and behaviors.

In the 25 years that I have known Coulter, she hasn’t become more godly; indeed, she’s become much crueler.

Coulter is uniformly associated with Darkness rather than Light, so much so that [she can never be trusted!](#)<sup>3</sup> Coulter has [betrayed almost everyone she was once close to](#)<sup>4</sup> and has been [rejected by most of her fans, her](#)

[peers, and her speech sponsors](#).<sup>5</sup> One colleague who knew her for decades even publicly declared, “I’m ashamed ever to have known you.”



Unconfirmed rumors suggest that Coulter is even estranged from one of her brothers.

### Looking for Love and Redemption in All the Wrong Places

For a quarter-of-a-century or more, Coulter has reiterated time-and-again that she never backs down, never apologizes, and never admits error. *Impenitence* is her *moral operating system* with daily hubris updates to keep it operating to feed her ego.

Also, in the 25 years that I have known Ann, it has been proven that *she seeks total control over every aspect of her life and career*. She has alluded to that in a variety of interviews.<sup>6</sup>

(But how can a super control freak yield to God?)

What happens when maintaining perpetual control becomes burdensome? What happens when one’s unacknowledged guilt and shame become unbearable? (Denial can’t be maintained forever.)

We know that Coulter often [loses control in interviews or on social media](#) (Coulter is afflicted with Social Media Personality Disorder) or in her crazier columns.<sup>7</sup>

But how does Ann release herself from the *need* for total control and from the *guilt* and *shame* that shadows her life?

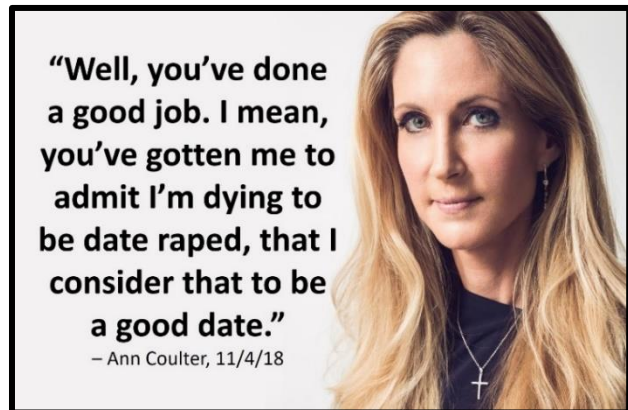
Well, she doesn’t go to the source of help: God. She doesn’t lay them at the foot of the cross in a repentant attitude. Instead, *she seeks love and redemption in all the wrong places*.

Surprisingly, Coulter has had rape fantasies for perhaps a decade or more. (Does Ann secretly *want* to be raped? One could reasonably reach that conclusion. Why is *she* the object of her own rape fantasies?)

Coulter has fantasized about rape – being raped – for years. In a shocking interview, Coulter told Sunday Times Magazine (emphasis added): “I like boys. **I like being sexually assaulted.**”<sup>8</sup>

Discussing the #MeToo movement, she added (emphasis added): “**I’ve had very, very aggressive men push me beyond where I’ve wanted to go.** I thought it was a great date. **I don’t think of it as an assault.** I have **fond memories.**”

Now, she confesses that she is “*dying to be date raped.*”



Coulter loves pushing the envelope – in politics and in her personal life. She loves being wanted – passionately and aggressively wanted – and she loves being in control of those relationships. She will only let them go as far as *she* wants them to go.

Sex therapists would probably relish counselling Coulter. From what I’ve gleaned over the years, *sometimes powerful people can seek to be dominated* as an emotional balance or release mechanism for guilt. Some control freaks love the *battle for control* and the *thrill of danger* in that battle to see just how far they can push it (and be pushed) *while remaining in control*. (Coulter is renowned for rhetorically pushing the envelope and, at CPAC 2002, actually *exhorted conservatives everywhere to do so.*) Others want to be free to lose control.

According to one psychologist (emphasis added): “She most likely cannot achieve sexual satisfaction without *extreme fetishes* if at all, her interpersonal relationships are probably rocky with few real friends, and she is *most likely an insecure, lonely, aging wreck at the end of the day. Think fatal attraction material without the actions.*”<sup>9</sup>

So, Coulter’s fascination with date rape, if implemented, would *seek* to achieve two goals:

1. Release from being a control freak, however temporary that might be – to have *total abandon* and *not be responsible* for the consequences. Hence her fascination with date rape.
2. *Absolution* from guilt and shame *by being punished for her sins* (those she utterly refuses to repent of). Hence her fascination with BDSM.

Is Ann Coulter a control freak who 1) wants to be *out of control* and/or 2) wants to be *punished*, out of guilt and shame, for the evil she has committed?

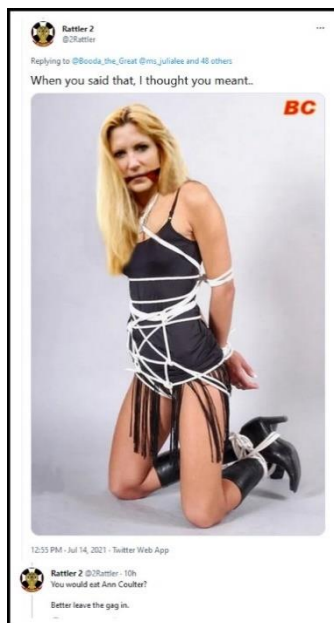
**These are worldly substitutes for godly repentance and forgiveness.**

## Fascination with Deviancy and Death

Coulter has boasted of a fascination with reading the biographies of serial killers. She loves true crime stories and TV shows. She is familiar with fisting and other deviant sexual practices. Many people in the media and on social media have noticed this.

