HOUSES OF IVORY

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In my dream, I am standing on a mountain somewhere, close to a stream. There are large boulders everywhere. As I look down toward the stream, it is obvious that the water is raging with great force. The stream has collected and moved debris and many large trees. Stuck in the boulders below is what is left of large sections of trees. The force of a storm caused great destruction. When I lean over to get a better look at the raging stream, I am startled for a moment to see an angel there, keeping me from falling in.

I hear my heavenly name called not once but three times. It is Perceivous, who I now see descending slowly and gently. She smiles and says, "Just because you do not see us does not mean we are not constantly watching over you, keeping you safe."

I hear my heavenly name called again. I look up and see the Guide angel descending. He says, "We have been sent to give you a message."

I hear my heavenly name called again and then a trumpet blowing. It is the Announcing angel. He says, "There is also something that is to be understood as in this time. Time is to be understood in a construct that is not usually understood." He smiles and adds, "Great help will be provided as you prepare this message."

The Announcing angel begins to explain the following. "Time as you understand it has no beginning, but extends infinitely into the past. And yet time extends infinitely into the future and has no ending. No one but our Creator knows and understands the events of our future, and the changes in one's decisions will affect the outcome of the future. Because our Creator is the Creator, all that happens is as He designed. With our Creator there is no beginning and no end; He is and always will be."

I hear my heavenly name called again. I look up and see the Herald descending with an entourage of angels. I realize that I am to receive a very important message. I also realize that I am asleep and having a dream.

The Herald extends his hand and asks if I will come to a quieter place where the roaring of the water will not be heard. Instantly, we are all standing on a beautiful, white beach. He extends his hand and, as before, crystal benches made of water come up out of the sand. I stop to admire the benches and see that they are not just plain, ordinary benches constructed of water. Instead, I see that they are ornately decorated with intricate designs throughout. When I sit down, I notice that the bench is not hot or cold and extremely soft and comfortable to sit on.

I look at the Herald and ask if he and all angels are given the ability to make such beautiful creations out of water. He smiles and says with patience, "What we do is truly not important. As all of us who serve our Lord and Creator have said, Who we are is not important. The only One who is, and whose name is the only one that needs to be mentioned, is Jesus." As he says "Jesus" every angel there repeats His name, except as if singing it. The sound of even one word sung by that vast assembly of angels is very difficult to explain. I think of that glorious day when we will listen to all the angels sing their song at the beginning of that first Sabbath as we travel. Our imaginations cannot even begin to ponder the beauty of the gifts they have in singing.

The Herald says, "We are angels; we serve. We ask, and if He allows it, we raise our hand. But it is He, the Creator who creates. We who are angels simply serve. But you who stand and walk, you who are made in His image still do not know who you are. We also look forward to the day when we who are angels are given the privilege, and even the opportunity, to serve you—you who are the brothers of Jesus, the very sons and daughters of God, our Creator."

He smiles and says, "We look forward to that Sabbath when you will lift your voices and sing, each with your own song of Moses. Great will be the day when Jesus sits upon His throne and looks out over His treasure—the redeemed. As tears of happiness stream down His face, the Father will reach over to His son and wipe the tears from His face. We all wait for the Father to state that in His Son He is well pleased."

The Herald looks down and all becomes quiet. All that is heard is the gentle sound of the waves coming in at the ocean's edge. The Herald looks up, smiles gently, and begins speaking in a soft voice. He says, "We who serve have observed several occasions when our Creator cried—not just cried but sobbed.

"We observed when He destroyed the earth with a flood. We watched as He commanded the waters to flood the earth, killing every living creature that walked, crawled, flew, or grew. We watched as He sobbed with great sorrow when He destroyed almost every living being He had created in His image.

"We were there the day that Jesus left His throne and was no longer seated next to the Father, but was placed in Mary to be born as an infant. The day that Jesus was born, the Father cried great tears of rejoicing.

"The day that Jesus was tortured and then crucified on the cross, the Father wailed with great remorse, sobbing and crying with His head in His hands. His sorrow was so great, He could not look upon the scene.

"On that Sabbath after the death of His Son, all heaven was quiet and still. It was a Sabbath of tremendously great mourning. The Father along with the angels lamented with tears.

"The next morning, as the Father observed His Son step out of that tomb of death, He cried such tears of happiness as had never been observed. The Father stood up from His throne and walked down the steps to watch His Son conquer death and walk and live once again. There was crying unlike any ever seen. The happiness that all witnessed has not been seen since.

"But now we have all come here so time can be understood. You have heard the word time many times: All is in His time. What is the time on your watch? God will provide, but in His time. Why has God not answered my prayers at this time?

"Many have asked, Where are the fireballs? Where is the destruction that has been spoken about so many times? And many ask about the strange weather that is occurring right now, while this message is being prepared. Why is there so much rain in the lower elevations? Why is there so much snow in the higher elevations?

"At the beginning of this dream you observed great destruction of smashed trees among the great boulders in the powerful stream. That was high in the mountains, but it is nothing compared to the destruction in the lower areas. It has been said that the rain that falls is God's tears. If it were so, it would be especially true at this time."

The Herald looks down and is quiet. He looks back up, but does not smile. He has a very serious look on his face. He begins telling me that our Father sits upon His throne with His head in His hands. As He weeps, as He cries, as He sobs, He can be heard saying how sorry He is. Over and over He keeps saying how sorry He is, and He continues to cry. He wipes the tears of all, but no one wipes the Creator's tears.

The Herald looks down again. He lifts his head back up and I see tears stream down his face. He looks over at Perceivous, who walks over and places her gentle hand on his shoulder. It was an act I had never seen before, an angel comforting another angel. The Herald turns and steps back.

Perceivous walks over and stands before me. She places her hands on my shoulders and says, "It was not long ago that I stood by your side in the early morning hours as you were beginning to wake up. I bent over and spoke softly in your ear. It was the morning of June 22, 2007 when I said to you, 'AS JUNE IS A SHORT MONTH, SO IS TIME. PREPARE FOR THE WRATH OF GOD.' Many have wondered about this message. That month had five Sabbaths. Almost all June months have four Sabbaths.

"First and foremost: There is and will not be any mention of time setting after 1844, as God is the only One who knows events and when they happen in what is called time. {1} But we who serve, who watch in a time how time threads straightly, know that God has sent many warnings. Many times He has said to prepare. He has sent many messages to always watch and be ready. We who serve now watch as He sits and sobs, apologizing for what He does now.

"We who observe the signs, who defend the truth, who guard and yet serve, observe and wonder ourselves. Will this June be the June in which June will be a short month? Is this the June when He will call upon destruction? Is this the time when He calls out for His wrath? Is He sobbing and crying because it is in His time that He calls for great death and destruction to be poured out over the land? Is this the time when fireballs are called down to destroy? Will the moments that unfold change everyone's plans and schedules in June? Will the things that occur cut that month short? Will great masses of His creations be destroyed? Is this why He now sobs and cries? Is this why He sits on His throne weeping, saying how sorry He is because He now decides to destroy so many who transgress His laws? He has not sobbed like this since the time of Noah!

"But be sure, we who serve simply wait, because all is in His time. His time is always His time. He may, and He has the right to stave off the command to destroy yet again. It should be understood why it is difficult for Him, even though nothing is impossible for Him. But it needs to be understood that no matter the time, He is and always will be the true source of all love. If He destroys, it is because of His great love and the constraint of time, which is all His."

Now the Guide angel steps forward and says: "As a guide, I often guide you to places and tell you things that will be. I also guide you to places that already are. But now I will show you something from the past. Those who are picking up a banner to wage war with you as a messenger are easily deceived. They need to be shown those who were guided by Satan in the past.

