

Puritan Drive Critique 2

or

A Second Critique of the SWRB Puritan Hard Drive

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To all those who are concerned for the truth, instead of propaganda, I now write a response to Mr. Reg Barrow of Still Waters Revival Books.

Reg Barrow began his critique of my critique by stating that he loved me and wanted to pray for me as a brother in the Lord. After this he began to use propaganda and deception by stating that his affiliates have mentioned to him my harassing phone calls and emails.

My response to this is that he is using the devices of the deceptive debater by first stating that he loves an individual, but then turns around and tries to discredit them with lies. Reg Barrow nor his affiliates can produce any email or phone call record that I have made in connection with this Puritan Hard drive. The email that I sent to sermonaudio.com and John Hendryx was mentioned in my first critique. Since this time I have only sent one other email and this was to sermonaudio.com two weeks ago [1], when I learned that Reg Barrow had responded to my critique with lies by saying that I had been emailing and calling him or his affiliates. I can prove without a shadow of a doubt that my phone has not called any of his affiliates and the last time I called SWRB was a year ago when I called to finish paying off the drive. I explained this in my first critique. [2]

What Reg Barrow does not realize is that I use a cell phone for all of my calling needs. Therefore I get a paper statement of all calls that I place from my phone or calls that come into my phone. Therefore Reg Barrow can be proven wrong about whether or not I have called him or his affiliates. I have a paper trail from phone records coming out of my phone that will go back about 4 to 5 years. Many of the sermonaudio.com broadcasters live within driving distance from me and therefore I could take my phone records to several of them and they would be witnesses of whether I have called him or his affiliates. So Mr. Reg Barrow ought to watch how he invokes the ninth commandment seeing that he has lied in order to discredit my critique.

Before I begin I want to discuss the ninth commandment seeing that Mr. Reg Barrow has brought it up, yet he has showed ignorance in his use of it. I am being accused of breaking the ninth commandment in my first critique. He claims that I said that there were no Reformed Baptist materials on the Puritan Hard drive. My response to this is that this is not a violation of the ninth commandment. If you told me that you set the gas can in the backyard and I say that it is not there, then the burden of proof on you is to show me where it is at. Therefore if I had said that there were no Reformed Baptist materials on this drive, then this would not be a violation of any commandment because I might have over looked these materials and therefore the one who placed them on the drive could take me over to them and show me where they are at. When one breaks the ninth commandment he does as Reg Barrow does and makes up stories about emails and phone calls that do not exist. This is bearing false witness against another. It is not overlooking something that may be there, yet hasn't been found yet, but is down right lies of so-called facts that do not exist.

Now in response to his critique of my critique I will first quote him:

“However, since there is no way *for others to substantiate many of the errors, inconsistencies and even outright lies in your review*, I will provide just one example below (from your review) about how grossly inaccurate your review of the Puritan Hard Drive actually is, *on a point that others can easily verify* - if they have the Puritan Hard Drive or even if they have the **free Puritan Hard Drive demo software** which is available for download [here](#).”

Reg Barrow said that since there is no way anyone could substantiate many of the errors, inconsistencies and even outright lies in my review, then he would just deal with one point. My response first of all to this is that there is a way someone can verify my so-called inconsistencies concerning whether the hard drive would work on my computer or not and that is again by showing it to a local broadcaster of sermonaudio.com. So Mr. Barrow needs to watch what he writes because everything I said in my first review can be verified. I can verify everything I said by simply going to local sermonaudio.com broadcasters and having them examine my claims to see if they are correct. But Reg Barrow cannot produce any evidence showing continuous emails and phone calls to prove that I have continued to harass him or his affiliates.

Secondly if you will notice in the above quote from Reg Barrow that he never misses a step in getting some free advertisement. Instead of loving me and showing me where I have erred, he instead uses his critique to point people to a link where they can download his material.

I will again quote from Reg Barrow:

“Hershel, in your "**Puritan Hard Drive Critique or A Critique of the SWRB Puritan Hard Drive**" you write, Secondly this product claims to include Reformed Baptist products. It is true that there are a few books or Mp3's by Reformed Baptist on this hard drive, but there is nothing that is particularly Baptist on this hard drive... This much stated, I think it to be false advertising to state that this hard drive contains Reformed Baptist materials.

Nothing could be further from the truth, and if you had been attempting to write an even somewhat honest review, rather than just using your review to libel our work and ministry, you could have easily determined that **not only does the Puritan Hard Drive contain 2,208 Reformed Baptist books, MP3s and videos, but that the massive number of Reformed Baptist resources on the PHD make the Puritan Hard Drive the largest, by far, single publishing event of Reformed Baptist resources in all of history!**"

My response is that Mr. Barrow is twisting things a bit. He actually quotes from my first critique, but then turns around and says that if I had been serious about doing an honest critique of the Puritan Hard Drive, then I would have easily determined that the Puritan hard Drive is the largest, single, publishing event of Reformed Baptist resources in all of history. Yet Mr. Reg Barrow misses the mark altogether. He claims to be critiquing me, but instead again resorts to advertisement in order to promote his product.

