

## Daily Meditation 9-15-25

### More on Thiel & the Billionaire Religion Seeking to Conquer the World

Good morning.

In this morning's meditation, we continue to reflect on the Silicon Valley billionaire Peter Thiel, and his surprising interest in the Antichrist, seeing as today, Monday, he is beginning a four-part seminar on the Antichrist, being offered in the heart of Silicon Valley in San Francisco.

In my conclusion to my book on *Trump and the MAGA Movement as Antichrist*, I cite a contemporary Jungian philosopher, Sue Mehrrens, who proposes that both Donald Trump and Vladimir Putin are examples of the archetype of the Antichrist today. "The antichrist," she says, "is someone who foments division, encourages violence, abuses people, lies, creates chaos, and contravenes norms of decency, also one who fascinates." Fascinates the attention of the media and the rest.

What I'd like to share with you now, is a substantive article done by a man who wrote a book on Peter Thiel, knows him quite well. The article is entitled "*Peter Thiel Tries On the Antichrist for Size*." And the subtitle is, "A series of lectures will likely be less about theology and more about political grievance." And the author is Max Chaffin, who is a Business Week senior reporter. He begins by talking about this four-part series on the subject of the Antichrist. And he says,

"The idea of a demonic false messiah who will seek to lead the world astray before the second coming. There's something inherently funny about this," he says, "and not only because the PayPal co-founder (that is, Peter Thiel) 'is promoting himself as a Christian theologian. There's just something undeniably a bit anti-Christ-y about this particular would-be theologian.' Undeniably a bit anti-Christ-y. It's spelled with a Y, a hyphen and a y.

"Thiel," he says, "is a mercurial tech billionaire with a side interest in becoming immortal—" a side interest in becoming immortal – "who has spent decades quietly amassing power in politics. Also a sort of tech industry prophet, admired by ambitious engineers and right-leaning media figures."

And he points out that he's been on the Joe Rogan podcast several times to talk about a lot of things. And this last month, Joe Rogan had a podcast dedicated to his interest in the Antichrist. But he wasn't interviewing Peter Thiel. He was interviewing Tim Dillon, who mocked Thiel's antichrist preoccupations. In fact, he compared it to OJ Simpson's book, *If I Did It*. In other words, an ostensible fictionalized confession. "He's trying to prove he's not the Antichrist," Dillon said.

How can you prove you're not the Antichrist? That's probably how the lecture starts. He goes, "if I was the Antichrist, I obviously wouldn't be doing this lecture." I find that very amusing, and I do wonder what Thiel's notes are like for his four-part series, which is sold out, by the way. And Rogan flashed a picture of Thiel and proposed that he even looked like an antichrist!

The author of this article says, *I laughed at these jokes, having written a biography of Thiel. Even so, I feel obliged to say that Rogan and Dillon and others cracking wise on social media have it wrong. Thiel won't end his promised eight-hour Antichrist extravaganza by confessing that he bears the Mark of the Beast, nor will he profess any other dark allegiance.*

And he says that "really, it's not an eight-hour seminar—it's 16 hours, if you include all the cocktails and desserts and other time for the Antichrist enthusiasts to mingle." So when the very wealthy put on his seminar, things go on longer. There's more to imbibe and to eat.

But he says he proposes, "Thiel's comments suggest that the Antichrist is less a demonic being, and more a way of talking about those on the political left." So that's what's at the heart of the matter here: that Thiel is using the Antichrist archetype to label those on the political left, such as Greta Thunberg.

I've alluded to this in my article, that he holds Greta Thunberg up as the Antichrist of our time, because "she promotes a totalitarian one world government." Those are Thiel's words, a totalitarian one world government.

Well, it seems to me that Thiel and his fellow billionaires in America are proposing a totalitarian one world government under one person, their dear leader. And Thiel is quoted, "if Greta gets everyone on the planet to ride a bicycle, maybe that's a way to solve climate change, but it has sort of this quality of going from the frying pan into the fire." Well, I'm glad to hear that he admits climate change exists. I don't know if he's ever admitted that before, or if he wants to commit to that statement.

He points out that Thiel, nine years ago, broke with his peers and supported Donald Trump, and Silicon Valley at that time was not at all pro-Trump. But that since, a lot of business people have followed Trump into his echelon of power. And so in that way, Thiel was setting the pace for a lot of right-wing billionaires. And he points out how many of Thiel's advisors or co-workers are now working for Trump. His AI and crypto advisor David Sacks, and Jim O'Neill, a longtime aide, is acting director of the Center for Disease Control and Prevention. And then, of course, Vice President Vance, whom Thiel sponsored as a senator, to the tune of \$13 million. And like Musk, he's proven that big money can make people big in politics. And of course, Palantir, the company, the data mining company that Thiel founded, is doing extremely well under Trump, as I've laid out in my article on Thiel.

So I think it's important that we take seriously these aspirations, and what I talk about in my article today, this striving to replace religion with a new religion from Silicon Valley, that people who believe so deeply, or want to believe so deeply in AI, that they think immortality is around the corner in a certain way. And that hubris or arrogance and greed make an amazing Trinity, and become a power source to take over the minds of a lot of people. And clearly, Thiel is on the record with saying that he thinks democracy is finished.

So all this adds up to a warning, a warning that I did try to sound an alarm on, a year ago when I published my book on the Antichrist: that these archetypes are there, and Jung, among others, is sounding an alarm that they get to people in a deep way. It's not logic, it's not the rational brain. It's feeling, and feeling that there's a direction to go that doesn't have to be one of justice or compassion or love, but can be one of power and power and power.

Thank you. We'll see you next week.