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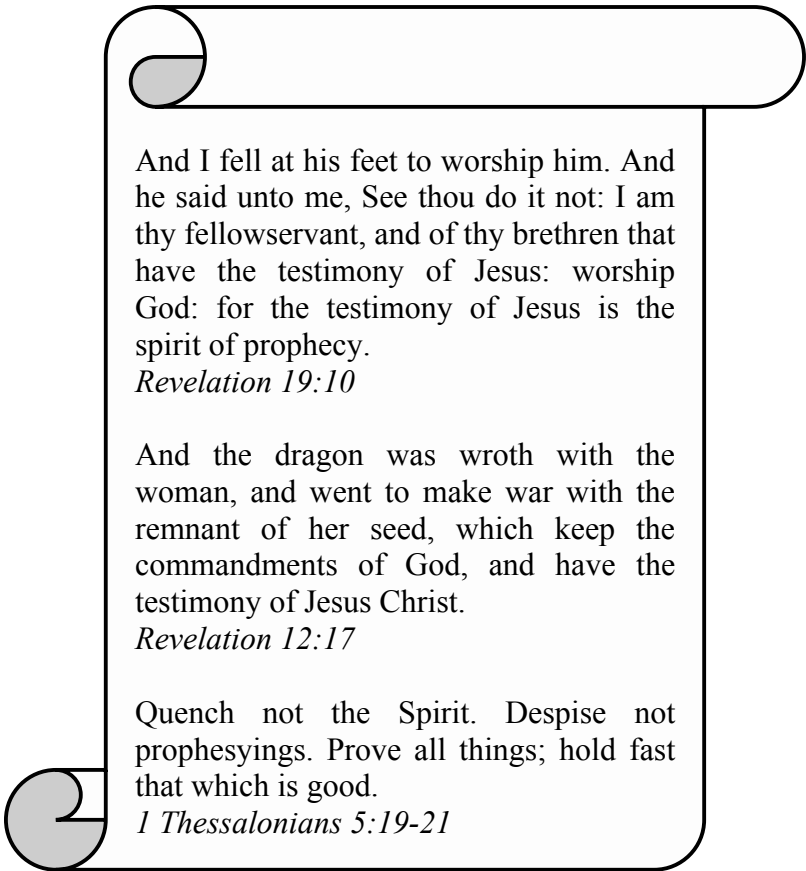
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And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

Revelation 19:10

And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

Revelation 12:17

Quench not the Spirit. Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

1 Thessalonians 5:19-21

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INTRODUCTION

“Before the entrance of sin, Adam enjoyed open communion with his Maker; but since man separated himself from God by transgression, the human race has been cut off from this high privilege. By the plan of redemption, however, a way has been opened whereby the inhabitants of the earth may still have connection with heaven. God has communicated with men by His Spirit, and divine light has been imparted to the world by revelations to His chosen servants.” *My Life Today*, p. 40.

The Bible reveals that “Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth His secret unto His servants the prophets.” Amos 3:7. Throughout the history of this world, God has in His providence made known the things that are about to transpire. “By direct command, by the sacred writings, and by the spirit of prophecy has He made known unto them His will.” *My Life Today*, p. 40.

Before the earth was destroyed by water, God sent Noah to make “known to them his purpose, that they might have opportunity to turn from their evil ways. For a hundred and twenty years was sounded in their ears the warning to repent, lest the wrath of God be manifested in their destruction. But the message seemed to them an idle tale, and they believed it not. From unbelief they proceeded to scorn and contempt, ridiculing the warning as highly improbable, and unworthy of their notice. Emboldened in their wickedness, they mocked the messenger of God, made light of his entreaties, and even accused him of presumption. How dare one man stand up against all the great men of the earth? If Noah's message were true, why did not all the world see it and believe it? One man's assertion against the wisdom of thousands! They would not credit the warning, nor would they seek shelter in the ark.” *Spirit of Prophecy*, Vol. 4, p. 208

Faithfully Noah preached to that wicked generation the importance in possessing Christ's righteousness, but how many accepted the message? “Scoffers pointed to the things of nature,—to the unvarying succession of the seasons, to the blue skies that had never poured out

rain, to the green fields refreshed by the soft dews of night,--and they cried out, 'Doth he not speak parables?' In contempt they declared the preacher of righteousness to be a wild enthusiast; and they went on, more eager in their pursuit of pleasure, more intent upon their evil ways, than ever before. But their unbelief did not hinder the predicted event. God bore long with their wickedness, giving them ample opportunity for repentance; but at the appointed time his judgments were visited upon the rejecters of his mercy." Spirit of Prophecy, Vol. 4, p. 209

Just as God sent Noah to warn the antediluvians of destruction, so He sent His prophets to warn Israel of the coming destruction from the north. "And the LORD God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place." 2 Chronicles 36:15. However, like the people of Noah's time, Israel rejected God's faithful messengers. "But they mocked the messengers of God, and despised his words, and misused his prophets, until the wrath of the LORD arose against his people, till there was no remedy. Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave them all into his hand." 2 Chronicles 36:16-17

One of those prophets that was rejected and abused was Jeremiah—the weeping prophet. In lamentable language he wrote "Oh that my head were waters, and mine eyes a fountain of tears, that I might weep day and night for the slain of the daughter of my people!" Jeremiah 9:1 In vain did Jeremiah warn God's chosen people to repent. "I have sent also unto you all my servants the prophets, rising up early and sending them, saying, Return ye now every man from his evil way, and amend your doings, and go not after other gods to serve them, and ye shall dwell in the land which I have given to you and to your fathers: but ye have not inclined your ear, nor hearkened unto me." Jeremiah 35:15

History testifies that mankind has never changed. Often we are inclined to think ourselves better than previous generations, but in

thinking this way, we fail to learn from the mistakes of the past. The people of Christ's time prided themselves in the prophets of the past, but Jesus said of them, "Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! because ye build the tombs of the prophets, and garnish the sepulchres of the righteous, And say, If we had been in the days of our fathers, we would not have been partakers with them in the blood of the prophets." Matthew 23:29-30.

Just like in the time of Noah, Jeremiah, and many other prophets, so in Christ's time the people were not willing to accept God's appointed messenger. In a parable that revealed the true condition of that faithless generation, Jesus said: "Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country: And when the time of the fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the husbandmen, that they might receive the fruits of it. And the husbandmen took his servants, and beat one, and killed another, and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants more than the first: and they did unto them likewise. But last of all he sent unto them his son, saying, They will reverence my son. But when the husbandmen saw the son, they said among themselves, This is the heir; come, let us kill him, and let us seize on his inheritance." Matthew 21:33-38

If Jesus Himself was misunderstood and rejected, how must it be with His prophets? Thankfully God is patient and merciful. Despite our backsliding, He tenderly calls for our heart. In the not too distant past, God's messenger, Ellen White wrote, "In ancient times God spoke to men by the mouth of prophets and apostles. In these days he speaks to them by the testimonies of his Spirit. There was never a time when God more earnestly instructed his people concerning his will, and the course that he would have them pursue, than now. But will they profit by his teachings? Will they receive his reproofs and heed the warnings? God will accept of no partial obedience; he will sanction no compromise with self." *The Review and Herald*, June 9, 1885. Sadly, the answer from the majority is, no. Today, the volumes of counsel that are available to us in the writings of Ellen White are neglected or rejected. Therefore, as in Jesus' parable, God in His

mercy has sent another messenger to His people living in the last days of this world's history.

Through the dreams of Ernie Knoll, God has revealed Himself to His people once more. Like the prophets of old, He calls for us to return to Him with all our heart. He reminds and encourages us that Jesus is about to return. He calls for us to take seriously His prophet Ellen White. He reveals the true condition of His remnant church and He warns of coming destruction. Will Ernie Knoll be treated any differently to previous messengers? Will the messages he has been instructed to share be rejected as in past generations?

The Bible has much to say about prophets. It warns us against being deceived by them. But it also warns us to “Despise not prophesyings. Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.” 1Thessalonians 5:20-21. It urges us to “Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.” 2 Chronicles 20:20.

It is with these encouraging words that we present to you the dreams of Ernie Knoll. As you read these dreams, we urge you to seek earnestly the Holy Spirit's guidance as promised in John 16:13: “Howbeit when he, the Spirit of truth, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak: and he will shew you things to come.”

It is our prayer that as you read these dreams, you will hear the voice of the Savior speaking to you of His willingness to transform your life and prepare you for His imminent return.

THE TREASURE BOX

March 20, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, Becky and I stand a little over knee-deep in the clearest ocean water. The waves that come in are small and almost unnoticed. The water is warm; the air is fresh and has the most wonderful aroma. The sky is a rich blue.

We are surrounded by thousands of people who are in unity, thinking alike and doing the same things. On the surface of the water is something that looks like a clam shell. Each individual picks up one, notices it is soft, and gently squeezes it open. Inside is a small rolled up piece of paper with either a Bible verse or a Spirit of Prophecy statement.

After retrieving the paper, each person gently places the "clam shell" back into the water and it swims away. As each starts reading the words, the letters turn from black to gold. When finished reading, each individual places their paper treasure into their own finely crafted, ornately decorated treasure box. Each person then reaches into the water and begins again with another "clam shell."

Matthew 6:21 "For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 1, p. 327

Jesus prayed that His disciples might be one, as He is one with the Father, "that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me." The oneness and unity of God's truth believing remnant people carries powerful conviction to the world that they have the truth, and are the peculiar, chosen people of God. This oneness and unity disconcerts the enemy, and he is determined that it shall not exist. The present truth, believed in the heart and exemplified in the life, makes God's people one, and gives them a powerful influence.

THE AMUSEMENT PARK

March 27, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, Becky and I are in a meeting room discussing with others of like belief about going to a new amusement park that is opening just for Seventh-day Adventists (SDAs). We talk about how we will approach the people and explain how they should not be there, that it is a place that is not for true SDAs and that the rides they think are safe are actually not.

We instantly find ourselves at the park and go straight to the main attraction that is a large water slide. It has been verbally built up with a lot of hype as the best ride in the world. The employees talk of how the ride takes you up very high, then you slide in a wonderfully fun way down through long valleys, through tunnels, continuing on to the brightness of day. It spins you, and at times you will be upside down, and at other times you think you are actually flying. It again takes you back up very high where you see a large horizon pool below. The workers describe how you will slide down very fast from a great height and how at the end of the pool it appears as if you are at the edge of the world. It is explained that it looks like you will fall forever but not to worry because it is perfectly safe. We notice that when the car ride goes over the edge, it dumps the people over and they fall forever into a bottomless pit.

Our group now goes inside a waiting area where many are lining up to take the car ride. We notice the employees keep people amused and speak in a comforting way and as though they are sales people. One is showing how he can command a toy boat on the ground to move with just his thoughts and everyone laughs. I notice a clear fishing line attached to it, and someone around the corner is pulling on the line to make the boat move. Another worker is running a small radio-controlled toy that is a mockup of the water slide car. He states that it is more dangerous than the real one, and the workers laugh.

Our group now approaches the people waiting to get on the ride and shows them the truth of how the ride ends in death and the proof that this is not where they should be. They are being entertained with things that did not seem important to us but was to set people at ease so they would not feel worried but would put them in a mindless

stupor. It is as if they are “drugged” through watching and listening, without taking anything. As we talk to the people, some leave, but many stay and state that they do not want to listen and to leave them alone. A few begin to help us tell others.

As we walk around, I see a young woman with a large bag of fruit. She is giving it to people waiting to get on the ride. As some take the fruit, they leave the park and the woman asks a few of them to work with our group. Many state they do not want the fruit and ask the woman to leave them alone. These people remain in the park.

I now walk over to the woman and tell her I know who she is and that I have seen her before. She says, “I know very well who you are and of the work you have done, how many have accepted the truth you are shown and they are safe. I know how you fell and how you did not see me, but I was there helping you as you got up. I know of the false things others have said and how because of that many no longer are interested in eating the fruit I have to offer. They have walked away and are headed over the edge. The woman continues to approach people one at a time but very quickly offers them fruit and then continues on.

TWO MEN

April 5, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I am standing with my angel. He tells me to notice a man who is teaching a Sabbath School class and is dressed in a shirt and suit that have been professionally cleaned and pressed. His necktie coordinates with the suit, and he wears a kerchief in the front pocket of his coat as well as a small lapel pin of a cross. His dress shoes look as if they were painted with high-gloss paint. His appearance is of someone who is in great shape. His full head of hair is very well maintained with every hair perfectly in place. As he smiles, his perfect teeth are a bright white. His hands are not calloused, and his nails look as if they are professionally manicured. He speaks with perfect enunciation, as if strategically selecting each word and pronouncing it in his mind before stating it aloud. His mannerisms and movements are planned, as if each hand gesture is to coordinate with each word he says. As he talks, one can notice he is highly educated from all his studies. His appearance is that of a financially successful individual. He invites certain individuals to read select passages from the Bible or lesson study.

Sabbath School ends and the church service begins. The man is now an elder on the platform. Once again every move and every word is pre-planned. He now invites everyone who is able to kneel for the congregational prayer. He removes a paper from inside his Bible and reads the most eloquent prayer filled with the most “flowery” words that seem to waft through the sanctuary. He seems to present the most perfect Christian character.

I am now shown this same individual during different times of the week. Sometimes he uses dishonest practices with co-workers and other individuals. He completely ignores a beggar who asks him for money. His driving habits are like someone who would do whatever it takes to get ahead of another individual. His private prayer time is short and the words are rushed, unlike his public prayers.

My angel now takes me back to the Sabbath School class and says to notice another man. He is not slim like the other man and is dressed in plain slacks and a dress shirt without a necktie. His shoes are worn on the tops as if they were sanded down. He listens to the

Sabbath School comments, which are of a highly theological nature. The teacher, who is the well-dressed man, calls on certain individuals to read passages.

After a while the teacher asks the plain-dressed man to read from his Bible. Someone sitting next to him leans over to help him find the book and verse. He stands and begins to read, but even the simplest of words cause him to struggle. The teacher interrupts him and says, "Its okay. I will read the verse." He looks at the verse as if to pre-read it again, reads it, and then proceeds to look up as if an actor just read it. All are greatly impressed how he projects his talent in reading. The plain-dressed man sits down in shame.

I am now shown this man during his work week. He goes out of his way to help people. He sees a family broken down along the highway and stops to assist them. He helps a woman, with a child in her arms and a toddler wandering off, by loading her groceries into her car. I now see him listening to audio tapes of the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy. He tries to follow along in his Bible. After hours of listening, he kneels, and I now understand why the tops of his shoes are worn. He has spent more time on his knees than walking. Much time goes by as he speaks aloud in the most fluid prayer. The words waft through the air as if the most wonderful aroma, as if each word is a gentle and beautiful butterfly. Each word is spoken from his heart, not as if pre-planned and scripted to entertain others. It is now that I notice a bright form of light in the room and many angels standing with him. A bright form kneels to the right side of the man, and with His left hand He covers the man with His cape.

Isaiah 59:17 For he put on righteousness as a breastplate, and an helmet of salvation upon his head; and he put on the garments of vengeance for clothing, and was clad with zeal as a cloak.

Conflict and Courage, p. 221

As Elijah, divinely directed in seeking a successor, passed the field in which Elisha was plowing, he cast upon the young man's shoulders the mantle of consecration. . . . To him it was the signal that God had called him to be the successor of Elijah.

Acts of the Apostles, p. 17

For the carrying on of His work, Christ did not choose the learning or eloquence of the Jewish Sanhedrin or the power of Rome. Passing by the self-righteous Jewish teachers, the Master Worker chose humble, unlearned men to proclaim the truths that were to move the world. These men He purposed to train and educate as the leaders of His church. They in turn were to educate others and send them out with the gospel message. That they might have success in their work they were to be given the power of the Holy Spirit. Not by human might or human wisdom was the gospel to be proclaimed, but by the power of God.

THE SENIOR BISHOP

May 29, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, Becky and I are walking up the front steps of a very large Seventh-day Adventist Church. At the top, greeters open the doors to meet us. One shakes our hand and says, "Welcome." Another says, "Happy Sabbath" and hands us a bulletin. Inside the foyer, three deacons quickly approach us. The one in the middle states, "We know who you are. You are welcome to join us, but go in, sit down, and don't make any comments."

Entering the sanctuary, we notice it is enormous. It has several large, round pillars that support a balcony. As we walk toward the front left side, we are approached by several elders who stop us half way up. One states, "We know who you are. Sit down and be quiet. We will be watching you."

Becky and I proceed on and sit down a few rows from the front. I now notice three pastors peer out at us from behind a curtain on the far right side of the platform. They walk over to us and we stand up, extending our hands to greet them. They look at our hands and then up at us, and the middle pastor says, "I am the senior bishop of this church. I, along with my two assistants, know who you are. We have alerted our staff to keep an eye on you. You are welcome to join us for our grand presentation, but you are to sit down and keep quiet. We want no advice, nor do we want to hear any of your stories." I notice the congregation of well over 2,000 are intently watching the discussion unfold, but cannot hear what is being said. However, because the three pastors smile the whole time, it gives the illusion that they are offering us a warm welcome.

The three turn and walk back to the room on the far right behind the curtain. We now hear the magnificent pipe organ begin to play. As we all kneel, a processional of those who will sit on the platform walk out from the right side. Everyone is focused on the 3 deacons followed with 4 elders, then 3 pastors followed with 4 elders, and ending with 3 deacons. All are dressed in very ornate robes that are decorated with fine gold and silver and reach to the floor. The deacons and elders wear black robes. Two of the three pastors are dressed in blue robes with very decorative sashes, belts and ropes that hang from their

shoulders, neck, and waist. The middle pastor, who called himself the senior bishop, stands in an all white robe. It is arrayed with jewels and sashes and decorative tasseled ropes. On his head sits a miter with part that comes down his back and part that comes down the front to his chest. He speaks with slow hand gestures and holds one hand with two fingers always pointing upwards. He talks of the one and only great true god that saved this earth and how he is the ruler of this earth. He explains that we are to have no other gods but him and that he is the god of this earth and we must worship and honor him in all that we do.

Suddenly during his opening talk, a computer-controlled pipe organ begins to play the closing processional march for those on the platform. Everyone realizes it is a computer malfunction. The organ is in a locked room on the back left side of the sanctuary. The six platform deacons rush to the microphone, as the senior bishop backs away, and they begin barking orders to the lesser working deacons to quickly correct the problem.

Many deacons now rush to find the right key to the thick, ornate door. I notice many of the members now stand to take in the whole scene. They notice the platform "pontiffs" look very displeased. It makes one think that if those searching for the keys were actual employees they would be fired for being incompetent. The pontiffs are thinking, "This is terrible. This service is to be a perfect presentation of such pomp and circumstance. This is a great catastrophe." The people on the platform now look down at me, and the senior bishop stares at me as if to say, "This is your fault; you have caused this."

Finally a lowly deacon finds the right key, unlocks the door, goes in and stops the music. As soon as it stops, a screen comes down behind those on the platform and a movie begins to play, showing all assembled the private daily lives and concealed sins of those that sit on the platform. Again the deacons try to stop the video and silence the audio, but they cannot. Those on the platform try to look innocent and to remain calm. The scenes and the language in the movie portray the basest of all carnal lusts.

As I watch those on the platform all arrayed in priestly robes, I am reminded that this is one of our prominent Seventh-day Adventist churches. One at a time those who demanded that I sit down and keep quiet now stare at me. The one in the middle who called himself the senior bishop stares at me as if all is my fault. I sit with my hands

folded across my chest. Then I lean over to Becky and tell her that even though this is one of God's churches, it is not His service. I explain that the day will soon be here when the Great Hand picks up this church as if it is a salt shaker and shakes out all those who are not His salt. Soon His church will be restored to where the services are holy, reverent, and that honor and glorify God's name. At this time it is all about glorifying man's name and nothing more than an entertainment arena. Soon God will shake His church and remove the filth of those that serve self and not God.

I now stand up and tell Becky we are leaving and that it is better to worship our Savior at home than be defiled with the evil ones of these halls. I tell her that there are others who seek the purity of a reverent church service. There are those who seek a church that is mindful of worshipping and placing honors on God, not on man. There are others who desire with all their heart a church that truly worships our Father, a church that is not a building, but a church that is a unified people.

Proverbs 16:18 Pride goeth before destruction, and an haughty spirit before a fall.

Number 32:23 . . . behold, ye have sinned against the LORD: and be sure your sin will find you out.

Matthew 5:13 Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men.

Early Writings, pp. 124-125

I was shown the necessity of those who believe that we are having the last message of mercy, being separate from those who are daily imbibing new errors. I saw that neither young nor old should attend their meetings; for it is wrong to thus encourage them while they teach error that is a deadly poison to the soul and teach for doctrines the commandments of men. The influence of such gatherings is not good. If God has delivered us from such darkness and error, we should stand fast in the liberty wherewith He has set us free and rejoice in the

truth. God is displeased with us when we go to listen to error, without being obliged to go; for unless He sends us to those meetings where error is forced home to the people by the power of the will, He will not keep us. The angels cease their watchful care over us, and we are left to the buffetings of the enemy, to be darkened and weakened by him and the power of his evil angels; and the light around us becomes contaminated with the darkness.

I saw that we have no time to throw away in listening to fables. Our minds should not be thus diverted, but should be occupied with the present truth, and seeking wisdom that we may obtain a more thorough knowledge of our position, that with meekness we may be able to give a reason of our hope from the Scriptures. While false doctrines and dangerous errors are pressed upon the mind, it cannot be dwelling upon the truth which is to fit and prepare the house of Israel to stand in the day of the Lord.

Following is an option, if necessary:

The Review and Herald, October 14, 1884

On the Sabbath the few friends here assembled in Edson's parlor for a Sabbath-school. There are four families--twelve persons in all--who usually meet for worship. Edson conducts the Sabbath-school when he is at home. After Sabbath-school they either have a Bible-reading or a prayer and social meeting. This is as it should be. The family altar should be established in every home; and if in any locality there are no more than two or three of like precious faith, they should meet together. "Then they that feared the Lord spake often one to another; and the Lord hearkened and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before him for them that feared the Lord, and that thought upon his name. And they shall be mine, saith the Lord of hosts, in that day when I make up my jewels; and I will spare them, as a man spareth his own son that serveth him."

THE YELLOW CORVETTE

July 21, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I find myself standing outside in a parking lot. I see a man dressed in white attending to a yellow car in front of me. I know that he is a mechanic that is trained in the repair of only the Corvette ZR1. The Herald is also there and asks me, "What do you see in front of you?" I tell him it is a yellow Corvette ZR1. He asks, "How do you know?" I answer, "Because it has Corvette ZR1 emblems all over the car and also has a distinctive ZR1 design." I open the driver door and start the engine. It has a distinctive ZR1 engine sound and exhaust system. The Herald now asks, "So you know it is a ZR1 by the emblems, the sound of the engine and exhaust, and by its design?" I answer, "Yes."

The Herald now walks over to the car, lifts the hood and runs his hand over the engine area where the Corvette ZR1 emblem is and it disappears. He then proceeds to run his hand over the rest of the emblems and they all disappear. He then walks over to me and asks, "What type of car is this?" I tell him it is still a Corvette ZR1. He asks, "How do you know?" I answer, "Because of how it looks." I walk over to the car and start the engine. I tell him that the engine and the exhaust system still sound like a ZR1. I turn off the motor and step out of the car. The Herald asks, "So with this car's emblems removed, it is still a Corvette ZR1?"

I stand back as I now notice several men dressed in white come over to attend to the car. I know these to be trained mechanics specializing in repair of only the Corvette ZR1. The men are either working under the hood, on different parts of the car body, or on the interior. They work as if it is the only and most important car in the world, as if it is up to them to make sure this car is once again able to display proudly the Corvette ZR1 emblems.

The Herald explains, "That is how it is in God's chosen Church. His people walk in the way that He has laid out. They look like a Seventh-day Adventist. They talk like a Seventh-day Adventist. They live each day as a Seventh-day Adventist. However if someone comes along and removes their 'emblem,' are they not still a Seventh-day Adventist? Your heavenly Father is aware of a continually growing

problem of His people who live the life of a true Seventh-day Adventist being censured or disfellowshipped, because elders and pastors place themselves higher than the heavenly Father who is there to guide in the area of spiritual counseling. They do not look to Him on how to work with an individual that may need guidance in their daily walk. They see true Seventh-day Adventists as not living up to their own non-biblical standards. Because they often fail to follow the instruction and counsel the heavenly Father has given them, they remove God's chosen believers from fellowship, especially those who will not stand with the ones who have accepted the path of the Church's widespread apostasy and spiritualism. It is sad to see church elders and pastors failing to follow the counsel in which they have been instructed.

Elders and pastors become partakers of others' sins, because they do not repent of their own sins. Jesus the Great Writer commanded these words: 'If one neglects the duty Christ has enjoined, of trying to restore those who are in error and sin, he becomes a partaker in the sin. . . . While we seek to correct the errors of a brother, the Spirit of Christ will lead us to shield him, as far as possible, from the criticism of even his own brethren, and how much more from the censure of the unbelieving world. We ourselves are erring, and need Christ's pity and forgiveness, and just as we wish Him to deal with us, He bids us deal with one another. "Whatsoever ye shall bind on earth shall be bound in heaven: and whatsoever ye shall loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven." You are acting as the ambassadors of heaven, and the issues of your work are for eternity.' " [*The Desire of Ages*, pp. 441-442]

The Herald looks at me and explains that the heavenly Father's Church has dealt wrongly with many who have made a stand for truth, that those who count themselves as a high authority have condemned and disfellowshipped God's chosen. He states that there have been those who have sinned, but the Church was too eager to dismiss them rather than have their eternal salvation at heart. The Great Judge also notices those that continue to live in open sin but are not removed because the leaders promote and assist them to flourish in church positions.

The Herald now inquires, "Do you remember when we first arrived here how many mechanics were attending to this vehicle?" I answer that there was only one, and the Herald asks, "And now how many do you see?" I tell him there are several mechanics working on this one

car. He continues to explain that with the emblems removed, this car is still a most precious machine to the mechanics, and that each is most precious and valuable in its own way.

The Herald now asks, “How many elders and pastors have visited or written to those who have been censured or disfellowshipped? How many have called to pray and to ask ‘How is your walk with God?’ How many who have been trained in the finest granite-built schools of learning truly have concern for souls? How many have invited them to come to their former church? How many elders have called upon that individual to ask if their courage is strong, to encourage them, and pray with them? Many act as if disfellowshipping is nothing more than terminating an employee. Jesus, your Savior, died for those souls, hoping that they would not be lost.

There are many who claim to be a Christian but do not walk, talk or act as a Christian. If they do not follow Christ, then they follow Satan. One cannot follow both. Those who look to their pastor should privately review as to whether that pastor is truly serving as a pastor or simply working to receive a pay check. Are they earning souls or are they earning points with their leader? Is that pastor building strong members or just statistics? Is it a member they will disfellowship, provided they are not a large tithe payer? Our heavenly Father is fully aware of the pastors that are supposed to be leading His sheep, but many of these should find another field to work in.”

The Herald continues to explain, “There has been specific instruction to those who sit in leadership. It is written that after one has been censured or disfellowshipped, that they should be cared for as if the only soul in the world. The elders and pastors have been found wanting and fall far short of the finish line. Let each member ask when the last time was that a pastor called or visited and prayed with them in their home? Where are all the pastors who have a true concern for souls? When a person goes to church, are they being fed spiritually or just being entertained?”

The Herald ends by stating, “The Corvette is an example of how a true Seventh-day Adventist does not need to have an outward emblem. A true Seventh-day Adventist needs to be nurtured, but often the one who should be doing the nurturing needs to be nurtured himself. Remember that without the emblems, the Corvette ZR1 was indeed a Corvette ZR1. So it is with a true Seventh-day Adventist. God looks at the heart, at the thoughts, words, and actions.” The

Herald smiles and explains that God's true Church is not a building. It is those people who live each day the true life of Christ and every moment as a true Seventh-day Adventist. God's true Church will stand firm.