“When asked about the controversial BDSM club at Columbia University, conservative commentator and writer Ann Coulter responded (11/29/06), ‘[Well, it’s better than a lot of things they’re being taught at Columbia, so it’s not all bad news.](#)’” **Huh?**

Coulter has frequently wished that those people she hates would [go to jail and be sodomized](#).<sup>10</sup> Cruel and unusual punishment is *not* a tenet of Christianity. Now, with her date rape fantasies, does Coulter want to be sodomized as punishment for her career success and/or failure as a human being and Christian?



In 2017, Coulter said, “Patriot Act, fantastic; GITMO, fantastic; waterboarding, not bad, though torture would have been better.”<sup>11</sup>

This is quite a departure from two decades ago when she was *horrified* by barbaric police torture!

Surprisingly, both fans and foes have [fantasized about Coulter in bondage](#).<sup>12</sup>

Indeed, the Internet is awash with bondage-related posts, graphics, and cartoons depicting Coulter as either a dominatrix or as a victim.

Lydia Cornell’s famous line – “[Death is Sexier Than Sex, to Ann Coulter](#)”<sup>13</sup> – appears to be true.

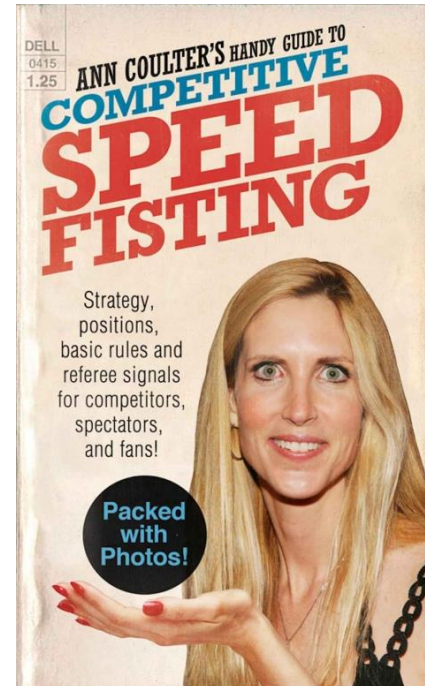
***Ann wears her hatred like a halo and her bitterness like a shroud.***

One could argue that *Coulter loves to hate far more than she loves to love*. Over 25-years-worth of columns, interviews, and 13 books attest to this. How does Ann’s hatred impact her love life?

I was contacted by the ex-girlfriend of one of Coulter’s lovers who said that he was abusive in their relationship.<sup>14</sup> Was he abusive to Ann, too?

## Being “In Christ”

The apostle Paul wrote his great pastoral letter to the Christians in Ephesus, in which he summarized the *Christian’s* relationship with God and responsibilities to God and man.





Pastor Alistair Begg rightly and often points out that Ephesians was written explicitly to and for *Christians*, not for the *world*. The first three chapters firmly root us in our *identity* in Christ and in God's providence and love. The last three chapters define and delineate the parameters of our *response* to that relationship with God.

Any non-Christian – like Ann Coulter – trying to incorporate the principles and follow the commands contained in Ephesians will probably improve their lives and the lives of those around them – to *some* degree. But it will be *superficial*, at best, and categorically *it will not mean that they are saved*.

(Coulter's books and columns have been marketed as “irreverent” – i.e., ungodly, non-Christian.)

Salvation is by grace, through faith, and requires *repentance*, without which no one is saved.

In 2013, I wrote [\*Never Trust Ann Coulter – at ANY Age\*](#).<sup>15</sup> Why? For multiple reasons. Here are two of them:

1. Coulter's behavior proved her *untrustworthiness*.
2. Jesus often condemned the rich and powerful because they *trusted in themselves, their wealth, and their power instead of in God*.

One scripture always brings me back down to earth: “‘*Not by might nor by power, but by My Spirit,*’ says the LORD of hosts” (Zech. 4:6).

It's not the amount of money in the bank that matters, nor one's popularity or number of followers on social media, nor one's powerful connections. Rather, *it is the will and power of God*.

God exercises His power to accomplish His will through Christians *in whom His Spirit dwells*.

### **Coulter's “Godliness”**

The sheer breadth and scale of Coulter's calumny and ungodliness is, at times, breathtaking.

Ann is Darkness, not Light. Darkness inhabits too many facets and areas of Ann's life. She is unforgiving and impenitent. Hatred is expressed in so much of what she says and does. She does *her* will instead of *God's*. She [condemns godly Christians and overseas evangelism](#).<sup>16</sup>

Yet, Ann wants the world (and herself) to believe that she is a Christian.

Why? Perhaps, in part, to belong to a worldwide fellowship of believers. Certainly, in part, because of her family's religious identity and lineage. Being a Protestant (P) is a [crucial aspect of her WASP self-identity](#).<sup>17</sup> Without it, she would not be a “*real American*.”

**Internally and externally, Coulter is godless.** In 2006, Rebecca Groothuis posted “[Modesty, Humility, and Ann Coulter](#).” In it, the writer chastised Coulter for her immodest attire. She wrote:

“But how can one reasonably claim that Coulter's pose is not immodest, I wonder? There is certainly no sense of humility in her stance. And anyone who honestly believes that the focal point of this photo is anything other than an impressive set of bosoms (even the dainty



cross around her neck points like an arrow to her cleavage) simply needs to go back to their own planet.”

“And in what sense is Coulter’s appearance and demeanor even remotely consistent with the spirit of the exhortations given in 1 Peter 3:3-7 and 1 Timothy 2:9-10? ... The apostle Peter speaks of women who possess an inner beauty, a gentle and quiet spirit that holds courageously to their faith and the knowledge of who they are in Christ. Such women do not feel the need to be sexually provocative in their public attire; instead, they are clothed in humility and grace—a beauty that blesses and edifies. Similarly, the apostle Paul exhorts women to dress modestly and decently and with propriety, as is appropriate for “women who profess to worship God” (just like Ann Coulter, right?). This, in Paul’s mind, stands opposed to a woman adorning and arranging herself in such a way as to attract attention to her physical assets.”

