

Lotz Says Lots!

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All right, we all went to the Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lectures, didn't we? Anne Graham Lotz was the speaker.

I had the opportunity to speak with Mrs. Lotz after the Wednesday morning lecture. So, here then, is the... **THE THIRD INTERVIEW** of my entire life - The Anne Graham Lotz Interview.

Sara: "How did you develop a love for prophesy?"

Anne: "I've always loved the book of Revelation. Ever since I was a little girl, I read through this book not understanding it, but there was something about it that I just loved. Then when I began to study it about a year and half ago, I realized the reason I loved it: because the focus is on Jesus Christ, and I love the Lord Jesus Christ. I feel like it's not so much that I love prophesy, but as verse 1 of Revelation says, 'It's the Revelation of Jesus' and Revelation 19:11 says that 'the spirit of prophesying is the testimony of Jesus' and that the reason prophesying is given is not so much to tell the future, but to reveal

Jesus Christ to us. It's not so much revealing to us what's going to be happening in heaven, although it does, but the assurance that when that time comes - there's no question Jesus is supreme as Lord and sufficient as Lamb, for whatever need arises in the world. He's our Savior, and He's also, not only our Lord, but that He is Lord of the universe - And He has the right to rule the world. So, I feel that the Revelation of Jesus Christ is revealing to us who Jesus is, in light of the

way the world is becoming. We need to remember that our Lord and Savior is supreme, in control of everything that's going on and the world will acknowledge Him as Lord, whether they want to or not. I feel like that's why we are given the book of Revelation.

S: Last night as you were going through the messages from Christ to the seven churches, I kept thinking "Oh, no, that's me" as you went through each one and I felt like I didn't know which category I fit into, but I felt real heavy and sort of guilty and

confused.

A: "Well, I think that maybe what happened for you last night is that when you stand before Christ in the light of His Word, and His Word comes into your life, you see that which is not right and you've got to be convicted of it before you can confess it, and you must confess it before you can be changed. So, there has to be the confession and saying 'Jesus, I'm sorry but I am proud and I've been a phony,' and these other things like 'I've been permissive, I've been progressive,' or whatever the words may be. But in confessing you say, 'Lord, I just thank you that you died on the cross, your very death cleansed me of that sin in particular. So, 2000 years ago, you already paid the price for God's judgment for it.'

So that's when we see His suffering as the Lamb. There's not a sin that's ever been committed that can't be washed away by the blood of the Lamb. It is absolutely sufficient, but it is only good when it is applied. In the Old Testament when God was judging Egypt, He said they had to kill the lamb and put the blood of the lamb on the door if they wanted to be saved. In the same way, it's not enough that Jesus Christ died on the cross. His blood has got to be applied to your sins, to your life, and that is once and for all when you come to Christ for salvation, all of your sins are forgiven at that point. But as we live our lives and when we fail and we continue to sin, we've got to come back to Christ - back to the cross for confessing that sin and asking for cleansing, not forgiveness because you've already been forgiven, but just to keep your relationship right."

S: "Is there anything else you want to say to Montreat students?"

A: "Well, I challenge the students at Montreat to get to know God, through His Word, and to make that a lifetime, passionate pursuit. Read you Bible



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every day. Spend time in prayer every day. At first, it may not be meaningful. I pray it would become meaningful as time goes on and then, through that, you would come to know God and to know Jesus Christ as a living, real person. That would be the whole focus in

your life - that you would live your life to know Him and then in knowing Him, to love Him and through loving Him to be obedient. So, I guess, if I could get the student body to do that - that's what I would want them to do. Set out on a pursuit to know God."

More on Sex Ethic

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number one problem male responders mentioned was that of sexual temptation and sin. The moral struggle at this point is severe. Sexual chastity is difficult even when one lives in a setting where the biblical ideal is stressed and to a high degree maintained. But when living in a culture that tolerates and even encourages unrestricted sexual indulgence, the struggle becomes even more acute.

In our society the cultural taboos against pre- and extra-marital sex have been removed. It is expected that single people will be sexually active. There is an atmosphere of "everybody is doing it" that has removed the moral stigma from casual sex. In addition, we live in an age where sex is exploited beyond measure to sell products and to stimulate interests in books, plays, films, music and tv.. Sex sells because sex interests.

A person trying to live out the biblical sex ethic today is bombarded daily with erotic stimuli couched

in respectability. In an effort to ease the consciences of those suffering from the pangs of guilt, many churches have moved from a posture of offering forgiveness to repentant sinners to sanctioning the activities themselves.

Yet every Christian knows from even a cursory reading of Scripture that ours is a higher call. We are not to look at the culture but to our Lord for our sexual ethic. God's law on the sanctity of sex has not changed. No church group has ever had the right to revise the rule of Christ.

To those who fall and who genuinely repent, we still have Jesus who says, "Neither do I condemn you. Go and sin no more." We must hear both parts of this statement: Christ does not condemn the penitent; He forgives them. But with forgiveness comes the command "Go and sin no more." - From **Tabletalk**,

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Christian Metal

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Imagine your worst nightmare. . . arena packed with screaming, rebellious teens. Up on stage you see some of the most unusual tools for witnessing. . . a screaming, electrical guitar, pounding bass, thunderous drums and some of the most insufferable words? You can imagine. To some it's just sweet music; to others it's Satan at his best. Unfortunately, Satan has taken a strong hold on the heavy metal scene, but there is an alternative! Christian Metal (although controversial), some may say it's wimpy -- I say, they haven't heard any Christian metal lately. Today's Christian metal bands are being produced by secular producers -- giving them a more superior sound (and

also a witness to the producers). There are metal bands to reach all of the secular favorites--from "glam" to "speed/hardcore". Glam = Guardian, Metal = Barren Cross, Speed = Vengeance, Hardcore = The Lead.

One of the newest bands to hit the Christian scene is X-Sinner. When I was growing up in junior and senior high my favorite band was AC/DC, I had all their albums, including bootlegs. The first time I heard X-Sinner, it was scary. I had to stop the tape and look at the cover closer. I thought AC/DC went Christian--They sounded that much alike.

If you'd like to know more or hear some of them, stop by and see me (Dave Bush) or even Gary Helms or Chris Lovelace.