Justine Peter's My Response to Micharl Brown's Invitation



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hello ladies and gentlemen my name is Justin Peters I hope that this finds you and yours doing well and I want to thank you for joining me yesterday I received an email from dr. Michael Brown and in this email he gave me a little excerpt video excerpt from one of his recent programs in the line of fire in which he extended to me an invitation to have a public discussion with him about divine physical healing he noted that he has offered to debate me before in years past on the continuance or lack thereof of the apostolic gifts the sign gifts of course dr. Michael Brown as a charismatic and he believes that all of these gifts continue is a cessationist believe that the apostolic gifts and only the apostolic gifts by the way have have ceased tongues interpretation of tongues miracles and physical healing and and he rightly said that I've declined that invitation and and I did and did so for a number of reasons not the least of which is that that debate has been done he's already had that debate with dr. James white and so I didn't really see much point in going over that again we have very different views on that issue but he's had that debate before but as best I understand it this new invitation is not a debate I think he wants to have a discussion about physical healing so he extended this invitation to me publicly on his program in the line of fire and also on Twitter which I find a little bit ironic because he has blocked me on Twitter it's best to understand it he's blocked me from because of what some others have said in my defense that he took issue with I guess but as I don't think

really what I have said myself as best I understand it but at any rate I did find it a little bit odd that he put this on invitation to me up on Twitter when I'm blocked from his Twitter but let me I do have a screenshot of it and someone sent to me so let me read this to you in his tweet he says here's my practical appeal to Justin Peters let's discuss the question of the vine healing together in a public setting from a pastoral and biblical perspective why not well dr. Brown I'm going to have to respectfully decline your offer to do this and the primary reason for declining your offer is that one word that you yourself used pastoral the Bible as you know gives a number of qualifications for elders or pastors among them found in first Timothy chapter 3 is that elders or pastors are to be above reproach they are to be temperate they are to be respectable and they are to be able to teach sound doctrine also in chapter 30 we see that an elder must not be a new convert now I don't think Paul primarily has in mind a time frame there when he talks about a new convert though within certain you know reasonable limitations of course you wouldn't want someone who's been converted for a day being an elder in a church obviously but I think what he primarily has in view they're not so much a time frame but rather spiritual maturity and the reason one of the reasons I say this is because we actually see in the New Testament some of the churches that Paul planted within just a couple of short years two or three years were being led by men that had been converted under his preaching when he came in and planted the church so not so much a time frame but rather a spiritual maturity elders are not to be immature believers and we also know from Scripture that one of the marks of a mature Christian is a discerning Christian you know we see this in Hebrews chapter 5 one cannot be a mature Christian mature believer in LAC theological spiritual discernment at the same time and so that is another one of the qualifications and in there also in Titus chapter 1 Paul in his letter to Titus he reiterates many of these same qualifications including being able to teach sound doctrine as he said in first Timothy chapter 3 so he reiterates that but he adds this to able to teach sound doctrine in to refute those who contradict and dr. Brown as you know one of my chief criticisms of you is that you have been unwilling to call out by name the most egregious the most brazenly obvious false prophets heretics and charlatans in your own movement the charismatic movement just a few examples of this you have recently referred to Kenneth Copeland as your brother your brother in Christ Kenneth Copeland is obviously a false prophet he has offered an uttered many many false prophecies he has uttered some of the most jaw-dropping heresies that you could even

imagine just brazen brazen heresies and as if that were not enough he compounds the error not only by teaching these these blood-curdling heresies but actually ascribes God as the source of these heresies he's guilty of course of teaching blatant and egregious prosperity theology and I will say in fairness that you do you have publicly said you do not you do not agree with some of the more extreme teachings of prosperity but but nonetheless Kenneth Copeland is a false prophet by every biblical criterion of the term if Kenneth Copeland is not a false prophet then the term truly has no meaning and yet you call him your brother in Christ you also it's very well-known that you are close friends with Sid Roth he's a close personal friend of yours Sid Roth on his program entitled it's supernatural has just the most Looney tune wingnut people on his program I mean just lunacy and on his program he has recently had a lady on his program who claims that when she plays her violin it's so anointed that people age in Reverse he regularly has people on his program who claim to get dreams and visions from God and they shuttled back and forth to heaven if one of the more shocking things that I've seen on Sid Roth's program was just last year in February of 2018 and Sid Roth is reenacting a tale from being told by Smith wigglesworth's granddaughter of tailless an account that's supposedly happened in Smith Wigglesworth ministry in which Smith Wigglesworth was presented with a baby by a young couple their little baby who was sick and Smith Wigglesworth claims that God told him to throw the baby two-month-old baby throw the baby against the wall and did so and Sid Roth reenacts this and when the baby hit the wall it fell to the floor of course and then Smith Wigglesworth went up and kicked the baby like a soccer ball this is this is one of your friends I mean it the you cannot honestly if my life depended on it I could not come up with nuttier and more disturbing claims than what is regularly paraded on Sid Roth's program it's supernatural you have also affirmed Benny Hinn as your brother in Christ and everything that I said about Kenneth Copeland is true of Benny Hinn and Benny Hinn has not repented of of his error that's a whole other discussion recently you had a picture you posted a picture of yourself with Todd white and you said in this I guess it was an Instagram or something but I came across this you said my first time meeting Todd white he has a wonderful heart for the Lord dr. Brown Todd white is a heretic he's a heretic he is he's a heretic he is a false prophet he claims it God speaks to him when he clearly does not everything that I've said about Kenneth Copeland and Benny Hinn are true of Todd white and and Todd white is he's also just a ranked charlatan he's a he's a charlatan one of the things for which he is