I have addressed [this pattern in Coulter’s behavior](#)<sup>18</sup> [for many years](#).<sup>19</sup>

As noted earlier, the *works of the flesh* feature prominently in Coulter’s life, whereas the *fruit of the Spirit* is virtually absent. Remember, you will know them by heir fruit!

## Works vs. Fruit

“Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.” – Galatians 5:16

<p><b>Works of the flesh</b></p>  <p>“Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: <b>adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like</b>” – Galatians 5:19-21</p>	<p><b>Fruit of the Spirit</b></p>  <p>“But the fruit of the Spirit is <b>love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control.</b>” – Galatians 5:22-23</p> <p>“Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good.” – Romans 12:9</p>
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“And those who are Christ’s have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit.” – Galatians 5:24-25

### Endnotes:

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## Case Study: Darkness and Light

*“And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God.”* – John 3:19-21 (NKJV)

Themes of Darkness and Light pervade Scripture. The Bible begins with Darkness and a voice from heaven declaring, “Let there be light.” The gospel of John tells us that the voice was from the Word who became flesh and dwelled with men. He – Jesus Christ – was the Light of the world (John 1).

The Bible ends with the book of Revelation, where we are told that Jesus – the Light of the world – will be the *Light of the universe for eternity*. “There will be no more night. They will not need the light of a lamp or the light of the sun, for the Lord God will give them light. And they will reign for ever and ever” (Rev. 22:5).

Consider Jesus’ words to Nicodemus.

“This is the verdict: **Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light because their deeds were evil.** Everyone who does evil hates the light, and will not come into the light for fear that their deeds will be exposed. **But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light,** so that it may be seen plainly that what they have done has been done in the sight of God” (Jn. 3:19-21).

*Jesus is clearly speaking about judgment.* People who live by the truth come to the Light. People who flee from the Light fear that their evil deeds will be exposed. *The godly love truth; the ungodly hate it.*

The opening chapter of John introduces us to Jesus as THE Light. Later, Jesus said, “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life” (Jn. 8:12).

Light inevitably leads to Life while Darkness signifies Death.

What about Jesus’ disciples? Because we are “in Christ” and love the Light, we are also the “Light of the world” (Mt. 5:14-16) sent to proclaim Jesus and His kingdom.

### The Gospel of Light and Life

Adam Hamilton wrote an excellent book, *John: The Gospel of Light and Life*, in which he addresses the themes of Light and Life in the Gospel of John.

According to Hamilton, “Sometimes darkness is synonymous with spiritual blindness or a failure to understand what it means to be human. Sometimes darkness refers to evil.”<sup>1</sup>

He further adds that “Jesus came to dispel the darkness”<sup>2</sup> and “Christ came to push back the darkness in the world and in our lives.”<sup>3</sup>

Furthermore, “Darkness is a metaphor for not only evil, despair, and hopelessness, but for losing our way. Those who walk in darkness are lost and blinded by sin. ... [Jesus] not only removes our sin, he shines a light on the path we are to take.”<sup>4</sup>

*How does this work out in a Christian's life?* “You know the way: loving God and neighbor, forgiving others, loving enemies, speaking the truth, sharing compassion.”<sup>5</sup>

## Why Are We Dark?

### 1. **The Fall.** (Genesis 3)

Original sin has been passed down to every human being and every human institution. Indeed, the Fall impacted the whole of creation. “We know that the whole creation has been groaning as in the pains of childbirth right up to the present time” (Rom. 8:22).

### 2. **Rejection of God.** (John 3)

People who reject God prefer to live in Darkness. As a consequence, God gives them over to a debased mind (Romans 1) and strong delusions (2 Thess. 2:10-12).

*Darkness is the natural state of mankind.* “The heart is deceitful and desperately wicked” (Jer. 17:9). Without God, our hearts are darkened, but God can translate us into the kingdom of His Light (Col. 1:13) by giving us a *new* heart (Ezek. 36:26).

Out of the hearts that God gives us flow the fruit of the Spirit (Gal. 5:22-23).

Lovingkindness is one of the most ascribed attributes of God in Scripture. Kindness is a fruit of the Spirit and should be an attitude and behavior of a Christian's life.

However, according to Coulter, “Being nice to people is an incidental tenet of Christianity.” Wrong! Kindness should be the *disposition* of a Christian.

Jesus Christ described himself as gentle and humble in heart (Mt. 11:29). Yet, Coulter invariably points to her favorite verses which portray Jesus as a warrior.

[Coulter's theology<sup>6</sup> is fundamentally flawed](#) and as extremely narrow as her *ideology*. The latter informs the former.

Coulter also *cites Jesus to justify her ad hominem attacks on others*. She is renowned for her use of [elimination rhetoric, death jokes, and disparaging the recently deceased and their grieving loved ones.](#)<sup>7</sup>

Coulter understands neither repentance nor forgiveness – nor love.

## Time Machine

On 6/28/21, Coulter tweeted: “All will be forgiven as soon as [Trump] invents a Time Machine, goes back, and keeps his promises.”

There are two major blunders in Coulter's snarky attempt at humor. First, she is obviously unfamiliar with the generations-long body of work regarding time travel. If one were to go back in time and change anything in the past, a ripple effect would impact our present and future (see *Back to the Future* series, Robert Heinlein, Isaac Asimov, and many other science fiction authors).

Second, if Trump were able to go back in time and keep the promises Coulter wanted kept the way she wanted them kept, *then there would be nothing to forgive*. It's a logical fallacy.

Coulter's grasp of forgiveness is even more abysmal than her understanding of time travel.