There are individuals who have had truth shown to them. They have had evidence placed right before them. Yet, they do not like the message that was personally given to them. Sometimes truth is difficult to accept. Some think themselves better than He who commands what is to be.

"In the 'houses of ivory' are those who place themselves on a pedestal above God, above our Creator. They do not accept Jesus and ask to have their sins shown, so they can repent. Instead, they point to you, the messenger, and claim that you are guilty of errors. They detail fabricated accusations. {2} They state that the messages are not from God the Father. The one who leads these in the 'houses of ivory' is Lucifer, the fallen one.

"In the 'houses of ivory' are those who hand over their souls and commit the unpardonable sin. {3} They will stand with those who unite with Satan. In the 'houses of ivory' are those who hold out a hand begging for money, while behind closed doors are living a life of depravity in the sin of sexual perversion. {4} In the 'houses of ivory' is the cow that delivers calf after calf, over and over, again and again, while the bull wanders the pastures, not tending to the herd. In the stalls and pastures are many calves unattended and uncared for. All the while in the 'houses of ivory,' the cow murmurs against the hand that had fed this herd.

"God sees what this cow has done. He has watched and witnessed as this cow spoke many negative things. When there was not enough gossip, the cow and others she could gather fabricated false reports and spoke not against the messages, but against the messager. No one has ever been able to prove error in the messages, and the heavenly Father has specifically stated that there is none.

"You gave a sermon not long ago where you presented information that needs to be repeated now. You talked about obeying the laws—the driving commandments, and illustrated God as a traffic policeman.

"What should you do if you see a policeman standing at an intersection directing traffic? What if the light is green, but the policeman signals you to stop; should you keep going? Everyone can see that the light is green. It is clear that your disobedience could cause injuries from a serious accident, and you could even be sued for damages.

"On the other hand, would you get a ticket if, in obedience to his instruction, you disregarded the green traffic signal and stopped your car? Of course not. But, would you get a ticket if you decided to obey the green light signal and disregard the policeman's command to stop? Certainly! Why is that? Because the vehicle code states:

'A driver of a vehicle may not refuse to obey an order or direction of an authorized officer that regulates and directs traffic.'

"This clearly shows that the authority of a policeman is higher than the traffic laws which he is hired to defend. So, does God have less authority than a policeman? Do humans have the authority to go against what God says? Should Christians who claim to love and obey God disregard His directions?

"Does God not have the right and the responsibility to change His commands as He sees necessary, in order to purify and perfect the character of individuals He longs to save? Why do some insist on doing their own will, instead of accepting God's changes?" {5}

"Let us review the story of Hosea. We know that God told him to take a prostitute for a wife. Imagine him affectionately welcoming her home each day. However, God sanctioned that marriage! Would most people have welcomed this 'married couple' to their church? Would you encourage your church board to invite a 'Hosea' to serve in a position? After all, God asked him to serve as a prophet.

"Have you ever thought that God even gave Hosea the names of the three children his wife would bear in her work as a prostitute? This shows that she was involved with a number of different men for a period of several years. Only God knows who the true fathers of those children were.

"God—who does not change—instructed Hosea to marry Gomer. He also asked Isaiah to be naked, and Ezekiel to temporarily eat an unusual diet. Who has the right or

authority to question or cast judgment if God chooses to command something unusual in these modern times?

"Today, many people are interested in maintaining a healthy diet. We now know the importance of drinking pure water and washing fruits and vegetables before eating them. Many even strive to consume only organic food. How would the story of Ezekiel hold up to the standards of those in the 'houses of ivory?' His diet consisted of bread made of grains and beans cooked with the fecal matter of an animal. God told him to consume this unusual diet for over a year. Just imagine what the condemning 'houses of ivory' would write, post, or place on YouTube about this man. Do the 'houses of ivory' believe that God only tests individuals regarding His instruction on such things as Sabbathkeeping? Do these individuals not want to accept that God still sends new light? {6}

"In a little bit, we are going to discuss Rahab, as written in Joshua. She was a prostitute who even lied and deceived her king. But God used her, and she was protected when the walls of Jericho fell. Her faith allowed her to marry into the tribe of Judah and be related to Jesus. Please note that Achan, the man God destroyed, was from the same tribe, yet he lost all. In this day of the internet and information that can be easily researched, one needs to wonder how faithful individuals like Rahab, Isaiah, Ezekiel, Hosea, or even Abraham, who was asked to kill his own son—how would they be treated by the 'houses of ivory'?"

The Guide stands, looks back at Perceivous, and places his hand on his bench made of water. He walks over, almost directly in front of me. As he extends his hand, I see coming up from the sand a single chair, ornately formed from water. He sits down, reaches over, and takes my hands. Looking up at me he says, "What I tell you now is very important. It is written in Amos 3:15:

And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the LORD.

"This Bible verse speaks about the two different homes the wealthy had—one to live in during the winter months, and another one for the summer. Both homes were filled with ornate ivory and decorated to display the prideful owner's wealth, as the rich do today. In this verse, the focus is not on the riches and content of the houses, but on the seasons of the year. This dream is being given during the winter months. As pointed out in the message of June 22, 2007, this June will be a time of times when all who watch God's continual time will see Him either lift His hand to 'stop time' or command time to proceed. {7}

"What about the comments that those in the 'houses of ivory' stir up against the messenger, the messages, and the commands from God? What of the 'houses of ivory' that call good evil? The Father has said, as written in Amos 7:17:

Therefore thus saith the LORD; Thy wife shall be an harlot in the city, and thy sons and thy daughters shall fall by the sword, and thy land shall be divided by line; and thou shalt die in a polluted land: and Israel shall surely go into captivity forth of his land.

"In this it is understood that the wife, symbolized as a cow, the husband as a bull, and the calves as the sons and daughters, shall be destroyed. In the 'houses of ivory,' all shall perish in a destroyed, polluted land. This is because God on His throne has heard the lies and accusations against His messenger and For My People Ministry. He has seen firsthand the falsehoods and fabrications. Understand that neither the destruction of the 'houses of ivory' nor the destruction foretold for the city of Nashville is a fulfillment of Ezekiel 9."

The Guide angel continues, "Remember the account of Elisha as he approached Bethel, when several children mocked him and joked about his baldness. Elisha looked at them, and cursed them in the name of the Lord. Then two bears came out of the woods and ripped apart 42 children.

"As mentioned before in the dreams, young children are innocent. But it is important to note in this example that the parents will be held accountable for their children's death. These children will not be in heaven, but will stand next to their parents when they are destroyed, just as the children in Sodom, Jericho, Achan's children, and so on.

"God has given you the responsibility of being His messenger. So, like Elisha, you give messages. When you are repeatedly assaulted with slanderous lies, gossip, and false accusations, He sees and hears everything. They do not speak against or about you, but against and about God. He takes great offense with the things this cow and those who follow her are doing, and He will send His wrath upon her, as well as on those who agree and stand with her. This cow, her calves, and the bull that fathered them will be sent to the slaughter house, along with those who went on a rampage together against you, His messenger.

"Understand and take comfort in what has been written in *Maranatha*, page 197:

Friends will prove treacherous, and will betray us.

"And in *Christ's Object Lessons*, page 341:

Many indulge freely in criticism and accusing. By giving expression to suspicion, jealousy, and discontent, they yield themselves as instruments of Satan.

"This is and will be the end of their probation. Their lives are sealed. Like so many others who have died, they will not receive a crown or a robe. The Father knows their heart and their future. These are individuals who would not be happy in heaven. {8}

"We who strive to serve must constantly remember that this is a sifting time. It is not that God is not choosing them. These individuals are failing because they have not chosen to do what God has asked of them. These critics who are unable to find fault in the messages look for faults in the messager.

