

Although the right to petition is somewhat anachronistic in modern times and has largely been subsumed in the right to freedom of speech, it continues to have some independent weight. (pp. 316–17)

The rights to petition and to peaceable assembly were ... crucial in persuading the Supreme Court to hold that the First Amendment implicitly contains a right to expressive association,³ that is, a right to associate to engage in the activities protected by the First Amendment.⁴ (p. 318)

35. The wording of the freedoms “to petition” and “peaceably to assemble” has morphed into the associated actions of civil disobedience, mob rule, arson, destruction of private property, burglary, robbery, assault, and violence.
36. Some engage in inordinate ambition and competition which is the lust to excel at the expense of others. In churches this may be expressed through slander, gossip, judging, maligning, and condescending.
37. Other lust patterns include chemical – including alcohol, drugs, and certain plants – murder, anger, monetary, revenge, academic, and materialism.
38. There are many more, but these will do to identify some, each of which has the underlying ingredient of believing a lie.
39. When believers live a lie, they execute the lie, and become the embodiment of the lie.

1 John 1:6 - If we say we have fellowship with Him and yet walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth;

v. 7 - but if we walk in the Light as He Himself is in the Light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus His Son cleanses us from all sin.

v. 8 - If we say that we have no sin, we are deceiving ourselves and truth is not in us. (NASB)

³ Expressive associations are groups that engage in activities protected by the First Amendment –speech, assembly, press, petitioning government for a redress of grievances, and the free exercise of religion. (United States v. Cruikshank, 92 U.S. 542 (1875).

⁴ Matthew Spalding and David Forte, eds., *The Heritage Guide to the Constitution* (Washington, D.C.: The Heritage Foundation, 2005), 316–18.

40. The definite article **τῷ (τόι)** and the noun **ψεῦδος (pseúdos)**, “the lie,” set this lie apart from the general category of sins. “The lie” isolates behavior patterns, character traits, and lifestyle into the category of a sinful state of mind.
41. “The Lie” is belief and application of an entire system of cosmic thought that results in a lifestyle of error.
42. And so Paul concludes verse 11 by emphasizing the result of those who matriculate in the Satanic Academy of Cosmic Didactics:

2 Thessalonians 2:11 - And so for this reason, God shall send them the modus operandi of delusion with the result that they might believe the lie. (EXT)

PRINCIPLES:

1. Verse 11 reveals that God sends those who reject truth a modus operandi of delusion and error so that they believe the lie.
2. The modus operandi is *cosmos diabolicus* and its cosmic curriculum which is classified in four categories: **(1)** Cosmic One, **(2)** Cosmic Two, **(3)** Reversionism, and **(4)** Sublevel courses in: propaganda, prestidigitation, legerdemain, lust-pattern instigation, and disinformation.
3. God must allow there to be an alternative to truth. If all knowledge were absolute truth, then error would be impossible.
4. This concept was established in the garden of Eden where the Lord established the volitional challenge of the tree of human good and evil.
5. The Angelic Conflict centers around the challenge of human volition choosing the truth or the lie.
6. God has decreed to bless and reward those who believe the truth and utilize it in their decision-making process.

7. Application of doctrine to life in the areas of thought, decision, and action is the production of divine good.
8. God has designed His system so that when truth is ignored or rejected in favor of the lie, the individual's options are thereby limited.
9. Application of the lie results in a lifestyle of error and the execution of Satan's plan of human good and evil.
10. Man is free to personally consider all facts, true or false, and to accept one or the other.
11. God has revealed truth in the form of biblical doctrines. He has provided a method of accepting truth through a system called faith.
12. For those who respond, there is a system for inculcation we call the grace apparatus for perception or Operation Z.
13. To be fair to those that respond to His grace provision of the Holy Spirit as our Teacher under His filling ministry, the Father must discipline those who reject it.
14. Consequently, the lie is permitted to function alongside truth to provide volition a choice.
15. God permits mankind to express negative volition toward revealed truth. He permits negative volition to manifest itself in human good and evil.
16. God's system even permits the negative individual to find pleasure in unrighteousness.
17. When the sin nature is unshackled by volitional descent from the truth, its lust patters are free to follow the desires of the individual.
18. However, the cosmic reversionist is left with no complaint when the justice of God condemns him for his poor decisions.