most well known is going out on the streets and going up to people in random and healing them and one of the most common ailments that apparently is just in endemic in the United States is it all practically everyone is walking around with one leg a little bit shorter than the other one and he has a person sit down in a chair and he takes one of each of their feet in his hands kneels down and and he commands the shorter leg to grow and and sure enough you see this on camera and the person's shorter leg grows by just about that much he commands a leg to grow and he can do this and he has 100% success at this this is a parlor trick charlatans have been doing this for decades and it is a it's a trick I know exactly how he does it in fact this trick has been exposed on the American gospel DVD that Brandon Kimber put out earlier this year now this is where we can see what's really going on here the leg on our right is supposed to be the short leg and this is the leg which should be miraculously growing but it's not look at the leg on our left that's where all the action is that's what's actually being you can see that Todd is actually pivoting or shifting the foot of the so called long leg so that the heels match now he's doing this very slowly over time but it's painfully obvious when you speed up the clip it's it's a complete he's a complete fraud he's a complete fraud and he knows what he's doing it is deliberate intentional deception and yet you say he has a heart for God dr. Brown men who intentionally deceive people do not have a heart for God if Todd white could command a leg to grow then then surely he could command cancer cells to die so why doesn't he go to the hospital and command those cancer cells to die why doesn't he go to st. Jude Children's Research Hospital and heal those sick and dying kids of cancer why doesn't he do that because he's a fraud and he knows he's a fraud and you sir should know that he is a fraud you you you endorse and call it as brother's some of the most obvious false teachers out there in the charismatic movement which brings me to my discussion of another todd todd Bentley there was a fresh wave of allegations that came out in the last month or so as of this recording against todd Bentley very serious allegations of moral failings in a number of different ways and these allegations were not surprising at all they were about as surprising to me as the son coming up in the East every morning it just did not surprise me and I don't think it should have surprised anyone but very serious allegations and apparently you are asked to be a part of a panel and investigative team to look into these accusations against Todd Bentley to see which ones are true which ones are not Todd Bentley has already admitted that at least many of them are true he says some are not some or many of them are but very

very serious disqualifying accusations and so this team this panel of which you are a part will be looking into this and I want to read just a little bit and a little excerpt from a statement that you put up about this issue you write we will be working with an investigator who will help us vet all charges the panel of leaders will then review the evidence and make a determination of guilt or innocence in accordance with the facts presented based on that determination conclusions will be made in terms of how the charges against Todd have been handled whether he should be in ministry and whether others are guilty of falsely accusing him or misrepresenting the facts the key phrase there for me is whether he should be in ministry dr. Brown is you know todd Bentley burst onto the scene in 2008 the Lakeland revival and ignited Church in Lakeland Florida pastor pestered by Stephen straighter and he burst stone at the scene there in 2008 and this incredible quote-unquote revival started amazing claims of healings and miracles and he says that 31 people were raised from the dead even though when the news asked for proof of that none was nothing was given because they had no proof of it the false claims false miracles false claims of miracles and healings and false claims of people being raised from the dead but I I went to several days of this meeting back in 2008 I was actually there for three days of this and see for myself what was going on because this was the hottest thing going in the charismatic movement as you know in 2008 and there was a who's who of the word faith / New Apostolic Reformation even though you say you're not convinced that that's a real thing trust me that it is who's who of the leaders of this movement were there Bill Johnson pastor of Bethel Church in Redding California Bill Johnson was there John Arnott was there Stacey Campbell was there che on was there and all of these people prophesied over todd Bentley and they prophesied things like that God was going to bring about a great worldwide revival through todd Bentley he was considered to be an apostle and all this just todd Bentley was the hottest thing going and turns out that the entire time this lakeland supposedly viable was going on excuse me todd Bentley was drinking heavily he was a drunk and he was having an affair with a female member of his staff named Jessa and this was exposed this came out made the news and this this was exposed and this whole Lakeland thing just just kind of imploded but when it came out that he was having affair with a female member of staff who wouldn't no no is Jessa rather than repent of his adultery and go back to his wife Shawna he divorced his wife he left his wife who by the way is handicapped Shawna Bentley had cancer when she was a teenager bone cancer and they had to remove her name