"In The Desire of Ages, page 467 we read that:

The fact that Jesus spoke the truth, and that with certainty, was why He was not received by the Jewish leaders. It was the truth that offended these self-righteous men. The truth exposed the fallacy of error; it condemned their teaching and practice, and it was unwelcome. They would rather close their eyes to the truth than humble themselves to confess that they had been in error. They did not love the truth. They did not desire it, even though it was truth.

"Are the critics closing their own door of probation? As a result of their actions, they will stand outside the wall, waiting for Jesus to raise His hand and call down fire on them. It is pride that makes them unable to humble themselves and repent. It is sad that there are and will be individuals who will stand before God and pay a final restitution.

"Be encouraged with what is written in Amos 9:8-10:

Behold, the eyes of the Lord GOD are upon the sinful kingdom, and I will destroy it from off the face of the earth; saving that I will not utterly destroy the house of Jacob, saith the LORD. For, lo, I will command, and I will sift the house of Israel among all nations, like as corn is sifted in a sieve, yet shall not the least grain fall upon the earth. All the sinners of my people shall die by the sword, which say, The evil shall not overtake nor prevent us.

"It should be understood that in His time, God will move on His schedule to cleanse Israel, the Seventh-day Adventist Church. As He observes the church become more and more apostate, He will pour out His wrath. And when He does this, it will not only be His wrath, but also the close of probation for those in that church. For answers to this, read what has been written in Amos 4:12."

Therefore thus will I do unto thee, O Israel and because I will do this unto thee, prepare to meet thy God, O Israel.

The Announcing angel walks over to where the Guide angel is sitting and places his hand on his shoulder. The Guide angel stands, and the chair made of water simply dissolves back into the sand. The Announcing angel says, "There is still much that needs to be illustrated. This is not meant for you, but since you are a messenger, there is much that you need to teach." He holds out his hand and asks me to accompany him. I reach up with my right hand and turn around to see the bench I was sitting on. Like the chair, it simply dissolves into the sand.

Instantly, I am in a very large classroom, and I sit in one of the empty chairs. At the front is what looks like a white board. The Announcing angel walks to the front and points to the board. As he begins to speak, words appear on the board.

These words appear in a column on the left:

God gave clear and detailed instructions regarding the placement of tithe.

On the right, he begins another column that shows the following:

God gave clear and detailed instructions regarding the conquest of Jericho.

The Announcing angel says, "I am to speak without mentioning the names of those on whose foreheads God has marked 'guilty.' One of those individuals asked that their tithe be returned, while pretending to be a family in distress. This individual is one who has distributed information to defame the messenger's character. She stressed that the family was in dire need of food and money, because the man of the house was not supplying the funds needed to feed their many children.

"You were not stopped with a message telling you not to assist this woman and her family. You were allowed to assist them, and this happened again and again. All the while, you were unaware that her heart was already hardened. She was also walking with Satan, as she stirred unbelief among those who would lend a listening ear.

"Our Father in heaven could have stopped you. He could have sent a message many times, but He allowed this to proceed. This needed to happen, because this is and was to be a part of the shaking. She strived to gather those who would side with her and help her distribute propaganda, in order to point you out as an unqualified messenger. She and others have a burning desire and commitment to defame your character. It is clear that they have found nothing wrong with God's messages, but they continue to post fabricated documents on a website to destroy God's ministry, as well as your reputation as His messenger.

"A second individual is another whose name will not be mentioned. He received counsel regarding the correct placement of tithe, but he and his wife ignored the counsel given and went against what God had said. Their errors were shown to them, but now they present false stories and fabricated documents intended to produce a case of defamation against God's messenger. It is also important to note that this is another example where you, the messenger, financially assisted this couple who has young children. They were caught up in a scam and lost all of their money. You stepped forward to financially assist this young couple in their time of financial distress. Now, they bite the very hand that fed them when they hungered. One needs to ask if God led them to beg for financial assistance and later send out documents intended to destroy the ministry that helped them. Does God lead an individual to write such supplications

and then beg for others to join in their holier-than-thou campaign to wage war against this ministry?

"These are just two examples of individuals who knew the correct way to return a faithful tithe, but went against God's counsel and did things their own way. It is interesting that both state that the messages are true and from God, but work to point out your supposed sins.

"All through earth's history, the majority has hated God's messengers. Many faithful servants were either killed or tortured in some way. What these individuals are doing to you is a clear case of verbal torture and an attempt to kill your reputation."

The Announcing angel points to the right side of the white board and says, "Please look at the parallel between the conquest of Jericho and God's instructions regarding correct tithing. God stated in Joshua 6:17:

And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to the LORD.

"God gave detailed instructions regarding the conquest of Jericho. A clear warning is given in Joshua 6:18:

And ye, in any wise keep yourselves from the accursed thing, lest ye make yourselves accursed, when ye take of the accursed thing, and make the camp of Israel a curse, and trouble it.

"However, in spite of the warning, Achan coveted items, took them, and hid them in the ground under his tent. His family knew of this sin. By burying the items in the dirt inside his tent, he involved his entire family in the theft and deception. God claimed Jericho, the first city conquered in Canaan, as His. He called it accursed, that is to say, devoted to God. The Israelites were not to take for themselves anything from the city, because God had said it all belonged to Him. Accursed and devoted refer to giving things to the Father permanently.

"The items Achan stole belonged to God, not man. Israel could not prosper, be blessed, or helped until the evil was removed. Achan's stubborn silence about his behavior was an acted lie, and his confession at the end gave glory to God. The items were dug up from Achan's tent, laid out before God, and all the people saw who and what had caused so much trouble during their attack on Ai. This verse emphasizes that the sin of one man brought God's wrath on all the Israelites.

"Joshua told Achan that because he had brought God's trouble upon Israel, the Lord was bringing trouble upon him and his family that very day. It is written that Joshua and all Israel took the items that Achan had stolen. They took the fancy Babylonian robe, the silver, and the small wedge of gold. They took his wife, his daughters, his sons, his cattle, his donkeys, and his sheep. They took his tent and all his belongings. Then, Joshua and all Israel, with Achan, his wife, his children, and all of his animals marched

to a valley we now know as Achor, about 3 miles away. It would have taken all those people and animals well over an hour to get there. During that time, Achan, his wife, and the children who were old enough to comprehend, understood very well that they were walking to the place where they would be executed.

"Imagine the wailing and sobbing of the Israelite women who were friends and relatives of Achan's wife. Think of the shrieks and cries of Achan's children mingling with the wails of their little friends and playmates, as the people pelted them with stones. Picture youth—young men and women who were close friends with Achan's sons and daughters—watching and groaning as their own hands stoned and battered their friends to death.

"Notice that all Israel stoned Achan. When they finished stoning him, they stoned the rest of his family: first his wife, then his daughters. His sons, those who would have carried on the lineage, were stoned last. Then they killed all his animals. When they finished killing them, they took all the dead bodies and Achan's tent and all that belonged to him, and piled everything up. Then they set fire to all of it. Imagine the stench. When the fire went out, the people stacked rocks over the place. {9}

"God's messenger was instructed to write the following, which was published in *The Signs of the Times*, May 5, 1881.

For a Babylonish robe and a paltry treasure of gold and silver, Achan consented to sell himself to evil, to bring upon his soul the curse of God, to forfeit his title to a rich possession in Canaan, and lose all prospect of the future, immortal inheritance in the earth made new. A fearful price indeed he paid for his ill-gotten gains.

Those who, like Achan, cherish selfishness, avarice and deception, may be sure that God's eye is upon them. As he searched out Achan, he will search them out; as he pronounced a curse upon Achan, he will surely pronounce a curse upon them.

"Everyone should see a very close parallel between this event and the sacredness of God's tithe, the sacredness of what God calls His. The Father calls you His messenger, His own. You belong to Him. Because you are His, is it correct and proper for those individuals to judge you and make negative claims, and cast you in a negative light?"

