# The Collapse of Separatism among Independent Baptists

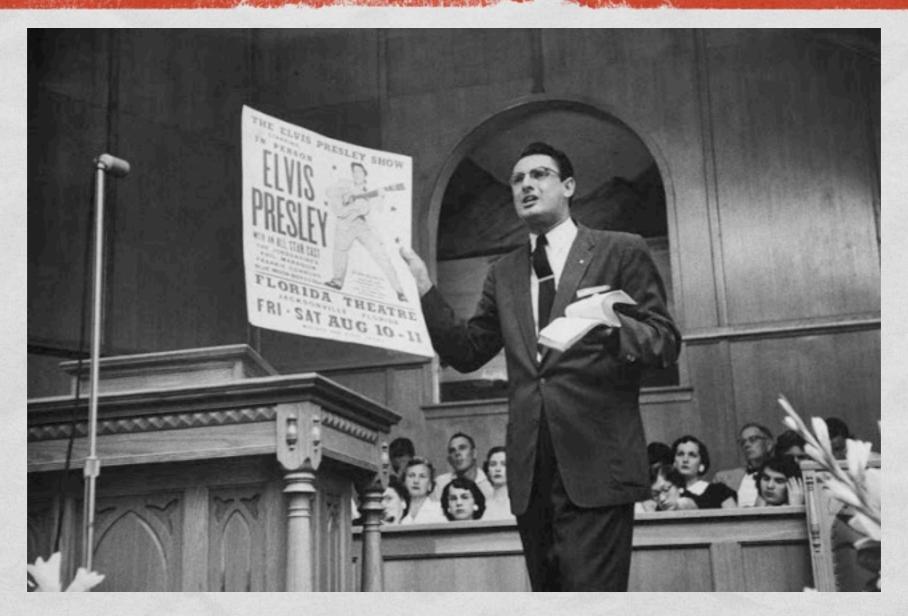




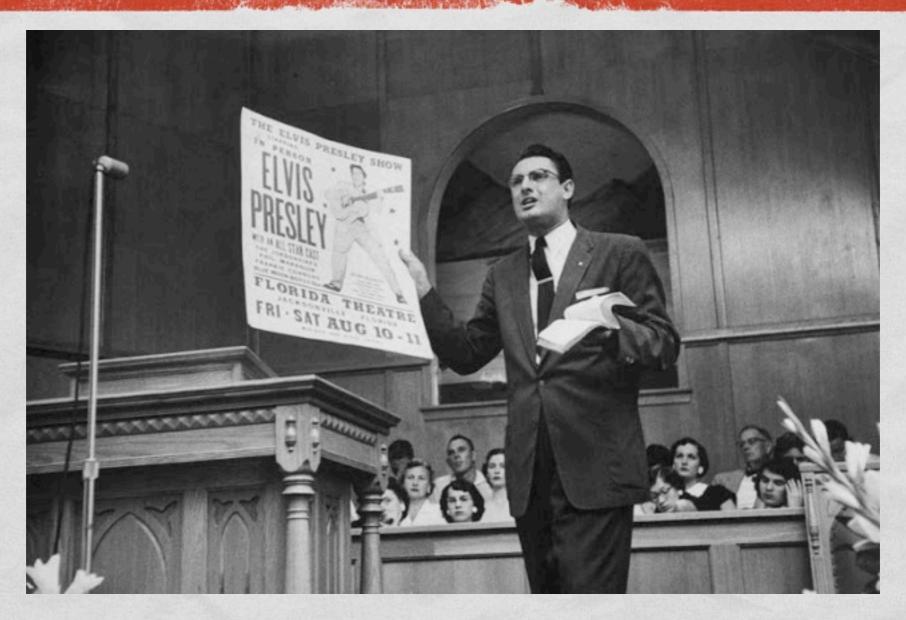
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It was an old-fashioned separatist church that came out of the Southern Baptist Convention in the 1960s.



They preached against rock & roll. Here Pastor Bob Gray was warning about Elvis Presley.



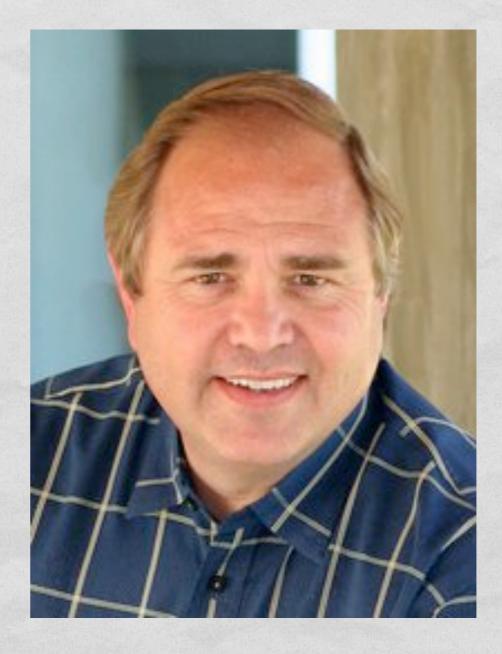


The young people were warned about the evil influence of rock, and they prayed for Elvis' salvation.