If God used Coulter's approach, He would have said to Adam and Eve, "Invent a time machine, go back to before you sinned, and don't sin." That's not how it works.

God forgives us and loves us even when we sin. Christians are to love the sinner but hate the sin. Coulter reverses the concept, *hating other sinners but loving her own sins*.

Repentance and forgiveness are flips sides of the same coin, a currency which is absent in Coulter's world.

Meanwhile, back in reality, Jesus died on the cross out of love for those who were killing Him.

### **Plato's Cave Allegory**

Plato's cave allegory is instructive. Prisoners are held in chains in the depths of a cave and have no concept of the sun, the outdoors, or freedom. Darkness is their entire world.

Themes of Darkness and Light figure prominently in the Bible. One strand, like Plato's, has to do with *knowledge*. The other addresses *character*.

Regarding the latter, there are gradations of Darkness from "minor" bad thoughts and deeds to more serious sins to serial killers and genocidal maniacs like Hitler, Stalin, and Mao. (Your homework assignment: Create a continuum to visually depict this moral spectrum of Darkness.)

Although the *consequences* are different, growing more severe as the behavior becomes more evil, one truth remains: They are all DARK!

In his cave allegory, Plato ponders what would happen if a prisoner escaped the cave, saw the Light, and returned to share the truth. Would he be believed?

The captives in Plato's cave allegory can only see Darkness or flickering shadows. When told about the Light, many refused to believe; others were fearful; but others believed and entered the Light.

### **Christians Have Escaped the Cave**

Christians are like that escaped prisoner. We have, by God's grace, escaped the Darkness and we strive to reach those still trapped in the cave.

The apostle John (the apostle of love) describes it beautifully:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made. In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it. ... **The true light that gives light to everyone was coming into the world. ... Yet to all who did receive him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God** – children born not of natural descent, nor of human decision or a husband's will, but born of God" (Jn. 1:1-5,9,12-13).



“This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: **God is light; in him there is no darkness at all.** If we claim to have fellowship with him and yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live out the truth. **But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin.** If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness” (1 Jn. 1:5-9).

The psalmist wrote:

**“The LORD is my light and my salvation – whom shall I fear? The LORD is the stronghold of my life – of whom shall I be afraid?”** (Ps. 119:105)

Coulter has lived in the shadows for most of her life, being introduced to the Light through her Catholic education, the love of Mother, and the values of Father.

But Coulter prefers the Darkness so that her evil deeds will not be exposed by the Light.

Whatever Light Coulter has displayed has been *reflective* (like the moon’s brightness is from the sun) of the Light contained within the people around her and from her upbringing. It is not the Light of Christ *residing* within her.

### **How Did Coulter Become Dark?**

Every human being is born in various shades and degrees of Darkness.

Coulter was born into a milieu which provided both aspects of Light and Darkness.<sup>8</sup> Lest we forget, Coulter, like all of us, was *born* in Darkness. Various aspects of her childhood and teen years shaped the narcissist that Coulter is today. In striving to reach the top of her profession, Coulter was captured by the Success Syndrome, which compels its victim to ever-more-aggressively pursue success at any cost to get the emotional satisfaction she craves.

Various aspects of addictive thinking (denial, projection, rationalization, etc.) keep the victim ensnared in the syndrome. Finally, with every new success and every growth in power, corruption grows. Remember, power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely.

But people living in Darkness are blind to their Darkness.

Remember Coulter’s words from 1997: “And people *forget*, we’re now living off of the moral *capital* of the *last* two centuries of this country.”

From a familial perspective, Coulter has been living off of the Christian lineage and roots of her family tree her whole life. But she has forgotten that *the foundation of everything that matters is Jesus Christ*. In time (and it didn’t take that long) she turned her back on Christ while paying lip service to Jesus.

In the end, *Coulter has rejected the truth*. The apostle Paul warned (emphasis added):

“They perish because **they refused to love the truth** and so be saved. **For this reason God sends them a powerful delusion so that they will believe the lie and so that all will be condemned who have not believed the truth but have delighted in wickedness**” (2 Thess. 2:10-12).

## Appearing to be Light

How does a person who is Dark (ungodly) *appear to be* Light (godly)?

1. By using the language and customs of the godly – a *chameleon*.
2. By sheer force of will, personality traits, and charismatic qualities – a *performance artist*.
3. By absorbing the language and culture of the godly without truly believing – a *masquerader*.

Jesus is emphatic in what He declares: “Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. **The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God**” (Jn. 8:47).

If Ann Coulter – or anyone else – cannot hear (grasp, understand, commit to) what God says, then they do *not* belong to God. They remain dead in trespasses and sin. They remain lost in their brokenness and live as hopeless people, living lives of quiet desperation.

If you reject God’s truth, love, and will, then you have rejected God himself and you are self-evidently not “in Christ.”

Evangelist Russell Moore addressed the significance of what it means to be “in Christ.” Moore wrote (emphasis added):

“Jesus doesn’t want to be in your life. **Your life’s a wreck. Jesus calls you into his life.** And his life isn’t boring or purposeless or static. It’s wild and exhilarating and unpredictable.”<sup>9</sup>

Life in Christ is certainly *not* boring or empty. The fruit of the Spirit are all positive, uplifting, life-transforming, and world-changing.

In contrast to the fruit of the Spirit, Coulter’s life zealously pursues the works of the flesh – all of which are debilitating and self-destructive.

Pride, hubris, arrogance, and a sense of superiority and entitlement are all coping mechanisms for Coulter’s deep-seated sense of insecurity, self-doubts, and fears of failure, inadequacy, and rejection. **All of these are Darkness!**

Ironically, the only solution for Coulter’s insecurity and failings is Jesus Christ, whom she refuses to follow and obey. *By rejecting Light, Coulter rejects hope and healing and traps herself in Darkness.*

But Jesus offers Ann a way out of the cave in which she is trapped. Will she heed His call in her life?