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God has a church. It is not the great cathedral, neither is it the national establishment, neither is it the various denominations; it is the people who love God and keep His commandments. "Where two or three are gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them." Where Christ is, even among the humble few, this is Christ's church, for the presence of the High and Holy One who inhabiteth eternity can alone constitute a church.

THE VESSEL

July 23, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In this dream, I am standing on the right side of a very beautiful and enormous vessel. I am unable to comprehend its width or length. The design and appearance speak of a divine love of infinite beauty. Its paint is the whitest of white—a white that no one on this earth has yet beheld. To add to its beauty, the paint has mixed in with it perfect ground up diamonds. Each speck of diamond was cut to perfection, allowing each ray of sunlight to show the diamonds' beautiful colors of the rainbow. The vessel has tires about as high as a three-story building and as wide as a one-lane road. The front right and left sides of this vessel each have 3 tires and 3 axles that are turned as if the vessel is about to make a right turn. The back right and left sides have 7 axles with 3 tires on each axle. I know that there are a total of 48 tires.

I now see many people standing around, and I begin telling them that evil forces have desecrated this beautiful vessel. Drawing their attention way up on the side of the vessel, I point out lettering that is large and deeply engraved. Once filled with 24-carat gold, the letters are now empty cavities that spell out "Seventh-day Adventist Church." I notice that all over the sides of this vessel, there is graffiti in the form of spiritualist symbols and pagan signs. I am calling out to all that this is a beautiful vessel and that we should all work together to remove the graffiti. I tell them that there is plenty of room for all inside and to not give up and walk away. I tell them the ticket to enter has already been paid; there is no charge. I tell them we should all go inside of the vessel.

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Satan will work his miracles to deceive; he will set up his power as supreme. The church may appear as about to fall, but it does not fall. It remains, while the sinners in Zion will be sifted out--the chaff separated from the precious wheat. This is a terrible ordeal, but nevertheless it must take place. None but those who have been overcoming by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony will be found with the loyal and true, without spot or stain of sin, without guile in their mouths.

We must be divested of our self-righteousness and arrayed in the righteousness of Christ.

TITUS

August 5, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I am standing in front of a church congregation. I speak on how God calls individuals who He knows can be used to do His work and that we as humans do not always look upon them as who we would call. As I talk, one man who sits on the left side of a large assembly draws my attention. From his appearance, I know he is a mechanic and is not educated in theology. I explain how God can even use an illiterate person. The individual can be someone who lives each day as God leads, even if the person has a learning disability and struggles with reading the easiest of words. I explain that God does not just look at the outward appearance or education of a man. He does not only look at how well a man can read or recite from memory. God does not only look at the mind of a person but at the heart and the motives.

Noticing the church's pastor sitting to the far right of the congregation, I ask him to assist me on the platform. He agrees and after we are behind the podium, I whisper to him to bear with me in an illustration. I introduce him as a credentialed and much respected pastor who has written many books. I explain that he is one of the few historic pastors that are left and that when he speaks it is truth guided by the Holy Spirit. I inquire from the congregation whether all agree that he is someone God has called to be a faithful pastor. I hear a united "amen."

Walking down the aisle to the auto mechanic, I ask if he will return to the platform with me. He agrees to, even though he does not like being in front of people and is most happy while working with his hands. He is a man of very few words and does not speak unless he is asked to respond. On the platform I whisper to him to trust me, that I do not plan to embarrass him, and that he is to know that God's presence is there and all is according to His plan.

I turn to the congregation and explain, "Here are two different individuals. Your pastor is a very learned man and holds several degrees. All here know of his extensive knowledge of the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy." I ask the pastor if he has any knowledge of auto mechanics. He admits that he does not know the difference

between a wrench and a screwdriver. I turn to the mechanic and whisper again for him to trust me and know that this will be to God's glory. I introduce him as a craftsman in his own field. I ask what formal education he has had. He explains that he dropped out of high school in his second year but that he later got his General Education Diploma and is certified in gasoline and diesel engine repair as well as automatic transmissions.

Turning to the pastor, I ask if he would read the book of Titus to us. He smiles as he lifts his well-worn, heavily marked Bible and without turning a single page, he opens it right to the first chapter of Titus. Without looking down at the Bible, he begins to recite from memory every word of all three chapters. When he finishes, I turn to the mechanic and ask him to turn to Titus. I hand him a Bible and he looks at me with a worried look, yet not embarrassed, and whispers, "I don't know where that book is." I help him find it and he looks at the words and back at me and whispers, "I don't read good." I whisper to him, "Trust me. God wants all to learn from this illustration." I look to all assembled and explain that the mechanic does not know the books of the Bible, so he cannot find the book of Titus.

I now ask the congregation to remove the Bible from the seat in front of them and stand while holding the Bible. After everyone is standing, I ask each person to find the book of Titus and keep it marked so they can quickly find it and then to sit down. Some quickly find the book and sit down. Many had to help each other find the chapter. I whisper to the mechanic that he is not the only one who does not know where Titus is and not the only one who has a reading problem. I assure him that God uses who He needs to use.

I now ask how many, without a doubt, know that their pastor is called of God to give a message. A loud "amen" is heard. I turn to the mechanic and say, "The mechanic did not know where the book of Titus is located, because he has a problem reading. So my question is whether God can use only your pastor or use the mechanic as well." I ask the mechanic if he ever heard the book of Titus before the pastor recited it. He answers that he had not.

Turning to the congregation, I state, "Your pastor knows Titus, and I am sure he can explain these three chapters to us, but remember that God calls those who we might not think can be used of God. Sometimes He calls the less educated to teach the highly educated. He calls those who others would not think of listening to. He calls

those who are teachable.” I tell the mechanic, “God has called you to serve as His teacher today. Teach us in your own words what the Holy Spirit has taught you regarding the book of Titus.”

As the pastor and I turn and sit down on the platform, the mechanic kneels, folds his hands, and bows his head. A silence comes over the sanctuary. In a very clear but subdued voice, the mechanic reverently prays aloud. “Our great and holy heavenly Father. You have called me here today to share what I know nothing about. I have just now heard the words recited. I ask you to fill me now with the words you need me to say to your people. I pray not as a man of honor but as a man that you have called. I speak not because I want to, but in faith because you have asked me to. Surround me with your angels. Forgive me of my wrongs that I may be worthy to be your spokesman. I ask these things of You and in the name of Jesus Christ, my Savior, our Savior. Amen.”

The mechanic stands up, returns to the podium, and pauses for a moment to look down at the empty podium. He then looks at the congregation and begins speaking in a clear voice. For the next thirty minutes, the mechanic teaches through the power of the Holy Spirit on something he had never heard before. He explains that Paul is writing to Titus. He talks about the importance of faith and speaks on church organization. He warns against Jewish legalism and trivia, against falsehood and laziness. He discusses character perfection, justification through God’s mercy that is a gift, and sanctification through obedience. The congregation listened intently, following along with their Bibles open while the mechanic broke the Bread of Life, speaking from his heart the words poured down from the altar of God.

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God has often used the spotless example of a poor and illiterate man as successfully promoting the great designs of the gospel as the labors of the minister who is lauded for his talents and eloquence. The Lord's wisdom and power are revealed in the humble, devoted worker who lives his religion, more than in the educated man who does not rely so fully upon God's help.

Last Day Events, p. 205

Words will come from the lips of the unlearned with such convincing power and wisdom that conversions will be made to the truth. Thousands will be converted under their testimony.

The Review and Herald, September 21, 1905

The Lord says, I will take illiterate men, obscure men, and move upon them by my Spirit to carry out my purposes in the work of saving souls. The last message of mercy will be given by a people who love and fear me. "Not by might, nor by power, but by my Spirit." We should give willing, devoted men every possible encouragement to go forward and in their humble way reveal their loyalty to principle and their integrity to God.

THE END

August 28, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I am standing in a grove of redwood trees. The size of these trees is amazing. As I look up, it is inspiring to see their lofty height. Surveying the base of the trees, I am impressed at their enormous well-planted foothold. I am thinking how true Christians are like redwood trees. They stand tall for Jesus and have a well-planted foothold for His truth. They search the sky for that promise of Him who planted them.

My thoughts are now interrupted by a familiar voice. I turn around to see the Herald has been standing behind me. He states that the heavenly Father is the Awesome Creator and the Grand Arborist. Calling me by the name I only remember in my dreams, the Herald says he has been sent to show me something. He asks if I would go with him. I extend my right hand, and as he holds it tightly, he explains that we will continue as before and that a scene must still play out because it is not finished yet.

The Herald and I are now in the air about five miles up. He calls my attention to the east. I see what can only be described as a heavenly body that moves slowly away from the earth. I realize it is all the heavenly angels and the redeemed with Christ on their way to heaven. My heart begins to pound as I realize what I see and what it means. I so want to be with Jesus as He is leaving. I squeeze the Herald's hand and look at him with tears running down my face. He turns and explains, "It is by His command that I stand here with you. With His permission I wipe the tears from your face, as He is the only One who reserves to show such love. Know that this is a dream, and you are to serve as a messenger. Notice what you are shown and report accurately. As you were told, if you remain faithful in serving the Great Creator, who is our Master and your Saviour, you will be with Him as He leaves for the Great Celestial City. You are now to hold to your faith. Few were they who went on the ark. Few are they who hear the quiet voice of the Great Comforter. Few are they who make up the remnant."

As the Herald firmly holds my right hand, he extends his right hand to show me the scene to the west and below me. I turn in shock towards

the Herald as if wanting him to shield me from the horror I see for the first time. The sight leaves an empty feeling unlike anything I have experienced. Placing his right hand under my chin, the Herald looks in my eyes and says, “You need to hold strongly to your faith. Describe what you see the best you are able to, as you have been called to serve as a messenger.”

I turn and look to the west once again. The scene before me depicts the time after the seven last plagues are poured out and the start of the one thousand years that Satan is chained to this worthless pit. It is also the beginning of the time the special saints will spend one thousand years reviewing every life of those on the earth who made their decision to follow Satan. It is the time that God is vindicated before the entire universe as to the validity of His laws, and it is shown that He is just and the Most Perfect of all Perfection.

As far as my eyes can see, before me is a view of desolation beyond which any human mind can conceive. God had instructed the four angels to release the four angry winds of utter destruction. I see what looks like large plates of the earth’s surface that were ripped from their foundation, then twisted and crumbled in many places and jammed back into the ground at an angle. Tall majestic mountains, where climbers aspired to reach their lofty heights, were pulled from the ground and cast into the depths of the oceans. The remains of large cities appear as if mixed with the soil of the earth. The once tall skyscrapers, made to be monuments to the greatness of man, were smashed to the ground as if simple sand castles. Entire cities were demolished and nothing was left unturned. Not one landmark is recognizable. Not one building is left standing; all is rubble. The vast oceans are now gone, and there is no way to differentiate west from east or north from south.¹

I have been made to understand that just as God spoke and all life came into existence, He will speak and every living creature will no longer exist. The largest animals that live in water will cease their existence. Every fish, every bird, everything that crawled on or below the earth, every kind of animal will no longer exist. Just as the Almighty Words spoke the creatures into existence, they will be spoken out of existence. The heavenly Father will save only who He

¹ Revelation 16:20 And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

sent His Son to save. Those who will be saved, He will claim as His own and leave the earth with them for one thousand years. Satan will have no one to tempt. He and his retinue of angels will remain on this earth during the millennium. The redeemed will have a Sabbath rest in heaven from the evils of Satan for one thousand years. The universe will be cleansed from the tempting ones jailed on the earth.

I now notice I do not hear anything. The Great Creator even spoke sound out of existence. There is no longer the rush of wind, the chirp of a cricket, the musical notes of a songbird, the mooing of a cow, or the galloping of a horse.

As I watch the earth slowly turn, there are no animals, not even an insect. However, I do see men, women and children scattered on the face of the earth, those who had been created in God's image but chose to follow the words of the great deceiver rather than God's words. They will not stand at Christ's Second Coming, because they did not make a stand for Him who gave all. They had held Satan's hand and received their direction from him. Now they lay for a thousand years before the King of All Kings pronounces their judgment of eternal death. Some of the scattered are those who were raised, including those who beat, cursed, spat upon, nailed and mocked the Son of God. Some are those who lived to witness the Second Coming.²

Surveying the scene in front of me, I am surprised by the lack of color in the sky. It no longer has that hue of blue or those beautiful white clouds. My mind instantly recalls how my attending angel had once explained that the blue of the sky represents His love and His law, and the white clouds represent His righteousness and protection. Without these, all earthly life would cease to exist. That beautiful blue in the sky is now gone; not even a cloud can be seen. The earth no longer holds those who are deserving of His righteousness. The day of repentance, of asking in faith for forgiveness is no more. The day of reforming is over. The day when one could approach the Great and Wonderful Throne of Mercy is finished. Color has been removed from everything. The beautiful hues and the myriads of God's creation in plant life is no more. The luscious green grass, the flowers of a

² Jeremiah 25:33 And the slain of the Lord shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried.

myriad colors, and the blue waters are all gone—all that which the Great Creator had spoken into existence. Color no longer exists. There is no black or white. Even gray has no color. Color is dead.

I notice that odors do not exist. There is no fragrance that used to float on a breeze. No longer is there the aroma of grass, trees, or the sweet wildflowers. Not even the pungent smell of a horse pasture exists or the freshness of a salty ocean. The air I smell is very stale. All odors are dead.

All I see now is death. Animal life, color, sound, and odors are gone. The Creator had removed all life forms which He created six thousand years before, from the largest creatures in the water to the smallest microbial organisms. Without the God-given organisms, all of those from many generations will continue to lie where they are and for one thousand years will not rot.

It is as if Jesus will say to Satan, "You are the owner of this earth. You purchased this planet through your deception with my first creations—Adam and Eve. Since you hold the keys to this earth and you lay claim to it, this earth is yours. However, you will not have the other things that I created. You will not have the blue sky or white clouds for shade. You will not have the wind or the seasons. You will not have the birds of the air, the animals that walk or crawl or the fish and other animals that live in the water. You will not have those minute creations that are beyond the sight of normal eyes. You will not have the multicolored plants or the variety of aromas. You will not have the vast oceans. I will save for you the sun and the moon in the sky, and although they will be darkened, they will illuminate enough for you to look upon how you have ruled for six thousand years. The angels I created who followed you will also see their handiwork of following your direction. Now you may walk over and rule what is yours for one thousand years. When the thousand years are up, I will return to destroy that which you hold claim to and I will rule as King of the universe as well as the new earth." I am now made to know that during the millennium, Satan will look upon those he deceived who now lay on the ground. He is no longer able to tempt them.³

³ The Great Controversy, pp. 658-659

That the expression "bottomless pit" represents the earth in a state of confusion and darkness is evident from other scriptures. Concerning the condition of the earth "in the beginning," the Bible record says

I now turn to the Herald and he looks at me with eyes of compassion and states, "You have a Savior whose love you have described as the love of the love of the love." He places his right hand on my shoulder and says, "One thousand years is now past. Look up." I look up to see my beautiful Jesus with a retinue of angels and those from earth who decided to follow Him. I now watch as He is in front of all and is descending. The sound of His voice breaks the death of sound and can be heard around the earth and throughout its core. Jesus now instructs those who lay strewn upon the ground and in the deepest recesses of the earth to rise and stand. It is a people who cannot be numbered and who stand as they were the day they were laid to rest from the torments of their life. They do not stand like the righteous who came forth when Jesus called them at His Second Coming, clothed in eternal immortality with every sinful physical attribute removed. No, these stand with the stains of sin written into their being.⁴

The Herald next shows me an innumerable group of men and women that begins to form and stand together. It is as if the Great Judge has caused them to band together to receive their judgment. I notice this

that it "was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep." Genesis 1:2. Prophecy teaches that it will be brought back, partially at least, to this condition. Looking forward to the great day of God, the prophet Jeremiah declares: "I beheld the earth, and, lo, it was without form, and void; and the heavens, and they had no light. I beheld the mountains, and, lo, they trembled, and all the hills moved lightly. I beheld, and, lo, there was no man, and all the birds of the heavens were fled. I beheld, and, lo, the fruitful place was a wilderness, and all the cities thereof were broken down." Jeremiah 4:23-26.

Here is to be the home of Satan with his evil angels for a thousand years. Limited to the earth, he will not have access to other worlds to tempt and annoy those who have never fallen. It is in this sense that he is bound: there are none remaining, upon whom he can exercise his power. He is wholly cut off from the work of deception and ruin which for so many centuries has been his sole delight.

⁴ Revelation 20:5 The rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished.

group stand as they did when they were laid to rest. Many have the obvious results of open sin brought on by immoral practices. I am made to know that their lifestyle was allowed because so many stated it was politically correct. The Herald breaks his silence and says, "Six thousand years ago the universe watched as the Creator reached into the soil and formed from the dirt of the earth a perfect man created in His image. He then decided it would be good for this man to have a helpmate, someone he could enjoy, talk and fellowship with, and someone who would be his equal. The Creator caused this man to sleep, and from this man He created a woman in His image. He created them as male and female. Nowhere in the universe is there male or female except on the earth. The Creator sanctified their union as husband and wife and pronounced them as married. Notice this was the second institution that the Great Founder created. The first institution is the seventh-day Sabbath. The Creator then commanded that these two in their marital union, through the holy institution of marriage, be fruitful and multiply. They were to populate the earth. They were not created with a genetic makeup of a man and a man or a woman and a woman to live in this holy union or to have a sexual relationship. The Great Founder created a perfect union between a man and a woman, between a husband and a wife in the sanctity He called marriage. He never created a genetic makeup that results in a life of homosexuality. Those who have chosen this path have not chosen it because of an inherited trait or a genetic disorder. It is not anything that is connected with the Creator's grand design. Those who live this style of life live it because of what they have chosen. It is not through what was created. Those in a position of counsel who did not assist in correcting those who lived that lifestyle, those that endorsed it and spoke smooth, soft things will give an account to the Great Judge."

My eyes now scan over those who performed this sin of trampling on God's holy institution of marriage. Man is standing with man and woman with woman, because they chose to sin rather than follow the marriage lifestyle that God instituted in the Garden of Eden. It is made clear to me that they will stand to receive their reward for trampling on one of God's institutions and for breaking His holy law, which brings them the reward of eternal death. They each acknowledge it was a choice and that they have sinned.⁵

⁵ Romans 1:26-27 For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that

The Herald calls me by my heavenly name and says, "Continue to review and report those who you see standing in this second resurrection." As I look upon the surface of the world, I have an overwhelming realization how the majority of those who lived upon the earth have followed Satan. Yet the Great Creator knew each one personally. As my eyes scan over this vast multitude, I understand they include those from the beginning until that time when Jesus arrived to call forth from the earth every righteous saint who ascended with Him at His Second Coming. The multitude also includes giants from before the great Flood. I see so many who excelled in world leadership, yet not to the glory of the Great Leader, but to their own devising and greed. Now at Christ's third and final coming every unrighteous being upon the earth stands and looks upon the face of their Creator.

I now see individuals who I am very surprised to see standing to receive eternal death. They have served in a high position in God's last remnant church and many followed them in their system of belief. There are others who sat as infiltrators to deceive and lead away God's chosen people. Many had spoken truth and error, including those in the leadership of God's remnant church. It was through their service to the great deceiver they now stand looking up at Jesus coming as He said He would the third time. Many ignored, chastised and condemned God's prophets and messengers, and they now stand with those they led astray. Those who had been given an opportunity to pray and study to know the truth themselves instead allowed their elders, pastors and conference officials to lead them astray. Now they stand seeing Jesus return not to welcome them to eternal life but to give their just reward of eternal death.

I am now in shock as I see personal family members who had been given the truth, but because pride entered in and they did not humble themselves, they lied and condemned the messages I have been given from God. It must be asked: When does Satan invite people to repent and reform, to fervently pray, read and study the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy? When does Satan lead many to give their hearts

which is against nature: And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was meet.

and lives over to Jesus and claim Him as their Savior? Now instead of receiving a crown of life, these family members receive a condemnation sentence of eternal death. My heart aches because they will be held accountable for leading others astray. Yet I know this is a dream, and I know I will never see them again unless they repent before it is forever too late.⁶

I see those who once walked so closely to God while serving as pastors, elders and very close friends, but then turned away from God. They were given the opportunity to repent and cast their sins at the feet of Jesus. They now stand as Jesus casts at their feet His decree of death. I have no words to describe the looks on the faces of my own family, friends, elders and pastors. They believed they lived a life of a true Christian, many as Seventh-day Adventist Christians. They stand in shock and expect to meet Jesus in the air. Now they are as those who Christ says "I know you not." Many cry out about all the good deeds and miracles they performed, how they spoke in the name of Jesus. They now stand unable to move, but just wait to receive their punishment.⁷

⁶ Matthew 10:36 A man's foes shall be they of his own household.

Maranatha, p. 197

We shall find that we must let loose of all hands except the hand of Jesus Christ. Friends will prove treacherous, and will betray us. Relatives, deceived by the enemy, will think they do God service in opposing us and putting forth the utmost efforts to bring us into hard places, hoping we will deny our faith. But we may trust our hand in the hand of Christ amid darkness and peril.

The followers of Christ must expect to encounter sneers. They will be reviled; their words and their faith will be misrepresented. Coldness and contempt may be harder to endure than martyrdom. . .

Parents will turn harshly against their children who accept unpopular truth. Those who conscientiously serve God will be accused of rebellion.

⁷ Ibid., p. 209

Many who have had great light will fail to walk in the light, because they have not become one with Christ.

As I see Jesus Christ descend from heaven, he is surrounded by His angels and His redeemed, including those who did not take the mark of the beast. The faithful who were chastised, starved, tortured or died in His name now stand with Him. Every eye now looks upon the Great Redeemer.

The Herald now instructs me to look where he is pointing. I see Jesus as He now slows down and His bare feet touch the Mount of Olives from where He left three thousand years ago. It is as if the mountain obeys His touch as it renders its loftiness to a smooth flat plain. The Herald says to look up once again. The Great Celestial City is slowly descending. Beneath it is what looks like layers upon layers of clouds. Over the Great City are what appear to be many layers of clear domes, which produce the most visually stunning rainbow. These layers do not reflect the sun but rather the mighty presence of the heavenly Father who sits on His glorious throne. The Great Holy City shines with a power that makes the sun appear as a small dark circle in the sky. The Holy City now lands on the enormous plain that Jesus prepared for it.⁸

⁸ The Signs of the Times, March 6, 1879

A rainbow is represented in Heaven round about the throne, also above the head of Christ, as a symbol of God's mercy encompassing the earth. When man, by his great wickedness, provokes the wrath of God, Christ, man's intercessor, pleads for him, and points to the rainbow in the cloud, as evidence of God's great compassion for erring man; also to the rainbow above the throne and upon his head, emblematical of the glory and mercy from God resting there for the benefit of repentant man.

The Great Controversy (1888), pp. 662-663

Christ descends upon the Mount of Olives, whence, after his resurrection, he ascended, and where angels repeated the promise of his return. Says the prophet, "The Lord my God shall come, and all the saints with thee." "And his feet shall stand in that day upon the Mount of Olives, which is before Jerusalem on the east, and the Mount of Olives shall cleave in the midst thereof, . . . and there shall be a very great valley." "And the Lord shall be King over all the earth. In that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one." [Zechariah 14:5, 4, 9.] As the New Jerusalem, in its dazzling splendor, comes down out of Heaven, it rests upon the place purified

Everyone now looks up high, far above the Holy City to see the event that no being can deny. Even those without eyes can perfectly see it. They are looking at a throne of indescribable beauty. It appears to be of a gold that radiates perfect energy. Upon this throne sits the Son of God, who is the Sun of Righteousness. On each side of Him are attending angels. A most noble angel, who I know to be Gabriel, lovingly places a crown of holy perfection upon the head of Jesus. He is crowning Jesus as the King of the Universe. Everyone throughout the universe observes this scene. Satan observes what he could be doing in that position if he had remained obedient to God. I smile as I look up to the Herald. He looks at me and says, "To serve as a heavenly messenger is a position of continual service in all humility." After Jesus receives His crown, He is acknowledged by all living creations throughout the universe as the King of Kings.

Jesus now stands up. To His right is a large book. He breaks its seal and the book is opened. All the unrighteous stand looking at the face of King Jesus and instantly have brought to their mind every sin they have committed.⁹

and made ready to receive it, and Christ with his people and the angels, enters the holy city.

⁹ Early Writings, pp. 290-291

Then I saw thrones, and Jesus and the redeemed saints sat upon them; and the saints reigned as kings and priests unto God. Christ, in union with His people, judged the wicked dead, comparing their acts with the statute book, the Word of God, and deciding every case according to the deeds done in the body. Then they meted out to the wicked the portion which they must suffer, according to their works; and it was written against their names in the book of death. Satan also and his angels were judged by Jesus and the saints. Satan's punishment was to be far greater than that of those whom he had deceived. His suffering would so far exceed theirs as to bear no comparison with it. After all those whom he had deceived had perished, Satan was still to live and suffer on much longer.

Heaven, pp. 126-127

Says the prophet of God: "I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and

I notice a depiction above the throne of the empty cross that Jesus died on for everyone who would accept Him. Below the cross is a recording of the life of Christ from His unwelcome birth through His baptism and ministry, from His trial and torture, His crucifixion and death, to His resurrection and ascending from the Mount of Olives. All eyes are fixed on the scenes before them. Every evil angel and Satan himself is made to see what they have caused by their rebellion.¹⁰

All stand now for their reward to be meted out in justice and mercy by the One who sits as the King of Kings—the One who looks into the hearts of each with those eyes of such love. He is the One who is entitled to this right. The sins of those who followed the instructions of certain leaders are passed on to those leaders whose sins are passed on to other leaders. All sins are finally passed to Satan.

Jesus now raises His hand and with the power granted through the Father, fire comes down from heaven and the earth begins to be consumed. I hear the cries of those in the Holy City as they see family members, friends, and loved ones in pain, and they plead for Christ to

great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.” Revelation 20:11, 12.

As soon as the books of record are opened, and the eye of Jesus looks upon the wicked, they are conscious of every sin which they have ever committed. They see just where their feet diverged from the path of purity and holiness, just how far pride and rebellion have carried them in the violation of the law of God. The seductive temptations which they encouraged by indulgence in sin, the blessings perverted, the messengers of God despised, the warnings rejected, the waves of mercy beaten back by the stubborn, unrepentant heart—all appear as if written in letters of fire. . . . The whole wicked world stand arraigned at the bar of God on the charge of high treason against the government of heaven. They have none to plead their cause; they are without excuse; and the sentence of eternal death is pronounced against them.

¹⁰ Maranatha, p. 343

Above the throne is revealed the cross

shorten their agony. Others look down upon those who mocked, tortured and killed them, and they plead for mercy upon them as they are now dying. The righteous know that those who are consumed would not have been happy in heaven. God in His infinite love and mercy knows they would not have been happy. Those who were unfaithful in God's holy remnant church now burn for days. Those who have little sin are consumed quickly. Some go instantly. It is all according to their deeds. The bodies are consumed first then the sinful nature or character of the person is consumed last. Satan and his angels burn the longest, but Satan is the last to be consumed. The fire is of the most intense pure thermal heat so that it can destroy the evilness of all, especially Satan. After he is destroyed, the cleansing flames continue to burn the earth until nothing is left, except the ground the Holy City rests on. The flames consume the first heaven until every trace of sin is removed from the universe. The only reminders left of sin will be the scars in the wounded head, hands, feet, and side of Jesus for all eternity.¹¹

¹¹ Last Day Events, pp. 240-241

It is the glory of God to be merciful, full of forbearance, kindness, goodness, and truth. But the justice shown in punishing the sinner is as verily the glory of the Lord as is the manifestation of His mercy.

God's love is represented in our day as being of such a character as would forbid His destroying the sinner. Men reason from their own low standard of right and justice.

In no kingdom or government is it left to the lawbreakers to say what punishment is to be executed against those who have broken the law. . . . God is a moral governor as well as a Father. He is the Lawgiver. He makes and executes His laws. Law that has no penalty is of no force.