The church prospered, supporting missionaries worldwide, operating a rescue mission and a Bible college.



In 1992 Tom Messer became senior pastor.





In 1996, Southwide Baptist Fellowship, meeting at Trinity Baptist, issued a clear warning against Promise Keepers and its "UNHOLY MUSIC."





By 2005, Trinity was borrowing heavily from that "unholy music" produced by the likes of Darlene Zschech, Paul Balouche, and Nicole Mullen. (The same people that Paul Chappell and Lancaster are messing with today.)



Trinity was also messing around with shallow, ecumenical Southern Gospel groups, such as Gold City.





By November 2012, Trinity hosted a Christian rock tour featuring Tenth Avenue North, Audrey Assad, and Rend Collective Experiment.



Rend Collective Experiment are in close association with emerging leaders such as Tony Campolo, David Crowder, and Shane Claiborne.



Tony Campolo believes in evolution, rejects the Bible's inerrancy, believes non-Christians will go to heaven, mocks the imminent return of Christ, supports homosexual rights, and promotes Catholic contemplative prayer.



Shane Claiborne has worked with Mother Teresa's Sisters of Charity and praises Mother Teresa as "a spiritual person."

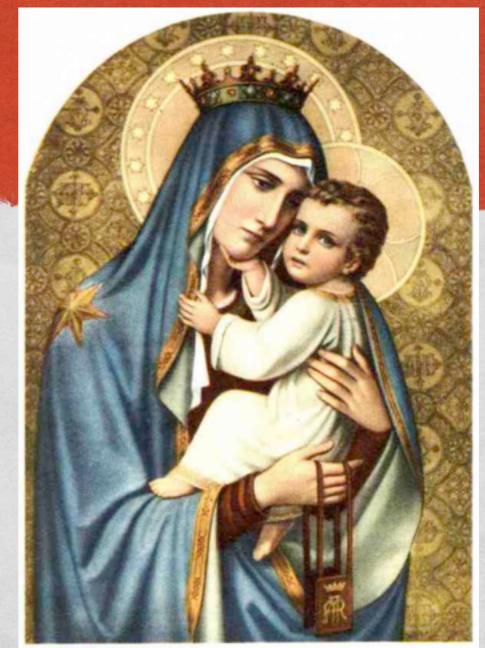


Yet Mother Teresa held Rome's false sacramental gospel, believed all men are saved, and prepared Hindus to die by telling them to pray to their own gods.

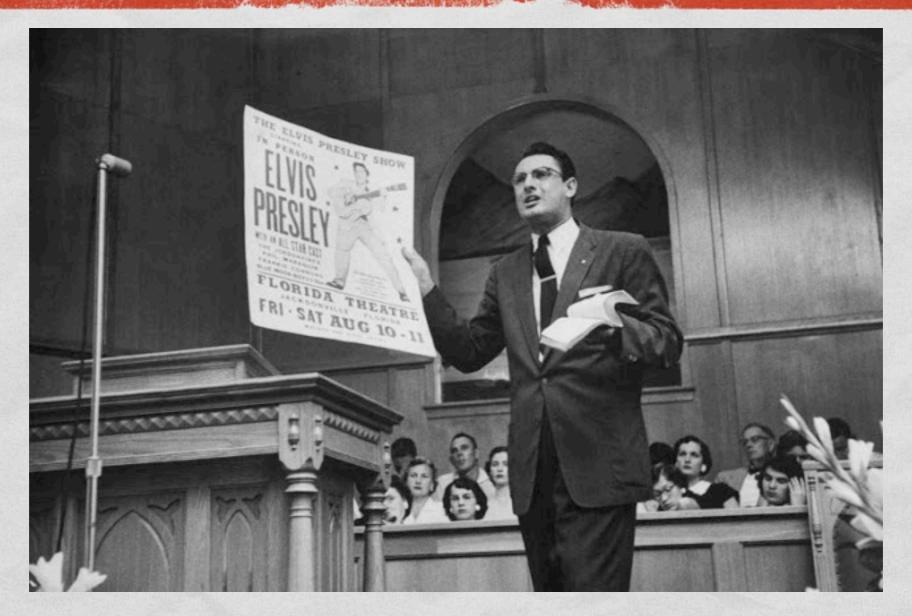


David Crowder led worship for Rob Bell in January 2012, even though Bell denies the Bible's infallibility, denies eternal hellfire, and says the God who would judge people in hell is an idol.





Audrey Assad is a Roman Catholic who is devoted to building bridges between "Protestants" and Rome. She leads worship at a church in Tempe, Arizona, that honors Mary as Queen of Heaven.



Trinity has come a long way from the days when it warned against Elvis!