they said she Shona Bentley has no knee in her left legs just a steel rod and last I heard anyway still rot you can see video of her as she walks her leg her left leg does not Bend because he doesn't have the knee so rather than repent of his adultery and go back to his wife and his family he divorced her he divorced Shawna and he married this woman Jessa with whom he was having an affair proved himself to be the false prophet that he is and not only that by extension he also proved all of the prophets quote-unquote who prophesied over him prove them to be false prophets because they falsely prophesied over todd Bentley and I'm struck by the fact all of these leaders and word faith and in na are and you know Bill Johnson and John are not say on all these guys and Stacey Campbell all these people who claimed to hear God speak to them regularly claim to get dreams and visions from God regularly could not see what was going on right under their own noses with Tom Bentley so he proved them to be false teachers false prophets as well todd Bentley that that's one of the issues with todd Bentley but todd Bentley is truly the most bizarre deranged violent false teacher in the charismatic movement todd Bentley is known for this is not hearsay it's on video that he claims it God spoke to him and told him to kick an elderly woman in the face with his biker boot he claims he was sucked up into heaven through a pillar of fire found himself in heaven laying down on an operating table in heaven and they proceeded to do surgery on him in heaven cut him open from his basically back base of his neck down to his belly button all his insides gushed out he makes this claim its own video claims that God spoke to him and told him to slap an elderly woman in the face that's different from the older woman that he kicked in the face with his biker boot this is another woman that God also told him to slap in the face a woman in her 70s God told him to slap her in the face and I was in a meeting it was about 11 o'clock at night everybody was just about gone home and this little sweet old lady you know 70 something years old comes in and she just sweet his grandma hi and and she knew I was tired and the meeting was over and she was standing in the back of the church they had the door shut and locked into the kitchen she's standing in the hallway and she says man of God do you have anything left can you just pray for me please and I thought oh this sweet little grandma needs prayer I'm gonna pray for grandma so I lifted my hand up night I laid hands on her braid four and the Lord said no no I want to touch her right now just she needed to be healed some kind of chronic arthritis or something the Lord said I want you to slap her in the face I said God you want me to slap grandma in the face he said that's right just slap her in

the face so I took my hand and I went BAM and I just slapped her across the face literally she was picked up off of the ground flew back several feet hit the door so hard she blew the door off the hinges and slid on her back into the kitchen laying on the floor people are preparing a meal for potluck Sunday and she went right through the door blew the hinges splintered the door right up and grandma went sliding across the floor got up totally healed by the power of God you know and I thought all of this was just hyperbole and probably was I kind of doubt that he actually slapped an elderly woman in the face least I hope he didn't if he did he should be arrested but but I actually saw him with my own eyes and I was there at present when he kicked a man with stage-4 stomach cancer kicked him in the gut kneed him in the gut I saw that and so all of that to say this you're part of a panel an investigative team to decide whether or not he should be in ministry dr. Brown the man had an affair on his wife divorced his wife he should not be in ministry he is not above reproach the man claims that he went to heaven and surgery was performed on he teaches blatant heresies he's not able to teach the man is not temperate he is known for kicking in punching people he literally meets none of the biblical requirements to be an elder to be a teacher he shouldn't be anywhere Neera pulpit and you're on a panel - that's to decide whether or not he should be in ministry dr. Brown he divorced his wife no he should not be in ministry he claims that God spoke to him and told him to kick an elderly woman in the face with his biker boot no he should not be in ministry he claims that God told him to heal it hit an elderly woman in the face slap her in the face no he should not be in ministry he literally meets none of the requirements to be a pastor or elder or someone who is teaching the Bible publicly meets none of them he in fact he is the exact opposite of that dr. Brown so the reason all of this to say the reason I am declining your offer is because elders to be a pastor they have a pastoral discussion or to be able to teach sound doctrine in refute to those who contradict the Bible is not unclear about how we are to deal with false teachers we are not to endorse them we are not to give them cover we are not to call them our brothers they are to be marked and avoided Romans chapter 16 verse 17 they are there to be they are to be avoided and shunned second John nine through eleven do not give them greeting do not bring him into your house for the one who gives him a greeting participates in his evil deeds we are not to participate in the evil deeds of darkness rather we are to be exposing them and yet you're on a panel to decide whether or not he should be in ministry dr. Brown if you cannot tell a man that a man like Todd Bentley should not be in ministry then