Ibid., p. 279

Could those whose hearts are filled with hatred of God, of truth and holiness, mingle with the heavenly throng and join their songs of praise? Could they endure the glory of God and the Lamb? No, no; years of probation were granted them, that they might form characters for heaven; but they have never trained the mind to love purity; they have never learned the language of heaven, and now it is too late. A life of rebellion against God has unfitted them for heaven. Its purity, holiness, and peace would be torture to them; the

I now watch as Jesus raises His lovely hand and commands that there be a new heaven and a new earth because the former were destroyed in the cleansing fire. Now the redeemed saints, the heavenly angels, and the entire universe proclaim in one voice the holiness of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and praise the King of Kings who is the Love of the Love of the Love.

glory of God would be a consuming fire. They would long to flee from that holy place. They would welcome destruction, that they might be hidden from the face of Him who died to redeem them. The destiny of the wicked is fixed by their own choice. Their exclusion from heaven is voluntary with themselves, and just and merciful on the part of God.

Malachi 4:1 For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.

Heaven, p. 131

While the earth was wrapped in the fire of destruction, the righteous abode safely in the Holy City. Upon those that had part in the first resurrection, the second death has no power. While God is to the wicked a consuming fire, He is to His people both a sun and a shield. Revelation 20:6; Psalm 84:11.

“I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away.” Revelation 21:1. The fire that consumes the wicked purifies the earth. Every trace of the curse is swept away. No eternally burning hell will keep before the ransomed the fearful consequences of sin.

THE GOOD DRIVER

September 4, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I am standing along a road that is straight, flat, and has wide lanes. As I look to the left, I notice a very small town not more than a half-mile away. As I look to the right, the road is straight as far as I can see. The area is flat; I do not see any trees close to the road, which is made up of one lane coming into town and one going out of town. At the end of the town and to the right, I notice a sign that shows "Speed Limit 25." I now see four young men jump out of the grass along the road. They are laughing and joking as they run over to the sign, remove it, and replace it with one that shows "Speed Limit 80." I hear them laughing again as they take the old sign with them and disappear into the tall grass.

I now turn to the left and see the driver of a car leaving the town. Suddenly, in the quiet I hear a voice state, "He is going out to take care of things he knows he is supposed to be doing." I turn to see the Herald, who continues by explaining that the person has been awarded the safest driver award many times. He always stops completely at a stop sign and at right turns with a red signal, waiting to proceed on. He is always courteous to the other drivers and invites them to go ahead at an intersection. He stops at pedestrian crosswalks, and does not proceed until the person in the crosswalk has stepped off the road. He always obeys the speed limit. The Herald states, "He is a good driver. Observe as he leaves town. Notice his driving and how he tries to make no mistakes."

Even though I know that the Herald and I are standing as observers, neither of us can be seen. We watch as the good driver goes past us at a slow speed. A little further down the road, I clearly see him observe the "Speed Limit 80" sign. He presses the accelerator and instantly his car is traveling at that speed. The Herald and I now travel down the road a short ways when we see the good driver coming toward us at 80 miles per hour. I notice behind him a policeman with his red lights flashing. After the good driver pulls over, the policeman issues him a ticket and explains that he was going 80 in a 25 miles per hour zone. The good driver explains that he was observing a sign a couple miles back that displayed "Speed Limit 80." He asks the policeman to return with him to see the sign, and the policeman

agrees to follow. The Herald and I are now instantly by the sign, and the young men are returning the "Speed Limit 25" sign. I hear them laugh as they quickly disappear into the tall grass.

I now see the good driver and the policeman return to the speed limit sign. The driver gets out of his car, walks over to the sign, points up to it and states, "Here is the sign with the 80 miles per hour speed limit." As he points up to it, he is shocked that the sign now says "Speed Limit 25." The policeman tells the driver that he will need to return with him to see the judge.

The Herald and I are now in the courtroom where the driver stands before the judge, who states that he was found to be going 80 in a posted 25 miles per hour zone. The driver receives a large fine, all his awards had to be returned, and he is now known as the worst driver.

Word soon travels around the small town of how the driver cannot be trusted as a good driver. Rumors spread that he has killed people while driving. Someone states that if people see him driving down the street, they should get off the sidewalk, since he will try to run over them. Some state that he should have his driver's license taken away.

Calling me by my heavenly name, the Herald tells me that the driver was driving at what he thought was the posted speed limit and that he did what he thought he was supposed to be doing. However, he was not given an opportunity to confess before seeing the judge.¹

Walking along with the Herald, he now explains, "This is how it was with you. Many did not and still do not understand that you were simply observing what you thought was the correct speed limit. While you were made to stand before earthly policemen and judges who condemned you and declared you an unsafe driver, you went before the only One who has the right to listen—the Great Judge—and

¹ Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 5, p. 268

God will bear long with some, He will test and prove all; but His curse will surely follow the selfish, world-loving professor of truth. God knows the heart; every thought and every purpose is open to His eye. He says: "Them that honor Me I will honor, and they that despise Me shall be lightly esteemed." He knows whom to bless and who are deserving of His curse. He makes no mistakes, for angels are keeping a record of all our works and words.

asked for forgiveness. He forgave you, and you returned to being a good driver in God's eyes."

The Herald continues by explaining that there are many who have decided to wear a uniform and eagerly hand out tickets. They have decided to serve as policemen, even though they have not been called to serve. They are eager to point out the transgressions of others, yet ignore their own. There are others who call themselves to serve as judges, even though they have not been called by the Great Judge. They wear the robe of a judge and ask people to refer to them as judges. They walk with a righteous appearance. They make their own laws and condemn those who transgress those laws. This is also the way it is in God's Church. There are judges who walk in robes and place a sentence on those whom they do not have a right to judge. These are not God's judges.² Those who serve on their own behalf are teaching errors. They conduct their services in a way that is not reverent and holy. They have allowed themselves to be led by the one who is the great deceiver.

As we walk along, the Herald states, "Soon the Holy Spirit will be made clear. Those who have walked in the right path and have asked for His counsel on all things will be guided directly by the heavenly Father." The Herald stops, calls me by my heavenly name and says, "Each day you have asked for His direction and have witnessed His divine hand over you. He has heard the many silent, private prayers that you only want to serve Him. He has heard your prayers and knows your heart."

The Herald now points to an open field and says, "Soon this will be His guiding." I see what resembles a long playground slide that reaches from the ground to a window in the sky. The window slowly opens upwards, and falling from the opening is what looks like gold coins that slide down and create a mound on the ground. As these continue to fall, the mound grows larger.

Next the Herald says, "Now look over here." I look to the left at what appears to be a large photo in the sky, except it moves as if it is alive. It is a framed photo of Ellen White. On the bottom of the frame is a placard that reads, "Ellen White, God's chosen end-time prophet."

² 1 Samuel 16:7 The LORD seeth not as man seeth; for man looketh on the outward appearance, but the LORD looketh on the heart.

The Herald explains that all things are possible through the Great Judge who sits on His heavenly throne. He forgives all, and those who are willing to do His bidding are enabled through Him.³

The Herald now says to look to the eastern sky. He kneels on his right knee and bows his head in reverence. I hear a voice that rolls through the flat countryside like thunder, yet has that distinct sound of a powerful rushing waterfall, a small stream of water, and the faint sound of a tranquil stream all at the same time. The voice is heard saying, "I have watched as My Church has degraded from My blueprint. I have watched as the services to worship Me have become irreverent, and every possible form of evil has been brought into My earthly court. Many no longer worship Me but him who rules the earth. This Earth-ruler rules those whom he has deceived into worshipping in an unholy manner." I am told, "I have heard your prayers. I know your heart and your desire to serve. I commit to you as a promise that all that you have seen I will provide and more. Because many seek me in worship and are unable to understand how to find me, I will provide to you my promise as written in Jeremiah 3:15." I now see writing in the sky as I have seen before, except I hear the same Great Voice speak as the words appear. ***"And I will give you pastors according to mine heart, which shall feed you with knowledge and understanding."***⁴ The voice continues, "In the

³ Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, p. 300

Let me tell you that the Lord will work in this last work in a manner very much out of the common order of things, and in a way that will be contrary to any human planning. There will be those among us who will always want to control the work of God, to dictate even what movements shall be made when the work goes forward under the direction of the angel who joins the third angel in the message to be given to the world. God will use ways and means by which it will be seen that He is taking the reins in His own hands. The workers will be surprised by the simple means that He will use to bring about and perfect His work of righteousness.

⁴ Gospel Workers (1915), p. 437

Men should not be encouraged to go into the field as ministers without unmistakable evidence that God has called them. The Lord will not entrust the burden for His flock to unqualified individuals. Those whom God calls must be men of deep experience, tried and proved, men of sound judgment, men who will dare to reprove sin in

halls of heaven is a great clock that shows the Master's time. Watch for when these things will happen, but know that it will be according to when the great clock displays the time of My own choosing. The pastors I will send will do My bidding. They will teach according to My own heart. My earthly sanctuary will be a holy and reverent place to all of those who seek Me."

All is now quiet. The Herald stands up and instructs. "Watch and know that all is according to the great holy clock controlled by Him who controls time. All will be according to His time, as HE IS."

the spirit of meekness, men who understand how to feed the flock. God knows the heart, and He knows whom to select.

THE GREAT TEST

October 2, 2010

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I stand facing the Herald, who has placed his hands on my shoulders. He has been talking to me, and I hear him call me by my heavenly name. He is explaining that in another dream he had shielded my eyes from seeing everything. However, he was instructed that this time I am to see and remember all that I am shown. He tells me that, although this is a dream and much is symbolic, all should understand the depth that the great deceiver will go to in his deceptions. The Herald says to understand that we must be aware of this and stand firmly grounded in what the Great Author has written through the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy by Ellen White. We are not to waste time with authors of another order.¹

I am now taken to a house where no one is at home. As we walk around, the Herald says, "Each should strive for discernment in what they look upon and what they listen to. I first notice a Bible lying on the living room table and understand that it is used for family worship. What looks like very thick white smoke is rising from the Bible. The area around the "smoke" becomes bright."² The Herald says, "It should

¹ Selected Messages, Book 1, p. 204

The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written.

² Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 2, pp. 337-338

The word of God should be thoroughly studied. All other reading is inferior to this. A careful study of the Bible will not necessarily exclude all other reading of a religious nature; but if the word of

not be perceived that what you are seeing endorses the New Age act of burning incense. It will be better understood as we observe more." Over to the right is a bookcase filled with many books. The titles include: *The Great Controversy*, *The Desire of Ages*, *Early Writings*, *The Adventist Home*, *Child Guidance*, *Messages to Young People*, *Last Day Events*, and several volumes of *Testimonies for the Church*. I see many more books written by Ellen White. The same white "smoke" rises from these books, which makes the area around the bookcase illuminate the darkness of the home. As I see so many of these books written by the same author, I wonder how anyone would want to read so many books by other authors.

As we continue walking throughout the house, there are other books that emanate a thick black "smoke." The black seems to absorb any light that is near it, making the area become very dark. These books were written by many different authors.³ I now notice more objects that emit black "smoke." Some of these are simply objects to look at. One is a statue of a dragon; another is a round, crystal-like ball that sits close to a window and reflects the sunlight. I notice posters,

God is studied prayerfully, all reading which will have a tendency to divert the mind from it will be excluded. If we study the word of God with an interest, and pray to understand it, new beauties will be seen in every line. God will reveal precious truth so clearly that the mind will derive sincere pleasure and have a continual feast as its comforting and sublime truths are unfolded.

³ Christ's Object Lessons, pp. 107-108

By many, man's wisdom is thought to be higher than the wisdom of the divine Teacher, and God's lesson book is looked upon as old-fashioned, stale, and uninteresting. But by those who have been vivified by the Holy Spirit it is not so regarded. They see the priceless treasure, and would sell all to buy the field that contains it. Instead of books containing the suppositions of reputedly great authors, they choose the word of Him who is the greatest author and the greatest teacher the world has ever known, who gave His life for us, that through Him we might have everlasting life.

Acts 19:19-20 Many of them also which used curious arts brought their books together, and burned them before all men: and they counted the price of them, and found it fifty thousand pieces of silver. So mightily grew the word of God and prevailed.

pictures, and other items hanging on the walls, such as depictions of popular singers and celebrities or political figures. Each of these draws the mind away from God and emits black “smoke.” Both small and large objects emanate black “smoke” that detracts from the good books on the bookcase.

I am now shown individuals walking around the home. The Herald tells me that I stand as an observer and no one can see or hear us. I now notice someone reach over and pick up the family Bible. They are breathing in the white “smoke.” Others walk over and select one of the good books from the bookcase. Each now breathes in the white “smoke.” When others pick up books by a questionable author or gaze at certain pictures or posters, they inhale the black “smoke.” Others breathe it in from small items, which they do not realize are harmful to them. When they exhale, the “smoke” does not leave their bodies. Whether it is black or white, it stays in the body.

Before reading a book, a reader must ask what the purpose, ideas, and background are of the author. Who does this person really serve? The Herald explains that there are many authors who have written much, but Satan is the true author. He has used his well-chosen words to speak great truth, but he is very deceptive in his words. His books emit black “smoke,” which is his evil spirit. So many of these books appear to have the whole truth, yet they contain error. Sadly, even sincere Christians are deceived by these books, in spite of the fact that the whole truth is available if they will only search for it. Truth stands as a lighted beacon for all to see. Many who read and reread harmful books do not spend time reading what the Greatest Author has already prepared. They read only once from His Word that was given so freely, and then place it back on a shelf to collect dust. Yet a great blessing is received by those who repeatedly read God’s words. Blessed are those who look for messages from the Father’s throne and enjoy those wonderful words over and over again. All one has to do is ask for the guidance of the Comforter whom the Savior said He would send. Yet so many desire to read other than what has so graciously been provided by the heavenly Father.

Next the Herald explains, “Now is the time to compare line upon line. Each will be prepared and guarded against the plans of the great deceiver by studying what is written in God’s Word. Those who will not be deceived will follow the teaching of the only One who knows the future. No one need be deceived. The Master Reaper is coming to claim His prized crop—those who stand as perfect plants ready to

be harvested in the still of the night. Know the voice and the hand of Him who holds the great harvesting sickle.”

The Herald now takes me to a place where I am facing to the east. He says, “Now it is time to show you something that was shielded from you before. Document all that you see and stand firm, knowing this is a dream to prepare those who are listening to the Holy Spirit’s voice. No one should be deceived by what you are now shown.”

As I look toward the east, I see many who stand looking with anticipation into a clear blue sky that has no clouds. They seem to already know about this coming event. As I look into the distant sky, I notice what looks like a round black hole that opens out more and more, similar to a trumpet shape. Many different angels of various sizes and appearances now fly from the middle of the black hole and fill in to the area that resembles the end of a trumpet. They have formed together as if to welcome someone very important. I now see that the middle of this large company of angels fills with a great brightness. As many angels blow trumpets and many others sing, those on the earth who are watching stare at the grandest event they have ever witnessed.

I now see one of a great and noble stature sitting upon a moving throne that resembles a golden fluid and is carried by angels who each have six living, golden wings. They sing of his wonderful creations throughout the universe and of his holiness and greatness. These angels sing in unison the words “holiest, holiest, holiest” over and over. Many around the world and many of different faiths begin to notice or hear about this grand event. While many watch the scene as it occurs, others around the world view it on television newscasts.

Many angels now form into a choir that begins to sing and lead the way to the earth. The singing is made to be holy and reverent, not like the unholy and irreverent music performed in the churches of today. As the angels and he who sits on the throne slowly descend, many on the earth fall to their knees and begin crying and praying. Many follow this descending procession as if their personal deliverer has come. As the procession continues on, I look closely at him who sits on the throne. I see love and compassion in his eyes but not the great love of the love of the love. I do not see my Savior. I am longing to see the eyes of my Jesus who looks at each with that great love. I tell the Herald that I am seeing the false coming and have seen enough. He responds that there is still much for me to see and requests that I

continue faithfully reporting what I observe. As I continue watching, the angelic choir voices rise to a musical crescendo, which causes many to become filled with emotion.

As time proceeds on, I notice that much attention is given to that great moment when he who sits on the throne is able to step off the throne. It is as if every eye observes his foot touching the ground. Every television station has a camera that is transfixed to that moment when he steps off and places his foot on the earth. With orchestrated planning, the heavenly choir rises to a musical interlude that peaks to a perfect crescendo moment when he is about to place his foot on the ground. Angels with six wings hover over him in the sky. As that moment arrives, all music and singing cease, and all becomes quiet. As his foot becomes visible, all notice a scar on the top. When his foot touches the ground, a united cheer of those who stand on the earth, a resounding musical crescendo of those in the air, and a perfect, well-orchestrated, planned musical harmony fills the earth. All those who hear are caught up with emotion.

This noble being, who calls himself “the Christ,” stands so tall that he is easily seen. His well-tanned face is long, yet wide. His hair is white and brushed back. He is proportionately built and wears a long purple robe that almost touches the ground. Around his waist is a golden belt tied in a perfect knot with tassels on the ends that fall loosely on his right hip. Over his chest is what looks like a molded plate that resembles a perfectly muscled chest and abdominal area. I am wondering if it is actually his skin, because it moves as freely as if it is a part of himself rather than what he wears. It appears like living fluid metal, almost as if it emits heat or energy. He wears a crown with crowns inside of crowns that sits perfectly on his head. In his left hand, he holds a scepter. At the top of it is what appears to be a large crystal emitting a golden flame or ever-present heat. It also appears to be made of transparent, blood-red metal that moves in a continual fluid motion. In the middle where it is held are finely-wound silver threads.

I now notice the place where the grand visitation has decided to make their first contact—the great courtyard of the Vatican. I observe the pope approach with his entourage, and he is assisted as he kneels at the feet of the false Christ who is Satan. He kneels and kisses each of the feet of this imposter. Satan now reaches down and takes hold of the pope’s left hand, assisting him to his feet. Then taking the scepter in his left hand, he plunges it into the ground. As he now

raises both hands into the air, elongated scars can be seen in each palm. He proceeds to proclaim, "It is I, the Christ. I have returned as I said I would." As he speaks, people of different languages understand him perfectly. He continues by saying, "Blessed are those who have watched until this day. I will make all things new. I will visit and heal all those who are sick. I will spread before you a table, that all may freely eat. I will cause nations to lay down their weapons of death and love one another. There will be worldwide peace. I have loved you, and you are to love one another as I love you. All faiths will become united, and those who have been misled will now become unified. The Muslim will acknowledge that I am the Christ; they will acknowledge me as their god and savior. The Buddhist will lay down their Buddha, cease their beliefs, and acknowledge me as their god and savior. When I left before, I gave you a new commandment. I told you to love one another as I have loved you. Now that I have returned and this will be the seat of my home throughout the universe, I give you new commandments."

I see him call to several angels, who remove from the left side of his throne a large placard that everyone who reads it instantly understands. Satan now states that he has changed the fourth commandment to commemorate this special day. As I look at the new fourth commandment, I read that he has called all to come together and worship on the first day of the week, to seek his name and receive a blessing on this new and very special day of his returning. With his left hand, he pulls his scepter from the ground. Many now watch as his feet leave the ground. He states in a clear resounding voice that he has a great work to do, and that all should be blessed on this special day. He begins moving through the air slowly at first and then quickly disappears with his retinue of angels.

Satan now arrives in a nearby country and begins to heal the sick. He approaches a building where many are sick. As he raises his staff in his left hand, with his right hand, he calls on those who are sick to rise from their beds and to worship and follow him. Yet those who have lost limbs or have artificial body parts remain unhealed in their beds. He goes to an area where many are hungry and commands his angels to prepare many tables with a great variety of fruits, vegetables, nuts, breads, and meat. Satan calls everyone together to feast and says they will have more provided to them.

Next Satan goes to large, barren fields. As he plunges his staff into the ground, almost instantly I see various plants growing. I am made

to know that those plants were already there before the great magician and deceiver did what he does best—deceive. I see him lift off the ground and travel to another country. As he performs miracle after miracle, many fall to their knees and worship him. Many marvel how at one moment he is in one country, then in the blink of an eye, he is seen and it is being reported, he is on a different continent in another part of the world. So many worldwide rejoice and sing with such peace. Almost everyone on the globe seems caught up in this great deception.

After a time, I see what I know to be horrific plagues and disasters in different areas around the world. Water is being contaminated so quickly that it is impossible to correct it. Weather conditions are out of control. Certain people are afflicted with different ailments. The false Christ is now unable to fix these things. Many are perplexed as to why he cannot.⁴

⁴ 2 Corinthians 11:14-15 Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

1 Thessalonians 4:16-17 For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout, with the voice of the archangel, and with the trump of God: and the dead in Christ shall rise first: Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be with the Lord.

The Great Controversy (1888), pp. 624-625

The teachings of this false christ are not in accordance with the Scriptures. His blessing is pronounced upon the worshipers of the beast and his image,—the very class upon whom the Bible declares that God's unmingled wrath shall be poured out.

Satan is not permitted to counterfeit the manner of Christ's advent. The Saviour has warned his people against deception upon this point, and has clearly foretold the manner of his second coming. "There shall arise false christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. . . . Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the

The Herald, who has been standing at my right side the whole time, tells me that most will be deceived. Yet all could avoid it, if they would spend time now preparing to know how the greatest deceiver works to deceive. Many will ignore what God has sent to prepare them for what is about to happen. The Herald reveals that the great gift in the Spirit of Prophecy has been ignored by many. He states that what God's prophet, Ellen White, was instructed to write in these last days is ignored and thrown out as incorrect or archaic. It is clear that even the leadership of His end-time church has set aside the teachings that He has provided. No longer do His teachers prepare His people for what He has shown will happen. No longer do they teach with the Bible in one hand and the Spirit of Prophecy in the other. No longer do they prepare His sheep for His coming. No longer do they spend time in what He has written. Time is now spent in honoring man and not God. It is spent with Satan's form of music rather than honoring God with His music. It is spent with entertainment, not in teaching and preparing the world for the great test.

The Herald puts his right hand on my left shoulder and tells me to prepare what I have been shown, but to understand this is one of many ways the great illusionist will deceive those who are not grounded. Many are satisfied with what man says instead of what God has said. The Herald tells me that it is very sad that many will be deceived because they fail to hear and listen to the soft, calling voice of the Great Comforter. They fail on all counts to watch and follow the teachings of the true Christ.

Be prepared, for soon the deception of all deceptions will play out, and even the most devout follower of Jesus Christ can be easily deceived. Prepare now, for the hour of your great test is upon you.

secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." [Matthew 24:24-27, 31; 25:31; Revelation 1:7; 1 Thessalonians 4:16, 17.] This coming, there is no possibility of counterfeiting. It will be universally known—witnessed by the whole world.

REVERENCE MY SANCTUARY

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By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, the room I am sleeping in begins to slowly light up until it becomes brighter and brighter. A diversity of angels becomes more defined as I hear my heavenly name called. I turn to see the Herald. He says that he is here to give a message for me to share and directs my attention to the different types of angels before me. He explains that angels attended the Creator in His perfection and greatness, before the ink was applied to the blueprint of this earth. These angels are a sampling of the many who have a desire to serve and give the utmost care to reverence.

The Herald points to certain angels and says, "This angel excels in strength; this angel excels in speed of travel; this angel serves as a marking angel; this angel is a guardian angel; this angel is a comforting angel; this angel is an angel who helps in understanding; this is a battle angel; this is a recording angel; this is a messenger angel; this is an archangel; this is a cherub; this is a seraph." There are many more angels I see who represent the Creator's divine creating power. Each one is distinct in his design and purpose.

Next the Herald describes the features of these angels. The angel excelling in strength is tall but proportionate. The angel who excels in speed is not as large but rather lean and sinewy, yet still perfect in appearance. His wings look like pure energy and light, and I know the Great Designer gave this angel the ability to travel at speeds I cannot comprehend. I do not completely understand the marking angels, except that their job is to mark the places where God's creations rest until Jesus calls them to everlasting life or death. The guardian angel is assigned to guard individuals on this earth. I am made to understand that certain individuals are assigned more than one guardian angel. Those extra angels have been removed from individuals whom the Great Father commands are to no longer have a guardian angel. The comforting angel bears a resemblance of gentleness and is neither male nor female, as it is with all angels. The angel who helps in understanding is ready to guide in what is instructed by the Great Father. The battle angel appears as one not to be reckoned with. He stands with a sword in one hand and what looks like a shield in the other hand to protect the one he is

defending. These angels serve in many daily battles, receiving their protection from the Great Father and protecting God's faithful servants against Satan's agents. The recording angel appears noble but meek. He holds what resembles a pure glass tablet in his left arm and moves his right hand over the surface to record every thought, word, and action. These angels record every moment of the life of God's creations until the day the marking angels begin serving. The angels who serve as messengers are designed with the ability to travel with great speed. Each one also carries a glass tablet and excels in repeating a message with perfect accuracy. The archangel stands a little taller than other types of angels and bears a very noble stance. The Herald has this same look but is taller and nobler in appearance than the others. The cherubim are not like what are portrayed in so many pictures and statues. This angel is almost as tall and noble as the archangel. He is one of many who stand very close to the presence of the heavenly Father. These angels are tall and majestic with two proudly pronounced and extended wings that rise over the top of their head, even when folded. There are other types of angels, but the last type presented to me is the seraphim. I cannot do justice in describing their appearance, which resembles living luminescence, as if radiating pure energy. These angels each have six wings symmetrically positioned on their back. Their face is unique and of divine beauty—a design that only the Greatest Designer could fashion for an angel. Every angel is perfectly designed by the perfect hand of God. This is but a small sampling of His great creative power.

The Herald now moves his right hand as if to present a view behind the assembled angels. The sides of my home now resemble glass, as if the walls are fading away. I see other types of angels further out, all with the single purpose of serving the God of the universe. They are a tribute to their Creator. It is amazing to see such a variety of angels, with each being perfectly created.

The Herald instructs that it is now time to take me somewhere. I ask whether Becky can come along with us. Repeating my heavenly name, he explains that this is a dream, we are both asleep, and Becky will know nothing of what I have seen until I share it with her when we awake. He says, "I have been instructed to show you something that is of the greatest importance. This is for all who are willing to listen, learn, and understand. Remember, if you are faithful and need angels, your Creator, Brother, and Savior has promised He will send them. We are here ready to serve. If you have other needs,

you may not receive what you ask for, but you will receive what has been instructed by the heavenly Father.”

The Herald now asks if I will come with him. I give him my right hand and we are immediately someplace that needs great description. He explains that I am shown in a way that I can comprehend. I look at him and immediately think that I will have a hard time describing what I see. The Herald says that as I prepare the dream, the Holy Spirit will guide my words and help me to describe what I see and experience.

I am in what I know to be the outer court of one of the rooms leading to the reverent throne room of God. It is a most beautiful structure, and I know I cannot call it a building or mansion. However, this is where God's presence is. The Herald says that I will be taken to the very throne of the heavenly Father, but instructs that I will not be able to look upon His reverence, because I would be consumed, even in a dream. The Herald explains that he, along with many others who serve, will protect me from the great power of the Great I AM.

I know that I am standing on the outside of the inner part of the great Holy City. We begin walking and enter into the first room. I cannot describe the size of the room. We then enter into another very large room which is inside the previous room. We continue on into other very large rooms that are within rooms and now stand at the threshold of the innermost of all rooms. In a most subdued voice, the Herald states that we are about to enter into the most holy and reverent throne room. He whispers that this is where we will find God's presence, and that from this point on we will lift a little off the ground. No one is to touch the ground, because that would desecrate the very presence of Him who is the Father. I am only to look, listen, and not speak unless asked to. I am to be brought into the presence of the Great I AM.

As we cross the threshold, our feet leave the ground. Angels accompany us and they, along with the Herald, shield my eyes from looking upon Him who sits on the throne. I am able to see what I can only describe as a very, very, very bright Being who sits on a throne. I cannot see God's form, only His brightness. His throne is like a room, which He sits upon. It is not a large chair as I have thought it to be but made with many steps that ascend upwards. It is an enormous sitting area, possibly thousands of feet wide, deep, and high. The great and perfect most holy and reverent throne is made of clear, purified gold,

which speaks of its reverence. Above this throne is the most perfect rainbow that stands as the Great Promise Keeper's perfect promise.

