

RICK WARREN, LAVERNE ADAMS, AND CINDY TRIMM

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[Apprising Ministries](#) has been among the online apologetics and discernment ministries covering Piper-Warrengate.

It all began when Dr. John Piper made the dubious decision to feature Purpose Driven Pope [Rick Warren](#), with his quite elastic orthodoxy and twistable multi-translation *Play-Doh* Bible, as a keynote speaker at the DG 2010 conference [Think: The Life of the Mind & the Love of God](#).

You might remember that I told you e.g. in [Decade of Destiny With Rick Warren](#) that Purpose Driven Pope [Rick Warren](#) unveiled his [Plan for Decade of Destiny and Challenges the Men of Saddleback](#) where we find:

Decade of Destiny kicks off 10-10-10 and we have a jam-packed season coming up this fall. If you were unable to come Thursday morning, DON'T MISS THIS WEEKEND! Pastor Rick has so much to share about what's ahead.

([Online source](#))

Interestingly enough this was also the day a book called [Driven By Destiny: 12 Secrets to Unlock Your Future](#) (DBD) was released; it was written by pastrix Dr. LaVerne Adams, a spiritually whacked Word Faith flake who also goes by the name:



([Online source](#))

The foreword to the Divine Destiny Doctor's book is done by none other than Rick Warren; and below, right from her [Driven By Destiny](#) website itself, is what Warren would write in his foreword to pastrix LaVerne Adams' book:

"Praise For...Driven By Destiny"



Rick Warren

Pastor of Saddleback Church, San Diego, California
Author of *The Purpose Driven Life*

If you want to know your destiny, you must begin with God. We were born for his purpose; yet, many of us stay puzzled about the destiny God has planned for us. That's because we typically begin at the wrong starting point—ourselves. We ask self centered questions like, 'What do I want to be?' 'What should I do with my life?' 'What are my

goals, my ambitions, my dreams for my future?' But focusing on ourselves will never reveal our life's purpose. In her book, *Driven By Destiny*, Dr. LaVerne Adams provides a very practical plan for not only determining what your God-given destiny is, but also provides a way to help move you forward in fulfilling your destiny. Part of your destiny is to become like Jesus, but you cannot reproduce the character of Jesus on your own strength. This book will help you understand how you must cooperate with the Holy Spirit's work of developing the character of Christ in you. It is a strong reminder that, although your own effort has nothing to do with your salvation, it has much to do with your spiritual growth. We are to make every effort in our growth toward becoming like Jesus. We don't just sit around and wait for it to happen, but as LaVerne methodically shows, we are to very deliberately let go of old ways of acting; we are to actively work with the Holy Spirit in changing the way we think; and we are to consistently "put on" the character of Christ by developing new, godly habits.

([Online source](#))

Next we note that Doctor of Destiny Adams tells us in that God brought into her life the mighty "prayer general" [Dr. Cindy Trimm](#):

as a catalyst to move me into a realm of power and faith that delivered me into a [*cue *Twilight Zone* theme*] deeper dimension of my divine destiny... As an ambassadorial mouthpiece for God, Dr. Trimm's dynamic style, cutting-edge prayer strategies, and kingdom technologies has profoundly aligned me to take dominion and prosper in every area of my life.

Because of her unique passion to see me empowered to reach my fullest potential my life is royally positioned as a resource that advances the establishment of the Kingdom of God.[1]

And not only that, but who knew; Dr. Cindy Trimm is also “an ambassadorial mouthpiece for God” with such “kingdom technologies” that our Divine Destiny Doctor pastrix Adams is now so fine-tunedly “aligned” she’s able “to take dominion and prosper.”

The mighty “prayer general” Dr. Trimm raves about pastrix Adams herself:

Dr. Cindy Trimm, CEO

Cindy Trimm International & World Summit on Prayer, Author of *Commanding Your Morning*



Quantum scientists have now confirmed what the Bible revealed to us centuries ago, that there are parallel worlds and "portals" that give us access to them all. Dr. Adams takes us on a scholarly journey and offers us a destiny altering practical guide to discovering and mastering the secrets for success, happiness, and prosperity. Her passion for educating and empowering the masses bleeds through every page as she skillfully excavates the mysterious realm of the spirit concerning the elusive topic, "Destiny". In my younger years I used the word destiny synonymously with the word purpose until I realized that they were not one in the same. Now I know that my purpose was pre-determined by God, while my destiny is determined by me. Your destiny is determined the moment you make a decision. In other words, God determines your purpose but you determine your destiny. Destinies are decision oriented, and as such you are always only one decision away from living the life of your dreams. Dr. Adams writings are very thought provoking. Her transparency and candor mixed with humility makes her inspirational writing style inviting, practical, and spiritually motivating. In a world that is crying out for assistance and leadership, where fear and the grueling tasks of making a living has immobilized and handicapped the creativity within the masses, and stifled their ability to hope and dream for a better future, this book can be used as catalyst for change with Dr. Adams, the author, its agent. If you exist amongst the masses, this book will under gird your efforts in breaking away from the mundane, freeing your mind from self-imposed limitation and ultimately demolishing the chains that threaten to keep you bond to a life of misery. Read this book for it can positively change your life for the good. Dare to leave your past behind and travel through the dimensions of opportunity, purpose and destiny into a brilliant future.