Now, the Herald steps forward. Next to him stand Perceivous, the Guide angel, and the Announcing angel. The Herald looks at the Announcing angel, turns back to me and says: "Today a mark is set in the books and placed on the foreheads of those in the 'houses of ivory' who have taken what belongs to God. It is a final condemnation of those who have made false and accusing statements about His messenger. The accusing parents, along with all their children, have each received the mark. Each will meet with God's condemnation. The Father takes His instructions and His commands very seriously." {10}

Then the Herald says: "Let those who have verbally attacked you know this day that He will place His wrath on each accuser. Each of them will be held accountable for the disrespect shown to you, the counsel they have trampled on, and the things they have written against you. This is a time, and in this time what is written in Amos 3:15 will be fulfilled.

And I will smite the winter house with the summer house; and the houses of ivory shall perish, and the great houses shall have an end, saith the Lord.

"Be it known that you in the 'houses of ivory' have stirred the wrath of God."

The Herald looks back at the Announcing angel, then he, Perceivous, and the Guide angel step back. The Announcing angel looks at me and then back at the white board. All the writing on the board falls to the ground, as if it were leaves. It is then I realize that all the quotes and other information had been displayed on the board. The Announcing angel turns back to me and says: "We are now going to learn about Rahab." As he speaks, the following words appear on the board in large, capital letters: THE HOUSE OF RAHAB.

The Announcing angel continues, "We will also learn why the following was written." As he speaks, these words appear on the white board:

Blessed Be the Ones who Believe Before the Evidence Mounts

The Announcing angel explains, "Some time before the walls of Jericho fell, its citizens mocked the Creator, the Israelite's God, Jehovah, the heavenly Father. While this fortified city mocked God, it led an idolatrous life and worshipped the moon.

"A young woman named Rahab lived in a house built between the walls of Jericho, a wealthy city built on a hill. She had a small dwelling, yet she was able to receive visitors. Rahab was a low-life, a prostitute, who supported her parents and siblings through her sex work, giving herself to the pleasures of many men. The people of the city would watch as men visited her, both night and day.

"As she accommodated her visitors, she listened to them talk and discuss the things they had seen from the higher ground where they lived. Her wealthy clients would speak of the amazing deeds of the God of Israel. As she listened to each man admit his fear of the power of the Israelite God, a hunger for a better life grew in her heart. Each day, she would observe much through her window. However, her faith was not built on what she saw, but on what she had heard.

"When Joshua sent two young men to spy out the city, she welcomed them into her home and hid them on the roof under piles of flax. She and the men agreed that, in

exchange for her protection and keeping their visit a secret, she and her family would be spared when the Israelites took the city. To help the spies escape, she got a red rope and let them down a window facing the valley. Once the spies were gone, she tied the rope to her window to mark her home as a place to be protected during the coming destruction.

"You need to understand that, spiritually speaking, Rahab was not in an ideal situation to become a believer in Israel's true God. She was part of a depraved, pagan culture, and a citizen of a city so wicked that, like Sodom, it had come under God's condemnation. She did not have the opportunity to benefit from the godly leadership of Moses or Joshua. However, Rahab had one asset—she had heard from the men she came in contact with that the Israelites were to be feared. She heard the stories of their escape from Egypt, the crossing of the Red Sea, their wanderings in the wilderness, and their recent victory over the Amorites. She learned enough to arrive at a correct, saving conclusion. Joshua 2:11 states:

... For the Lord your God is God in heaven above and on the earth below.

"In spite of having a limited foundation for her faith, Rahab believed that the God of heaven was the one true God. She believed before she saw the evidence—her city's walls falling."

The Announcing angel points back to the white board and, as he speaks, these words again appear, this time in a rich golden color:

Blessed Be the Ones who Believe Before the Evidence Mounts

The Announcing angel explains that the Father found great grace for this young Canaanite woman, as written in Hebrews 11:31.

By faith the harlot Rahab perished not with them that believed not, when she had received the spies with peace.

The Announcing angel also mentions that Rahab talked with her relatives, and they believed her, unlike Lot's family in Sodom. In fact, many crowded into her little home during the week that the Israelites marched around the city. The account of this is written in Joshua 6:17, 22-23.

And the city shall be accursed, even it, and all that are therein, to the LORD: only Rahab the harlot shall live, she and all that are with her in the house, because she hid the messengers that we sent... But Joshua had said unto the two men that had spied out the country, Go into the harlot's house, and bring out thence the woman, and all that she hath, as ye sware unto her. And the young men that were spies went in, and brought out

Rahab, and her father, and her mother, and her brethren, and all that she had; and they brought out all her kindred, and left them without the camp of Israel.

The Announcing angel continues, "God had ordered the destruction of all the Midianite harlots who came into the Israelite camp while they prepared to cross the Jordan. He even destroyed by a plague the 24,000 Israelites who sinned with them (Numbers 25 and 31:15-16). But God spared the life of Rahab, a Canaanite prostitute, whom His people considered a miserable sinner, and even spared the lives of all her relatives and protected everything she had."

The Announcing angel adds, "We who serve know that those created in God's image cannot see or understand as He who sits on His throne sees." While he speaks, the following words appear on the white board:

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

Now the Guide angel steps forward and the Announcing angel steps back. The Guide angel looks at the white board and, as before, all the words fall off, like leaves from a tree. All that had been written on the board is gone.

The Guide angel walks closer to me and says that he will show me a comparison between Achan and Rahab. The white board, which has always been one white board, now divides and becomes two separate white boards.

On the left board and in the top middle is the word

On the right board and in the top middle is the word

ACHAN

An Israelite soldier
Hid stolen things under his tent
Brought death to his family and 36 Israelites
Was killed
His punishment became a warning "unto this day"
Was removed from Israel
Remembered by a heap of stones in the Valley of Trouble
Caused the end of his family tree

RAHAB

A Caananite prostitute
Hid two spies on her roof
Brought life to her family and relatives
Was not killed
She became a part of the Israelite lineage "unto this day"
Was removed from Jericho
Remembered in the Hall of Faith
Became part of the family tree of Jesus Christ

"Achan, who belonged to the tribe of Judah, deliberately disobeyed God's commands just as the Israelites started to see the fulfillment of God's threats and promises. The same is happening today. Just as those in the true church are beginning to see threats and promises fulfilled and experiencing miracles, there are those who deliberately disobey not only God's Commandments but also His new commands. {11}

"There are those who are spiritually filthy, reeking from their head to their feet. Yet, they wrap a clean white sheet around themselves and point with disapproval at others. They accuse of nakedness those who are clean, without the stench of sin, covered with the robe of Christ's righteousness, because they are truthful and fulfill what God asked of them. Those who place a white sheet around themselves create fables, stories, and point an accusing finger at those who are striving to be part of God's remnant."

The Guide angel says that when the words naked or nudity are mentioned, those with a self-placed Puritan attitude do not comprehend what is being talked about. But these are the ones who are unable to look at a picture and understand all that it represents.

Raising his hand, the Guide angel points to the side of the room and says, "You were given a message called 'Two Cars,' dated March 12, 2010. Some did not understand this message." As the words scroll I remember the following:

The Herald now states that he is to take me somewhere, along with Becky. We are now in a large, light pink-colored room. There are thousands of people dressed in many layers of clothes, including thick coats, gloves, hats and boots over their shoes. Many have back packs on their backs. They have boxes, trunks, carts and suitcases with them.

Looking at the ceiling, I notice the face of a compass without a needle. It is painted on the center of the ceiling. The north, south, and west pointers are the same length from the center. However, the east pointer is three times as long and points to the only doors in the room. There are two doors that open outwards, which form a narrow opening with barely enough room for one person to fit through.