Angels and other created beings throughout the universe obey the heavenly Father's instructions. No one desecrates the ground in the most holy and reverent throne room of the One of Great Holiness. The cherubim hover in His presence as they cover their perfectly created and noble faces. It is as if even showing their faces would be a desecration to the Great Almighty. The seraphim, with their six wings, also hover in God's presence. They use two wings to cover their head, two middle wings to keep them aloft, and two wings to cover their lower body and feet. I understand that their wings are not used to keep them flying but to show reverence to the Holy Father. These angels, along with the cherubim, join in praising God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit by singing "Holy, Holy, Holy" to Their glory.¹ The singing I hear is nothing like the music of many worship services on earth, which destroy the reverence.

Many angels enter in and are quickly dispatched, including the angels who excel in strength, those who excel in speed, and the recording and marking angels. Many angels come into His grand divine presence. I especially notice the reverence and awe that is shown in this room. There is no unnecessary talking. No one speaks unless addressed by the voice of Him who sits on the throne. It is the voice I have heard that resembles the sound of many waters. The music is holy and reverent, and the singing is to God's glory. It is very different from the music presented in our worship services. As the angels approach God's throne in reverence, even though the face of each angel was created perfect and noble, each one covers it out of reverence and respect.

¹ Isaiah 37:16 O LORD of hosts, God of Israel, that dwellest between the cherubims, thou art the God, even thou alone, of all the kingdoms of the earth: thou hast made heaven and earth.

Isaiah 6:2-3 Above it stood the seraphims: each one had six wings; with twain he covered his face, and with twain he covered his feet, and with twain he did fly. And one cried unto another, and said, Holy, holy, holy, is the LORD of hosts: the whole earth is full of his glory.

Without uttering a word, the Herald and the accompanying angels quickly usher me from the most holy and reverent throne room to the next room. The Herald quietly explains how I noticed many thrones in the throne room. The thrones closest to God's throne are to be occupied by those who were once great servants of Satan. They performed many of his biddings, but came to hear that still, small voice of the Holy Spirit. They resigned from serving Satan and began doing God's bidding. Next to these faithful servants are God's elect—these who are they—the 144,000 who become like Christ and stand in the last days without Christ as their Mediator. Next to them are the martyrs who made the ultimate sacrifice for God; yet Christ made the one ultimate sacrifice. Last of all is a great multitude of people. It would be easier to count the blades of grass in a large field than to count these individuals. As I survey the scene before me, I see four select groups—those who were the closest to Satan; the 144,000; the martyrs; and the great multitude.²

The Herald now holds up his right arm and instructs, “Behold what has been written. Read and remember what God showed His prophet, Ellen White, to record for these end times. Today, more than ever, there is much ignorance on how to reverence the sanctuary.” I look into the sky and see words displayed on what appears to be a screen.

² The Great Controversy (1888), p. 665

Nearest the throne are those who were once zealous in the cause of Satan, but who, plucked as brands from the burning, have followed their Saviour with deep, intense devotion. Next are those who perfected Christian characters in the midst of falsehood and infidelity, those who honored the law of God when the Christian world declared it void, and the millions, of all ages, who were martyred for their faith. And beyond is the “great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues,” “before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands.” [Revelation 7:9.] Their warfare is ended, their victory won. They have run the race and reached the prize. The palm branch in their hands is a symbol of their triumph, the white robe an emblem of the spotless righteousness of Christ which now is theirs.

We are never in any manner to treat lightly the titles or appellations of the Deity.... The angels veil their faces in His presence. The cherubim and the bright and holy seraphim approach His throne with solemn reverence. How much more should we finite, sinful beings, come in a reverent manner before the Lord, our Maker!

I saw that God's holy name should be used with reverence and awe.

Some think it a mark of humility to pray to God in a common manner.... They profane His name by needlessly and irreverently mingling with their prayers the words, "God Almighty"--awful, sacred words, which should never pass the lips except in subdued tones and with a feeling of awe.

Those who realize the greatness and majesty of God, will take His name on their lips with holy awe. He dwelleth in light unapproachable; no man can see Him and live. *The Faith I Live By*, p. 41.

The Herald says, "Because it has been forgotten, I am to give instructions on the proper way to hold a reverent service of worship. Observe and know that you will recall as you prepare what you are shown. I will go with you from here to where you need to learn." I hold out my right hand, and we are instantly in a large white room. I sit at a school desk, and he stands in front of what looks like a whiteboard. As he begins speaking, I see words appear on the board.

The whispering and laughing and talking which might be without sin in a common business place should find no sanction in the house where God is worshiped....

True reverence for God is inspired by a sense of His infinite greatness and a realization of His presence. With this sense of the Unseen, every heart should be deeply impressed. The hour and place of prayer are sacred, because God is there; and as reverence is manifested in attitude and demeanor, the feeling that inspires it will be deepened. "Holy and reverend is His name," the psalmist declares. Psalm 111:9.

When the meeting is opened by prayer, every knee should bow in the presence of the Holy One, and every heart should ascend to God in silent devotion....

When the benediction is pronounced, all should still be quiet, as if fearful of losing the peace of Christ. Let all pass out without jostling or loud talking, feeling that they are in the presence of God, that His eye is resting upon them, and that they must act as in His visible presence. Let there be no stopping in the aisles to visit or gossip, thus blocking them up so that others cannot pass out. The precincts of the church should be invested with a sacred reverence. It should not be made a place to meet old friends and visit and introduce common thoughts and worldly business transactions. These should be left outside the church. God and angels have been dishonored by the careless, noisy laughing and shuffling of feet heard in some places. *Counsels for the Church*, pp. 249-251.

Others bring dishonor to God by allowing children to run in the sanctuary. The Holy Father is to be worshipped with sacredness and reverence. Let each know that His sanctuary is a place where He and His people meet to worship. The songs that are sung, the anointed words from the minister are to bring each individual to the throne of God's mercy and grace. The worship service is a very sacred time and place.

The Herald reminds me of how when we entered the throne room, no one spoke unless God spoke to them. All veiled their faces, and no one touched the ground, because they are not worthy to in His perfect presence. Many covered my face, because I am still on this sinful earth.

The Herald continues to explain that the Father's presence is not found in a worship service where there are instruments such as guitars, drums, and keyboards that are being played in the wrong way. I am made to understand that these are not bad instruments, except when playing the wrong type of music. Performing and entertainment are not to be in God's worship services. Yet this occurs every week in His chosen church. Those who lead out ask the Holy Father to join them in their worship service. These who have lost their

way believe that the music and singing they perform would be pleasing to Him who is righteous and holy, to Him who the cherubim and the seraphim sing to. The angels even veil their faces, cover their bodies, and never touch the ground in His presence.

Why are worshippers so easily misled in spite of God's instruction of how to worship reverently? Why do they dishonor the heavenly Father this way? Why do they ignore the reproofs and the instructions sent through His prophets? Do they prefer to celebrate now and meet the destroying fire later? What are they thinking when the Creator of the universe sees all forms of disgraceful demonstrations being performed? Why is it that they are unable to comprehend that God sees the things that are done in His churches? He hears the shouting and sees all forms of gestures, dancing, and music that were designed to bring out the carnal beat in man's heart and mind. One day each must stand in God's holy presence to receive judgment.

The Herald now explains that there are many different forms of worship services held by many races that are not in line with God's instructions. However, the Herald specifically addresses the grave errors which are performed in the charismatic black churches. These churches believe that their methods can be excused because of their race and culture. These churches perform a worship service that brings no reverence to their Creator. It brings honor and glory only to the one they truly worship—Satan. In the eyes of He who sits on the heavenly throne and the angels who worship with reverence, the charismatic services are seen as vastly different from how God has asked His people to worship Him. Understand that neither the heavenly Father's presence nor the holy angels are in the churches where the services are performed in a cultural way. Why do they think they can excuse it because of their race? The Holy Father sees no race. There is no excuse. The courts of heaven are filled with many different angels. The universe is filled with a variety of creations. Yet the myriad angelic creations and divinely created beings throughout the universe worship the One True Father in the same manner—in reverence and in awe. God has shown you through His prophets how to worship in reverence.

If the heavenly Father, His Son and Holy Spirit, as well as the holy angels, are not with you on Sabbath, who is present there? The Father sees how Satan's agents have guided those who have corrupted His church. Those lost souls believe they are being moved by the Holy Spirit.

The Herald says, "I tell you this from the lips of the One who sits on the heavenly throne, 'Woe unto you who have taken the hand of Satan himself, the dark and evil one.' The Holy Father has seen the services of those who worship with a liberal hand. He has seen those who think their services are His. Yet all must be according 'to the law and to the testimony.' God will have a true church. He will have a people who will worship the One and True Father. All others will receive their just reward in the second resurrection, along with Satan and his evil angels."

The Herald walks away from the whiteboard and says, "Let those who seek for truth, those who seek the Father's leading, those who seek to be taught of the Holy Spirit understand that it is far better to worship at home or with a small group under a tree than to step foot in a house of worship that is not the heavenly Father's but belongs to the father of all lies and deception.³ It is far better to worship in small numbers with those who serve God than to join together in a multitude that worships Satan."

The Herald returns to the whiteboard and says, "Here is what God instructed His prophet, Ellen White, to write for those who seek the proper way of worshipping Him who is deserving of worship."

When the minister enters, it should be with dignified, solemn mien. He should bow down in silent prayer as soon as he steps into the pulpit, and earnestly ask help of God. What an impression this will make! There will be solemnity and awe upon the people. Their minister is communing with God; he is committing himself to God before he dares to stand before the people. Solemnity rests upon all, and angels of God are brought very near. Every one of the congregation, also, who fears God should with bowed head unite in silent prayer with him that God may grace the meeting with His presence and give power

³ Counsels for the Church, p. 249

Happy are those who have a sanctuary, be it high or low, in the city or among the rugged mountain caves, in the lowly cabin or in the wilderness. If it is the best they can secure for the Master, He will hallow the place with His presence, and it will be holy unto the Lord of hosts.

to His truth proclaimed from human lips. *Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 5, pp. 492-493.*

One minister conversing with another in the desk before the congregation, laughing and appearing to have no burden of the work, or lacking a solemn sense of their sacred calling, dishonors the truth, and brings the sacred down upon a low level with common things. The example is to remove the fear of God from the people, and to detract from the sacred dignity of the gospel Christ died to magnify. According to the light that has been given me, it would be pleasing to God for them to bow down as soon as they step into the pulpit, and solemnly ask help from God. *The Review and Herald, May 30, 1871.*

Those who make singing a part of divine worship should select hymns with music appropriate to the occasion, not funeral notes, but cheerful, yet solemn melodies. The voice can and should be modulated, softened, and subdued. *The Signs of the Times, June 22, 1882.*

It is impossible to estimate too largely the work that the Lord will accomplish through His proposed vessels in carrying out His mind and purpose. The things you have described as taking place in Indiana, the Lord has shown me would take place just before the close of probation. Every uncouth thing will be demonstrated. There will be shouting, with drums, music, and dancing. The senses of rational beings will become so confused that they cannot be trusted to make right decisions. And this is called the moving of the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Spirit never reveals itself in such methods, in such a bedlam of noise. This is an invention of Satan to cover up his ingenious methods for making of none effect the pure, sincere, elevating, ennobling, sanctifying truth for this time. Better never have the worship of God blended with music than to use musical instruments to do the work which last January was represented to me would be brought into our camp meetings. The truth for this time needs nothing of this kind in its work of converting souls. A bedlam of noise shocks the senses and

perverts that which if conducted aright might be a blessing. The powers of satanic agencies blend with the din and noise, to have a carnival, and this is termed the Holy Spirit's working. *Selected Messages, Book 2, p. 36.*

The Herald instructs that what is seen and heard by the Eyes that see all and the Ears that hear all is not pleasing. The One who deserves a most reverent worship has given clear instruction. Yet many of His last-day Seventh-day Adventists do not adhere to God's instructions. They are unable to comprehend the deception that has settled over them in their worship services. The angelic host of heaven and all the inhabitants of the universe wonder why it is that there are those in His church who desire to be like the world in their worship practices. God sees the churches performing charismatic or other liberal services. He has stated He does not want this. Yet the leaders, moved by the spirit of Satan, instruct the pastors to conduct services that are not according to God's instructions. The heavenly Father is to receive respect and reverence from those who come into His presence, because He is the Great Creator. Yet leaders and pastors do not hold that respect for Him, but rather allow Satan, the great deceiver, to command the wrong types of worship.

The Herald walks closer to me and explains that there are few churches that strive to conduct a worship service that warrants the Ear and the Eye of the Eternal One. There are many who conduct the worship services as if they are in an entertainment arena. The services are conducted in a way to please the senses. They perform the type of music and singing that is commonly heard during the rest of the week and that is abhorred by the Creator.

In the dream titled "The Great Test," I was shown one way that Satan will deceive when he descends as "the Christ." The music presented at his "coming" will be solemn and reverent, and all his angels will portray a sense of awe. Why will he not perform the noise called "music" that is being used in God's last-day church? Because he knows that when the real Christ returns, He will not use that type of music.

Let those who truly seek God ask themselves if the way they worship God is pleasing to Him. If there is unholy worship performed at your church, go to your pastor and state your concern. If the pastor does nothing to remedy the situation, do not continue to attend that church.

If you are a Seventh-day Adventist who cannot find a church that worships correctly, worship at home. It is preferable to meet with others of like-belief, knowing that God and His holy angels will be there, even with only a few.⁴ Remember, it is not a building that makes one a Seventh-day Adventist, but rather his beliefs. Return your tithes and offerings, not to the corrupt churches, but rather seek out a pastor or a ministry that is following God's directions. Let the giver follow the simple rule of testing the "fruits." Does the pastor or ministry truly lead lost souls to Christ? Is there a true call for repentance, revival, and reformation? If so, then God will bless those tithes and offerings. If a leader or leaders of an organization call for revival and reformation but do not call for repentance, they do not represent God. If the pastor calls for repentance, but there is no reformation, he is not tithe-worthy. If he calls for reformation, but there is no repentance, he is not tithe-worthy.

You have been instructed regarding the apostasy and of how spiritualistic theories are commonly practiced. True Seventh-day Adventists will worship separately from those who practice Satan's instructions. However, they will not deceive themselves into thinking they must leave the Seventh-day Adventist organization. They are not to remove the name, Seventh-day Adventist, but will hold the title dear to their heart. They may each feel as though they stand alone, but they stand united with others who see the apostasy, the spiritualism, and the satanic worship services. The heavenly Father has sent specific messages to those who will listen, to those who will study and ponder on what has been presented. The heavenly Father asks each Seventh-day Adventist, "Will you reverence my sanctuaries?"

The Herald places each of his hands on my shoulders and states, "What you have just been shown has taken place over many nights. Know that angels and the Holy Spirit will guide you as you prepare these important messages. Do not concern yourself with what others might say. Remember, you are a messenger who has been called to deliver these messages. Those who hear these words will hear the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Those who do not and continue to worship in the way they have been will meet their Creator in the second resurrection along with Satan whom they worship. It should

⁴ Matthew 18:20 For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them.

be clear that each individual will stand to give an account before Him who sits on His high and heavenly throne. Will they worship the Holy Father in heaven with reverence and live for all eternity in reverent worship with the holy angels and the inhabitants of the universe? Or will they choose to continue in the worship services of Satan, and stand with him and his angels in the destroying fire? Each must choose whom they will worship.”

THE PICKUP TRUCK

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By Ernie Knoll

[Please note: While God and His people do not approve of the smoking habit, God knows the heart in cases of last-minute conversions, as shown in the following dream. This dream also illustrates how individuals will be led by God to reach others for Him. It is important that they ask for help from the Holy Spirit and not go ahead of God because of wrong impressions.

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There will always be obstacles before us, but we are to follow our Leader, and meet our difficulties unitedly, hand in hand. There is only one way to heaven. We must walk in the footsteps of Jesus, doing His works, even as He did the works of His Father. We must study His ways, not man's ways; we must obey His will, not our own. Walk carefully. Do not go ahead of Christ. Make no move without consulting your Leader. Ask in humble prayer, and "ye shall receive." He is the Way, the Truth, the Life.]

In my dream, I am an observer watching and listening to a conversation in Spanish between two men. Even though I do not know the language, I understand the words perfectly. One of the men is plainly dressed and stands holding a Bible. The other man is not happy about something. The man with the Bible speaks gently and smiles at the unhappy man.

I now notice a much older man walking out the door of a house. I understand him to be in his 80s. He calls to the unhappy man, whom I now understand is his son. The father asks him to come to him and to bring the man with the Bible. The old man is holding a cigarette and begins coughing. He tells his son to be quiet so he can talk. Then he begins telling the man with the Bible that he does not need God or a Savior to pray to. As he points to an old pickup truck in the street, he says, "You see that truck? It always takes me where I need to go. I know I can depend on it. If I need to go somewhere, I get in, start it, and drive there. If that truck has trouble running, then I fix what is broken and keep going. It has been a good friend, and it has always served me well. I have said that when I die, I want to be buried in it.

That old truck is the only god or savior I need. It takes care of me, and I take care of it.” The old man coughs again. The man with the Bible looks over at the truck and says, “It’s a great truck. You really have taken good care of her. That’s a ‘48, isn’t it?” The old man smiles and says, “You know your trucks. Want to look at some pictures of the old girl? Come on inside.”

The old man tells his visitor to have a seat and asks if he would like something to drink. The man answers that he would, and the father tells his son to get a cup of water and to make sure it is a clean cup. The old man begins relating how he had been in the Korean War many years ago. He had made himself a promise that when he got home he was going to drive a new 1948 Ford pickup truck off the lot. (Since the Korean War was in the early 1950s, the truck was used but “new” to the old man.) Day after day he kept imagining himself putting down all the money he earned and driving away in his new truck. Finally he was discharged from the army and returned home. He said that he and his girlfriend went together to the dealer to buy the truck.

As I listen to the old man talk about his truck, I understand that it played a large part in his life. He relates how one day he lifted his girlfriend onto the end of the truck’s tailgate, got on his knees, and asked if she would marry him. He tells how cans were tied to the back of the truck on their wedding day. He shares how he and his wife built the house they are in by using the truck to move the building supplies. He explains how they made a living using his truck—from picking fruit to moving people. His only son was born in his truck on the way to the hospital. He speaks of the many hard times and good times with his truck.

I then notice the man with the Bible look down, and it is as if I hear his thoughts. These words are silently spoken: “Father in heaven, you have sent me, and I have come. I do not know what to say. I need Your Spirit now to give me the right words.”¹ He now looks at the old

¹ Manuscript Releases, Vol. 12, p. 52

We need to ask for the Holy Spirit with a full realization of our own helplessness. Then when the Holy Spirit works we shall not give self the glory.

Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 6, p. 325

man and says, "It looks like you and your truck have had a lot of history together." The old man tells how He lost his wife a few years back and how her casket was carried to the cemetery in his truck. He says that she was a saint, a woman of God. He smiles and looks down at the floor for a few moments. All is quiet. He now smashes his burning cigarette out and coughs some more. He looks at his visitor and says, "You know, I understand that my truck can be repaired, but I am getting to the place where I cannot be repaired." The visitor leans forward and replies, "Your wife is hoping to see you beside her when she hears Jesus call to her." The old man says, "Yeah, but I have been an evil man. I have done so much wrong. I know I will not be able to stand next to her." The visitor now explains, "All have sinned. Many have made great mistakes. All you need to do is know in your heart that the Son of God, Jesus Christ, came to this earth and died so that you can be saved. Tell the heavenly Father that you believe in His Son and accept His sacrifice for you. Then if you tell the Father you are sorry for all your sins and ask Him to forgive you, He will, and His Son will welcome you with open arms."

The old man now leans back in his chair and is in deep thought. He looks at his visitor and says, "You know, I have done a lot of things that I would never say out loud. I have done some things I am not proud of. I have done things my wife would be very unhappy about. My whole life I have done a lot of very bad things." The visitor responds, "You do not need to tell anyone of these things. Tell it to your Father in heaven. He is ready to listen right now. If you tell Him you are sorry and ask that He forgive you, He will." The old man explains that he cannot kneel anymore. The visitor tells him to kneel

As you learn the meekness and lowliness of Christ, you will know what you should say to the people; for the Holy Spirit will tell you what words to speak. Those who realize the necessity of keeping the heart under the control of the Holy Spirit will be enabled to sow seed that will spring up unto eternal life.

Thoughts from the Mount of Blessing, p.108

Only those who devote themselves to His service, saying, "Here am I; send me" (Isaiah 6:8), to open blind eyes, to turn men "from darkness to light and from the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and inheritance among them which are sanctified" (Acts 26:18)--they alone pray in sincerity, "Thy kingdom come."

in his heart and in his mind. The old man leans back, closes his eyes, and a peace comes over his face.² The visitor now kneels next to the old man.

I now notice whom I know to be the old man's guardian angel standing beside him. His wings slowly fold and close around him, and he bows his head. I do not understand what I am seeing as another angel appears and hands what looks like a glass tablet to the guardian angel. I now see a third angel holding in his right hand what resembles a spear pointed downwards. On the other end is what looks like a plain white flag or pennant. The guardian angel and the angel who held the tablet fly upwards and are gone. I now know that it is a marking angel who remains.

Now I understand that peace came over the old man's face, because he had very briefly spoken in his heart to his heavenly Father. God in His divine wisdom knew the man's heart and now grants him the resting peace from his life of sin. He will rest in the grave and in the arms of Jesus until that day when He returns as He said He would. He will call the man from the ground to everlasting life. In an instant, the Great Forgiving Father heard the old man's prayer. He was found and forgiven. All has been very quiet. Tears are streaming down my face, when I hear a familiar voice call out my heavenly name. The Herald says, "The Father waits for all to approach His throne. He has a forgiving love for each one who asks for it."³

I am now instantly taken back into the corridor where I have been before. The Herald explains that if we are asked to go and serve, we

² This Day With God, p. 236
What a faith had that dying thief upon the cross! . . . The faith of the dying man in Him was as sweetest music in the ears of Christ.

³ Selected Messages, Book 1, pp. 352-353
Let no one here feel that his case is hopeless; for it is not. You may see that you are sinful and undone; but it is just on this account that you need a Saviour. If you have sins to confess, lose no time. These moments are golden. "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (1 John 1:9). Those who hunger and thirst after righteousness will be filled; for Jesus has promised it. Precious Saviour! His arms are open to receive us, and His great heart of love is waiting to bless us.

are to go and serve. If we are one who receives a visit, we are not to turn away the one who comes to visit. The heavenly Father sends whom He wants to send. We should all listen to the words given by God.

There will be some who will read or hear these words and comment about it being a good story. The Holy Spirit does not go to a person merely to tell good stories. Those who only hear this as a story are simply emotionally entertained and do not hear the voice of the Great Comforter. Those who hear these words and are brought to the divine throne of God's mercy do so because they hear the soft, gentle voice of the Comforter. The Herald explains that what I saw and observed has many lessons that can be learned through the teaching of the Holy Spirit.

AMAZING FACTS

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By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, Becky and I are sitting in the sanctuary of a Seventh-day Adventist Church. There are about 2,000 members with many of them laughing, joking, or in idle conversations. Some discuss what they did during the week; others gossip about things they have heard about other church members. Children are running up and down the aisles.

An elder now walks out on the platform to give the announcements. He taps the microphone and asks everyone to sit down. Not having much success, he motions for two of the band members. One sits behind the drums, and the other picks up an electric guitar. Becky and I glance at each other, but we do not say a word. The drummer begins banging on the drums, and the guitar player makes it shriek louder than the noise of the talking and laughing.

The church congregation—no, the church audience—now quiets down to hear the elder's announcements. He begins talking of the day's activities, such as classes for the Sabbath School teachers in how to hold the members' attention, videos, and games like the Bible version of a baseball game planned for after the fellowship dinner. He smiles and says, "It will be the Goliaths versus the Davids. Who will win this time? Will the Goliaths defeat the Davids? It should be a real Bible matchup."

Suddenly a man dressed in a choir robe enters from the right side of the platform, approaches the elder, and tells him, "Thank you. You may now join those sitting below." In surprise the elder responds, "Who are you? We do not have a choir." The man in the robe says, "You do today." More men in robes walk out and escort the elder, drummer, and guitar player off the platform.

All is quiet now as everyone focuses on the man in the choir robe who now stands in the middle of the platform. Several deacons and elders are now below the platform and are ready to remove the man, but they are unable to move. I now notice that the man's robe is light blue in color with red, white, gold, and silver sashes that hang to his waist. He proceeds to move the microphone from the platform, then

walks back to the middle and states that the choir has been sent. He invites everyone to kneel silently and with reverence. He explains that while they are kneeling, the platform will be cleared of items that should not be in God's sanctuary. Next he invites everyone to confess and ask forgiveness for their sins, so that the heavenly Father's presence may come into the sanctuary in order that all may worship Him. Many are silently praying now as the choir members quickly and quietly remove the drums, guitars, and other instruments off the platform.

I now look up to see this single choir member still standing in the middle of the platform. He asks why the church members are so focused on the external things of this world when they should be focused on eternal things. He explains that this world is about to end. This is the time when all should revive, repent, and reform. These things are to be done in the name of Jesus. No one can do it without Him. Reach up to Jesus so that He may place you on higher ground. That is where your safety is. In a rich baritone voice, the choir member begins to sing, and the following words fill the sanctuary.

I'm pressing on the upward way,
New heights I'm gaining every day;
Still praying as I onward bound,
"Lord, plant my feet on higher ground."

Refrain

Lord, lift me up, and I shall stand
By faith, on heaven's tableland;
A higher plane than I have found;
Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

My heart has no desire to stay
Where doubts arise and fears dismay;
Though some may dwell where these abound,
My prayer, my aim is higher ground.
Refrain

I want to live above the world,
Though Satan's darts at me are hurled;
For faith has caught all joyful sound,
The song of saints on higher ground.
Refrain

I want to scale the utmost height,
And catch a gleam of glory bright;
But still I'll pray till heaven I've found,
"Lord, lead me on to higher ground."
Refrain*

As the choir member begins to speak again, many choir members enter from the left and right of the platform until there are about 200 of them. The speaker invites each member to hear God's voice, to seek repentance and ask for forgiveness, and to reform. True reform means to no longer do what you ask forgiveness for. That rich, baritone voice once again begins to sing these words:

Lord Jesus, I long to be perfectly whole;
I want Thee forever to live in my soul;
Break down every idol, cast out every foe;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

The rest of the choir joins in, and their voices blend perfectly together.

Refrain
Whiter than snow, yes, whiter than snow;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

Lord Jesus, look down from Thy throne in the skies,
And help me to make a complete sacrifice;
I give up myself, and whatever I know;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Refrain

Lord Jesus, for this I most humbly entreat;
I wait, blessed Lord, at Thy crucified feet,
By faith, for my cleansing; I see Thy blood flow;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Refrain

Lord Jesus, Thou seest I patiently wait;
Come now, and within me a new heart create;

* *I'm Pressing on the Upward Way* lyrics written by Johnson Oatman, Jr.

To those who have sought Thee, Thou never said'st No;
Now wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.
Refrain^{*}

The choir stops singing, and quietness comes over this now reverent sanctuary. The speaker now states that it is time for each one to come to Jesus. He says, "Ask that your sins be cleansed as white as snow. Jesus willingly gave His blood so that you may have eternal life. Let us pray. Lord and Master, we humbly stand to serve You. It is Your desire that each one here today repent and ask for Your guidance in order to receive Your cleansing. All are but lost sheep. It is through the acceptance of Your Son Jesus that everyone here can ask for forgiveness. We ask that You send Your Spirit, so that each one may reach that higher ground. This is asked in the holy and sacred name of Your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen."

When the prayer ends, a peaceful calm is felt, and all in the congregation remain quiet. The elder who had been ushered away now slowly walks to the middle of a now empty platform. He is bewildered, because the choir members are nowhere to be seen. The elders and deacons who stand below the platform are able to move now, but they stand still in amazement. The elder humbly asks the congregation to remain seated and for the elders and deacons to assist in quietly dismissing all one row at a time. He requests that all remain quiet as they meditate on what was seen and heard. He announces that the day's activities have been canceled and that, after the sanctuary is empty, all elders and deacons are to return for a meeting to discuss what just transpired and to pray for guidance.

