

# Concerning Cults: Horst Schaffranek

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- Young people who join the community are not encouraged to have contact with their families.
- According to one website, he teaches that all humans can obtain 'realisations' in 'becoming like God ... You can become God on this earth'.
- He regards the Bible as being a 'second class' level of revelation.

According to Schaffranek, the superior 'first class' level of revelation consists of private, direct revelations and guidance allegedly given him by God. This is a fundamental and tragic error.

He has abandoned the Bible as his supreme authority in matters of faith and conduct. It is on the basis of his false claim to receive direct revelations from God that Schaffranek also offers distinctive teaching concerning the church.

# What My Friends Say About Horst Schaffranek

[Tallskinnykiwi.com]

- Andrew, forget it. In Germany, we have a long history with these guys. They often have to be thrown out by police (which only confirms them). They are a cult for sure. He and his gang have turned sour long time ago.

Posted by: Reinhold I Dec 9, 2006 10:07:57 PM

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- Well, I used to be a youth pastor in the church that he (and his disciples) formerly attended in Lemgo, Germany. They have disrupted lots of services here, Catholic, Lutheran and evangelical churches. After a sermon two years ago, I was invited by a nice older lady to join her house study group. She gave me some tracts - yep, Horst Schaffranek.

A few days earlier, they had disrupted a christian funeral where a siamese twin had died (which made big news in Germany, because the state would pay for an abortion, but not for an operation), calling us christians bad things.

They belong to the One-Church movement and believe that each town should only have one church. Guess what church this should be...

Posted by: Danny I Dec 10, 2006 7:51:47 AM

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- Dear Andrew,

please do not invite them. They are dangerous. They seem to be good and friendly in the beginning, but only then. I had very close contact to their founder Horst Schaffranek for a couple of weeks around 1998. I met him in a youth service at a protestant church and we shared some thoughts and opinions. He seemed to be very trustworthy to me, so I gave him my address and telephone number. But I wasn't prepared for what followed our first meeting. He would call me twice a day and talked to me about different topics. Still very friendly and kind during the first few talks. But later on, his opinions became stranger and extremer. He tried to force me to leave my homechurch and join his group. He would send me tracts and told me to read them. What he told me on the phone started to confuse me. I couldn't think right anymore and almost numb in my head. Until I woke up one morning with a clear warning of the Holy Spirit in my mind, where he told me to tell this man to never call me again and that I have no interest in his teachings anymore. Thank God he did what I told him and never called again.

Later on I found out, that a whole group had been gathered around him and saw their extrem actions going on. I think their leader and founder is a very dangerous and strange man and his followers are brainwashed. I don't want to judge them, but brainwashed was what I felt after a few conversations with Mister Schaffranek.

Posted by: Tom Götze | Dec 9, 2006 8:56:18 PM

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[Tallskinnykiwi.com]

- hi andrew,

i would not invite them to speak, as long as i only know them from protesting against most of the bigger meetings i have been part of in the last years [including freakstock]. as far as i can see they have a very strong dualism in their teaching, calling anything ecumenical directly linked to hell... most of the people i know here would consider them something like a sect, thinking they are the only ones on the right track.

greetings  
daniel

Posted by: [depone] | Dec 9, 2006 5:40:16 PM