The doors can only be opened by a device above the doors. This device looks like a clock but does not have a face, just a single hand that moves very slowly. Above and to the left is a large see-through gold hopper. It has large, round, silver balls that shimmer. When the single hand points to the top position, the balls fall from the hopper one at a time down the track and into a container, giving power to the hand on the clock. When the single hand is almost at the top, a ball has almost reached the container and another takes its place. The single hand begins its trip around the clock again. The hopper now has very few balls left. When the last ball goes through the mechanism, the doors will open for a very short time and then

close, never to be opened again. Those that do not go through remain in the room forever.

Becky and I begin telling the people that the balls are almost gone, that the doors will soon be open and they need to get ready to go through. We explain that they need to leave their boxes, suitcases, trunks, and layers of clothes or they will not fit through the doorway. However, we are ignored and many turn away from us and form into groups. Many make fun of us and laugh. Some of the groups have a man who becomes a leader. He climbs on top of some of the boxes to speak to the large groups of people, teaching them of a grand plan he has. He instructs that if they listen to him, he will show them how they can leave the room. Some of the men are saying that the people will be saved by listening to them, but they need to contribute some of their goods to them to help in preparing others to be saved. They state that the cost to leave is great but soon they will have their freedom if they trust in what they are taught.

Some of the groups have the idea of each holding a box, suitcase, or trunk and running toward the doors as soon as they open. Even though we told them they would not fit through with their baggage, they do not listen or believe. Other groups are taught that it is the brotherly thing to carry another brother while that one carries a box, suitcase or trunk. We again attempt to show them that the opening is only large enough for a single person to fit through, that there is no room for anyone to bring their personal belongings. We again explain that the doors will be open for only a very short time and then will close. All of the many groups have someone teaching that they will be alright and will get through.

As Becky and I teach the people, we get rid of our personal belongings. Then we notice that a few others begin doing the same. However, there are others who rush to collect or sell the things we have discarded. We keep glancing at the clock mechanism and know there are but a few balls left. We again tell people to dispose of their belongings because the doors will be opening very soon. However, they laugh and make fun of us. Feeling sadness for them, we head for the doorway. A small group of us stand at the threshold and hum the song "Just as I Am." I turn and notice the other groups are engrossed in what the other men have taught them.

The last ball now leaves the hopper. As it rolls along the track, the mechanism changes into a beautiful blue color. It drops into the holder and a voice without description is heard saying, "Because you are faithful in the smallest of things, I grant unto you the greatest of things. Enter into all I have created for My faithful beloved." The doors now open and one at a time we walk through. The other groups that were left behind notice the open doorway and run toward it but cannot get through because of their baggage. Some frantically try to dispose of their belongings, but the doors

now begin to close. I hear their screams and cries. The doors are closing and will never open again. Now we notice that each in our small group is glowing with a bright light around them.

I have been holding Becky with my left hand and now someone takes my right hand. I turn to see the Herald. He smiles at me and says to hold tightly to Becky's hand. We all turn, walk through a wall and now stand in a corridor. Calling me by my heavenly name, the Herald looks at Becky and me and says, "What you have just seen and experienced has a deeper meaning. Reach whom you can, but above all get ready yourselves for the time to exit is short, before those that will be sealed are sealed. Those that want to leave, want nothing from where they came. Those that leave will leave what they have, for they have all waiting for them. Be faithful and keep an eye on the clock.

The Guide angel explains that those who walk through the very narrow doors are those who are willing to leave behind everything of this world. When God instructs people to get rid of everything—to leave all sins behind—He expects them to understand that those who try to wear "layers of clothing" will not fit through the doors that lead to eternal life.

However, there are those who choose to keep wearing their "layers of clothing." As a result, they are filthy, and their stench is great. They take a white sheet, wrap it around themselves, and walk in their own self-righteousness. {12}

"For those who do not understand, true Seventh-day Adventist believers—God's remnant church—are likened to the Israelites. But these disobedient ones in their self-placed sheet of unrighteousness are as Achan. The individuals who compose the 'houses of ivory,' as well as all their possessions, will be destroyed. Not only will they lose the earthly treasures they have coveted and stolen, but they will lose their hoped-for eternal life. The leaders of each family will bring upon themselves and their children a horrible death, and all will lose eternal life.

"Rahab, a Canaanite heathen who worked as a prostitute and lived in Jericho, provided for her parents, siblings, and other relatives. She lived in a very humble shelter within the walls of Jericho. It had a small window where she could look out and observe travelers coming and going. But there, in her little shelter, she would serve many men. Her home was in an area where other people could see men come and go. High above her, in another part of Jericho, was where the very wealthy lived. Living and serving as she did, she was considered inferior, the lowest of all.

"As men would visit her, she would inquire about the Israelites' escape from Egypt and being led by a man named Moses. She heard them tell about the Red Sea dividing and the large company crossing on dry ground. She heard how they traveled for many years, yet their clothes and shoes never wore out. She marveled that every day the Israelites would find a small, white food on the ground (manna). Every sixth day they would gather

and save it for the following day that they called the Sabbath. She loved the stories she heard.

"As she listened to these stories, she grew to believe in the Israelites' God. Then, God tested her. In faith she accepted the spies' request for shelter, even at the risk of her and her family's life. {13} This required her to deliberately lie, not only to the guards but to the king himself. Her tremendous faith was based on the stories she had heard. As a result, God not only spared Rahab's life and the lives of all her relatives, but He protected all her earthly goods from destruction. He not only forgave her sins, but also gave her a place of honor among the Israelites. In keeping with His promise, God found in Rahab one whom He could trust. Of Rahab, it could be written: Blessed was the one who believed before she saw any tangible evidence.

"God blessed not only Rahab, a prostitute, but also Ruth, a Moabite heathen, by incorporating them into His chosen people. He also made both of them ancestors of King David and of His Son, Jesus.

"Rahab and Ruth's sinful genealogy culminated with Mary, whose purity made her their opposite. Mary had never been with a man, but she birthed Jesus, and by His perfect life, Jesus interrupted the long record of sinfulness. He showed that humans can live blameless lives in spite of their sinful genealogy, like the background of Rahab and Ruth."

The Herald walks to the front of the classroom and points to the white board, as if to say that this part of the class is over. As he points to the white board, it slides down the wall and dissolves into water, which is absorbed into the floor.

The Herald says that now he is to show me something else and asks me, and all the other angels present, to go somewhere with him. I raise my right hand and instantly find myself standing along a large stream that has many trees on each side.

In the distance, I see the ruins of many destroyed and abandoned buildings. The Herald says that to understand the future, sometimes we need to be reminded of the past. Sometimes we forget that we have been told what tomorrow brings and need to be reminded about it. {14}

"You were given a message you called 'Final Events and the First Supper' dated December 12, 2012. This message is no different today. There are those who will try to stop you from serving as God's messenger. What is not clearly understood is the reason why. Those who condemn you strive with their agenda, because they are controlled by Satan. But it also needs to be understood that God will destroy those who talk and create damaging statements about His messenger."

The Herald and I walk over to one of the trees. He points to the ground and out of the dirt along the bank appears a type of recliner, but as before, it is all made of water. He

invites me to sit down and lean back. He points toward the large stream and from it I watch as a large sheet of water comes up.

The Herald says, "You need to remember the message in the dream called, 'Final Events and the First Supper.' After reading this short portion, everyone should read the complete dream and remember its importance."

He points to the wall of water and words slowly begin to appear in the middle of the wall. As I read, the words move up the wall of water and as they reach the top, the words simply fall off the back side.

The Herald and I ascend higher into the air. It is Sabbath morning, and we see black smoke coming from many Seventh-day Adventist churches around the world. At the same time, I notice that some churches are not harmed. I see many who meet in small companies to worship God in the proper way. Many are home churches. Also, churches of other faiths are unharmed because they do not have the light yet.