I now look up to see the Herald on my right. He calls me by my heavenly name and says, "Please come with me." I ask if Becky can come with us. He replies, "No, Becky must return. She needs to quickly finish what she is doing. Many are waiting, and there will be more for her to do."

The Herald takes my right hand, and I am instantly once again in the corridor where I have been in other dreams. I ask if the choir

^{*} *Lord Jesus, I Long to Be Perfectly Whole* lyrics written by James Nicholson

members were angels sent from heaven.¹ The Herald smiles and says, "Jesus asks, 'Will I find faith when I return?' This generation is full of doubting Thomases. Today I have some amazing facts to show you. A fact is something that is not open for conjecture and can stand on its own merit."

I am now shown an amazing fact that transpired on February 28, 1993. I am viewing a sign that reads, "Frederick Seventh-day Adventist Church," and behind it is a red brick church in Frederick, Maryland. To its left is the Amazing Facts building where Joe Crews worked. The Herald points to the church and explains that it is in the midst of changing its service to that which is not reverent. This church also used funds to obtain a large pipe organ for entertainment purposes in the worship services. This glorifies man, not God. Those funds would have been better spent in evangelism. If the heavenly Father chooses, He can prevent things from happening by any means He chooses.

The Herald points to a children's Sabbath School classroom and says, "Behold the judgment of God." I am made to understand that there is a small tape player used to play that which God finds undesirable. I watch as its small power supply bursts into flames, and a small fire erupts into a large flame that quickly spreads from room to room. The automatic fire alarm sounds, and soon fire trucks arrive. The Herald says to notice how the water seems to fuel the fire and make it hotter.²

¹ Selected Messages, Book 1, p. 118

When divine power is combined with human effort, the work will spread like fire in the stubble. God will employ agencies whose origin man will be unable to discern. Angels will do a work which men might have had the blessing of accomplishing had they not neglected to answer the claims of God.

² Last Day Events, p. 28

The plagues of God are already falling upon the earth, sweeping away the most costly structures as if by a breath of fire from heaven. Will not these judgments bring professing Christians to their senses? God permits them to come that the world may take heed, that sinners may be afraid and tremble before Him.

The Herald says to come with him and to stand with faith and courage, knowing that I will be safe. We walk into the burning building and stand next to the firemen. The fire grows hotter, as if the hoses were spraying gasoline instead of water.³ We next walk over to the far left of the foyer where I notice a rack filled with Amazing Facts literature. The firemen are astonished that it is not on fire. One of them states that it seems as if sacred hands are protecting it. I now see two seraphim protecting the literature. After a time, the fire dies out and the church is destroyed. The Herald and I walk through the burned remains toward the literature rack. It still proudly displays the Amazing Facts literature, which shows no sign of damage. The Herald explains that God provided protection.

We both now go into the Amazing Facts building. It is a time before the fire and it is early in the morning before the employees arrive to work. We enter into the private office of Joe Crews and stand as unseen visitors. He is in quiet, personal prayer and pleads that as the day begins that each step he takes and each word he speaks will bring honor and glory to his heavenly Father. He recommits his life to God and asks for the Holy Spirit to walk with him that day. He also asks that if he makes a wrong step, he will be corrected and placed back on the right path. He is still praying as the Herald and I leave the building.⁴

³ The Early Elmshaven Years, Arthur L. White
Fire Chief Weeks, who had directed the fighting of a number of big fires in Battle Creek, was later to declare that he had fought every one of the Adventist fires and his score was zero. "There is something strange," he said "about your SDA fires, with the water poured on acting more like gasoline."—B. P. Fairchild to Arthur L. White, December 4, 1965.

⁴ Our Father Cares, p. 72
Consecrate yourself to God in the morning; make this your very first work. Let your prayer be, "Take me, O Lord, as wholly Thine. I lay all my plans at Thy feet. Use me today in Thy service. Abide with me, and let all my work be wrought in Thee." This is a daily matter. Each morning consecrate yourself to God for that day. Surrender all your plans to Him, to be carried out or given up as His providence shall indicate. Thus day by day you may be giving your life into the hands of God, and thus your life will be molded more and more after the life of Christ.

The Herald now explains, "You have seen many amazing facts. You have seen that if the heavenly Father chooses to prevent something from occurring, He will." The Herald describes how God can use any one of many methods at His command. He places great emphasis on the proper way to use His money. An extravagant pipe organ was reduced to nothing more than ashes. It is an amazing fact that God cleansed the Frederick church with fire, as He will do to the whole world. This church did not understand what they were being shown. They purchased new land and built a grand celebration church where they entertain many each week. The Holy Spirit does not visit there; another spirit has taken His place. An amazing fact is that Joe Crews started each day asking for a daily walk with God. It is a fact that to remain faithful, each must commit daily to that walk with God.

Next the Herald shows me another amazing fact. I am now viewing Amazing Facts at the present time in Rocklin, California. The Herald now raises his right hand, points to the Amazing Facts building, and instantly it is in flames. The windows melt from the intense heat, and the entire structure burns so quickly that by the time the fire trucks arrive, only the outside walls remain. No other buildings in the area are harmed. The Herald says, "As was stated before, it is a daily walk."

I turn to the Herald, and as he lowers his right hand, he says to look again. The building is back to the way it was before the fire, and the Herald explains that the Creator of all reserves the right to decide whether to destroy so all may see. Jesus still asks, "Will I find faith?" Does it take fire to turn hearts to Jesus? If the Amazing Facts building is destroyed by fire, will they simply make a bigger and better building with which to continue in their wrong ways, just as the Frederick church has done? Will they walk further from God?

I look to the Herald and tell him I have a question. Before I can even ask, he answers, "I was told that you were going to ask why you are seeing this of Amazing Facts, when you were shown in the 'Watch, as I AM Coming!' dream that Doug Batchelor is surrounded by many angels. You were told that as he walks there are angels in very bright

Matthew 13:45-46 Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto a merchant man, seeking goodly pearls: Who, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, and bought it.

robes who walk in front of him and carry what looks like lamps that light his way. You were told about other angels around him who carry books and others who walk along to encourage him and direct him in his walk. You were shown many larger angels in battle gear who encircle the entire group as they move forward. It is a fact that you must choose to have that daily walk with God. He will not guide you unless you ask Him to. Please come as I have something to show you. Some may find it disturbing, but those who seek His voice will understand.”

Becky and I are now sitting in the Sacramento Central SDA Church in California. Many people are still coming in, and those who are already seated are busy in different discussions. The room is alive with much activity and talk, as if it is an outdoor event. Doug Batchelor stands at the podium, knowing that what is going on is wrong, but he chooses not to say anything.

I now see several men who are not wearing shirts and many are in just shorts. I look back at Doug who still does not say anything. Yet it is as if in his heart he is pleading for help. I know that he understands what he witnesses is wrong, but he chooses not to make a statement. I now notice many women without tops on. The discussions are loud and mixed with much laughter. I look at Doug again and expect by now for him to have done something, but he remains quiet and motionless. I now see many without clothes on. Some people are walking or running around. I take Becky's hand and tell her we are leaving.

As we reach the back of the church, a woman enters and looks as though she is preparing to make a grand entrance. Her blond hair has been perfectly styled, and I am made to understand that she had arrived early that morning to get help with it. I can see that a great amount of time was taken to place each lock of hair in place as if she is a model or someone requiring admiration. As she passes, I notice that the hair spray is scented. She is only wearing red, high-heeled shoes and much jewelry. As she walks, she holds her hands at her side with her palms facing forward, as if she is the most important person there. Her attitude is as if she is saying, “I am here. All may now begin.” I am made to know that she is the main leader of the musical part at this church.

Becky and I enter into the foyer and quickly exit the church. Outside, I am once again talking with the Herald. He reveals that many will

condemn this message, while others will understand the spiritual nakedness of the church.⁵ Some will understand that those who are in a position to do something, do nothing so that it does not become a problem for themselves. Some would rather preserve their career and position than to make a bold stand. The Herald says that a row boat on smooth water will only have a break in the water's surface tension if an oar is placed in the water. A row boat that sits on smooth water yet has no oars will stay calm but go nowhere, and the water will become stagnant. The Herald continues by asking, "Where are those today who dare to be a Daniel, willing to stand in a lion's den?" He states that just because one has been seen walking with holy angels does not mean they are always there.⁶ An amazing fact is that in order to have constant spiritual protection, it requires a daily commitment and walk with the heavenly Father. The Herald tells me that he is now to show me more amazing facts, so that I will understand.

I am first taken to where I see Doug Batchelor speaking with another man. Doug is telling him that Ernie Knoll is not safe to be around because he is like a lightning rod. The Herald turns to me and says that sometimes it is good to resemble a lightning rod because to be one, you need to be well grounded.

Next I am taken to a room with a table. On top is a cutting board, a loaf of freshly-baked bread, and a knife. The Herald says, "You have been shown in previous dreams the importance of returning a tithe and that if a person knows the tithe is being used improperly, that person will be held accountable. You have already been shown this fact, but it is time you are shown more."

The Herald raises his right hand and points to the area behind me. On a wall there are videos displaying different ministries, such as It Is

⁵ Revelation 3:17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked.

⁶ Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 5, p. 214
However high any minister may have stood in the favor of God, if he neglects to follow out the light given him of God, if he refuses to be taught as a little child, he will go into darkness and satanic delusions and will lead others in the same path.

Written, Breath of Life, Faith for Today, The Voice of Prophecy, Amazing Facts, and others. The Herald begins by revealing an amazing fact that these ministries call themselves faith-based, but instead they are businesses run as ministries. Rather than relying on God for support, they sell themselves to donors by continually pleading for money to fund certain projects. This deprives the work of the Holy Spirit on hearts, and the ministry funds do not prosper. These ministries also place items on sale in an effort to improve their profit margin. Is their goal to raise souls for Christ or to raise a profit margin? God finds these methods objectionable. If a ministry conducts itself correctly, it will be supplied with the funds that are needed according to God's plans.

The Herald points to another wall where I am shown emails, correspondence, handouts, and website material done by so-called faith-based ministries. He says that many can testify to the fact that these ministries continue to plead for funds and offer items for sale. It must be questioned why they do this when they are supposed to be faith-based. This is one reason why Jesus continues to ask if He will find faith. Although it is important to make items available to all, these should not be placed on sale as the world does by continually raising and lowering the prices. That is a bribe and it lessens the spiritual value. If ministries will lower their cost of production, then they can set the prices of their products for less and still sustain their ministries. Yet many ministries go against God's instructions that are available to all. These ministries also struggle to keep employees paid. Another amazing fact is that Amazing Facts and other ministries were forced to lay off employees because there were no funds to pay their salaries. Even the way the Amazing Facts evangelists are employed is not according to God's direction.

Ministries hold evangelistic meetings and submit a statement that many were baptized. Yet were those souls thoroughly washed of sin or simply washed of the external dirt? Are they baptized in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit or in the name of the checking, savings, and stock accounts?⁷ How many of those baptized stand as statistics instead of souls saved for heaven?

⁷ Counsels on Stewardship, p. 145

The worldly man is not content with a present sufficiency, or with even an abundance. He is always aiming to possess a larger stock, and turns every thought, every power, in this direction.

A ministry that wishes to be faith-based will cease to be like a business. Those ministries that do not have complete faith in God to provide are not faith-based. They are nothing more than businesses for profit. It is interesting to note that a business for profit has no use for a prophet. Notice what God's prophet, Ellen White, was asked to record:

The Lord warns His instrumentalities in Battle Creek and upon the Pacific Coast to economize, economize. Your rivalry in book-making, in so many illustrations, is bringing expense upon the work. You are constantly planning to lower the prices of the books. This is a mistake. Once let down to a low figure, the book price will never recover. This is not the way to do. If you desire to place the work on a paying basis, do not lower the prices by special offers, which are called by my Instructor inducements, bribes. God does not want you to do this. These methods He does not approve. Devise means to create a fund by which books can be placed in families who do not and cannot obtain them for themselves.

If there are those who are deprived of the books because of the price charged, then let a contribution be taken up for the benefit of those who cannot buy for themselves. Our publishing houses themselves can help in this matter by making gifts for the benefit of those who, unaided, could not procure the books. *The Publishing Ministry*, pp. 213-214.

Our periodicals have been offered for a limited time on trial at a very low figure; but this has failed of accomplishing the object designed--to secure many permanent subscribers. These efforts are made at considerable expense, often at a loss, and with the best of motives; but if no reduction in price had been made, a greater number of permanent subscribers would have been obtained.

Plans have been made for lowering the prices of our books, without making a corresponding change in the cost of production. This is an error. The work should be kept on a

paying basis. Let not the prices of books be lowered by special offers which may be termed inducements or bribes. God does not approve of these methods.

There is a demand for low-priced books, and this demand must be met. But the right plan is to lessen the cost of production.

In new fields, among ignorant or partially civilized peoples, there is a great need of small books presenting the truth in simple language and abundantly illustrated. These books must be sold at a low price, and the illustrations must, of course, be inexpensive. *Ibid.*, p. 229.

I am very desirous that the light contained in my books shall come to every soul possible, for God has sent the message for all. These books contain precious lessons in Christian experience. I would not dare forbid that these books be sold on special occasions at a low price, lest I should hinder the reading of the books, and thus withhold the light from some soul who might be converted to the truth. *Ibid.*, p. 358.

Representations that have been given me lead me to fear the plan of selling our books at too low a price. Many who would take advantage of these low prices, might just as easily pay the full price. And some who buy the books for little, would sell them to others who would have to pay the regular prices. Such a plan is bringing in an order of things that will not bring the best results. If you find worthy people who are not able to pay for a book, it is your privilege to present it to them. But you should hold your books at a price that will insure against a loss to the publishers. . . .

The enemy is ever seeking to scatter briars and thorns among the precious wheat. Earnest labor is required to make a success of our efforts. While certain plans may seem to be wise, and while men may have the best of motives in following them, yet if these plans result in friction, it will be found that the good results that were sought will not appear.

I dare not under present conditions do otherwise than as I have stated. While for a time there might be an enthusiasm in presenting books at a great reduction, yet there are only a few who could do this kind of work. And I cannot consent for you to do this in my behalf. . . . Let us make no mistakes, for we are sowing for eternity. *Manuscript Releases, Vol. 1, p. 173*

Those ministries that are faithful are true faith-based ministries. They do not concern themselves with the monthly funding and do not place God's words on sale but rather kneel in His presence, asking for His guidance and that He provide all their needs. When this is done, their storehouses will be filled with that which is needed according to God's plans. Those that are not led by God will continue to struggle and plead for funding. Additionally, the donors who are aware of these wrong practices will be held accountable, if they continue to support those ministries who do not change their practices to reflect God's instructions.

Many have now learned the truth about tithing. The Herald now shows me another amazing fact. Many who send their funds to these ministries do not know that the ministries are required to send all tithes directly to the conference, and only a small portion is returned to the ministries. It is no wonder that these ministries are failing financially and must continually ask for additional funds. This was not commanded by God but rather instituted by conference leaders.

To make it easier for everyone to understand, the Herald gives the following illustration. He once again stands by the table where there is a cutting board, a loaf of bread, and a knife. He explains that the bread represents funds sent in by individuals to a ministry. As an example, Amazing Facts used to accept tithe and used it all to bring lost souls to Christ. They no longer do this. The funds are sent directly to the conference where the funds are divided up. The Herald now cuts about 10 very thin slices of bread and says, "This represents what the conference will use in spiritual matters." He picks up the remainder of the loaf, which is close to 70 percent of the whole loaf, and throws it into a trash can. He reveals that the conference will use that much to invest in the stock market. [It must be explained here that 70 percent is not being lost but rather invested against God's instruction.] The Herald turns to me and asks, "How much is left?" I answer, "Nothing." He says, "No, there is still one more thing the conference does." He picks up a small plastic bag and empties

the crumbs from the cutting board into the bag. He says, "The conferences have an agreement with these ministries to return to them what is left over. This is an amazing fact that makes it very clear."

God calls on those ministries that truly wish to trust in God to do so, in order to be true faith-based ministries. He calls on these ministries to follow His will.⁸ He wishes to remind those who support these ministries to understand they will be held accountable.

The Herald says, "Come, I am to show you a truly amazing fact." I am taken into my house where I have my ministry. The Herald says, "You were instructed to never sell the books that you freely give away. You were instructed to never beg for money. You were instructed to daily ask for God's guidance. You were told that if you continue to be faithful, you would be protected." The Herald raises his right hand and says, "Behold what you have not seen." I turn to see my home filled with angels sent by God. The Herald says to look outside, and I see many angels dressed for battle. The Herald explains that all these angels have been sent to protect that which is His and those who seek His daily guidance. The Herald now says to look a little further from the house. I see evil angels whose countenances are dark. They slowly walk around the house, but they are always kept at a distance.

The Herald assures me, "God promised His protection as long as you remain faithful. You were told that He would always provide the personal and ministry funds needed, that you will always have enough for what He needs you to do or where He needs you to go. You are never left wanting, and every month you are always blessed. Those who hear the voice of God in your dreams and testimonials will come to Him. Others hear His voice and become faithful financial

⁸ Revelation 3:2-3 Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God. Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

Revelation 3:19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

supporters. Let this stand as a testament of a true faith-based ministry.”

The Herald now tells me that there is another issue to address. I am taken somewhere so that those who do not understand may learn. I find myself in a room with many bookshelves filled with books. An elderly man sits at a desk with a computer. The Herald explains that it is Cyril Hartman who works for Bibleinfo.com, and that his mission is to try to prove that the messages I have been instructed to give are from Satan. The Herald continues by saying, “Even though I have made it very clear whom I serve, it is not clear to those who strive to denounce the messages and prove their own distorted thinking.”

The Herald explains that Cyril Hartman has twisted statements from the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy to meet his own beliefs and to convince others that the Herald’s messages are not from God, even though his beliefs cannot be proven through God’s Word. The Herald continues by stating that God is greatly displeased with this man for giving incomplete information to impress his views on those who are innocently seeking truth. He is doing the same thing that Angel Rodriguez did at the Biblical Research Institute when he tried to say that the Herald does not really do what the title implies. However, he did not research through the Bible but instead made his own unsubstantiated statements, which were shown to be false in the book, *The TRUTH, the whole TRUTH, and nothing but the TRUTH*. When Angel Rodriguez wrote things that were false, that was lying. Now Cyril Hartman is doing the same by giving his viewpoints, sharing false information, and dismissing these messages as coming from God. The Herald advises that this elderly man should ask himself if he will see the eyes of Jesus when He calls His saints to everlasting life. Does he serve God, and is he willing to humble himself? Or does he serve self and stand proud and boastful?

In the dream, “The End,” it stated the fact that the Sabbath was the first institution and marriage was the second institution. Cyril Hartman twisted God’s Word in Genesis to meet his own thinking. When Moses wrote Genesis, it was not in true chronological order in every detail. Many think that it is. Cyril Hartman has made a false claim by stating that the Sabbath was the second institution and that marriage was the first institution. Yet in God’s divine planning, He has provided answers to these questions through His prophet, Ellen White. Many no longer want to hear the words of His prophet. If they will only ask,

God will guide them to the answers. He instructed Ellen White to write the following, as seen in the book *Amazing Grace*, page 131:

Adam and Eve, at their creation, had a knowledge of the law of God. It was printed on their hearts, and they understood its claims upon them. The law of God existed before man was created. It was adapted to the condition of holy beings; even angels were governed by it. After the fall, the principles of righteousness were unchanged. Nothing was taken from the law; not one of its holy precepts could be improved. And as it has existed from the beginning, so will it continue to exist throughout the ceaseless ages of eternity.

It is clear from this that when God created Adam and Eve, He implanted His law into their minds. With their first breath, they had full knowledge of the sanctity of the Sabbath. Even angels were governed and lived by the Sabbath before the foundation of this earth was formed. It is clear from what the Great Creator instructed that the Sabbath was, is, and always will be the first institution. Marriage was the second institution, but marriage will cease to exist at Christ's Second Coming.⁹ Yet the Sabbath will remain forever.¹⁰

⁹ Matthew 22:30 For in the resurrection they neither marry, nor are given in marriage, but are as the angels of God in heaven.

Maranatha, p. 369

There are men today who express their belief that there will be marriages and births in the new earth, but those who believe the Scriptures cannot accept such doctrines. The doctrine that children will be born in the new earth is not a part of the "sure word of prophecy." The words of Christ are too plain to be misunderstood. They should forever settle the question of marriages and births in the new earth. Neither those who shall be raised from the dead, nor those who shall be translated without seeing death, will marry or be given in marriage. They will be as the angels of God, members of the royal family.

¹⁰ Isaiah 66:22-23 For as the new heavens and the new earth, which I will make, shall remain before me, saith the LORD, so shall your seed and your name remain. And it shall come to pass, that from one

With the Herald still holding my right hand, we return to the corridor. I look into his face that reflects such patience and understanding. He says that all that I have just been shown is needed information to help individuals in their walk with Jesus. Those who enjoy a deep study of His messages are to know that the heavenly Father has placed hidden gems about His law and His love into this dream. He smiles at me and explains that I am to continue to serve and strive to build a stronger faith. I am to continue on in these amazing facts that I have been shown, as well as you who are they, who are together, Hliva.

new moon to another, and from one sabbath to another, shall all flesh come to worship before me, saith the LORD.

SMOOTH SAYINGS OR SURRENDER

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By Ernie Knoll

[Please be aware that part of this dream may not be appropriate for young or sensitive children.]

In my dream, I am observing an angel messenger who hands a small, rolled up piece of paper to two individuals. The Herald, who has been standing on my right, tells me to notice all the little details. He says that our Creator does so much for us daily that we miss many of the little things He does. Calling me by my heavenly name, the Herald says to carefully notice the pure silver ribbon that is tied around the paper. It is made of threads thinner than a human hair and braided many times into what now looks like a perfect ribbon.

One of the individuals pulls gently on one end of the ribbon and it unties easily. The person begins reading what is on the paper. Both individuals now turn to face each other, and in an instant they are gone. The Herald reminds me of the Bible story of Phillip who traveled about 30 miles from Gaza to Ashdod (Azotus) in an instant.¹

¹ Acts 8:39 And when they were come up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught away Philip, that the eunuch saw him no more: and he went on his way rejoicing.

Ye Shall Receive Power, p. 277

God is looking down from His throne, and is sending His angels to this earth to cooperate with those who are teaching the truth. Read the record of the experience of Philip and the eunuch. "The angel of the Lord spake unto Philip, saying, Arise, and go toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert. And he arose and went: and, behold, a man of Ethiopia, an eunuch of great authority under Candace queen of the Ethiopians, who had the charge of all her treasure, and had come to Jerusalem for to worship, was returning, and sitting in his chariot read Esaias the prophet" (Acts 8:26-28). . . . This incident shows the care that the Lord has over every mind that is susceptible to the truth. We see how closely the ministration of heavenly angels is connected with the work of the Lord's servants on this earth. A burden was placed

He explains how the Holy Spirit laid hold of Philip and took him there, and that nothing is impossible for our Creator. He says that these who are they will do the work of Elijah. They will also have the character of Christ and will no longer be in sin. They will do the work that Christ did in teaching, healing, and feeding.

The Herald instructs that now we will go to where the two were transported. I am now at the same prison or detention center from the "Stand Fast" dream. The two individuals are not seen by the guards as they go from one prisoner to another. Many gather around one of the individuals and tell of their hunger. The individual now holds up a large, empty basket and, looking to the heavens, says, "Heavenly Father, You are the One of Great Love, our Provider, and our Life Giver. All things are given in Your name, through Your power, and all is to Your Glory. For what we are to receive, we are most grateful. Thank You for the gifts that You provide, in the name of Jesus. Amen." The individual lowers the basket, and I now see it full of fruits and other heavenly food. As the basket of food is passed around, it does not become empty. The individual tells them that Jesus loves them and is coming very soon, and that if they remain faithful and submit unto death, they will ascend to meet Him in the air.

The Herald now calls my attention to the other individual who goes to a woman who has been crying and sits with her knees pulled close to her chin. The individual sits next to the woman and wraps an arm

upon Philip to enter new places, to break up fresh ground. Direction was given him by an angel who was watching for every opportunity to bring men into connection with their fellow men. Philip was sent "toward the south unto the way that goeth down from Jerusalem unto Gaza, which is desert" (verse 26). This brought him into touch with a man of wide influence, who, when converted, would communicate to others the light of truth. By the Lord's working through Philip, the man was convinced of the truth, and was converted and baptized. He was a highway hearer, a man of good standing, who would exert a strong influence in favor of the truth.

Today, as then, angels of heaven are waiting to lead men to their fellow men. An angel showed Philip where to find this man, who was so ready to receive the truth, and today angels of God will guide and direct the footsteps of those workers who will allow the Holy Spirit to sanctify their tongues and refine and ennoble their hearts.

around her. She explains to the woman that she and the other individual were sent by the heavenly Father, who sees and knows all. She says that she is the individual's sister in Christ and is also waiting for the return of Jesus. The woman tells the individual how her children were taken from her, and she does not know what happened to them. As she continues to cry, the person leans closer and tells her that her children rest waiting for Jesus to come, and that if she remains faithful they will be returned to her and together they will ascend to be with Jesus. She is told how she will have the privilege of raising her children in heaven and how they will grow together. She is told that she must be brave and make a stand to love her Creator and hold His laws above what man has said. If she is willing to give her life for Jesus, she will have an eternity with Him. They both stand and hug. The woman says that now that she knows she can stand together with her children to look into the eyes of Jesus, she can join the long line of people.

I now watch the individual find a man lying on the ground in horrible pain. His legs had been broken above the knee, and the bones protrude from the skin. His face is swollen because it was put into a device that caused his jaw and cheek bones to shatter. This was done to silence him, because he was singing. As I look into his eyes, I see pain but I also see a calm that can only tell of the love of his Savior. Every breath he takes is painful, since his airway is almost closed from the swelling. The Herald explains how the man was told to denounce his decision to keep the seventh day holy. Because he refused, he was denied food and water. He was told to accept Sunday, and because he still refused, they broke his left leg. Again he was told to accept Sunday, but he refused again, so they broke his right leg. Crying out in pain, he proclaimed that Jesus would save him and that he would stand and sing praises to his beloved Master, Savior, and Brother, Jesus.²

I now watch as the individual places her hands over each of the broken legs and quietly tells him that his prayers have been heard,

² The Acts of the Apostles, pp. 184-185

When Paul was dragged out of the city, this youthful disciple [Timothy] was among the number who took their stand beside his apparently lifeless body and who saw him arise, bruised and covered with blood, but with praises upon his lips because he had been permitted to suffer for the sake of Christ.

and that it is through the heavenly Father's power and in the name of His Son, Jesus Christ, that his legs and face will be made whole so that he can once again make a stand. She removes her hands from his legs to reveal no sign of damage. Next she gently cups his swollen face and it is instantly healed.

With tears I watch as this man stands up. He looks to the heavens, and in a clear voice exclaims, "It is in the name of Jesus that I call a stop to the noise that flows over this place." All the time there has been an obnoxious noise emanating from the large loudspeakers placed all over this compound. There was the noise of a bass beat designed to cause the heart to beat irregularly. The music was designed to greatly upset the nervous system. The guards wear head phones to cancel out the noise that stays on day and night, with the same "song" played over and over. Suddenly as if the power cord has been pulled, there is silence. Everyone looks at each other in surprise. As the man speaks, his voice travels over the compound so that many hear him. Others look in shock as they see he has been healed. All now listen to or look at this once broken man left to die. He says that the words spoken in prayer have been heard by his Savior and received by his loving heavenly Father, and that he now stands through Christ's name and the Father's power. He can now walk and sing again and stands as a miracle to all. The man now looks toward the long line being formed and joins in at the end. The people are quiet and solemn. The man now begins to sing "All to Jesus I surrender," and the richness and clarity of his lone voice flows over the place and gives many a new hope.

The many guards stand very still and are in shock at what they now see. Three of the guards who injured the man now remember the last bold words he had spoken to them before his face was broken. He had stated that Jesus would save him, and that he would once again stand for his Savior and sing praises to His beloved name. As if a promise, these words were still fresh in their mind.