## Endnotes:

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## CHAPTER 4: I Never Knew You

***“Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven. Many will say to Me in that day, ‘Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?’ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!’” – Matthew 7:21-23 (NKJV)***

If Ann Coulter’s heart isn’t filled with *God*, then it’s filled with the *world* and *self*.

The God-shaped void within every human being *yearns* to be filled. But only God can fill it.

The apostle John exhorts us,

***“Do not love the world or anything in the world. If anyone loves the world, love for the Father is not in them. For everything in the world – the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life – comes not from the Father but from the world” (1 Jn. 2:15-16).***

Notice the descriptors contained in this passage describing the love of the world – *the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life*. They are all characteristics of Coulter’s life, career, commentary, and “the world according to Ann Coulter.”

Those things are seductive, illusive, and ultimately unsatisfying. They will *never* fill the God-shaped void within us.

Wealth, power, prestige, position – these will *never* be enough. Indeed, *they turn us way from God*, who alone can fill that void.

### **The Pharisees Preceded Coulter**

Jesus’ warning in Matthew 7:21-23 will dumbfound many people who *think* that they are Christians doing His will. Jesus had equally perplexing and infuriating words for the Pharisees of that time.

John 8:31-47 records that the religious leaders of Jesus’ day were equally dumbfounded. Jesus called them sons of Satan though they thought they were descendants of Abraham. In truth, their hearts were turned away from God.

Let’s examine what John recorded for us.

To the Jews who had believed him, Jesus said, ***“If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.”***

Notice that Jesus first *defined* who His disciples are: *Those who follow and obey Him*. Jesus proclaimed Liberty in Truth!

They answered him, ***“We are Abraham’s descendants and have never been slaves of anyone.*** How can you say that we shall be set free?”

Even though they were vassals of the Roman Empire, they asserted their national pedigree from the great patriarch, Abraham. They counted on their pedigree to save them while asserting they were not slaves (not even to their own sins).

Jesus replied, “Very truly I tell you, **everyone who sins is a slave to sin**. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So, **if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed**. I know that you are Abraham’s descendants. Yet you are looking for a way to kill me, because you have no room for my word. I am telling you what I have seen in the Father’s presence, and you are doing what you have heard from your father.”

Jesus contrasted their enslavement to sin with freedom in Christ and their disobedience to God with His obedience to the Father.

“**Abraham is our father**,” they answered.

Their *genealogical pedigree was of supreme importance to them*, blinding them to the Truth that was before them.

“**If you were Abraham’s children**,” said Jesus, “**then you would do what Abraham did**. As it is, you are looking for a way to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. Abraham did not do such things. **You are doing the works of your own father**.”

Jesus exposed their blind hypocrisy and that they were actively opposing God.

“We are not illegitimate children,” they protested. “**The only Father we have is God himself**.”

Exposed, they shifted the foundation of their claims from Abraham being their father to God being their Father.

Jesus said to them, “**If God were your Father, you would love me, for I have come here from God**. I have not come on my own; God sent me. Why is my language not clear to you? **Because you are unable to hear what I say. You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father’s desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him**. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. **Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me!** Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don’t you believe me? **Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God**.”

Jesus’ logic is impeccable. God was not their Father because they hated and rejected Jesus who came from the Father. Why? They were unable to grasp what Jesus said because Satan, who was their father, had deceived them.

Jesus’ concluding words remind me of Mt. 7:21-23: “**Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God**.”

Like the Pharisees, Coulter seems to think that her [\*family’s Christian pedigree\*](#)<sup>1</sup> is sufficient for *her* salvation. No, *it is an individual’s personal faith in Christ!*



## The Passion of a Christian

In 2004, Coulter wrote “[The Passion of the Liberal](#).” In her words (bold emphasis added):

According to liberals, the message of Jesus, which somehow Gibson missed, is something along the lines of “**be nice to people**” (which to them means “raise taxes on the productive”).

You don’t need a religion like Christianity, which is a rather large and complex endeavor, in order to flag that message. **All you need is a moron driving around in a Volvo with a bumper sticker that says “be nice to people.”** Being nice to people is, in fact, one of the incidental tenets of Christianity (as opposed to other religions whose tenets are more along the lines of “kill everyone who doesn’t smell bad and doesn’t answer to the name Mohammed”). But to call it the “message” of Jesus requires ... well, the brain of Maureen Dowd.

In fact, Jesus’ distinctive message was: *People are sinful and need to be redeemed, and this is your lucky day because I’m here to redeem you even though you don’t deserve it, and I have to get the crap kicked out of me to do it.* **That is the reason He is called “Christ the Redeemer” rather than “Christ the Moron Driving Around in a Volvo With a ‘Be Nice to People’ Bumper Sticker on It.”**

Coulter dismisses being “nice to people” (i.e., kindness) as “an incidental tenet of Christianity” when, in fact, it is a *crucial* fruit of the Holy Spirit and characteristic of God. But this is hardly a surprising position for Coulter to take given that she is bereft of the *other* fruit of the Spirit, like love, joy, and peace (Gal. 5:22-23).

Jesus commanded: “You have heard that it was said, ‘Love your neighbor and hate your enemy.’ But I tell you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your Father in heaven (Mt. 5:43-45).

A 1999 Coulter column further revealed Ann’s heart (emphasis added): “The only rational reason for anyone to run for a house seat is that great human motivator: **fire-breathing, deep-seated, Fred Goldmannesque loathing.** ... **Hate – the fuel that powered the Vast Right-Wing Conspiracy.**”<sup>2</sup>

A similar hate-filled rant appeared in *National Review* on the eve of the 2000 election (emphasis added): “**Oh, how I hate them! And, oh, how I hate the waiting.** To quote wacky comic Prof. Irwin Corey, when asked about his feelings on the subject of love: ‘I like love, because it’s so close to hate. **And without hate, there could be no revenge.**’ Tomorrow, we take revenge.”<sup>3</sup>

(Love and forgiveness are not traits associated with Ann.)

