

1 ARE WITHOUT A DOUBT AN EVANGELICAL PROTESTANT DENOMINATION,  
2 SINCE THEY ARE GIVEN THE KIND OF MORAL TONE OF THE GROUP,  
3 ONE WOULD CALL THEM A SECT RATHER THAN A CHURCH, A CHURCH  
4 BEING A PLACE WHERE THE MINISTER SAYS WELL, A SPOT OF JACK  
5 DANIELS IS OKAY AND LET'S GO PLAY GOLF. A SECT SAYING, WELL,  
6 WE DON'T NEED THE GOLF COURSE AND A 7-UP, PLEASE. THEY FIT  
7 RIGHT IN THE MIDDLE OF EVANGELICAL PROTESTANTISM. WE NEVER  
8 THOUGHT TO CLASSIFY THEM AS ANYTHING ELSE NOR WOULD ANY  
9 SOCIOLOGIST OF RELIGION THAT I WOULD KNOW OF.

10 Q ARE YOU SAYING THEY WOULDN'T BE CLASSIFIED AS A CULT  
11 IN THE PERJORATIVE TERM?

12 A OH, PERJORATIVE OR NON -- WELL, ONE OF THESE IDIOTS WHO  
13 CLUNG TO TRYING TO USE THE WORD CULT IN A TECHNICAL  
14 SOCIOLOGICAL SENSE TO MEAN A RELIGIOUS MOVEMENT NOT IN THE  
15 MAIN TRADITION THAT THE SOCIETY WE ARE OBSERVING SO THAT  
16 CHRISTIANITY IS A CULT MOVEMENT IN INDIA, HINDUISM IS A CULT  
17 MOVEMENT IN THE UNITED STATES.

18 I AM NOW SORRY I TRIED TO FIGHT THIS BATTLE FOR 20 YEARS  
19 BECAUSE THE NEWSPAPERS HAVE KILLED ME. THE NEWSPAPERS ARE  
20 GOING TO HAVE THAT TO MEAN AWFUL, AWFULNESS. IT IS GOING TO  
21 MEAN JIM JONES. IT IS GOING TO MEAN BAD THINGS.

22 GOING BACK TO MY TECHNICAL DAYS WHEN I AM STILL TRYING  
23 TO HOLD OUT FOR THE WORD CULT AS A TECHNICAL, USEFUL WORD,  
24 IT IS PRECISELY WHAT I HAVE SAID -- NO, ABSOLUTELY NOT,  
25 BECAUSE WE ARE NOT TALKING HERE ABOUT STRUCTURE. WE ARE TALK-  
26 ING ABOUT DOCTRINE.

27 ARE THEY STILL WITHIN THE CONVENTIONAL TRADITION WITHIN  
28 AMERICAN SOCIETY, AND THE ANSWER IS SO OBVIOUSLY YES.