I am now taken to a large body of water that looks like an ocean of pure glass. I suddenly realize that Jesus is standing next to me. He calls me by my heavenly name, points to the dark blue sky, and instructs that I record these words for all to read. The words are each a dark gold with a bright white edging.

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I turn and notice that wherever I look in the clear water, the words are perfectly reflected, as if in a mirror, yet the letters are not upside down. No matter where I look, I see His message clearly and perfectly. Jesus now asks how many wait for a sign before they will believe His messages. For many, their final proof will come in the blink of an eye. For these it will be too late. Jesus becomes quiet, looks down and back up, then says, "As I have asked many times before, will I find faith? Will I find faith before the evidence mounts?" Jesus takes my right hand, and as we begin to walk on the water, the words are always in front of us. As we walk, Jesus reveals that the faith He has asked of many, He sees in so few. He says that many are called, but few are chosen; many are called, but few choose. He shares how God has sent many messages through prophets. Yet they have been hated, some killed, lied about, and their messages quickly dismissed by most.

The dream changes and we are now walking on one of the streets of gold in heaven. It is the same street where I walked with Jesus in my dream, "A View of Heaven." Jesus shares that it was just "yesterday" that He walked

along this street with me, promised that He would heal me, and asked that I share His messages. He explains how Satan came in and tried to destroy the messages, and how I fell and asked for forgiveness. He explains that He lifted me back up and again placed His mantle on me. He reminds me of how the critics quickly spread negative comments about me and how the church leadership quickly dismissed the messages I shared.

Jesus stops and reminds me that before I was conceived, my name Earnest, which means truth, had been chosen by God, as well as my role as a messenger for His Church. He explains that I am to serve as Elijah did in calling people to repentance. He says that I am also to serve as John the Baptist did and to give rebuke when instructed to. Just as John the Baptist prepared a people for His first coming, I am to prepare a people for His Second Coming.

We begin walking again, and Jesus shares the following. He has asked if He will find faith when He returns. Many of God's prophets have been asked to do things that others are never asked to do. These are signs of faith. Moses, Abraham, Ezekiel, Isaiah, Hosea, Elijah, and John the Baptist are some of the prophets who were asked to show faith. Jesus says that I have also shown faith by faithfully sharing God's messages, which include rebukes.

We stop again, and Jesus turns to me and stresses that those who speak and take actions against God's prophets, those who trample on their messages and spread lies and false accusations, will stand to receive His wrath. Soon His wrath will be poured out upon the face of the earth.

The Herald points to the wall of water, and it falls back into the stream. The Herald says, "As has happened before, there are those who are used by Satan, and it is important to understand that a sifting is necessary. Those who see great value in ivory are also blinded by the riches of gold, silver, diamonds, and precious jewels. But the Father sees those who lay up treasures in heaven. He assuredly also sees those who place ivory high on their shelf of priorities.

"Just as Achan was destroyed, along with his family and all that belonged to him, the Father on His throne has seen the accusations made against you, His messenger. He has made a solemn vow to destroy all of those who have risen up against you. To those individuals, the story of Achan is a reminder that they have not been marked with God's special mark, but with the word 'guilty.' They have been marked to receive God's wrath.

"In another message called, 'Two Cars' and dated March 12, 2010, you were shown something that many have not understood." He points again toward the large stream, and up from the stream rises a large wall of water. When he points to it, words slowly begin to appear in the middle. While I read, the words move up the wall and as they reach the top, they simply fall off the back side.

My dream changes again and I instantly find myself outdoors and observing from above at an angle. I see several men remove their black robes and place them in a large washing machine. They add several gallons of laundry detergent and several gallons of bleach. After what seems a few minutes they remove the robes and discuss that they are not white enough. They decide to wash them again, adding several packages of white dye. After a few minutes they remove them and discuss that they still are not white enough. They decide to spray them all white with a cloth spray paint. Then they apply a large golden seven to the front of each robe and put them on as well as blue and silver sashes around their neck.

Next the men walk over and face a giant peach, then turn toward many people who bow and kneel in front of them. Many repeatedly chant, "Teach us, oh enlightened ones, for we listen and you will tell us what we are to do." I now rise further into the air and see the men again face the giant peach. Turning to the right, I see a large rock come down and smash the giant peach. The rock disappears and I see what looks like many small pieces of burning coal fall from the air and burn up the area where the peach was. The peach as well as all the men and those that kneeled are gone.

The Herald, who has been holding my hand the whole time, calls me by my heavenly name and says that what I just witnessed could happen, but we must understand that He who sits on the throne and knows all to no end knows what would be best, and He might not allow this to occur.

The Herald points again to the wall of water and it falls back into the stream. He says, "Patience has not existed in the lives of many. Jesus has asked many times, 'Will I find faith when I return?' All that has been observed and said causes the Father to weep greatly. It grieves Him to think that there are some who still doubt and want to believe those who misconstrue and point out accusations. There are many examples of times when God has tested the faith of selected individuals. Many come forward and proclaim, 'I am here for you to use me,' but when God gives them a task and asks them do what He is asking, they change their mind. They cannot be used.

"However, regarding those in the 'houses of ivory,' God has taken great offense with the way they have treated His property. The items Achan stole belonged to God. The statements that have been made about the character of God's messenger and His ministry are the same as what Achan stole. Those who have stolen the credibility of the Father's messenger will receive His wrath."

The Herald looks down and all is quiet. Then, he looks back up with a very solemn look on his face and tells me that in the "houses of ivory" are those who will come out, place a box on the ground, and step on it. They will proceed to proclaim that none should even consider the warnings, reproofs, instructions, and counsel given in this message. They

will point out errors of those who walk with Jesus and follow a map that God has instructed His chosen ones to tread on. The Herald explains that, like in the "houses of ivory" and throughout history, there have always been those who rise up, send out false information, and point an accusing finger at God's messengers. They point and laugh at God's prophets. They ridicule, as did those who criticized Noah while he built the ark. Then, after the door of the ark was closed, they stood outside laughing at Noah and his family. They picked up rocks and threw them at the door, while they laughed and ridiculed him. {15}

The Herald walks over and places his hands on my shoulders. He calls me by my heavenly name and says: "Here is a short quote taken from what God instructed His messenger to write. It appears in volume 1 of *Selected Messages*, page 67."

But has the word of the Lord failed? Never! It should be remembered that the promises and threatenings of God are alike conditional.

"Notice that what God promises and what He threatens is the same. On those who doubt, gossip, and post negative statements to steal the credibility of His messenger, God has said He will pour out His wrath. What He says, He will do.

"Know that those who walk proudly speaking about you, His messenger, and stealing your credibility as His messenger, will receive His wrath. To those who dwell in the 'houses of ivory,' who have spoken and posted their falsehoods, God has made a promise, as well as a threat. Know and believe that God has placed upon their forehead a mark that says 'GUILTY.' The destroying angel will visit them and their children. They will receive a great portion of the Father's wrath, just like Achan and those left outside the ark."

The Herald steps back and Perceivous comes to stand in front of me. She asks for my hand, because she wants to take me to a very special place she enjoys. She says, "This is a place I visit quite often." I hold up my hand and rise from the very comfortable recliner. Now it dissolves back into the ground to become part of the stream again.

As we slowly lift off the ground, I look down at the place we were, but do not recognize it. I look back up and see that we are going higher and higher. Soon we are up so high that I can see the earth below me. I feel a special warmth on my back, yet I know that where I am there is no air to breathe, and it should be very cold. I should not be able to exist in this place. From my perspective, I see the whole planet and the moon close to it. It is a view unlike any telescope provides. Perceivous tells me how much she enjoys coming here and just observing this wonderful view.

Perceivous holds my right hand, and I notice that behind me are the Herald, the Announcing angel, the Guide angel, and a countless number of other angels. It is then that I wonder whether God has sent all the angels away while He laments, mourns, cries, and sobs over those He loves more than we are able to comprehend.