In the late 1990s, one guest on a talk show spoke directly to Coulter, saying, “**You have an ice cube for a heart, an ice cube for a brain.**” In 2006, she was called “**Heartless,**” with good reason.

Parodying Ann, Caitlin Muelder as Coulter sang “[If I Only Had a Heart](#).”



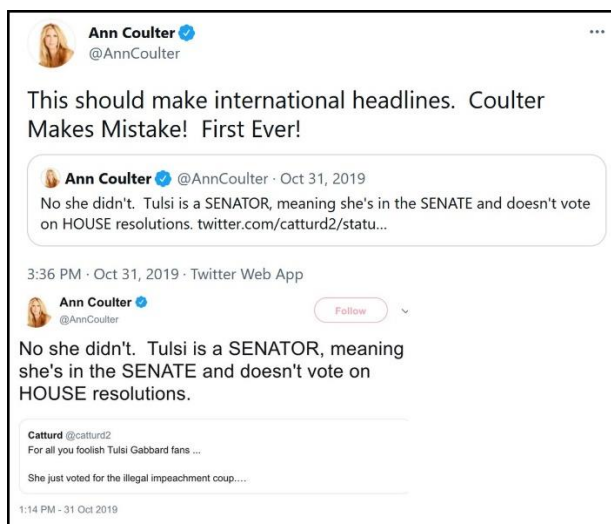
The apostle Paul wrote:

“Do nothing out of *selfish ambition* or *vain conceit*. Rather, in *humility value others above yourselves*, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others” (Phil. 2:3-4).

**Ann does the exact opposite!**

## First Mistake Ever!

*Coulter actually flaunts her impenitence!* Coulter shouted at someone for claiming Tulsi Gabbard is a congresswomen; Coulter falsely claimed Gabbard is in the senate. Then, after being mercilessly ridiculed for her blunder, Coulter absurdly claimed it was her *first* mistake – *ever!*



Observations by people on Twitter were spot on:

- “It is a pretty *\*glaring\** considering the all caps text and *considering the business you are in.*”
- “Did you see an APOLOGY anywhere? Because I did not see an APOLOGY. *Not even a lowercase apology.*”
- “The all caps is what makes it so beautiful. *So wrong and yet so certain you're right.*”
- “It’s not (only) the mistake, *it’s the conviction and arrogance with which you scream the falsehood, the knee-jerk reaction to double down when being called out, and the complete lack of anything that could possibly resemble humility when finally acknowledging the mistake.*”
- “It wasn't the mistake, it was *the epic way you made the mistake.*”
- “It not a small mistake when *you make your living haranguing on politics & don’t know the basics of how the government works*”
- “It's not just the mistake. It's that you are trying to correct another person by **BLASTING IN ALL CAPS** some total bullshit Alt-Facts that is 100% wrong.”

- “You erred, and *SHOUTED* while doing so. Embarrassing.”

## A Christian Life

As has already been observed, Coulter’s life, physically and spiritually, is *barren*. Her life is *utterly barren* of the fruit of the Spirit. Sacrificial love, repentance, and forgiveness are foreign to Ann and testify to the futility of her life masquerading as a Christian united with God in Christ.

If I had been alert, I would have understood the import of her words spoken on MSNBC in 1997:

“I *do* believe in heaven. I’m what C.S. Lewis called ‘the worst sort of Christian.’ I believe *enough* to feel really *miserable* about not being a saint, and *not* enough to actually be a saint. So, I’m just sort of miserable all the time.”<sup>4</sup>

First, being a “miserable Christian” is oxymoronic. Christians have God’s Spirit, including peace, joy, and love. Two decades later she tweeted about living “empty lives of quiet desperation” and dying alone. This is equally oxymoronic. Christians are *never* alone – we are in *eternal union with Christ*.

Second, if you *are* a Christian, then you *are* a saint. A saint is simply a believer in Christ.

Third, she said she doesn’t believe “enough” – and that has proven to be true.

As noted earlier, much of Coulter’s commentary over the past several years has been abysmal, indeed, contemptible. Yet Darkness continues to intermingle with Light. On rare occasions, Ann will write something top-notch, extraordinary, filled with Truth and Light.

Darkness filled Ann during the Trump presidency but I see glimmers of hope that Lightness is invading her life, suggesting that she may be turning toward God. Yet, her contemptible Twitter rants suggest the opposite.

Godliness is not a function of intelligence or beauty, nor is it a consequence of fame, fortune, or power. Rather, it derives from an intimate relationship with Jesus Christ. *Absent the presence of the Holy Spirit, we cannot bear the fruit of the Spirit.*

Coulter has often accurately conveyed what God’s expectations are for us. She has listed both godly and ungodly traits. *She has the intellectual perception but neither the spiritual insight nor the faith to believe.*

Coulter has, in fact, rejected – in word and in deed – what God commands, choosing *her* will over *His*. In effect, Coulter is doing the works of the flesh and siding with Satan against God.

Is Ann heeding Jesus’ command, “Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross daily and follow me”? As Fluhrer puts it, “Cross bearing is part of Christ following.”<sup>5</sup>

All the evidence suggests that Coulter is *not* following Jesus but is, instead, *hiding from* God just like Adam and Eve did after they knew they were naked. (Hubris is Ann’s fig leaf.)