One of the guards tells the other two guards that what he has witnessed is a sign, like an unmovable rock, that this man has been healed to proclaim a great promise. He says that "the Christ" who now walks the earth does not have the power to heal broken bones as he has witnessed in the healing of this man. He states that clearly a great deception is being performed. Instead of a slow, painful death, the man now stands healed. The guard confesses that this is a testament that the healed man is serving the true God. He explains

that he himself has been serving a false god who makes false promises and asks that everyone worship him but shows no true love like the healed man has. The guard removes his uniform and proclaims that he will only serve the God whom the healed man serves, a God who truly heals and keeps His promises. The guard now walks to the end of the line and stands behind the healed man. He tells him he is sorry for harming him, that his eyes are now opened, and asks his forgiveness. He says he will follow him to make the same stand for Jesus.³

The other two guards now join the first guard, and they also ask for forgiveness from the once broken man. The line now grows longer as many get in line. The healed man's rich voice continues to sing as each individual stands for a moment, deciding whom they will serve—the pretended Jesus who walks this troubled earth or the Jesus who will come in the clouds and ask each one who is faithful to come away with Him.

The hymn continues to flow out over this place, where just moments before the world's music was heard. Immediately, others begin to sing, and soon all the people in line are singing this song as if to make a promise to their heavenly Father and Savior.

As I look further up the line, I see the woman who was separated from her children. She looks up to the sky as if seeking out the face of her blessed Savior, knowing that she and her children will soon be together. I now understand that this is the line of people I saw before in the "Stand Fast" dream. All these people have made a decision to surrender all to Jesus.

The Herald says that he is to show me something else. We leave and are instantly in another place at the present time. I see a man whom I know to be Ted Wilson, the president of the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. The Herald instructs that I am to observe what I am shown and to learn. Ted Wilson is standing before many, and as he speaks, his words flow gently and easily. Those listening sometimes hold their hands in the air or applaud his comments. When he speaks, it is as if people have instructed him on what to say.

³ Matthew 27:54 Now when the centurion, and they that were with him, watching Jesus, saw the earthquake, and those things that were done, they feared greatly, saying, Truly this was the Son of God.

I see what I can only describe as marshmallows flowing from his mouth. It looks as if each marshmallow has had the powder removed so that each one is smooth and soft. Each floats for a while like a soap bubble before landing on the ground. I notice those who work with Ted Wilson are wearing a white plaster facemask over their real face, and their eyes look black. They walk around passing out marshmallows to all the people. I hear Ted Wilson speaking of the need for all to pray and ask for the Holy Spirit. He says that we all have a need to repent, to be in unity, and to pray for revival, reformation, and the latter rain. The large assembly raises their hands and waves them in the air. Many begin chanting, "Holy Spirit. Repent; Holy Spirit. Repent." I hear and see many discussions, as people quickly proclaim that Ted Wilson is led by God and how wonderful it is that he is calling for revival, repentance, and reformation.

I now see Ted Wilson walk off the platform, and I follow him to a very large parking lot. There are six small groups of people with him. He now stands next to a car that is covered with mud, grease, insect debris, and tree sap. He tells the first group that this car represents each of us, and that we must offer ourselves to be washed of the sins of this world. He instructs the group to wash the car until it is clean. So the first group washes and scrubs the car. Some work on the roof, and others work on the hood. Some work on the trunk, and others work on the front fenders and others on the rear fenders. Some scrub the wheels and tires. Others work on the front and rear bumpers. A great deal of time is spent washing and scrubbing the car. Each now takes time to dry and shine the car with a white towel. When finished, the group walks back to stand where they were before.

Next I see Ted Wilson walk back to the assembly of six small groups. He tells them that Jesus instructed Naaman to wash in the river seven times. He says that since this vehicle represents each person who wishes to receive the Holy Spirit, it must be washed six times. He now tells the second group to wash and dry the car. So they begin washing and scrubbing the car with meticulous detail, from the roof to the bumpers, the hood to the trunk, and from the sides to the wheels and tires. They finish by drying the car with the white towels. The third group begins, then the fourth, fifth, and sixth group, each waiting for the group before to finish. When the last group is done, Ted Wilson faces them all and states that this is how they need to become to serve the Lord. He explains that they must repent and wash themselves of their sins, so that they will stand before the Lord just as

the clean and shiny car, and that now they can pray for the Holy Spirit.

The Herald now explains that these groups have gone to a great extent to clean the vehicle, and that now they invite the Holy Spirit to come in and dwell. I turn to the six groups who are led by Ted Wilson and see them praying earnestly for the Holy Spirit to come, since they have each prepared a clean vehicle by washing and removing all the sins. The Herald now instructs me to watch closely as the Holy Spirit comes to the car. I see the Holy Spirit being represented as a bright white light. He approaches from the right and moves slowly around the car. I see what appears to be His white-gloved hand running along the surface of the car. He then holds His hand up to inspect the white glove. Next He goes to the driver's side and places His hand on the door handle. As He begins to open the door, He instantly disappears. With the door now open, I witness all types of garbage and trash flowing out, such as papers, fluids, mud, dirt, grease, and cans.

The Herald reveals that this has shown a very important missing element that is not taught by the leaders of the General Conference. This importance has been shown many times throughout my dreams. It is very simple, but even the sharpest of minds seem unable to comprehend. To be worthy of the Holy Spirit, one must repent, reform, and begin a revival of the truth. It is important to first acknowledge and confess the sin one has, decide to no longer commit that sin, and then ask for forgiveness. Our Father waits for us all to ask for forgiveness but not to commit the sin of asking for forgiveness and then committing the same sin again. One can clean their outside 6 times or 6,000 times, but until their body temple inside is cleansed of sin and remains cleansed (no longer to commit or treasure sin), the outside washing is nothing but for show. To have no inside cleansing done, while still calling for revival, repentance, and reformation is nothing more than smooth-spoken words. Politicians speak this way to become elected. They make empty campaign promises.

The Herald states that Ted Wilson calls for revival, repentance, and reformation. Yet each must examine the fruits of his words. Has there been a true form of repentance in the Seventh-day Adventist Church? A look at the obscene worship services will warrant a "no" answer. Has the Church reformed, or is it still in a Laodicean state? Is the Church in the midst of apostasy? Is spiritualism rampant throughout

the Church of which Ted Wilson stands as president? A resounding “yes” is the only answer to each of these questions.⁴

The Herald says that he will show me something to help in understanding. I am taken to a large, wide river that runs through the middle of a town. On one side of the river is one part of the town, and on the other side of the river is the other part of the town. The only

⁴ Christ Triumphant, p. 347

It is no time now to relax our efforts, to become dull and spiritless, no time to hide our light under a bushel, to speak smooth things, to prophesy deceit. Every power is to be employed for God. You are to maintain your allegiance, bearing testimony for God and for truth. Do not be turned aside by any suggestion the world may make. We cannot afford to compromise; there is a living issue before us, of vital importance to the remnant people of God to the very close of this earth's history, for eternal interests are involved. On the very eve of the crisis, it is no time to be found with an evil heart of unbelief, departing from the living God.

The original apostasy began in disbelief and denial of the truth; but if we would triumph, we must fix the eye of faith steadfastly upon Jesus, the Captain of our salvation. We are to follow the example of Christ. In all that Jesus did on earth, He had an eye single to the glory of God. . . . Divinity and humanity were united in Christ, that He might reveal to us God's purpose, and bring us into close union with Himself. This union will enable us to overcome the enemy, for through faith in Christ, we shall have divine power.

Our numbers are increasing; our facilities are enlarging, and all this calls for union among the workers, and for entire consecration and real devotion to the cause of God. There is no place in the work of God for halfhearted workers, for those who are neither hot nor cold.

Watchmen on the walls of Zion are to be vigilant, and sleep not day or night. But if they have not received the message from the lips of Christ, their trumpets will give an uncertain sound. Brethren and sisters, God calls upon you, both ministers and laypersons, listen to His voice, as speaking to you through His Word. Let His truth be received into your heart, that you may be spiritualized by His living, sanctifying power. Then let the distinct message for this time be sent from watchman to watchman on the walls of Zion.

way the townspeople can get from one side of the river to the other is by a ferry that only runs at certain times. An election was held and a town president was elected. The president now stands before many and proclaims the need of a great bridge that goes from one side of the town, across the great river, and to the other side of the town. The president speaks of how they will need funds to purchase building supplies and to pay individuals for the work that is to be done. They will also need funds for the engineers who will plan the design of the bridge and for those who will supervise the workers. The Herald says that a great bridge donation fund was formed, and that funds regularly grew for this bridge. The president continued to speak of how the engineers would design the bridge and of the workers who would be supervised to construct this great bridge. The people would cheer and proclaim how he was the perfect president and that he would bring unity to this divided town.

The president traveled and continued to speak of how this great bridge would bring happiness, unity, and for once a togetherness of the townspeople. He would speak of the need for this bridge and of the great need for funds. He would speak of how this divided town would be united because of this great bridge. He traveled all over the town, from one side to the other, using the ferry. He continued to travel and speak.

Much time passed by, and the president continued to speak of the great bridge that would join the town. All that time, much funding was gathered. So many donations had been collected that each side of the town had to build a large bank to hold it all. The funding was there, but the talk of the great bridge continued on and on. The president continued to talk of the great bridge and of how it would unite this town.

Calling me by my heavenly name, the Herald says that the Seventh-day Adventist Church is not ready for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It needs to be cleansed. Many are fooled by leaders who wear a white mask. Leaders continue to speak of the “great bridge” and of the need for revival and reformation. Yet until they actually “build the great bridge,” it is nothing but talk. The Holy Spirit will not be poured out until there are a people who are willing to build the bridge. A

president is needed who will pick up a shovel and a hammer, not just discuss how the bridge will unify.⁵

Sadly, the leaders of God's chosen Church sit and discuss plans of calling for a revival in order that the latter rain may be poured out. Many are asleep to the vile corruptness of the Church. The latter rain cannot and will not fall until the bridge is built. There must be the early rain before the latter rain. To ask for the Holy Spirit in early rain power, each must understand that it is not only a cleansing of the exterior but also the interior. The car in the parking lot was cleaned on the outside, but no care was taken to the condition of the inside. When the vehicle is cleansed on the outside as well as the inside, then God will pour out His Holy Spirit. Then the early rain and latter rain will fall. Then great things will be done, all in His name.⁶

⁵ 2 Chronicles 31:1 Now when all this was finished, all Israel that were present went out to the cities of Judah, and brake the images in pieces, and cut down the groves, and threw down the high places and the altars out of all Judah and Benjamin, in Ephraim also and Manasseh, until they had utterly destroyed them all. Then all the children of Israel returned, every man to his possession, into their own cities.

⁶ Joel 2:23 Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the LORD your God: for he hath given you the former rain moderately, and he will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month.

Maranatha, p. 219

Talent, long experience, will not make men channels of light unless they place themselves under the bright beams of the Sun of Righteousness, and are called, and chosen, and prepared by the endowment of the Holy Spirit. When men who handle sacred things will humble themselves under the mighty hand of God, the Lord will lift them up. He will make them men of discernment--men rich in the grace of His Spirit. Their strong, selfish traits of character and their stubbornness will be seen in the light shining from the Light of the world. "I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." If you seek the Lord with all your heart, He will be found of you.

There must be no neglect of the grace represented by the former rain. Only those who are living up to the light they have will receive greater light. Unless we are daily advancing in the exemplification of the active Christian virtues, we shall not recognize the manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the latter rain. It may be falling on hearts all around us, but we shall not discern or receive it.

COME ASIDE AND UNIFY

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By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I am standing in a very large office that looks like a college. There are two desks, one each for the president and vice president/treasurer. I now hear a conversation between the two men. The treasurer tells the president that they are in grave financial distress and soon they will need to close the doors. The president discusses how God has led them in so many ways through the years. He speaks of how so many times it was as if Jesus was standing with His arms open, waiting to be with him and guide him on his path. "But now," the president says, "it is as if Jesus and I no longer walk side by side. It is as if I walk alone."

The treasurer has been sitting at his desk going through papers. He now remarks about the many bills, outstanding loans, and creditors who are requesting their money. He mentions that there is no way to provide the funds that are needed, because they owe so much.

Suddenly, the treasurer stands up with a letter in one hand and a check in the other. He excitedly reads the letter, which explains that the enclosed check is from a government assistance fund to help with financial affairs. The letter explains that with the assistance, the receiver agrees with any and all decisions put forth from the government. The treasurer states that this is enough to pay all the bills and to get things back to where they can continue on. The president states that they should prayerfully consider the letter associated with the check and that death is imminent with or without the check. He explains to the treasurer that the stipulations given in the letter will be the utter destruction of what they have believed. The president states again that death is imminent.

Yet instead of praying about the situation, the treasurer calls many connected with the school to assemble in the office for some news. He has now gotten under his desk as if he is searching for something, but I realize it is so he can bring attention to himself when he comes up from under his desk to speak. Soon the office is filled with mostly students and a few teachers.

The president begins speaking first. He explains how important it is that we daily walk closely with Jesus. He mentions the importance of finding peace and safety with Jesus as our refuge, even when we retire for the night. Our heart's song should be that we will abide with Him. He says that Jesus waits with open arms for us to come to Him where we can abide in His arms—a safe haven and a refuge.¹

I notice that angels now encircle the assembled group, and I begin humming the hymn, "Abide With Me."² The angels now join in by singing the words to the song. The group does not see or hear them.

¹ Psalm 91:2-11 I will say of the LORD, He is my refuge and my fortress: my God; in him will I trust. Surely he shall deliver thee from the snare of the fowler, and from the noisome pestilence. He shall cover thee with his feathers, and under his wings shalt thou trust: his truth shall be thy shield and buckler. Thou shalt not be afraid for the terror by night; nor for the arrow that flieth by day; Nor for the pestilence that walketh in darkness; nor for the destruction that wasteth at noonday. A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee. Only with thine eyes shalt thou behold and see the reward of the wicked. Because thou hast made the LORD, which is my refuge, even the most High, thy habitation; There shall no evil befall thee, neither shall any plague come nigh thy dwelling. For he shall give his angels charge over thee, to keep thee in all thy ways.

² Review and Herald, December 19, 1893
The apostle says, "If ye then be risen with Christ, seek those things which are above, where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God. Set your affections on things above, not on things on the earth. For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God." O what a representation is this of the security, the peace, the rest, the confidence, we may have in the love of God. No man, no power, can force us from our refuge. Jesus says, "Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit of itself, except it abide in the vine; no more can ye, except ye abide in me. I am the vine, and ye are the branches. He that abideth in me, and I in him, the same bringeth forth much fruit; for without me ye can do nothing." Thank God with heart and soul and voice for a safe abiding-place. "When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then [if you have hid your life with Christ in God] shall ye also appear with him in glory."

The angels sing slowly, almost as if to contemplate the meaning of each word.

Abide with me; fast falls the eventide;
The darkness deepens; Lord, with me abide!
When other helpers fail, and comforts flee,
Help of the helpless, O abide with me!

Swift to its close ebbs out life's little day;
Earth's joys grow dim, its glories pass away;
Change and decay in all around I see;
O Thou, who changest not, abide with me!

I need Thy presence every passing hour;
What but Thy grace can foil the tempter's power?
Who like Thyself my guide and stay can be?
Through cloud and sunshine, O abide with me!

I fear no foe, with Thee at hand to bless;
Ills have no weight, and tears no bitterness:
Where is death's sting? where, grave, thy victory?
I triumph still if Thou abide with me!

The treasurer now reappears from under his desk to make his “grand entrance.” He interrupts the president’s recommitment talk by saying, “Yes, it is important that we live every day by pondering each decision we make and which path we take. Each day we should come aside to quietly meditate and contemplate the importance of self-preservation and self-decisions. We should spend every waking moment in unity of thought. We each need to equally determine to unite our thoughts. We need to come aside and unify as one.” As he continues speaking, one angel at a time stops singing, lowers his head, and walks away. The words they hear do not glorify their Lord and Master but rather bring disgrace to His name.³

* *Abide With Me* lyrics written by Henry F. Lyte

³ Selected Messages, Book 1, p. 175
Our church members see that there are differences of opinion among the leading men, and they themselves enter into controversy regarding the subjects under dispute. Christ calls for unity. But He

The treasurer now states that they need a song to rejoice with. Suddenly, an obnoxious sound comes from under his desk. It has a beat with a swaying music pattern. He begins to sing, "We all got to come aside, come aside. We all got to unify, unify." At the end of each repetition, I hear the sound of "oomph," "oomph," "oomph." I notice that each person in the group starts to sway from side to side and then begins dancing to the rhythmic music. The treasurer is able to get each person excited over the same words spoken repeatedly.

The president is now taking things out of his desk drawers and quickly dumping them into a large empty box. He next grabs the items from the top of his desk and throws them into the box. He then pulls things from his bookcase and quickly tosses them into the box. I hear him saying, "All we needed to do was abide with Jesus. We are at the end, and the doors are about to close. Instead there is a desire to come aside and unify, when what we need to do is to abide with Jesus." The president quickly picks up his box and leaves, knowing where he must go for safety.

does not call for us to unify on wrong practices. The God of heaven draws a sharp contrast between pure, elevating, ennobling truth and false, misleading doctrines. He calls sin and impenitence by the right name. He does not gloss over wrongdoing with a coat of untempered mortar. I urge our brethren to unify upon a true, scriptural basis.

Ibid., Book 3, p. 412

We have a testing message to give, and I am instructed to say to our people, "Unify, unify." But we are not to unify with those who are departing from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. With our hearts sweet and kind and true, we are to go forth to proclaim the message, giving no heed to those who lead away from the truth.

JUSTICE AND MERCY

February 5, 2011

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, the Herald is standing next to me, and we are facing a wall where a calendar hangs. The Herald reaches up and removes the calendar from the wall. He turns to face me, calls me by my heavenly name, and says, "It is time you are allowed to share what you were shown a year before but were instructed not to make public at the time. You will now be shown the things you were shown before."

February 5, 2010 dream:

The Herald lays the same calendar on a table. I notice the current date of February 5, 2010. I see that February 27, 2010 is bolded and in a red frame. I wonder why it looks that way. I now notice what resembles a glass test tube that is rounded and closed on both ends. There is a substance inside that looks like mercury. Next I observe what could be invisible hands break the tube and pour the liquid onto February 27. This red-framed date shakes very hard, yet the calendar does not move. After a short while, the shaking stops.

The Herald places the calendar back on the wall. I now see that February 10, 2010 is circled in blue, and seven days are marked off after that date. Each day falls off the calendar as if the printed ink was made of sand. Seven more days are marked off and disappear. Three days are now marked off, ending on the 27th, and those days disappear.

The Herald says to turn and look at the wall behind me. As I do, I see an opening that is almost like a doorway, but there is no door. I observe Becky's sister, Martha, standing on the other side of the opening. She does not say anything but stares blankly as if she is lifeless. I then watch as a 12-inch-wide panel, which matches the wall, suddenly slides at an angle from inside the wall and partially blocks the opening in front of her. When it is in place, I see what looks like parts of letters on the panel. I watch as another panel slides in at a different angle. It has more parts of letters that connect together with the last ones. More angled panels slide into place. After the last panel has moved into place, the letters form the name, MARTHA, and

I can no longer see her. The opening is sealed off, and I observe the letters fall off the panels as if made of sand.

I now hear a voice but do not see the person speaking. The voice describes how Noah preached for 120 years then went into the ark with his family. For seven days before the rain fell, they prepared for their stay. These seven days were filled with blasphemous amusement by those outside the ark. [This is the end of the February 5, 2010 dream.]

The Herald turns to me and explains that it is now time to reveal the dream of February 10, 2010.

February 10, 2010 dream:

Becky and I are in our living room and have just finished our morning worship. As we get up from praying, we turn and notice four angels who had been standing behind us. We hear them sing, “Holy is the Father, holy is the Son, holy is the Holy Spirit. Amen, amen, and amen.” I do not recognize three of the angels, but the other angel is the Herald who stands in front. He is dressed in a floor-length silver robe. Over that he wears a floor-length blue robe that is open at the front. The three other angels are dressed in pure white robes. Each holds a sword that looks as if immense heat emanates from it, but I do not feel the heat.

The Herald smiles and says, “Do not be afraid. We have been sent with a message.” He looks at Becky and says something that I do not understand. She smiles at him as if to acknowledge she understands and turns to me and smiles. The Herald looks back at me, calls me by my heavenly name, and says they have a message to give. The first angel walks to the Herald and hands him a clear glass tablet with gold, engraved letters. The second angel walks to the Herald and places his tablet on top of the first tablet. The third angel walks over and places his on top of the second tablet. All three tablets become one tablet.

The Herald explains that when the courts of heaven watched and waited for my repentance, Martha was already at work with the one of great evil to destroy the walls of God’s ministry. She stated many things that were not true. Those whom she shared with believed what she said without verifying the facts. Many were not aware of the tithe

money that she stole from God's ministry. Martha did not repent of these things. Many are not aware of how God deals with those who lie and steal. He is patient and He loves everyone. There is no limit to His love, but there is a limit to His patience.

The Herald now shares the following messages for Martha:

Your prayers for leading, forgiveness, comfort, and healing have been heard. Jesus Christ brought these requests to His Father and your Father who sits on the throne. He asks why He should answer these.

Becky was instructed to share a quote with you from the book, *The Desire of Ages*, which shows what you did was not correct. She was also to tell you that you were to acknowledge your wrongs. Becky followed these instructions. You were to acknowledge that you sinned greatly against God and His ministry. You were to repent of your lies and return what you stole from His storehouse. However, you did not do this.

You were asked to kindly share financially with a Christian brother in need. You did this, but it was not with a heart of love. Then you asked this brother to pay you back with interest. The Father could and would have blessed you many times over, but you did not show love even though you asked for God's love.

You do not see your own sins but are quick to point out the sins of others. You have negatively affected others who had a close walk with God. You have stolen precious souls from Him. Revelation 3:19 says, "As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent." If you expect answers to your prayers, you must ask for forgiveness and make restitution. You need to openly make a verbal statement that you have sinned against God. If you do this, it will be a sign that you are truly sorry and desire to reform.

You are to do the following:

[1] Go to your parents and state, "I have a statement to make. What I did to Becky and Ernie was not right, and now I ask for your forgiveness. What I did has not brought glory to my heavenly Father." If they question or do not understand, you are to repeat, "What I did to Becky and Ernie was not right, and now I ask for your forgiveness. What I did has not brought glory to my heavenly Father." Again if they have questions and ask you to explain, you are to repeat the same statement. This is to be your only response.

[2] You are to go before your entire church family and openly state, "I have a statement to make. What I did to Becky and Ernie was not right, and now I ask for your forgiveness. What I did has not brought glory to my heavenly Father." If they question or do not understand, you are to repeat the same statement. This is to be your only response.

[3] You are to contact all the former board members of God's former ministry. You are to state to each of them, "I have a statement to make. What I did to Becky and Ernie was not right, and now I ask for your forgiveness. What I did has not brought glory to my heavenly Father." If they question or do not understand, you are to repeat the same statement. This is to be your only response.

[4] You are to contact your Christian brother and ask for his forgiveness. You are to tell him that it was wrong of you to treat him the way you did. You are to admit that you did not show the love that Christ would have shown. You are to tell him that he does not need to pay you back and ask that he would forgive you as Jesus is willing to forgive all your sins if you repent.

[5] You are to return to Ernie the tithe that you stole from God's storehouse. It was given to the one whom God has called to minister. You are further instructed to give a restitution offering for stealing from God. You are not to do this with angry thoughts as you did with your Christian brother, but rather with love. Notice what Luke 19:8-10 states: "And Zacchaeus stood, and said unto the Lord; Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have taken any thing from any man by false accusation, I restore him fourfold. And Jesus said unto him, This day is salvation come to this house, forsomuch as he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost."

[6] You are to return to God and ask that your transgressions be removed from the records. You are to acknowledge what you have done. Since you failed to follow what God instructed and cannot use ignorance as an excuse because you have studied and know what the truth is, He will hold you responsible. If you do not repent, He will pour upon you the transgressions of the souls who had begun to

repent and turn to God but now have turned away from Him. You will need to make restitution for what you have done.

[7] You are to show love to all. You are to give what you expect from others. You are to place others first in everything you do. You are to understand that if you want to be like Christ, then you will want to serve all like Christ did. The highest place to serve is in the lowest place. When Jesus was placed on the cross, He stretched out both arms and legs to be nailed to the cross.

Soon God will break open and pour out another vial of His wrath on the face of the earth. This will happen soon and will be noticeably marked. If you have not done what God has asked by the time this vial is broken, woe unto you. He will instruct His marking angel to leave and continue on elsewhere. He will instruct His Spirit of Comfort to depart and never return. He will turn His face, and you will stand in the shadow of His countenance. He will command your dry, brittle bones to be crushed into the earth. He will instruct your pain to increase. Your life as a fluid will flow from you, and your days will be shortened. Then each day you will lie in pain until your last drop of life is drained from you.¹

¹ Acts 5:1-11 But a certain man named Ananias, with Sapphira his wife, sold a possession, And kept back part of the price, his wife also being privy to it, and brought a certain part, and laid it, at the apostles' feet. But Peter said, Ananias, why hath Satan filled thine heart to lie to the Holy Ghost, and to keep back part of the price of the land? Whiles it remained, was it not thine own? and after it was sold, was it not in thine own power? why hast thou conceived this thing in thine heart? thou hast not lied unto men, but unto God. And Ananias hearing these words fell down, and gave up the ghost: and great fear came on all them that heard these things. And the young men arose, wound him up, and carried him out, and buried him. And it was about the space of three hours after, when his wife, not knowing what was done, came in. And Peter answered unto her, Tell me whether ye sold the land for so much? And she said, Yea, for so much. Then Peter said unto her, How is it that ye have agreed together to tempt the Spirit of the Lord? behold, the feet of them which have buried thy husband are at the door, and shall carry thee out. Then fell she down straightway at his feet, and yielded up the ghost: and the young men came in, and found her dead, and,

carrying her forth, buried her by her husband. And great fear came upon all the church, and upon as many as heard these things.

Numbers 16:25-35 And Moses rose up and went unto Dathan and Abiram; and the elders of Israel followed him. And he spake unto the congregation, saying, Depart, I pray you, from the tents of these wicked men, and touch nothing of theirs, lest ye be consumed in all their sins. So they gat up from the tabernacle of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram, on every side: and Dathan and Abiram came out, and stood in the door of their tents, and their wives, and their sons, and their little children. And Moses said, Hereby ye shall know that the LORD hath sent me to do all these works; for I have not done them of mine own mind. If these men die the common death of all men, or if they be visited after the visitation of all men; then the LORD hath not sent me. But if the LORD make a new thing, and the earth open her mouth, and swallow them up, with all that appertain unto them, and they go down quick into the pit; then ye shall understand that these men have provoked the LORD. And it came to pass, as he had made an end of speaking all these words, that the ground clave asunder that was under them: And the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed them up, and their houses, and all the men that appertained unto Korah, and all their goods. They, and all that appertained to them, went down alive into the pit, and the earth closed upon them: and they perished from among the congregation. And all Israel that were round about them fled at the cry of them: for they said, Lest the earth swallow us up also. And there came out a fire from the LORD, and consumed the two hundred and fifty men that offered incense.

The Review and Herald, July 3, 1888

Our God sees our hearts in a different light from that in which we see them. He is acquainted with our secret thoughts. He searches into the hidden recesses of our nature. He sends answers to our prayers, when we are filled with uneasiness and distress. He gives ear to our inward groanings, and reveals to us the plague spots in our characters, that we may overcome defects, instead of being overcome by them. When unknown chapters in regard to ourselves are opened before us, the test and the trial come; and the question is, whether or not we will accept the reproof and the counsel of God.

The Herald has now finished with Martha's instructions. He returns a glass tablet to each of the three angels. Then they each fly upwards like a bolt of lightning.