Mr. Barrow I actually conceded in my critique that there were Baptist authors used, but said that there was nothing particularly Reformed Baptist about your hard drive. I mean all you had to do was produce one book, mp3, or video that argued for the Reformed Baptist position concerning Baptism. All you had to do was produce one Pdf file that contained the Second London Baptist Confession of Faith. It is true that there are Baptist authors on the drive, but nothing Particularly Baptist. I mean having an mp3 on the drive by Charles Spurgeon on 'God's Grace and God's Mercy' is not particularly Baptist. This is what I stated in my critique and then you responded by saying that I broke the ninth commandment and presumed to show me the amount of Reformed Baptist books and mp3's that are actually on there.

What I want to know is do you understand the words that I have written? I said that there was nothing PARTICULARLY BAPTIST about the drive. I hope you understand these words that I have written. If not maybe you can use some of the money that I paid you for this drive and hire someone who can understand the English language.

This now brings me to a new point that I will critique. I want to know why the Puritan Hard Drive cost me \$895.00.

Reg Barrow made everyone think that if they did not order the Puritan Hard Drive in the prepublication sell, then they would later have to end up paying \$1000 or more dollars for it. All one has to do to see this deceptive ploy is to go to his Internet site and they will see that he is promising some kind of sell or deal if you buy the hard drive now.

I went to his site March 26, 2011. Here is an example from his web site

“TODAY ONLY, SAVE \$650.00, UNTIL 11:59PM (ET), ON THEPURITAN HARD DRIVE (Single Platform Edition, SPE). Now Just \$347.97 (With Free Shipping Worldwide)! Click Here Now As This Sale Price Expires Today Saturday, March 26, 2011, At 11:59PM (Eastern Time).

The retail price of the new single platform edition (Windows or Mac) of the Puritan Hard Drive is \$2,997.97. The SWRB Super Sale price is \$997.97. However, TODAY ONLY, until 11:59PM (Eastern Time), you may purchase either the Windows only or Mac only single platform edition of the Puritan Hard Drive for just \$347.97. Click here and save an extra \$650.00 now!”

I went back to his site one week later on April 3, 2011. here is what I found:

“FOR TWO DAYS ONLY, SAVE \$648.00, UNTIL 11:59PM (ET) ON MONDAY, ON THE PURITAN HARD DRIVE (Single Platform Edition, SPE). Now Just \$349.97 (With Free Shipping Worldwide)! Click Here Now As This Sale Price Expires In Two Days On Monday, April 4, 2011, At 11:59PM (Eastern Time).”

Mr. Reg Barrow is using deceptive advertising techniques. He needs to repent for promising a deal if someone will buy his Puritan Hard Drive today. This is what lead me to purchase the drive in a hurry and I ended up buying it for \$895.00. I only have the single platform drive and now he is selling it for \$347.97.

I am being accused of breaking the ninth commandment because I supposedly said that no Reformed Baptist materials were present on the drive. I did not say that, but instead I said that there was nothing particularly Baptist about the drive. Yet Reg Barrows uses deceptive advertising techniques to sell his product. He is breaking the ninth commandment by resorting to such deceit and trickery in order to make a bunch of money off of God's word or things written about God's word.

Reg Barrow lies about supposed emails and phone calls, he lies about putting instructional videos on the drive, and he lies about having some kind of super sale. I believe that Mr. Barrow needs to repent before God and repent to those he has ripped off with his super sale techniques.

I also want to say that unless you listen to a lot of Mp3's, then this Hard Drive is not for you. I listen to Mp3's all day, so I do not mind that the majority of the information on the drive is nothing, but mp3's. But if you do not have opportunity to listen to mp3's, then you ought not to purchase this drive.

The drive contains 10,323 mp3's. It only contains 2124 Pdf files and only 71 videos.

Again I want to say that I highly recommend “The Amazing Christian Library” because it contains an entire folder that is particularly Baptist, not to mention it uses Reformed Baptist authors throughout the rest of the material as well. It is 36 Cd's worth of Pdf books.

As I conclude my critique of Reg Barrow's critique I want to say that I thank you Mr. Reg Barrow for responding. Your response has not only pushed my critique into the forefront of web searches, but has also exposed you for what you are. You use deception and trickery in order to sell your products and many more will become aware of this as time goes on. You become offended if someone does not like your product. Yet this is what happens in the world of commerce. Not everyone is going to like the product that someone else sells. But you do not see the the secular world spreading lies on those who give them a bad review.

Footnotes:

1] I could not believe that sermonaudio.com allowed their web pages to be used to spread false accusations about individuals.

2] The last time my phone records show that I called SWRB is on Feb. 15, 2010 at 11:38 A.M. And it cost me \$1.16 for an international call. I vowed right then to not make anymore international calls. All I asked that day is for them to go ahead and charge my credit card for the remainder of the amount of which I owed. [The reason I know the exact date, time, and cost of this call is because I am looking at the phone records right now. But I have never called any of their affiliates. No such calls on my phone records.]