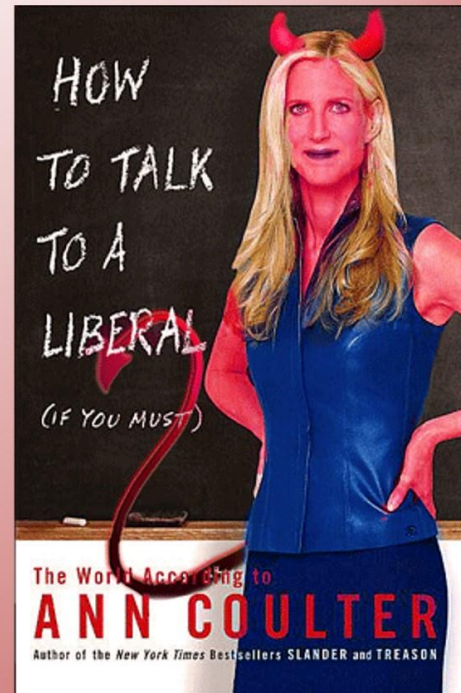
Coulter knows – *intellectually* – the right thing to do but out of a demon-like pride and hubris, chooses her own way, rejecting faith. Coulter knows what God requires but rejects His will and chooses to be a [rebel](#),<sup>6</sup> so she is without excuse.

Ann Coulter once understood that beauty and charm can hide an evil heart (“people don’t have horns; there are charming people who are evil”).<sup>7</sup> Now, she can’t even recognize her own heart.<sup>8</sup>

## ***Devil in a Blue Leather Dress***

“It is really appalling how people never recognize evil things in their own time if it’s presented in an *attractive person* or an *attractive face*. And I think that’s one of the dangers of Hollywood always portraying bad people from times past – slave owners and Nazis – as if they were so *recognizably evil* in their own time. But really, that is the dangerous thing about evil: people don’t have horns; there are charming people who are evil.”

– Ann Coulter, MSNBC, 2/27/96



[www.coulterwatch.com/darkness.pdf](http://www.coulterwatch.com/darkness.pdf)

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## EPILOG: Knowing Jesus

*“Come to Me, all you who labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take My yoke upon you and learn from Me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For My yoke is easy and My burden is light.”* – Matthew 11:28-30

Knowing Ann Coulter has surprisingly and serendipitously strengthened my relationship with Jesus Christ.

I attended the [Promisekeeper’s Stand in the Gap](#) event in Washington, D.C., on 10/4/97. An estimated one-to **two-and-a-half million Christian men** gathered together to worship their Creator and dedicate themselves to living a godly life. Take note: This was a *Promisekeepers* event.

About that time, I became familiar with a new worship song, [Shout to the Lord](#), which deeply touched my heart. Its lyrics are sublime. These, in particular, personally spoke to me: “*Nothing compares to the promise I have in You.*” (We all have promises from God that are kept in Christ – if we are willing to accept them!)

*While Ann broke every single promise that she ever made to me, Jesus kept every one that He has made.* He has been there for me in the storms of life, in the midst of betrayal, and in the valley of the shadow of death. Jesus transforms and renews my heart, forgives my faults and failures, directs my path, and protects me from my enemies. *With Him, I have nothing to fear.*

### Escaping the Darkness

While writing *Darkness*, as with all of my books, I’ve had to engage in some measure of introspection and self-examination. Every Christian should do likewise.

We all have some degree of Darkness within us. Before becoming Christians, we were *filled* with Darkness. Afterwards, we were translated into the kingdom of Light. As we continue to grow in Christ, the Light of God’s love and truth should steadily overshadow the Darkness within us, which should be steadily diminishing. After all, John the Baptist told his disciples concerning Jesus, “He must increase, but I must decrease” (Jn. 3:30, NKJV).

As noted earlier, Darkness appears to be an apt label for Ann Coulter’s life, worldview, and walk in this world. The end result of Darkness is an eternity spent in Darkness apart from the Light of Christ.

But Jesus is a loving Savior filled with mercy and grace. He desires that all be saved.

Alistair Begg emphasized the prophet Daniel’s witness to King Nebuchadnezzar (emphasis added:

“God in his mercy gave [King Nebuchadnezzar] twelve months before the reality [of his punishment] fell upon him. ... As Paul put it, God’s patient kindness is intended to lead people to repentance (Romans 2 v 4). But pride that is not repented of does come before a fall. **It was at that moment of proud triumph that Nebuchadnezzar heard the dreadful words: his kingdom was no longer his own, nor was his sanity. God brought him down low when his heart was most lifted up.**”<sup>1</sup>

“God was showing King Nebuchadnezzar that **in truth he was not a mighty, self-sufficient, all-powerful ruler but a lowly, needy, dependent creature.**”<sup>2</sup>

Ultimately, *Nebuchadnezzar repented and worshiped the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob!*



Begg also emphasized *Daniel's gracious heart* toward a ruler who had been tyrannical (emphasis added):

**“Judgment is coming, but Daniel does not exalt in that; rather, he has compassion for the one facing it. And that compassion drives Daniel to speak: to warn the king of what will happen if he does not ‘break off your sins by practicing righteousness, and your inequities by showing mercy to the oppressed’ (v 27), and to call the king to ‘know that the Most High rules the kingdom of men and gives it to whom he will’ (v. 25).”<sup>3</sup>**

*Daniel exhibited and modeled Jesus' command to “love your enemies.”*

## **Come to Me**

Daniel urged Nebuchadnezzar to turn to God. Here, I am emulating the prophet Daniel by inviting and imploring Ann to accept Jesus' gracious invitation to come to Him.

Jesus' words quoted at the beginning of this Epilog are simple and easily understood. One doesn't need a theological degree to grasp what Jesus *means*. *If you come to Him, He will give you rest – in this life and in the next. His words are an altar call for eternity.*

[No one – not even Ann Coulter – is beyond God's reach](#), if she will accept His call.<sup>4</sup>

Jesus *desires* to extend forgiveness! Remember Jesus' first words on the cross, “Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.”