February 5, 2011 dream:

In this dream, I am reminded how in February 2010, Becky and I were given these instructions which we followed: I was to prepare the February 10, 2010 dream. Becky was to say a prayer and then share the dream with her sister Martha. Their mother was given a copy of the dream, and she and I stood by as witnesses. After presenting it, Becky gave Martha a tearful hug and pleaded for her not to disappoint Jesus. Then as Becky and I walked away, Martha told her mother that the dream was from Satan. She rejected the messages, even though they were shared with patience and love.²

Will we cling to our own ideas and plans, and value ourselves more highly than we ought? God knows better than we do what is good for his children; and if they could see their real necessity as he does, they would say that the Lord had dealt most wisely with them. The ways of the Lord are obscure to him who desires to see things in a pleasing light to himself. God can discern the end of his purpose from the beginning; but because the Lord's ways are not man's ways, they appear dark, severe, and painful to our human natures. But God's ways are ways of mercy, and their end is salvation and blessedness.

² Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 5, p. 678

Many now despise the faithful reproof given of God in testimony. I have been shown that some in these days have even gone so far as to burn the written words of rebuke and warning, as did the wicked king of Israel. But opposition to God's threatenings will not hinder their execution. To defy the words of the Lord, spoken through His chosen instruments, will only provoke His anger and eventually bring certain ruin upon the offender. Indignation often kindles in the heart of the sinner against the agent whom God chooses to deliver His reproofs. It has ever been thus, and the same spirit exists today that persecuted and imprisoned Jeremiah for obeying the word of the Lord.

Soon afterwards, Martha went to a member of her church whom she knew supported God's ministry. While I am not to mention this person's name, he can be described as of Norwegian descent. This individual fell from a distance and could have died, but the merciful hand of God preserved his life because He had a work for him to do. Martha went before this brother, telling him lies and stories to greatly upset him. He decided to no longer support God's ministry. He failed to do what he had mentioned so many times before about going to the source for verification.

Years before, this same brother was brought before the church board for disfellowshipping. At this time, I was a new member of this church and served as an elder and board member. Even though I did not know this brother yet, I stood up for him and stated that I recommended prayer and patience and that two elders and the pastor should call on him. A visit was made, and it was decided he would not be disfellowshipped. This individual never knew of the stand that was made for him. He listened to Martha, who continued her ways of trying to destroy the ministry that God called me to do.

The Herald tells me that it is time for this dream to be shared so that everyone can see the love and power of God and His patience in waiting for each to repent. This information is also important for those who say that God does not kill or destroy and is all-forgiving. Let it be known that God loves the sinner, but He hates the sin.

The Herald then shares this parable. There was a husband whose wife was an immaculate housekeeper. Everything in the house was white. One day the husband was in the garage working underneath his car. When he finished, he was covered with grease and oil. He went to a door of the house and told his wife that he needed to come in to get clean. The wife told her husband that even though she loved him, he must first return to the garage to clean himself of all the filth before he could enter the house.

This is how it is with our heavenly Father. He says to prepare ourselves as a clean vessel. Heaven is a place without sin. Those who are in sin cannot enter through its gates. The Father stands at the door. He loves everyone, but He will not allow anyone entrance who is filthy with sin.

In the February 5, 2010 dream I was shown the calendar with February 10 circled in blue. This is the day I was given the message for Martha. I was shown a seven-day period twice and then an additional 3 days given by God in His mercy and patience as He waited for Martha to repent, which ended on February 27.³ I was shown a vial of wrath that would be broken and poured out on that day, with the results being visibly marked. On that day the vial was poured out upon Chile. I was instructed not to share this dream at the time it was given, since it involved dates. All God's people are to

³ Ephesians 4:28-32 Let him that stole steal no more: but rather let him labour, working with his hands the thing which is good, that he may have to give to him that needeth. Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers. And grieve not the holy Spirit of God, whereby ye are sealed unto the day of redemption. Let all bitterness, and wrath, and anger, and clamour, and evil speaking, be put away from you, with all malice: And be ye kind one to another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, even as God for Christ's sake hath forgiven you.

The Review and Herald, September 20, 1881

Many who claim to be followers of Christ are withered branches, that must ere long be separated from the living vine. The love of the world has paralyzed their spirituality, and they are not awake to the precious theme of redemption. The impression made upon the world by these professed Christians is unfavorable to the religion of Christ. Such dull, careless ones manifest ambition and zeal in the business of the world, but they have little interest in things of eternal importance. The voice of God through his messengers is a pleasant song; but its sacred warnings, reproofs, and encouragements are all unheeded. Eternal interests are placed on a level with common things. The Holy Spirit is grieved, and its influence is withdrawn.

The Youth's Instructor, November 30, 1893

After God sends light and evidence, calculated to convince any rational, unprejudiced mind, and it is not received or acted upon, but rather treated with contempt, resisted, and refused, the Holy Spirit is withdrawn, and men are left in their chosen obstinacy.

know that after October 22, 1844, there is no defined biblical time prophecy.⁴

⁴ Last Day Events, pp. 35-36

I plainly stated at the Jackson camp meeting to these fanatical parties that they were doing the work of the adversary of souls; they were in darkness. They claimed to have great light that probation would close in October, 1884. I there stated in public that the Lord had been pleased to show me that there would be no definite time in the message given of God since 1844.

Our position has been one of waiting and watching, with no time-proclamation to intervene between the close of the prophetic periods in 1844 and the time of our Lord's coming.

The people will not have another message upon definite time. After this period of time [Rev. 10:4-6], reaching from 1842 to 1844, there can be no definite tracing of the prophetic time. The longest reckoning reaches to the autumn of 1844.

Evangelism, p. 221

The times and seasons God has put in His own power. And why has not God given us this knowledge?-- Because we would not make a right use of it if He did. A condition of things would result from this knowledge among our people that would greatly retard the work of God in preparing a people to stand in the great day that is to come. We are not to be engrossed with speculations in regard to the times and the seasons which God has not revealed. Jesus has told His disciples to "watch," but not for definite time. His followers are to be in the position of those who are listening for the orders of their Captain; they are to watch, wait, pray, and work, as they approach the time for the coming of the Lord; but no one will be able to predict just when that time will come; for "of that day and hour knoweth no man." You will not be able to say that He will come in one, two, or five years, neither are you to put off His coming by stating that it may not be for ten or twenty years. . . . We are not to know the definite time either for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit or for the coming of Christ.

On February 27, 2010, the Father broke open a vial of His wrath upon Chile. The destruction that resulted was without question noticeably marked. This earthquake caused a change in the earth's time clock. This earthquake caused the ground mass of Chile to move a great distance. It was because of this earthquake that weather patterns were affected.

Last summer the whole world watched in amazement at the destructive power of the weather. Last summer the whole world witnessed floods, fires, hurricanes, and tornados. The whole world witnessed the tremendous changes in the weather. There were extremely high temperatures in certain areas while extremely low temperatures existed elsewhere. Wintertime has seen unusually severe snowstorms, ice, and frigid temperatures in many parts of the world. All these weather changes will continue on. This spring, as a testament to God's words, many people will experience devastating tornado activity never seen before. The overabundance of melting snow and rain will cause destructive floods. Know that this summer many will be scorched from the heat of the sun. Great will be the loosing of the winds of the weather. Horrible will be the tornados, hurricanes, flooding, and fires. This extreme weather will continue, and many will die because of it.⁵

God is asking His people to hear His voice and heed the warnings of His messengers. He has shown that when we break even one commandment, we break them all. Martha broke all ten, yet never humbly approached God's throne of mercy to repent. From February 2010, He allowed ten months to pass—one month for each of His commandments—before removing His protection from her.

On the morning of December 18, 2010, God allowed Martha to slip and fall. Her bones were "crushed into the earth," just as God promised if she did not repent.⁶ Even though she fell only a short

⁵ Matthew 24:7 For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

⁶ The Review and Herald, November 19, 1908
So long as the people of God preserve their fidelity to him, so long as they cling by living faith to Jesus, they are under the protection of

distance, her bone below the knee was shattered. She was taken to the hospital, but had to wait until the swelling went down before surgery could be done. She lay in pain, but God no longer heard her pleas for relief. He was fulfilling what He said He would do if Martha did not repent. Again, He loves the sinner, but He hates sin. God will not walk with those who refuse to let go of sin.

After extensive surgery was performed, the doctor explained that the surgery may not do much good, because her bones are dry and brittle. That is why she sustained so much injury from just a short fall, which normally would cause only a simple sprain. He stated that she would be bed-ridden and may never walk again.

The Herald states that now Martha's elderly parents, who are in their retirement years, are forced to care for their invalid daughter in their home. He reveals how they should have counseled their daughter to repent, since she was clearly on the wrong path.

The Herald says, "Come, I am to show you something." I am taken into the near future where Martha's life was shortened, as God said He would do if she did not repent. Because Martha was no longer employed, she did not want to use her savings to pay for her medical bills. Therefore, since her parents decided to cover her medical expenses, they did not wish to spend money for her funeral. Instead a memorial service was held in their home, and refreshments were provided for those who would come. They watched through the windows, but no one came, not even one church member. After a while, Martha's mother said she had things to attend to in the garden. Her father sat down in front of the television and watched a ball game.

heavenly angels, and Satan will not be permitted to exercise his hellish arts upon them to their destruction. But those who separate themselves from Christ by sin are in great peril. If they continue to disregard the requirements of God, they know not how soon he may give them over to Satan, and permit him to do to them according to his will. There is, therefore, the greatest necessity of keeping the soul free from defilement, and the eye single to the glory of God; of thinking soberly and watching unto prayer continually.

The Herald reveals that this is how those who do not repent will be remembered. The church members do not even show true love for each other. Over a year ago, Becky and Martha's father required surgery. Not one church member visited him during his hospital stay, even though he serves as the head elder.

The Herald now shows me something that everyone needs to understand. I am taken back to the dream, "The End," where I see personal family members during the second resurrection. They were given the truth, but because pride entered in, they lied or condemned the messages I have been given by God. It must be asked: When does Satan lead people to truly repent and give their hearts and lives to Jesus? Now instead of receiving a crown of life, these family members receive a condemnation sentence of eternal death. My heart aches because they are held accountable for leading others astray. They thought they lived as true Christians, but instead they are hearing Christ say, "I know you not." They stand motionless as they wait to receive their punishment.

The Herald explains that all who acknowledge their sins by confessing and repenting through the blood of Jesus will stand on the walls of the New Jerusalem. As they look down at the unsaved and perhaps see previous friends or family members, their hearts will be breaking. However, they will understand that it is through God's mercy that He shows justice. The entire universe will know that God shows justice and mercy in ending the awfulness of sin.⁷ God will destroy. Sin and sinners will be no more.⁸

⁷ Psalm 89:14 Justice and judgment are the habitation of thy throne: mercy and truth shall go before thy face.

The Signs of the Times, March 24, 1881

In all the Bible, God is presented not only as a being of mercy and benevolence, but as a God of strict and impartial justice.

The Review and Herald, March 10, 1904

It is the glory of God to be merciful, full of forbearance, kindness, goodness, and truth. But the justice shown in punishing the sinner is as verily the glory of the Lord as is the manifestation of his mercy.

⁸ The Great Controversy (1911), p. 678

The Herald tells me to take special notice of what I am observing. I see that Jesus as the King of the Universe has just received His crown and stands victorious above the Holy City. The Herald explains how it should be understood that we will learn much about what Jesus gave up when He came to this earth. He lived and served with only the power given to Him by His Father.⁹ All He does now as our Mediator is through the Father. This is why He sent us the Holy Spirit when He returned to heaven.¹⁰ It is why He does not know the day or

The great controversy is ended. Sin and sinners are no more. The entire universe is clean. One pulse of harmony and gladness beats through the vast creation. From Him who created all, flow life and light and gladness, throughout the realms of illimitable space. From the minutest atom to the greatest world, all things, animate and inanimate, in their unshadowed beauty and perfect joy, declare that God is love.

⁹ The Signs of the Times, March 18, 1897

At the time when he was most needed, Jesus, the Son of God, the world's Redeemer, laid aside his divinity, and came to earth in the garb of humanity.

¹⁰ John 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.

The Desire of Ages, p. 669

The Holy Spirit is Christ's representative, but divested of the personality of humanity, and independent thereof. Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally. Therefore it was for their interest that He should go to the Father, and send the Spirit to be His successor on earth. No one could then have any advantage because of his location or his personal contact with Christ. By the Spirit the Saviour would be accessible to all. In this sense He would be nearer to them than if He had not ascended on high.

the hour of His return.¹¹ Before He came to this earth, He was omnipotent (all powerful), omniscient (all knowing), and omnipresent (having the ability to be everywhere at the same time).

I now see Jesus raise His hand into the air and see what I can only describe as beams of light flowing from the scar. I think how it is the same hand He willingly raised so that it could be nailed to the cross for our sins. Everyone in the universe is watching Him. He looks to the Father, and suddenly fire comes down from the heavens. The fire does not have flames, but is of a most intense white heat that is difficult to describe.

The Herald calls my attention to look upon Martha. I know in my heart I want to cry out, but yet I know the justice that must happen because God cannot allow sin to enter heaven. It is also because of God's great love and mercy. He knows that Martha would not be happy in heaven, where there is no deceit, theft, pride, or fornication.

I watch as Martha is consumed for what seems like many days or weeks, because of her sins and those whom she led away from the Father. In my heart, I am pleading that God would shorten her suffering. Some next to her are quickly consumed and leave no trace of their existence. The scene before me is horrible to behold.¹²

¹¹ Matthew 24:36 But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

¹² Early Writings, pp. 53-54

While Satan was rallying his army, the saints were in the city, beholding the beauty and glory of the Paradise of God. Jesus was at their head, leading them. All at once the lovely Saviour was gone from our company; but soon we heard His lovely voice, saying, "Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world." We gathered about Jesus, and just as He closed the gates of the city, the curse was pronounced upon the wicked. The gates were shut. Then the saints used their wings and mounted to the top of the wall of the city. Jesus was also with them; His crown looked brilliant and glorious. It was a crown within a crown, seven in number. The crowns of the saints were of the most pure gold, decked with stars. Their faces shone with glory, for they were in the express image of Jesus; and as they arose and

The Herald tells me to hold to my faith and trust in Him who stands as the King of the Universe. God calls upon all to come to Him and repent now! Martha was given an opportunity just as everyone else is. The Herald explains that those who condemn God's messages will take their places next to Martha.

The Herald says, "I know this message will be difficult for you to share. You are a messenger called by God, and you have been instructed to share what you have been shown. You are not to concern yourself with what others may say. All who make comments against the messages will have to give an account to God. Continue to be faithful. Give counsel and comfort when and where needed as you are instructed to. Prepare His people for the time that lies before them. Know that they will be few. As Martha has done, many walk the path of unrepentance."

moved all together to the top of the city, I was enraptured with the sight.

Then the wicked saw what they had lost; and fire was breathed from God upon them and consumed them. This was the execution of the judgment. The wicked then received according as the saints, in unison with Jesus, had meted out to them during the one thousand years. The same fire from God that consumed the wicked purified the whole earth. The broken, ragged mountains melted with fervent heat, the atmosphere also, and all the stubble was consumed. Then our inheritance opened before us, glorious and beautiful, and we inherited the whole earth made new. We all shouted with a loud voice, "Glory; Alleluia!"

The Great Controversy (1911), p. 673

The wicked receive their recompense in the earth. Proverbs 11:31. They "shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the Lord of hosts." Malachi 4:1. Some are destroyed as in a moment, while others suffer many days. All are punished "according to their deeds."

WHERE ARE YOU LOOKING?

March 6, 2011

By Ernie Knoll

In my dream, I am standing outside a very large and beautiful mansion with many rooms. As I look at it, I think about how wealthy the owners are. To the far left of the mansion is an enormous detached garage that is larger than the size of most homes. I walk over to it and go inside. Walking around, I notice many different exotic cars that are very expensive. In one area, there are several men working on some of the cars. I know that the owners employ these men to keep the cars clean and in perfect working condition.

I now walk back to the front of the mansion and notice that to the right are very large and beautifully landscaped flower gardens and an enormous fruit and nut orchard. Many trails traverse the garden area for the owners to run or walk on. They also enjoy their large lake with an island in the middle as well as several electric boats. The gardens connect to numerous acres of woods with more trails. The owners employ several gardeners to keep the place well maintained.

Walking behind the mansion, I notice on the right a tennis court, and behind it is a private golf course with four customized golf carts. To the left is a large swimming pool with deck chairs and tables for entertaining guests. Soft background music is playing in this area.

I walk around to the front of the mansion again and now pass through the closed front door as if it is not there. I know that no one can see me. Standing now in an enormous entryway, I see to the left an opening that goes toward the many rooms on the first floor and to the back entrance of the home. In front of me is a large staircase going up to the next level. At the top is an entryway that goes to the left and the right. As I walk through the home, it is evident that the owners have acquired a large collection of fine home furnishings, including famous paintings. There is recessed lighting throughout the home that illuminates everywhere, including special lights for the paintings. Housekeepers clean and polish the furnishings to keep things looking

their best. The owners have given much attention to this place for their own enjoyment.¹

Hearing someone talking, I walk back out to the front entryway and see the homeowners walking down the staircase. It is a husband and wife in a discussion, and they are arguing and fighting with each other. I wonder how two people could be angry at each other when they live in such a wonderful place. They even have employees to prepare and serve their meals. Now they are arguing as they descend the staircase. I now understand that even with all that the husband has given his wife, she is not happy. She is telling him that she does not love him anymore and is leaving him. She has bought her own larger mansion and has planned to take most of the furnishings and belongings to her own place. Many employees have packed her clothes and other things for her to take to her new home. As she leaves, the husband stands surrounded with many of his employees, yet he feels alone.

A long, black limousine now pulls up in front of the mansion. A man in a very fine suit and holding a briefcase steps out of the car. He walks over to the husband and pulls several papers out of his briefcase. Handing these to the husband, he tells him that he has lost everything he owns—his mansion and everything that goes with it, his cars, and his money. He must leave with just the clothes he is wearing. The man hands the husband one more paper and explains that he has lost his job. That is why the husband has lost everything. He had acquired much and has now lost much. Two strong men take him to a

¹ Matthew 6:19-21 Lay not up for yourselves treasures upon earth, where moth and rust doth corrupt, and where thieves break through and steal: But lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust doth corrupt, and where thieves do not break through nor steal: For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.

The Signs of the Times, November 18, 1880

Christ declared to his followers that if they made it the great object of life to lay up treasures on earth, they could not be his disciples. "Ye cannot serve God and mammon." The man whose affections are centered upon God will not be greedy for earthly treasure.

waiting taxicab. They explain that the driver will take him to the large city nearby, where he can try to find help. Before getting into the car, he turns and looks one last time at all that he had owned.

I now find myself in an area of the city where many homeless people stay. A taxicab pulls up to a curb, and the man who lost everything exits the cab. Many homeless people welcome him. Some ask what he used to do, while others tell him how to survive. He notices one old man who keeps looking at him but does not say anything. This man has been homeless for a long time. His face looks weathered from living outdoors, and there is a look of peace and calm about him. His gray hair and beard are long and wavy.

Another homeless man now tells the man who lost everything that he should not worry, because all who are there have lost everything, and they will continue to survive together. He points to the old man and says, "We call him Manny. We do not remember a time when he has not been here. Manny takes care of us and always makes sure we get food and have a place to sleep."

Manny walks over to the new man and assures him that he will receive what he needs through the kindness of others. He asks the man if he would walk with him. As they begin walking, I notice Manny is gentle and kind, and his eyes express love. As he talks, his voice is comforting. He looks like a man who has worked hard and gone through much. I realize that because of this, he can help others. He tells the new man that he has something to show him that is very important. Many other homeless follow at a short distance. As they walk along, I know that they do not take care of the old man, but rather he takes care of them and loves each one in a way that I do not understand.

They now go into a building, and Manny shows the new man where he can sleep and get food. Next, he takes him into what looks like a large meeting room with many chairs. There is a platform at the front of the room, and on the wall behind the platform is a large picture. I cannot see what the picture is about because the room is too dark. Manny now says to the man, "I have shown you where you can find rest and food. Now I am going to show you where you can find peace."

Manny turns on a light, and I now see that the picture is of Jesus from the waist up. His arm reaches out, as if He is waiting for someone to take His hand. He is dressed in a white robe with purple, blue, gold, and silver sashes that drape from his shoulders. His eyes seem to pierce into our souls. Now all the homeless go up on the platform and slowly gather under the picture of Jesus. Manny sits down up front with the new man. He tells him that if he will look to Jesus, He will provide for him. He asks the man, "Where do you look? Do you look for things of this world? Do you look for how you can excel? Do you look for what you can possess? Where are you looking? Are you tired and having many troubles? Do you look around and only see darkness?" Manny puts his arm around the man, points to the picture, and says that all can find what they need by just taking His hand. The homeless now begin to sing.

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

I now notice a caption at the bottom of the picture. It says, "They shall call his name Emmanuel . . . God with us." Manny tells the man that all he needs to do is to take the hand of Jesus that is reaching out to him. The man begins to weep and shares with Manny how he lost everything. He speaks of how there is so much he could have done, how he wasted so much, and that with all he had, he now sees that he had nothing of eternal value. He looks at Manny who sits with his arm around him, and then with tears streaming down his face, says that he has lived a very sinful life. He falls to his knees, places his head in Manny's lap, and tearfully says that he is sorry for all his sins and that he is worthless.

Manny tells him, "In the eyes of your Savior, you are a valued, treasured jewel, and more valuable than all the mansions and money

on this earth.”² He places his hands over the man’s head and says, “Jesus and the heavenly Father love you. Jesus gave so much of Himself, and would have done so just for you.” He lifts the man’s face up so he can look into his eyes. He asks, “Are you ready to take the hand of your Savior who loves you and gave His life for you? If so, God promises to give you a new mansion in heaven that is even more glorious than anything you owned on this earth. Are you ready to surrender your will to Him?”

The man rises to his feet and turns to the front. As he looks at the picture of Jesus, he puts out his right arm and reaches his hand out as if to take the hand of Jesus in the picture.³ He stands there listening to the homeless people singing, when suddenly he sees them slowly become angels dressed in the most beautiful, white choir robes. He is crying at what he sees, and hears Manny ask, “Where are you looking? He replies, “I am taking the hand of my Savior.” Manny again asks, “Where are you looking?” The man turns to look at Manny who is now no longer an old man. His appearance changes and he stands up. I now understand why others call him Manny. It is short for Emmanuel.⁴ Standing before this broken but healed man is Jesus. For the first time, this healed man now looks into the most wonderful face of His Savior. He sees in His eyes what I have called “the love of the love of the love.” With His right hand, Jesus reaches up and wipes the tears from the man’s face, and gently pulls his head

² Matthew 10:30-32 But the very hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear ye not therefore, ye are of more value than many sparrows. Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven.

³ The Signs of the Times, April 11, 1892
Let us elevate our souls by faith in Christ, for he alone can cleanse us from sin, and purify us from all unrighteousness. Without him we can do nothing. . . . Will we say, "I will place my hand in the hand of Jesus; I have no power, no merit, of my own"?
"Nothing in my hand I bring,
Simply to thy cross I cling."

⁴ Matthew 1:23 Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.

into His chest. Jesus tells him that He has waited for this moment for a long time, and that as long as he will hold His hand, He will be with him and provide for all his needs.⁵

I suddenly feel someone holding my right hand, and I am instantly standing in the corridor. The Herald has been with me the entire time. He calls me by my heavenly name and says, "All you have belongs to the heavenly Father. What He has shown you is a message for everyone. He waits for each person to take the beautiful holy hand of Jesus. The Savior waits with His hand held out for those who decide to take it. He asks each one, 'Where are you looking?' Each should turn their eyes upon Jesus and look fully into His wonderful face. If they do this, all the things of this earth will grow strangely dim, but He will illuminate them by the light of His glory and His grace." Calling me by my heavenly name, the Herald says that each should ask himself, "Where are you looking?"⁶

⁵ Christ's Object Lessons, p. 202

The love of God still yearns over the one who has chosen to separate from Him, and He sets in operation influences to bring him back to the Father's house. The prodigal son in his wretchedness "came to himself." The deceptive power that Satan had exercised over him was broken. He saw that his suffering was the result of his own folly, and he said, "How many hired servants of my father's have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! I will arise and go to my father." Miserable as he was, the prodigal found hope in the conviction of his father's love. It was that love which was drawing him toward home. So it is the assurance of God's love that constrains the sinner to return to God. "The goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance." Romans 2:4. A golden chain, the mercy and compassion of divine love, is passed around every imperiled soul. The Lord declares, "I have loved thee with an everlasting love; therefore with loving-kindness have I drawn thee." Jeremiah 31:3.

⁶ The Acts of the Apostles, p. 467

Looking to Jesus, the Author and Finisher of the faith, who endured the contradiction of sinners against Himself, the believer will willingly brave contempt and derision. And help and grace sufficient for every circumstance are promised by Him whose word is truth. His everlasting arms encircle the soul that turns to Him for aid. In

Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus

O soul, are you weary and troubled?
No light in the darkness you see?
There's a light for a look at the Savior,
And life more abundant and free!

Refrain:

Turn your eyes upon Jesus,
Look full in His wonderful face,
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim,
In the light of His glory and grace.

Through death into life everlasting
He passed, and we follow Him there;
Over us sin no more hath dominion—
For more than conquerors we are!

Refrain

His Word shall not fail you—He promised;
Believe Him, and all will be well:
Then go to a world that is dying,
His perfect salvation to tell!

Refrain *

His care we may rest safely, saying, "What time I am afraid, I will trust in Thee." Psalm 56:3. To all who put their trust in Him, God will fulfill His promise.

* *Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus* lyrics written by Helen H. Lemmel

THE JOURNEY HOME

May 12, 2011

By Ernie Knoll

[Please be aware that part of this dream may not be appropriate for young children.]

In my dream, I have just picked up my mail for the day. As I sort through it, I notice *Adventist World*, an international magazine published monthly by the General Conference of Seventh-day Adventists. Then I begin to think about the *Adventist Review*, also published by the General Conference. I wonder why its name was changed from *The Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*.

On the front cover of the *Adventist World* I just received, I notice a photo of Ellen White when she was younger. In large white letters, the title reads, "Ellen White & Her Personal Pen of Her Personal Inspiration." Becky notices what I am reading and says, "I wonder why the original periodical name was changed to the *Adventist Review*." I hand her the *Adventist World* and reply, "I was wondering the same thing. Look at the cover."

Shortly after Becky begins reading, I hear her exclaim, "What?! What?! You have got to be joking!" I ask what she is reading, and she replies, "This is coming from the official magazine of the Seventh-day Adventist Church?!" She continues reading to herself and exclaims, "You have got to be joking!" I ask her again what she is reading and to please share it.

Becky starts over and reads aloud of how the *Adventist Review* staff as well as "brethren" from the General Conference and the White Estate formed a committee to evaluate all the writings of Ellen White. The article states how a great discussion with much prayer was held to review her writings. It explains how each individual fasted and prayed for God's guidance and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. It mentions that much research was done, and that they scrutinized every one of Ellen White's manuscripts. Guidelines were set up to decide how much of what she wrote agreed with the Bible. The only Bibles used in studying were the New International Version, the Revised Standard Version, and The Message. The committee

decided to determine what was truly inspired and what would be considered writings for her time or of her personal beliefs.

As I listen, I quickly realize that this entire magazine had been prepared by scholars, because the verbiage is beyond the comprehension of average Seventh-day Adventist (SDA) Church members worldwide. I understand that church pastors will have to simplify it for their members to understand it. They will also state, “In a multitude of counselors there is safety.” So the majority of members will agree with what their pastors tell them—“like the blind leading the blind.”¹

The article references the opinions of the scholars with doctoral and other degrees who have studied and come to a united decision. The committee’s motto was that “every jot and tittle, every precept, and every line must agree.” As these greatly educated “brethren” proceeded on in complete unity, they believed they had proven that almost all the writings of Ellen White are not what they had perceived them to be and are not inspired by the Holy Spirit. First the committee had reviewed all her visions. Through historical accounts of witnesses, they decided what was from God and what was not. They tried to prove through their verbiage that most of her visions were from Satan.