[\(Online source\)](#)

Let me remind you that back on October 18 Chris Rosebrough, host of [Fighting for the Faith](#) on [Pirate Christian Radio](#), did a program he called [Why Would Rick Warren Endorse Dr. Laverne Adams?](#) Earlier today

in [Chris Rosebrough, Rick Warren, And LaVerne Adams](#) I placed within the actual segment where Rosebrough—whom Rick Warren dubbed a pirate who does nothing—provides Biblical commentary during his review of a sermon by pastrix Adams called [God's GPS](#). I echo his sentiments:

Dr. Laverne Adams, [is] the lady who Rick Warren sought out;...this is the woman who authored the book about your divine destiny that Rick Warren wrote the foreword to—you know, put his stamp of approval [on]...it comes back to my question: Why would Rick Warren write the foreword to this woman's book? That's an endorsement of her and her teaching. Why would Rick Warren—you see, this isn't "guilt by association," this is guilt by *endorsement*.

What is Rick Warren doing promoting this woman?... It's not like I'm saying, "Oh, what is Rick Warren doing associating with LaVerne Adams?" No, no, this is guilt by *endorsement*. Why is Rick Warren *endorsing* the teaching of Dr. LaVerne Adams?

Now by Warren endorsing the work of pastrix Adams we have every right to examine her teachings because they are being recommended by one of the most influential pastors in the entire visible church, who himself has recently been pronounced "doctrinal and sound" by one of the most respected names in evangelicalism, Dr. John Piper. In addition, it only makes sense that we should also make the time to look at the fruit of ministries which formed the Word Faith prosperity theology of Dr. Laverne Adams.

With this in mind then, I bring to your attention that just yesterday Dr. Cindy Trimm tweeted:

I decree - you will pray until you receive the manifestation of your prayers in all areas of your life. #DrTrimm ☆

about 3 hours ago via Facebook
Retweeted by 23 people

Reply Retweet



cindytrimm
Dr. Cindy Trimm

[\(Online source\)](#)

The “decree” is classic Word Faith prosperity theology where the belief is that, just as God, their words have creative power; we see it from Trimm’s disciple pastrix LaVerne Adams as well:



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You’ll also hear this type of Word Faith teaching referred to as positive confession:

1) Positive Confession: The theology of the Spoken word (Khematology), or thought actualization, is commonly known as positive confession. It stresses the inherent power of words and thoughts. Each person predestines his own future by what he says verbally and by how well he uses spiritual laws. As such, it is as if we live in a mechanistic universe instead of a personal one (see, Kenneth Copeland, Laws of Prosperity, p. 15; Charles Capps, The Tongue A Creative Force, pp. 117-118; Releasing the Ability of God, pp. 98-99, 101-104).

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It really ought to arrest our attention when we see that with LaVerne Adams and her mentor, the alleged “ambassadorial mouthpiece for God” Dr. Cindy Trimm, we’re now on the very same ground with one of the most notorious of Word Faith heretics, Kenneth Copeland. Keeping in mind here these so-called “laws of prosperity,” and words supposedly being “a creative force,” consider the following from Dr. Cindy Trimm in [“What Have You Put Out in The Atmosphere?”](#) over at the nefarious Word Faith website [The ElijahList](#):



Everything in the universe begins with and revolves around two things: words and thoughts. These two elements are divine gifts created by God and given to man. They form the creative substance that molds and shapes the destiny of humanity. Each of us becomes the person we are, chooses the direction we take, and accomplishes everything we do based on these two primary elements.

Just as in every seed, there is life-giving power that reside in every spoken word. This principle illustrates how the spirit of incubation and manifestation works. Everything you see in the natural world as a spiritual seed—that is, as a thought.

We are told in **2 Peter 1:3-4** that God, in His infinite wisdom, has already given us all things pertaining to life (the *Wycliffe* version says, "**all things of God-like virtue**") that we might partake of His divine nature. Included in this celestial equipping are divine thoughts and inspired words.

As a spiritual being created in the image of God (see **Genesis 1:26**) your spiritual genes hold the creative power to frame your personal world by the thoughts and words you think and speak, which are divine tools given for your creative use. *All you are, experience, and ultimately achieve can be traced back to how you have made use of these two simple, yet vastly powerful, tools—your words and thoughts.*

What Occupies Your Mind Determines What Eventually Fills Your Mouth

The power of the spoken word is one of life's greatest mysteries. All that you ever be or accomplish hinges on how you choose to govern what comes out of your mouth. By what you allow to occupy your mind and mouth, you can either bless your life to great heights of success or send it orbiting into real failure, sadness, and discontentment.

([Online source](#))

Did you catch that; Dr. Destiny LaVerne Adams, who’s now endorsed by Rick Warren, teaches the same things in her DBD book that she learned from Dr. Cindy Trimm above; namely, that we can create our own destiny through our thoughts and words because they :

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Now that Rick Warren is endorsing this type of Kenneth Copelandesque Word Faith mumbo jumbo within mainstream evangelicalism, I say that we have very real reason for concern here. I echo Chris Rosebrough: What is Rick Warren doing promoting the superstitions of Dr. LaVerne Adams? In closing this, for now, below is a video clip of Cindy Trimm so you can see her in action; there's also a transcription following. Get ready to witness an exhibition of arrogance, ala a female version of [T.D. Jakes](#), the kind of which you'll see nightly on that haven of heresy [Trinity Broadcasting Network](#).

Again I paraphrase Dr. John Piper: I'm gonna need help to know why we should feel anything but bad about his decision to expose Rick Warren to the Reformed camp when he promotes these kinds of fools.