I have always believed – or *wanted* to believe – that there is a thread of goodness or decency within Ann that stands in stark contrast to the Darkness which saturates her life.

I recognized – [many, many years ago](#)<sup>5</sup> – that if that thread of goodness exists, it is wholly insufficient to repel the Darkness within and surrounding her.

**Ann's only hope is a change agent** – Jesus Christ – to ride into her life like the penultimate proverbial knight in shining armor and rescue her both from the forces of Darkness<sup>6</sup> besieging her and also from herself.

That's what Jesus does and why He has come – *to rescue us from Darkness and from ourselves.*

Remember Moore's words: “Jesus doesn't want to be in your life. Your life's a wreck. Jesus calls you into his life.”<sup>7</sup> We should ALL want to be *in His life*!

It is not enough to incorporate the outer trappings of a “Christian” life (putting on a Christian costume) – the language, principles, tenets, ethos, and beliefs – if one has never been *transformed* by the power of the Holy Spirit and received a *new* life “in Christ” (born again, to use Jesus' phraseology).

As Moore said, “Our lives are a wreck.” But, “in Christ,” we are healed and restored!

Jesus offers us the *only hope* that we have – to be incorporated into *His* life, to become part of the *spiritual* “body of Christ” as is so often depicted by the apostle Paul (Rom. 12, 1 Cor. 12, Eph. 4).

The Incarnation “The Word became flesh” (Jn. 1:14) prefigures our Incorporation into His life (Jn. 3:3 and 17:20-23).

In the original *Star Wars* movie (1977), heroine and damsel-in-distress Princess Leia pleads, “Help me, Obi Wan Kenobi. You’re my only hope.”

In the *real* world, the *only* hope for the world – and for Ann Coulter – is Jesus Christ.

To reiterate, it is insufficient to become a member of a congregation and to adopt its language and customs *without entering into the life of Christ*.

Those who have been saved are *part of the spiritual body of Christ*. How? Miraculously. In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, when that person is born again and has entered *into the life of Christ*.

Being part of a congregation is *important* but being *grafted into* the life of Christ is *vital*.

Absent that, we all remain lost in Darkness (Jn. chapter 9).

Jesus proclaimed, “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life” (John 14:6). If we don’t believe the Truth and follow the Way (Mt. 7:13-14) we have no Life (Jn. 3:36) – we are but dead men and women walking.

## **Praise and Prayer**

Permit me to conclude this book with praise and prayer.

Dear Father in heaven,

You are a great and awesome God full of glory, grace, and love. We thank You for sending us Jesus Christ to bring Light into this darkened world and into our darkened lives.

With the Incarnation, the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. Through Your Holy Spirit, You have called many to become Your adopted sons and daughters in Christ. This is a marvelous truth apprehended by faith but too sublime to fully comprehend.

We glory in Your grace and truth expressed in Romans 8:9-12:

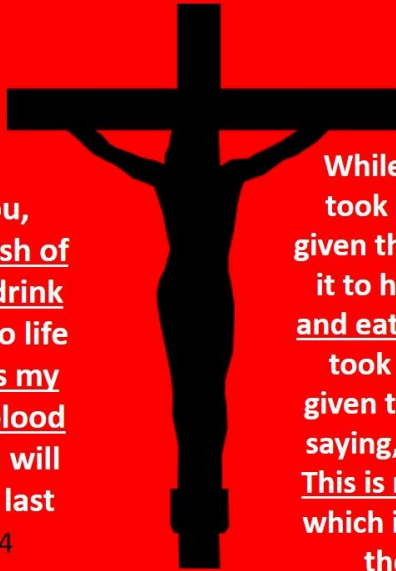
“You, however, are not in the realm of the flesh but are in the realm of the Spirit, ***if indeed the Spirit of God lives in you***. And if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, they do not belong to Christ. **But if Christ is in you**, then even though your body is subject to death because of sin, **the Spirit gives life because of righteousness**. And if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies because of his Spirit who lives in you.”

(Thank You, Jesus!)

Father, I beseech You to turn Your attention to Ann Coulter, to let Your Light invade Ann’s life, to draw her to repentance and make her one of Your children. Rescue her from the Cave. Open her eyes, Father, and soften her heart. Indeed, give Ann a *new* heart. Heal her wounds and brokenness and let the Light that You give her shine brightly to Your glory.

In Jesus’ name, Amen!

# An Altar Call For Eternity!



**“Very truly I tell you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood, you have no life in you. Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day.”** – John 6:53-54

**While they were eating, Jesus took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, “Take and eat; this is my body.” Then he took a cup, and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, saying, “Drink from it, all of you. This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins.”**

– Matthew 26:26-28

***“Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest.”***

– Matthew 11:28

## Endnotes:

<sup>1</sup> Alistair Begg, *Brave by Faith*, 2021, pg. 64.

<sup>2</sup> *Ibid.*, pg. 64.

<sup>3</sup> *Ibid.*, pg. 67.

<sup>4</sup> See Epilog: Never Let Anyone Put You or God in a Box in *Joker: Ann Coulter Unplugged* at <https://bit.ly/2TtHtF>.

<sup>5</sup> See *Never Trust Ann Coulter – at ANY Age* at <http://bit.ly/2a6Ns4w>.

<sup>6</sup> Those forces of Darkness very likely include demonic influences seeking to invade and control Ann’s life. May God’s Holy Spirit expel those agents of Satan from her life and may He place a hedge of protection around her to guard her from the evil one.

<sup>7</sup> Russell Moore, “A Purpose-Driven Cosmos: Why Jesus Doesn’t Promise Us an ‘Afterlife,’” *Christianity Today* 56 (Feb. 2012), pg. 33.



*“For Satan himself  
masquerades as an  
angel of light.”*

*— 1 Corinthians 11:14 (NIV)*