Using the same method of research, the scholars then evaluated all of Ellen White’s dreams. They used their own criterion in an effort to prove that her diet and health were a factor, and therefore most of her dreams were common and not from God. The committee was united in acknowledging that most of the visions and dreams were not inspired by the Holy Spirit and that much of her writings were from her own thoughts and beliefs.

The Spirit of Prophecy books were greatly discussed. The article revealed which books were thought to be inspired and which ones were not. It also implied that the book, *The Great Controversy*, is

¹ The Review and Herald, August 8, 1878

Few in the ministry have a proper appreciation of their weighty responsibilities. They go on indifferently with their sacred work, and it is like the blind leading the blind. Ministers of Christ, will you awake to your obligations to God, and to your fellow-men?

simply a common history book that speaks strongly against other great religious orders that at one time had problems but no longer do. It went on to suggest that when Ellen White wrote the book, much controversy existed in the Protestant world against the Catholic organization. It also stated that her own disdain was documented in such a way that it merely expressed her personal beliefs. Regarding a part of her first vision about the Second Coming, the committee implied that she "claimed" to have had it. The article showed how the committee greatly discounted the validity of this book and believed it was certainly not inspired. All on the committee were in complete agreement with the final conclusion that over 99 percent of what Ellen White wrote was either from Satan or her personal opinions.

Becky and I now hear a clear voice that states:

The prevalence of sin is alarming; the world is being filled with violence as in the days of Noah. Would the world be in its present condition if those who claim to be the people of God had revered and obeyed the law of the Lord? It is the rejection of the truth, man's dispensing with the commandments of God, that has produced the condition of things which now exists. God's Word is made of none effect by false shepherds. The decided opposition of the shepherds of the flock to the law of the Lord reveals that they have rejected the Word of the Lord, and have put their own words in its place. In their interpretation of the Scriptures they teach for doctrines the commandments of men. In their apostasy from the truth they have encouraged wickedness, saying, "We are wise, and the law of the Lord is with us." . . . The condition of our world today is just as the prophet has represented that it would be near the close of this earth's history. {*S.D.A. Bible Commentary, Vol. 4, p. 1155*}²

² Jeremiah 3:2-3, 6, 12-14 ...thou hast polluted the land with thy whoredoms and with thy wickedness. [3] Therefore the showers have been withholden, and there hath been no latter rain; and thou hadst a whore's forehead, thou refusedst to be ashamed. [6] ...Hast thou seen that which backsliding Israel hath done? she is gone up upon every high mountain and under every green tree, and there

Becky and I look at each other and realize that what this official SDA magazine has done will not be comprehended by most SDA Church members. Most will not question, because after all, they have been taught that there is great safety in a multitude of counselors who are educated individuals with degrees. I am shown that very few are well grounded or hear that still small voice of the Holy Spirit.

Regarding the *Adventist World* article, I am instantly taken to a very large cemetery. The area is flat, and I see many gravestones with engraved dates from the 1800s to the 1930s. As I survey the cemetery, the gravestones now shake and fall to the ground, while the dirt crumbles around the gravesites. Yet where I stand, the ground does not move. Suddenly the caskets come to the surface, turn upside-down, and then sink back down into the graves. I now hear my heavenly name being called. I turn to see the Herald standing behind me. He explains that many will be amused by this message, but some will understand the seriousness of it. Many are called, but few are chosen. I have been shown many times about the small remnant. I was shown how only one bird flew out of the valley, and of how only one horse completed the race. Many will read the messages, but only a remnant will hear the still small voice of the Holy Spirit.

The Herald explains that the heavenly Father inspired the pioneers to call His church magazine *The Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald*. This name was important because of what it describes. Notice the word “Review” implies to look over again or to study again. The word “Herald” is not a name, but rather means to proclaim important messages. *The Second Advent Review and Sabbath Herald* was named this because it was to describe a review of the Father’s

hath played the harlot. [12] ...Return, thou backsliding Israel, saith the LORD; and I will not cause mine anger to fall upon you: for I am merciful, saith the LORD, and I will not keep anger for ever. [13] Only acknowledge thine iniquity, that thou hast transgressed against the LORD thy God, and hast scattered thy ways to the strangers under every green tree, and ye have not obeyed my voice, saith the LORD. [14] Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; for I am married unto you: and I will take you one of a city, and two of a family, and I will bring you to Zion.

messages. Instead, it is now called the *Adventist Review*. Some just call it “The Review”—a review of what Adventist leaders have decided people should believe. This periodical is now comprised of mostly the authors’ personal beliefs. Jesus has asked, “Will I find faith?”

The Herald says, “I am to show you something else.” I find myself standing in a large meeting. An important leader is speaking. I know who he is. This man is well-groomed and balding. When he talks, His words seem to flow smoothly, making everyone feel comfortable. Their concerns seem to disappear. He speaks of how there is a great need for revival, repentance, reformation, and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. He repeatedly talks about this need. I wait for this man to tell us *how* we are to repent. All he does is to tell us that there is a *need* to repent. This makes me think that it would be the same as telling someone they are overweight, but never showing them how to lose weight. The leader finishes his talk and exits the platform for a while. Immediately someone else takes his place and continues with the same empty message.

The Herald says, “Come and serve as an observer.” We follow this leader into a hotel elevator. After it reaches a higher floor, we exit into the hallway and follow the man as he goes to the door of one of the rooms. He looks left and then right, as if to make sure no one he knows has seen him. The Herald and I stand unnoticed. The man opens the door, steps into the room, and quickly shuts the door behind him. The Herald and I have followed him in. I now see five young women walk over and become intimate with the man. They guide him to the bed where they all get under the sheet. I look to the Herald and tell him I do not care to see what I am being shown.³ The Herald points to a wall and I see the following words:

³ Ezekiel 8:3, 6-10, 12-18 And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy. [6] He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? even the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations. [7] And

While in Europe the things that transpired in ----- were opened before me. A voice said, "Follow me, and I will show you the sins that are practiced by those who stand in responsible positions." I went through the rooms, and I saw you, a watchman upon the walls of Zion, were very intimate with another man's wife, betraying sacred trusts, crucifying your Lord afresh. Did you consider that there was a Watcher, the Holy One, who was witnessing your evil work, seeing your actions and hearing your words, and these are also registered in the books of heaven? She was sitting on your lap; you were

he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall. [8] Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door. [9] And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here. [10] So I went in and saw; and behold every form of creeping things, and abominable beasts, and all the idols of the house of Israel, portrayed upon the wall round about. [12] Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, The LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth. [13] He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do. [14] Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz. [15] Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these. [16] And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD'S house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about five and twenty men, with their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east. [17] Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, they put the branch to their nose. [18] Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them.

kissing her, and she was kissing you. Other scenes of fondness, sensual looks and deportment, were presented before me, which sent a thrill of horror through my soul. Your arm encircled her waist, and the fondness expressed was having a bewitching influence. Then a curtain was lifted, and I was shown you in bed with ----. My Guide said, "Iniquity, adultery."--Letter 16, 1888. *Selected Messages, Vol. 3, p. 44.*

The Herald turns to me and says, "You serve as a messenger. You are to deliver the message you have been given." I look back and see the man leave the bed and go into the shower. We follow him in and while he is showering, I see a very bright angel enter the room. In his hands is a clear glass tube that holds what resembles a steam-like substance. I watch as this bright angel removes the top and pours the contents over the man, and the substance drifts over him like a misty vapor. The man now steps out of the shower and begins to dry himself off. Immediately, I notice small, red sores that are white in the middle and are all over his body, except his face and hands. The sores quickly grow larger, and the middle of each now gives off a horrid odor. The man tries to cover them all with bandages and pours cologne over himself to mask the odor. The Herald explains that God protects those who follow Him. Choose this day whom to follow. Those who follow Satan will reap the reward of death. Those who follow God will reap the reward of eternal life.

I am now standing well above the surface of the earth and have a view of the heavens, beyond where space shuttles and satellites orbit. The Herald says to observe the Orion nebula. I see that in the middle, with all its beauty, it begins to form 12 outward-moving concentric circles. These circles appear to be made of very thin chrome-colored crystal rings, and each ring is a little larger than the ring inside of it. I now observe numbers coming out from the smallest, innermost ring. The number 12 comes out and becomes affixed to the top of the smallest ring. This is followed by another 12, which becomes affixed to the next ring, and so on until all the rings have the number 12 on them. Each number is a little larger than the previous. The number 6 comes out next like the number 12. Then I see the numbers 3 and 9, 1 and 2, 7 and 8, 4 and 5, and then finally 10 and 11 all become affixed to their particular rings. I know I am seeing a clock with a total of 12 rings. I now see hour and minute hands moving. They are almost opaque in color, and I can see through

them. The hour hand moves slowly around the face of the clock. Within what seems like a few seconds, the hour hand begins to move faster and faster. It now takes less than a second to make one rotation around the face of the clock. The minute hand moves much too fast to see. The clock shape goes inward as if looking down toward the end of a funnel. Although there are 12 rings and 12 sets of numbers, this is one clock with one set of hands, and the Orion nebula is the background.

I now hear that same melodious voice of the heavenly Father that I have heard before, which sounds like a thunderous waterfall, a mountain stream, and a small trickle of water--all at the same time. He says, "Some have persisted in studying a mathematical correlation of the alignment of celestial objects, along with other objects, to predict the occurrence of future events. I have made it clear through My messages sent by My messengers that this is not to be done."

Next I see what resembles a ball-peen hammer, but the ball part is very large. It now looks as though an invisible hand uses it to hit the face of the clock, and all the concentric circles and numbers shatter and fall from my view. All that is left is the most beautiful, glowing view of the Orion nebula.

I again hear God's voice rumble throughout the universe. He explains that no one knows the day or the hour of Christ's Second Coming, as already stated in the Bible. No one knows that moment until the heavenly Father tells His Son and the 144,000 who must stand without Christ as a mediator—these who are they—who will hear God's voice proclaim the day and the hour of Christ's return. Those who do not hear God's voice will only hear thunder.⁴ God has also

⁴ Early Writings, p. 14

Soon we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave us the day and hour of Jesus' coming. The living saints, 144,000 in number, knew and understood the voice, while the wicked thought it was thunder and an earthquake. When God spoke the time, He poured upon us the Holy Ghost, and our faces began to light up and shine with the glory of God, as Moses' did when he came down from Mount Sinai.

shown through Ellen White that there is no more defined time prophecy after 1844.⁵ Those who build a clock place themselves equal to God. This is the same course that Satan has followed.

⁵ Matthew 25:13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

Last Day Events, pp. 32-33

Many who have called themselves Adventists have been time-setters. Time after time has been set for Christ to come, but repeated failures have been the result. The definite time of our Lord's coming is declared to be beyond the ken of mortals. Even the angels, who minister unto those who shall be heirs of salvation, know not the day nor the hour. "But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but My Father only." [Matthew 24:36]

We are not to know the definite time either for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit or for the coming of Christ. . . . Why has not God given us this knowledge?--Because we would not make a right use of it if He did. A condition of things would result from this knowledge among our people that would greatly retard the work of God in preparing a people to stand in the great day that is to come. We are not to live upon time excitement. . . .

You will not be able to say that He will come in one, two, or five years, neither are you to put off His coming by stating that it may not be for ten or twenty years.

We are nearing the great day of God. The signs are fulfilling. And yet we have no message to tell us of the day and hour of Christ's appearing. The Lord has wisely concealed this from us that we may always be in a state of expectancy and preparation for the second appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ in the clouds of heaven.

The exact time of the second coming of the Son of man is God's mystery.

Revelation 10:6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth,

The Herald says, "I am now to continue showing you something from before." I know that this is still a dream, and I stand as an observer in order to share with others. I am on the earth, which is broken and diseased with sin. I now see Jesus again in the sky at His Second Coming. He has just finished blowing His trumpet. I look around and see the ground break apart. It is no longer able to keep the saints locked in their graves. The righteous from the beginning of the earth have heard the voice of Jesus. Their bodies are made new and perfect, without any sign of sin.

As I look into the eyes of Jesus again, I immediately have an overwhelming sensation of receiving a whole new body. It is difficult to explain. As I rise into the air to meet Jesus, I do not want to look back. I only care to look into the eyes of my Savior--those eyes that have the love of the love of the love. As we ascend toward the cloud where Jesus is, we are very eager to meet Him.

I now stand on what I can only describe as a flat, bright cloud of enormous size. The feel beneath my bare feet is that of a very soft substance. After what seems like only a moment, I notice that Jesus is holding my right hand. He says my heavenly name and begins to explain things to me as we walk along. It seems that at times He and I are the only two on this cloud. At other times, I see a countless number of people.

Jesus and I begin walking toward the middle of the cloud, which is in the far distance. I am made to know that God's presence is there. I am only able to see His immense brightness but not His form, because my eyes are shielded. I have a desire to go to Him, but I understand that I am not ready yet. Jesus tells me that this is still a dream and that He is to show me things so His people will understand.

and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer.

As Jesus and I continue on, He places His left arm on my left shoulder. I place my right arm around His right side, and I feel His scar from where the spear pierced His side.⁶

Jesus explains that I am to notice four distinct groups and how they will gather around their heavenly Father. The first group is composed of those who once served as Satan's lieutenants. Yet through the working of the Comforter, they abandoned Satan and served God, bringing many to Him.

[1] Nearest the throne are those who were once zealous in the cause of Satan, but who, plucked as brands from the burning, have followed their Saviour with deep, intense devotion. *The Great Controversy* (1888), p. 665.

The second group stands in a perfect square, side by side in 12 rows with each row consisting of 12,000.⁷ These rows total exactly 144,000 in number—these who are they. Just before Christ returns, this group will stand in unity. They will show by their example that God's laws can be kept. They will be without sin when they no longer have Christ as their Mediator.

[2] Next are those who perfected Christian characters in the midst of falsehood and infidelity, those who honored the law of God when the Christian world declared it void.... Ibid.

⁶ John 19:34 But one of the soldiers with a spear pierced his side, and forthwith came there out blood and water.

Spiritual Gifts, Vol. 1, pp. 102-103

While Jesus hung upon the cross, as the soldier pierced his side with a spear, there came out blood and water, in two distinct streams, one of blood, the other of clear water. The blood was to wash away the sins of those who should believe in his name. The water represents that living water which is obtained from Jesus to give life to the believer.

⁷ Early Writings, p. 16.

Here on the sea of glass the 144,000 stood in a perfect square.

Those in the third group wear robes with a red border around the bottom hem, which remains there forever.⁸ They were willing to be martyred as a witness of their faith and to vindicate God's name.

[3] ...and the millions, of all ages, who were martyred for their faith. Ibid.

The fourth and final group is the great multitude. From where I stand, this group appears to have no end. It is made up of an extremely great number of people.

[4] And beyond is the "great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, . . . before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands." [Revelation 7:9.] Ibid.

As Jesus and I walk along, I become aware that an angel has been following us. Jesus turns and instructs him to continue walking with me. The angel, who calls me by my heavenly name, says that we will continue on. As we walk, I understand that besides the four groups of people, there is a vast array of all the angels who serve the heavenly Father. When Jesus came to receive His people, all heaven was emptied of the angels. The entire universe observed this event. At this point, I realize more of the magnitude of the Father's power, which is impossible to comprehend. He is indeed omnipresent. He is with us for this grand event; yet He is also in heaven and throughout the entire universe at the same time.

As the angel and I continue walking, I see many of great stature answering people's questions. They are some of those mentioned in the Bible. We now approach the leading edge of the cloud, and the

⁸ Ibid., pp. 18-19

As we were traveling along, we met a company who also were gazing at the glories of the place. I noticed red as a border on their garments; their crowns were brilliant; their robes were pure white. As we greeted them, I asked Jesus who they were. He said they were martyrs that had been slain for Him. With them was an innumerable company of little ones; they also had a hem of red on their garments.

angel continues to give explanations to me. I know that we will be traveling for seven days to the great Holy City.⁹

Suddenly angels who excel in speed are given the power of extra speed to herald the coming of the redeemed. They pick up a trumpet and fly ahead of the cloud. Those on the cloud stand in awe as these angels fly at a speed given through God's power. I think about the words "awe" and "awesome" and how these should only be used when speaking about God. As we proceed through the universe, even the angels are in awe at the speed we travel. Never before has anyone gone this speed.

The angel says to look behind me. I turn and see Jesus sitting far up high on another cloud. On His head is a crown made up of many smaller crowns that are attached to each other. In His left hand, He holds a long trumpet that resembles clear silver, reflecting its purity. With His right hand, Jesus points toward where we are going.

I turn to look forward, and the angel tells me that I am being shown something so that I can understand. It is a symbolic example of one of the many things that our Father has planned for those throughout the universe. As we travel, I see what I can only explain as God's omnipotence. He can do anything with just a word. He now places what looks like all the galaxies throughout the universe in a straight line. His brightness illuminates the universe and we admire how colorful it is. It is as if God has decorated the universe for this grand coronation of the redeemed. There appears to be a row of galaxies on the left and right side of the cloud we are on. It also looks like planets have been extracted from these galaxies and placed next to the galaxies. I now see that God has invited the created beings from these planets to stand next to their planets to observe the coronation.

The angel shares with me how as we traverse the universe, it is also a slow procession so that each created being can witness the results of Christ's love for His redeemed. I am told that there is no end to the

⁹ Ibid., p. 16

We all entered the cloud together, and were seven days ascending to the sea of glass....

galaxies in the universe and that the universe goes on forever without end, just as there is no end to Him who is the Great I AM.

As the cloud we are on begins to approach our destination, it is the focal point of all those in the universe. Ahead of us is what I can only describe as a very large glass sea of pure transparent gold. We arrive, and as I step onto it, I notice it is very soft to walk on.

I now hear the Herald say my heavenly name. He states that I will see more of this later. We are in a corridor that I have been in before. He explains that he is going to show me something over again that I was shown on May 12, 2005. I now know that I was shown my first dream, "At the Table," six years ago on that date. The Herald reveals that I was shown important information in that dream and that I will now be shown things that were not understood before.

In my dream, I find myself reclining on my side at a very, very long table. I look across the table and see my mother who is also reclining. My little brother, who died when two years old, is sitting on her lap. He has been placed back in the arms of my faithful mother. I instantly recall her studying the Voice of Prophecy Bible lessons that led her to join the SDA Church.¹⁰ My brothers and I became Seventh-day

¹⁰ On Christmas morning of 1958 in Fairmont, West Virginia, my two-year brother, Stephen, did not come out of his bedroom as usual. He was not beside his five older brothers to admire the gifts under the Christmas tree. When my mother, Hazel, picked up Stephen, he did not move or open his eyes. He had been sick, but it did not seem to be anything serious. He was rushed to the hospital, and my mother was told that he had passed away.

My mother's faith was not shaken, and she did not become bitter. She had been studying some Voice of Prophecy (VOP) Bible lessons and now began to study them for hours at a time. She especially needed an answer to where Stephen was now. So she wrote the following to the VOP: "Please tell me, did his spirit go to God, or will he sleep until resurrection day? I need so to know. I am trying to live the kind of life so I can be with my baby again someday."

Adventists because of her faithful instruction. This is why she now sits at this table. To her right, I see a few of my brothers. To her left is my father. To his left are several of my uncles. We talk and laugh.

As I sit there, I feel unworthy to wear my crown and robe. I remove my robe and lay it next to me. I take off my crown and hand it to my mother. I tell her that I want her to have it, because if it were not for

The VOP instructor wrote back the Bible truth that at death a person returns to the earth and the spirit, which is the breath of life, returns to God. My mother was comforted to learn that her little son was sleeping in his grave to be awakened at Christ's Second Coming. She continued to study and was soon visiting the young Fairmont SDA Church with her family. Before long she and my older brothers were baptized, and the rest of us were baptized when we got older. We were baptized into a faith that provided answers during a difficult time.

My mother had seven children—all boys. Stephen was her sixth child. Charles was her third, who died a few years later of jaundice. Her eldest son became a pastor and serves now in legal counsel. Her next son served as a non-combatant soldier in Vietnam and has held different positions in the Fairmont SDA Church. Her fourth son has also held positions at the same church, operates a radio ministry and a health food store, and gives Bible studies. Her last son operates an automobile business and has held positions at the same church. Growing up, we were always very active with ingathering. I was the fifth son. I have served in the computer field for many years and have been a deacon, Sabbath School teacher and superintendent, an elder and a lay pastor. I currently serve as the director and speaker of the For My People Ministry as God's messenger for His end-time church. Hazel found the church that was guided by His messenger, Ellen White, but sadly now this same church is corrupt and in apostasy, denouncing the messages the Lord is graciously sending to me for His people.

My mother's studies have now impacted four generations of families.

her prayers, I would not be there.¹¹ She looks at my crown and tells me that she has a crown of her own. Taking it off, she points to some of the stars and says that these represent her sons. She points to one star and tells me, "This star represents you. It represents my prayers while I was with you and the petitions that God would be with you when I could not." She states that she is most pleased with her crown, that no one else will wear it, and that she will not wear anyone else's crown. After placing her crown back on her head and picking up my crown, she shows that my crown is different from hers, just as each crown is different from all other crowns. She explains that my crown defines my walk with Jesus and that I am to wear it because He gave it to me. As she hands it back to me, I notice its appearance for the first time. It is made so that many crowns fit inside the crown. Many jewels cover the crown, and light shining through illuminates the jewels and emits a very bright light. I place my crown back on my head, but I still feel unworthy to wear it.

As I look to the left and right of the table, I see people of different sizes. Some are very tall. I notice that because I am reclining, I cannot see the end of the table in either direction. Looking down at the table in front of me, I see my heavenly name. It is not made of letters but of perfect, bright gold symbols that look engraved and are raised a little above the surface of the table. As I look at my new name, I realize it describes my character, and I repeat to myself, "That describes me; that describes me."

I now hear the most beautiful sound coming from up in the air to my left. I see what I can only describe as long, iridescent birds flying through the air. I do not notice any wings. They sing a most beautiful song in four notes at the same time. It seems that I have only been sitting at the table for a very short time; yet I do not know how long it has been. Before us is a wide selection of fruits, nuts, leaves, and

¹¹ Child Guidance, p. 564

When the judgment shall sit, and the books shall be opened; when the "well done" of the great Judge is pronounced, and the crown of immortal glory is placed upon the brow of the victor, many will raise their crowns in sight of the assembled universe and, pointing to their mother, say, "She made me all I am through the grace of God. Her instruction, her prayers, have been blessed to my eternal salvation."

flowers. I understand that even the leaves and flowers are provided as food.

I now notice the angel who has been standing behind me and to the right. He is the same angel who walked and talked with me on the cloud. He wears a white robe, and his appearance is very noble. He has a kind, gentle smile. I tell him that I now understand he is my guardian angel. I tell him how sorry I am for all that I put him through on earth and that he had to watch me sin. I try to recall my sins, but I cannot.¹² In a gentle voice, he says that I do not need to worry or mention anything about it, because all that is in the past. He explains that when you are forgiven, God forgets your sins.

My guardian angel places his left hand on my right shoulder, and with his right hand, he motions to the right. He says that Jesus, the Great Host, would have done all that was needed to have me at the table to serve me. I look to the far right and see Jesus filling the goblets on the table. I notice a goblet on the table in front of me and pick it up. It is crafted of pure gold and diamond and emits a bright light. Throughout each person's goblet are colored jewels that match the

¹² The Great Controversy, p. 620

In the time of trouble, if the people of God had unconfessed sins to appear before them while tortured with fear and anguish, they would be overwhelmed; despair would cut off their faith, and they could not have confidence to plead with God for deliverance. But while they have a deep sense of their unworthiness, they have no concealed wrongs to reveal. Their sins have gone beforehand to judgment and have been blotted out, and they cannot bring them to remembrance.

The Signs of the Times, November 27, 1879

Those who have delayed a preparation for the day of God, cannot obtain it in the time of trouble, or at any future period. The righteous will not cease their earnest, agonizing cries for deliverance. They cannot bring to mind any particular sins; but in their whole life they can see little good. Their sins have gone before hand to judgment, and pardon has been written. Their sins have been borne away into the land of forgetfulness, and they can not bring them to remembrance.

colored jewels on their crown. Across the middle of the goblet and inlaid in pure diamond with yellowish gold is my new name. Each person's goblet will have their own new name. I put my goblet back in its place, and instantly all the goblets are full. I reach for mine again, and as I bring it close to my face, I can smell the rich aroma of pure grape juice. However, before I can drink it, a hand stops me. The Herald tells me that if I remain faithful, I will taste that sweet juice when Jesus once again partakes of it.¹³

The Herald and I are instantly in another corridor again. I tell him that I have been noticing something I do not understand. I was shown that when Jesus was born as one of us, He was no longer omnipresent, omnipotent, and omniscient. Yet in this dream, I have seen Him with everyone, including myself, at the same time. At the table, He filled one goblet at a time, but yet He filled all the goblets at the same time. I also wonder how it will be possible for Jesus to have the time to place a crown on each person. If for example He spends 15 minutes with each of the 144,000 when He gives them their crowns, it would take over 4 years. I cannot imagine Jesus not wanting to spend time talking with each individual. Even not knowing the count of the remaining three groups of the saved, it could possibly take more than the millennium in heaven before each individual receives a crown. Then there is still the pouring of the juice at the table. Therefore, I ask the Herald if Jesus already has His powers returned to Him when He reclaims the saints. I ask if He will once again walk at the same time with all His creations throughout the universe on Sabbath, as He did before He came to this earth.

The Herald replies that Jesus asks, "Will I find faith when I return?" We should understand that all is left in the hands of the Father. We are not to speculate or question what He does or when He does it, because He knows what is best. If God chooses, He can move galaxies from their orbit. He can remove planets from their galaxies. He can give a gift of extra speed to angels who already excel in speed. If He wishes, He can return all the powers to Jesus.

¹³ Matthew 26:29 But I say unto you, I will not drink henceforth of this fruit of the vine, until that day when I drink it new with you in my Father's kingdom.

The Herald says that he is now to take me back to where I am able to continue observing. I am to notice as much as I can and faithfully document what I see. My guardian angel is with me again to explain what I see.

Those who first step onto the sea of glass are those who were Satan's lieutenants but decided to desert him and serve God. Jesus now places on the head of each a most noble crown. Next He places a very special coronation robe around their shoulders and over their robe of light. One at a time, Jesus holds their hands and they talk together. Sometimes He wipes their tears away. He ends with a hug, and then the next one steps forward. I watch what I can only describe as one at a time each receives a crown and robe; yet I see them all receive these special gifts at the same time.

Next I see these who are they who are counted as 144,000. Each person in this group receives a hug from Jesus, one at a time yet all at the same time. Then He places a crown on each person's head. The jewels on the crown shine brightly. Some crowns have many crowns with many jewels that shine very brightly. Each individual also receives a special coronation robe.

Each person in the third group wears a robe of light with a red border on the hem close to their feet. These who were martyred each now receive a crown individually yet at the same time.

The last group is the great multitude. Each person receives a crown individually yet at the same time. Some crowns are greatly decorated with jewels, while others have no jewels. Yet each is satisfied with what they have received. No one covets someone else's crown.

Jesus now walks over to a very large gate in a wall of the heavenly city. It is as if the gate has been prepared to accommodate a large group of people. This gate resembles huge double doors that are opaque and off-white in color.¹⁴ Each door has a large and round, opaque handle that is the same off-white color. Jesus takes hold of

¹⁴ Revelation 21:21 And the twelve gates were twelve pearls: every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

the left and right handles and pushes inward on both doors. One door now rests against the inside of the wall on the left, and the other door rests against the inside of the wall on the right.

Jesus turns to speak to all the redeemed before Him. In a loud and very clear voice, all hear Him proclaim that it is through His blood that He saved each one there. It is now their new home. They each have a right to be there to learn, to enjoy, and to rest. Each has been found deserving.¹⁵ Jesus smiles and all now see in His eyes that love of the love of the love. No matter where an individual stands, the voice of Jesus is clearly heard as He proclaims, "Welcome Home!"

¹⁵ Matthew 18:3 Verily I say unto you, Except ye be converted, and become as little children, ye shall not enter into the kingdom of heaven.

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