there is no point in us having a pastoral discussion about anything much less healing and dr. Brown I've been to these meetings I've been to seventeen benny hinn Crusades I've been to Kenneth Copeland meetings I've been to todd Bentley meetings I've been to Joyce Meyer meetings I've been to these things Jesse Duplantis I've been to these things Creflo Dollar and I have seen heart breaking scenes desperately people desperate people desperately sick dying of cancer laying on the floor on blankets I've seen people on stretchers I have seen parents with dying children literally cradling their children in their arms weeping for them desperate that God would give their little child a miracle of healing and I have been there when Benny Hinn and Kenneth Copeland and all these others have promised that if you will sow a seed if you will give them give me money God will heal you of your cancer God will heal you kill your spouse of of his or her disease God will heal your child if you will give me money that is not hyperbole sir that's not hyperbole I have been there I've seen it over and over and over I've talked with these people I've wept with some of them and these are the people that you call your brothers I'm sorry sir there is no point in us having a pastoral discussion on healing for the record I do believe that God not only can and does heal people today but only when it is his sovereign will to do so I do not believe today that anyone possesses the gift of healing no one possesses the gift of healing today but God does heal people when and only when it is his sovereign will do so but that's not the same thing as the gift of healing it's a rare thing but God on occasion does it I have no doubt about that but I do not believe anyone possesses that gift and I do not believe that these people like Kenneth Copeland and Todd white in Benny Hinn and todd Bentley or my brothers in Christ they are not my brothers one of the one of the great ironies in this whole discussion is that charismatic s' would look at people like me and cessationist who does not believe that the apostolic gifts are still in operation they would look at me and they would another cessationist they would say well you just you don't believe in the holy spirit you don't believe in the power of the Holy Spirit to the contrary I am so confident in the power and the work of a Holy Spirit of God that I do not believe someone can be indwelt by him and teach the kinds of heresies that these people to teach and ascribe those same heresies to God himself I do not believe that is someone who isn't dwelt by the Holy Spirit I do not believe someone who is indwelt by the Holy Spirit would stand in front of dozens and dozens hundreds of sick people millions potentially through television and tell sick people if you will send me your money God will heal you if you will send me your

money God will heal your sick child I don't believe that I just don't I I have too much confidence in the power of the person of the Holy Spirit of God too much confidence in his indwelling of the believer in his sanctifying work in the lives of believers to believe that someone who is indwelt by him can teach and do these things sorry dear friends slight editing note I had to stop recording and by the time I was able to come back to it daylight had gone and so the lighting is different so that explains that so back to what I was saying if these people were truly indwelt by the Holy Spirit of God in the very first time they taught one of these heresies the very first time they taught one of these blasphemies and ascribed them to God the very first time that they manufactured false signs and wonders faked miracles faked healings the very first time that they deliberately exploited the poor the sick the desperate and the widows for personal financial gain then the Holy Spirit of God would drop them to their knees under such heavy conviction in the fact that these people have been doing this for a year after year after years some of them for decades they have been called on it they've been called to repent yet they refuse to do so they continue to do this with wanton abandon that is not someone who was indwelt by the Holy Spirit of God if the Holy Spirit of God is strong enough to save us he is strong enough to deliver us out of deception dr. Brown I'm not saying that everything that you teach is wrong I have told you before in an email that I have heard you defend penal substitution area toment and you did so very very well I could not have done any better myself but it is not enough to just be right on that certain doctrines you mentioned having a pastoral discussion part of being a pastor part of being a Bible teacher is not only teaching the truth but it is refuting those who contradict and john calvin has a quote i'm sure you've seen this before john calvin says this the pastor ought to have two voices one for gathering the sheep in another for warding off and driving away wolves and thieves the scripture supplies him with the means of doing both indeed and dr. Brown the reason I cannot have a pastoral discussion with you about healing is that you you do not warn about the wolves and the thieves you do not call them out by name you call them your brothers and that is not pest all that is anything but pastoral and so in closing let me reaffirm that I do believe that God still heals people today only when it is his sovereign will to do so it is not always God's will for us to be physically heal it's just not the Bible is full of examples of faithful servants of God who were not physically healed this side of heaven the other side of heaven yes we will we will be healing we will have our glorified bodies but we are not guaranteed that

this side of heaven not at all and if I have to live the rest of my life for several palsy you know that's okay I deserve far worse I deserve far worse but if I have to live with it for the rest of my life that's alright I've got all of eternity to live without it but more than that I've got all of eternity to live in the presence of Christ being in all of him and worshiping him serving him for all of eternity he is the joy in the glory of heaven and so I do thank you for your invitation but I must respectfully decline and for all who are watching thank you for doing so if I may be if any help to you my website Justin Peters org be glad to help you any way that I can thank you very much may God bless you all you