Perceivous says, "As I listen to you ponder things of God's divinity, it should be understood that with Him, He is the source of all love. With Him is the difficult, burdensome, and arduous task of destroying those He loves. These will be ones that He knows will not be happy in heaven. He knows it is now time to destroy those who are walking and striving as Achan did."

Perceivous continues, "Understand that I look down at this very earth He created, the same earth that He loves so much. His love is so great for those He created in His image, that He allowed His Son, His only Son who always sat next to Him, to come to this earth, and be sacrificed for all those He had created. All He asks is that each will believe on Him.

"Understand that what I see, He sees. It is with His eyes that He sees an earth He created, and on it He put beings unlike those anywhere else in the universe. Now He must destroy some who are made in His image. He must now remove that breath of life—the part of Himself that He gave each one at their creation."

Perceivous places her other hand on top of mine and explains, "In my case, I only know this earth, because when sin entered, I was created to assist those who would be procreated. Unlike all those assembled here, I do not know about things that occurred from what you would call time in the beginning. I was not there when the one called Truth was made to stand and observe the creation of the first angel. I was not there when Truth would stand to defend the honor and integrity of God.

"But I come here, because this is the place that I have called home. My heart is here with all whom I have helped to take that first breath at their birth. I was created to be with each one when they fall, to wipe the tears from their eyes, and wrap my comforting arms around them.

"Understand that I wrap my arms around each one; I wipe the tears from their eyes; I pick up the ones who fall, and am present when they take their first breath. It is the Father who does all this through me, and much more. Remember, because of sin He cannot do it Himself, but through me He can be with each one all the time."

Perceivous becomes quiet, as if trying to keep from crying. Her soft voice and her soothing words speak of the great love the Father has for each of us. She speaks again, "This is why it is so hard for God. It is about His anger over what He has seen; it is about the constant refusal of those who show no interest in doing what He has commanded; it is knowing that the very ones He talked about and planned for before the earth's foundations were built, refuse to do what He asks. They refuse to do His will. Instead, they do their own will. It is about seeing the sinful things the Seventh-day Adventist organization is doing."

Perceivous turns and stands in front of me. Taking both my hands, she smiles, calls me by my heavenly name, and says, "You old man who was created, named Truth, and called to serve: It is with great angst that the Creator sobs and feels a great and deep

dread, a great anxiety, and a grave concern for the condition of all humanity—those He created in His image. He weeps because He is tremendously concerned about every individual on this earth.

"It is with tremendous angst that God, knowing who you are, how and why you were created, and the fact that you serve truthfully down to your very core, sees what the 'houses of ivory' have written and published. Directly guided by Satan, they involve many others who do not realize who is really driving them to commit unpardonable sins against those God has called. It is because of them that He agonizes, because He knows it is time to punish. We who serve, as we observe and understand the seriousness and eternal consequences of speaking and publishing false reports, find that there is only one word to describe what the 'houses of ivory' have done: UNBELIEVABLE!"

Perceivous lets go of my hands, then turns and faces the view of the earth with the moon in orbit around it. We both can make out the small details of clouds over different parts of the earth. I know those areas are receiving rain, snow, or some other form of strong weather activity. In some places there are tornadoes or hurricanes; in other areas there is flooding, and in still other parts of the world there is unbearable heat.

Perceivous turns her head, looks at me, calls me by my heavenly name, and says, "I am to show you one more thing that will happen soon. You have already seen that there are several things that will happen immediately. But remember that your time is different from what truly is. The signs are all in place, and those who are evil will remain evil and will receive God's condemnation. Each one will receive a specific, measured portion of God's wrath. Those who are ignorant will be punished, but those who have had great light will receive a great portion of His wrath."

Perceivous continues, "Soon, Jesus will leave the Most Holy Place. Then He will prepare Himself to receive those who are His. However, before this, a time unlike any will occur." She turns and looks toward the earth. "Soon, very soon, an event will occur that will take many on earth by surprise. The darkest time of earth will come very soon, 'at midnight,' as if announcing a new, bright spring morning. The surface of the ground will shake with force and crack open in many places all around the world. Specific individuals will quickly come up from the ground where they have been sleeping the sleep of death. They will not come up dirty from the soil of the earth; neither will they appear aged, handicapped, or decrepit. They will also come from the depths of the seas and from places no one but a marking angel would have marked as a resting place.

"Soon, many will observe this partial resurrection. He who holds the keys to death will raise a select group of people, those who have died in the faith of the third angel's message since the time when Jesus began to serve in the Most Holy Place. Those who are raised served Jesus in their life of giving.

"Some will say that Ellen White walks again. William Miller is seen speaking. James White and Uriah Smith are seen speaking, observing, and wondering how long they

rested. Those who are included will have believed in the third angel's message and given all in faith, believing before the evidence mounted. They slept for a short period of time, waiting to see that great blessed hope, that spectacle they had talked about their whole life. They have been raised to stand alongside the group that served without seeing death, those who will have a song to sing. That song will be a message about the events they experienced and the trials they endured.

"At the same time that the group of righteous is raised in this partial resurrection, another unique group will rise to endure great angst. This group will include those who opposed, falsely accused, lied about, and spread corrupt comments about Jesus. Those who tortured and crucified Him will be brought back to life, even though they died about 2000 years ago. The worst opposers of God and His people, even if they lived hundreds of years ago, will be brought back to life. They will gaze in wonder at the things that man invented after their death. Some will immediately want to become great world leaders and will join hands with Satan. {16}

"The spectacle of these who have been raised for the blessed hope, will be for some a time to shelter their eyes from the things that are seen. Those who have looked forward to this moment will be those who have had their eyes focused on the eastern sky, each searching for their Deliverer."

Perceivous raises her hand, and when she points toward the earth, I see appearing what looks like very clear letters. She tells me that God's messenger, Ellen White, was instructed to write the following words regarding what would take place. I read the following in the sky:

All who have died in the faith of the third angel's message come forth from the tomb glorified, to hear God's covenant of peace with those who have kept His law. "They also which pierced Him" (Revelation 1:7), those that mocked and derided Christ's dying agonies, and the most violent opposers of His truth and His people, are raised to behold Him in His glory and to see the honor placed upon the loyal and obedient. *The Great Controversy*, p. 637

Perceivous adds, "The wicked who come up from the grave—those who mocked, tortured, and killed Jesus—will agonize as they witness His brilliant glory. The faithful individuals will come from the grave glorified—physically perfected. They will be rested and ready to accept the gift of His promise—everlasting life. Those select, chosen ones went to their rest believing in the third angel's message. They believed before they had the mounting evidence. Seeing them will be an encouragement to the other faithful living at that time."

Perceivous lowers her hand and as she does, the words slowly disappear. She says, "For a brief time these two special groups will walk the earth once again. Both groups will observe the things on earth and the ruin and contempt that Satan has spread during his reign on this planet. In the name of the Creator, the faithful will testify regarding what transpired before their sleep of death. They will speak the truth about their Creator and

about the great deceptions of Satan. They will share God's promises and the decisions they made in spite of Satan's efforts to deceive them. They will repeat what God said to Adam and Eve—that disobedience results in death. They will witness to the fact that they fell under sin and received death as a result of sin. With joy and gratitude, they will share about the promise God made that whoever believes in His Son will receive eternal life. They will testify that God is fair and always keeps His promises. These select few raised in this partial resurrection will present evidence against Satan and against those who have followed him like a dog. Those raised in that partial resurrection who followed and obeyed Satan will realize that they have chosen to serve the one who Jesus conquered on the cross.

