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Eastern Spirituality to the West.

What jumps out at me while reading this article is sadness. The same argument has been burdening me down for a few years now. The sadness has heightened since I came to Alliance, formerly Nyack. The fact that the gospel of Christ is so watered down and made complicated, when the message is purely "Love the Lord your God with all thy might and Love thy Neighbor as thyself. (Matthew 22:37). And "Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your father which is in heaven." (Matt. 5: 14-16). If we all concentrate and fulfilling these commandments, the Eastern religion would find no place to come in. It is so disappointing that people spend a whole lot of time and money dissecting and nit picking the word of God, when we all should spend time on ourselves perfecting the art of doing what Jesus does and that would be pleasing to Him. The devil is deviously moving in and infiltrating the message of Christ and we are being petty, and not being good steward and watchful. Many has been concentrating on sharing the glory of God, attaching importance to themselves via the gospel, while the religion of others has crept in and help to destroy the very foundation America was built on. We want to appease everybody for vain glory, so we take God out of everything. One question we should ask ourselves, would they do that for us?

These sentences got me, "The New Age Movement provides everything one could religiously need." and "It has the same aspect of Christianity." (pp. 130, Para. 5). Learning this is cause for great concern, which should cause us to be mindful about the wellbeing of individual souls. By reading this

article I learn why so many people are drawn to them, because we live in a materialistic world. I also learn that this is not only coming from the evil authorities as I thought but are allowed by weak leaders. I have seen a vast amount of people saying, "There is no God" (pp. 135, Para. 6), Even in my very religious country that I was born and grown up in. Now I have a better understanding of why the belief is so popular and how it works.

It has been a call from the leaders of our church and myself as a Sunday School teacher to keep ourselves informed. Stock up on the word of God. Know Him for ourselves. Know what is required of us and continue or start practicing our faith. The writer suggests a solution to the problem on (pp. 137: Para. 3). It is my earnest goal at this time have God's words written on the fleshy tables of my heart (Ps. 119: 11) and be who (Romans 12: 1-2) want me to be.