

Basic Notes on Gnosticism

Gnosticism is a wicked and perverse heresy.

Heresy means it is totally contrary to scripture.

Gnosticism is based on an “inverted hermeneutic.” In other words, the things which are good and true are made to be bad and false.

Gnostics Believe:

Physical things are evil, and the human body is a cage for the soul.

Death is a good thing because it releases, or frees the soul from this physical body.

The great dividing line between people is who are the initiated into the secrets.

Knowledge is the way to salvation—to know the truth about yourself.

All living things have the “divine spark” a central point of light. In other words, some incorruptible point that means the souls of all mankind will basically be saved.¹

Thus they can do whatever they want to do, even sin, and be pure.

That when the initiated operates in accord with the power within them, their words have power and they can act like gods, so to speak. This is based on the idea of their being “little gods.”

Gnostic Corruptions of Truth

Yahweh is an evil god who created all physical things.

Satan, “Lucifer,” is the good god who is trying to free mankind from the trap of the physical, material world.

Ultimately, because Yahweh must be brought down, man will become as god. This inversion is seen in the Hexagram, which originated in the world of the occult (mystery religions).

¹ This belief varies according to the type of gnosticism. Some forms of gnosticism believe that only certain races or a certain race is made by god and that they alone are the ones with the divine spark. This belief leads them to say that the races of others have no soul.