"Those in the partial resurrection will stand beside those who have had a special mark written on their forehead, only visible to angels. They will be those who live like Jesus and show that it is possible for individuals to stop sinning. There will be 144,000 individuals across the earth who will have that special mark on their forehead and follow Jesus throughout eternity. This numbered group, along with those resurrected in the partial resurrection, will stand to watch Jesus return to earth—a promise kept, the blessed hope fulfilled. As they look to the sky, they resemble bright, welcoming beacons. They are the ones who hear God's voice speak the day and hour when Jesus will return to earth. Throughout the world, both groups will shout exultant hallelujahs because their Deliverer comes. As these groups look forward to that day and hour, their eyes are focused on the eastern sky, not wanting to miss a moment of the arrival of Jesus, the one they have called their Savior."

Perceivous raises her hand and again points to clear letters. She tells me that God's messenger also wrote the following words.

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. ... As God spoke the day and the hour of Jesus' coming, and delivered the everlasting covenant to His people, He spoke one sentence, and then paused, while the words were rolling through the earth... It was awfully solemn. At the end of every sentence the saints shouted, "Glory! Hallelujah!" Their countenances were lighted up with the glory of God, and they shone with glory as did the face of Moses when he came down from Sinai. The wicked could not look upon them for the glory. *Early Writings*, pp. 14, 34

Perceivous lowers her hand and, as before, the words slowly disappear. She says, "Those who chose Satan and allowed him to deceive them are unable to look up at Jesus as He arrives. Their fear is unlike any they have ever experienced. They look for places to hide from the brightness of His coming.

"As Jesus appears over the earth, His trumpet sounds. When He speaks, the ground shakes and from all over the world, the remainder of the righteous come up from their resting place, which a marking angel has been guarding. They rise to a new vitality.

Their degraded bodies are now changed into perfect ones. They rise to everlasting life, now to receive their eternal reward. A grand reunion during a week of travel to heaven will signal the beginning of a celebration that will last a thousand years.

"None of those who followed Satan will be resurrected to meet Jesus, and the brightness of His coming destroys all the living wicked. Satan and his angels will be forced to roam the destroyed earth for a millennium, after which fire will come down from heaven to permanently destroy them. Sin and death will also be destroyed forever."

As Perceivous ends her talk, I suddenly hear the countless number of angels who have been behind us, listening quietly; break out with a united shout of praise. I turn to look at this vast array of angels and realize that each was individually created by God. Each chose to be faithful to the Creator. I know that it would be easier to count the stars in the galaxy than to number all the angels gathered here. I have heard scientists say that there is no sound in outer space. That thought makes me laugh as I hear the Herald strike a note, and more angels than can be counted sing a song far more glorious than the Hallelujah Chorus.

1. Manuscript Releases, Vol. 10, p. 270

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.

2. The Review and Herald, September 14, 1897

... [F]allen men and fallen angels are in the same confederacy, leagued to work against good... He [Satan] knows that if he can induce men... to join in rebellion, under the guise of servants of God, he will have in them his most successful allies... Under the name of godliness, he can lead them to charge God's servants with evil and guile.

I beseech all who engage in the work of murmuring and complaining because something has been said or done that does not suit them... remember that they are carrying on the very work begun in heaven by Satan. They are following in his track ... This is the root of bitterness springing up, whereby many are defiled.

He [Satan] confederates with men who claim to be in the faith... The root of bitterness strikes deep, and is communicated to others... Their statements are confused and untruthful, their principles are unscrupulous, and Satan finds in them the very helpers he needs.

3. The Desire of Ages, p. 325

We offer insult to the Prince of life, and put Him to shame before the synagogue of Satan and before the heavenly universe when we refuse to listen to His delegated messengers, and instead listen to the agents of Satan, who would draw the soul away from Christ. So long as one does this, he can find no hope or pardon...

4. The Adventist Home, p. 127

The words "flesh" or "fleshly" or "carnal lusts" embrace the lower, corrupt nature; the flesh of itself cannot act contrary to the will of God. We are commanded to crucify the flesh, with the affections and lusts. How shall we do it? Shall we inflict pain on the body? No; but put to death the temptation to sin. The corrupt thought is to be expelled. Every thought is to be brought into captivity to Jesus Christ. All animal propensities are to be subjected to the higher powers of the soul.

5. Manuscript Releases, Vol. 2, p. 100

I send this matter to you so that you shall not make a mistake. Circumstances alter cases.

6. Historical Sketches of the Foreign Missions of Seventh-day Adventists, p. 197
Those who cling to old customs and hoary errors have lost sight of the fact that light is ever increasing upon the path of all who follow Christ; truth is constantly unfolding to the people of God.

The Signs of the Times, May 26, 1890

Much has been lost because our ministers and people have concluded that we have had all the truth essential for us as a people; but such a conclusion is erroneous and in harmony with the deceptions of Satan; for truth will be constantly unfolding.

Manuscript Releases, Vol. 11, p. 290

The Lord commands His people to go forward, from light to a greater light... They have not attained unto a greater faith or broader experience, because they have not received the light of the truth which is constantly unfolding to those who follow the Light of the world. The blood of Christ cleanseth from all unrighteousness, but just as soon as a soul ceases to walk by faith, he becomes enshrouded in darkness.

7. 2 Thessalonians 2:6

And now ye know what withholdeth that he might be revealed in his time.

Ecclesiastes 3:11

He hath made everything beautiful in his time...

Isaiah 60:22

... I the LORD will hasten it in his time.

8. The Great Controversy, pp. 542, 543

... 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... Its purity, holiness, and peace would be torture to them; the glory of God would be a consuming fire. They would long to flee from that holy place... 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.

9. Child Guidance, p. 234

Have you considered why it was that all who were connected with Achan were also subjects of the punishment of God? It was because they had not been trained and educated according to the directions given them in the great standard of the law of God. Achan's parents had educated their son in such a way that he felt free to disobey the word of the Lord. The principles inculcated in his life led him to deal with his children in such a way that they also were corrupted. Mind acts and reacts upon mind, and the punishment, which included the relations of Achan with himself, reveals the fact that all were involved in the transgression.

10. Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, p. 453

God has appointed means... But if we despise and neglect these appointments and privileges, God will not work a miracle to save any of us, and we will be lost as were Judas and Satan.

11. John 13:34

A new commandment I give unto you, That ye love one another; as I have loved you, that ye also love one another.

The Signs of the Times, March 16, 1882

New truth is constantly unfolding; at every step, new and clearer light is shining upon the pathway of God's people, that they may go onward and upward.

12. Manuscript Releases, Vol. 21, p. 298

Self and self-righteousness are as filthy rags, yet they cling to them and will not receive the garments of Christ's righteousness. Christ says of these unfaithful stewards, "Ye have not honored Me in receiving My messengers; ye have not honored Me with your substance. Ye did it not unto Me. The opportunity has come and gone and thus stands your record in the great book of account."

13. The Review and Herald, September 16, 1862

God will test and prove his people... We must overcome through trials and sufferings, as Jesus overcame. We must not shun the cross or the suffering part of religion. The language of the heart should be, Let me know the fellowship of the sufferings of Christ. Let me suffer with him that I may reign with him.

14. Manuscript Releases, Vol. 8, p. 413

The Lord does not repeat things that are of no great consequence.

Publishing Ministry, p. 175

Again and again I have been shown that the past experiences of God's people are not to be counted as dead facts... The record is to be kept in mind, for history will repeat itself.

15. The Review and Herald, July 6, 1886

We shall receive the most fierce opposition from those who oppose the law of God. But, like the builders of the walls of Jerusalem, we should not be diverted and hindered from our work by reports, by messengers desiring discussion or controversy, or by intimidating threats, the publication of falsehoods, or any of the devices Satan may instigate. Our answer should be, We are engaged in a great work, and we cannot come down.

16. Daniel 12:1-3

And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation [even] to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame [and] everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.