



# Mark Cahill Newsletter

## Big = God?

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We have been getting a lot of emails at the ministry lately asking about Biblical discernment. How do we figure out what is from God and what isn't? Actually, it isn't that difficult.

Remember to keep in mind in the coming days that Big=God. One pastor has a book that has sold over 30 million copies. Another writer has a book that is sweeping England right now with more than 10 million copies sold. One pastor in South Carolina has a church with 27,000 members and a goal to make it 100,000!

The Passion Conference put on by Louie Giglio here in Atlanta had more than 60,000 18-25 year olds from all 50 states and many different countries attend last month.

As you read those things above, did you notice a problem? Nothing that I wrote was Biblical! You do not define something as being of God because of its size!

Going by that logic, Jesus would have been an utter failure. He had 12 close followers and one of them had him put to death for 30 pieces of silver. I actually don't want people like that working for this ministry! But as we know, Jesus was the farthest thing from a failure. He was truth personified, and His life, death, burial, and resurrection has literally changed people's hearts all across this planet!

At the Passion Conference, there was a speaker who is a pastor, and his wife is his co-pastor. Of course, that is not Biblical. It also wasn't Biblical when he took the Lord's name in vain from the stage. One woman on stage had previously talked about a vision of Jesus she had that has nothing to do with the Jesus of the Bible. Another speaker there has spoken in the past about a picture God put in her head where she was looking down on a community and could see that community as Jesus did. I am afraid not! There were plenty of people on stage who have gotten into some of the false teachings of the charismatic movement. If you want to know how not to exegete Ezekiel 37, just listen to the talk Louie gave on that chapter. Louie has spoken at both Hillsong in Australia and at Joel Osteen's Lakewood church in Houston. Both of those churches are off-base Biblically. Did Louie call out those false teachings when he spoke there?

By the way, if you sent some young people to the Passion Conference, did you warn them to keep up their guard and to be very careful of any false teachings they might hear?

Did you know that Louie was selected to give the benediction at Barack Obama's recent inauguration? But then something happened and he didn't go, so he put a statement up on his church's website. Let's go through it and see what it says...

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