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SATAN NOT DESTROYED AFTER DEATH OF CHRIST!

WHY?

INTRODUCTION

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In the last lesson we discussed briefly why Satan was not put out of existence at Christ's death on the cross. We will explore this reason further along with why Adam and Eve were not allowed to remain in the garden, and something on the depravity of nature that Adam gained through sinning. And is it possible to become free of depravity of nature through a sanctified life?

Let us pray:

Holy Father, as always is ask for guidance and understanding for all who read this lesson. Send Your spirit to guide our minds into truth. Please forgive any sin we may have committed and cleans us from all sin. I ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.

DA 761: 3. (At the death of Christ). "Satan was not then destroyed. **The angels did not even then understand all that was involved in the great controversy.** The principles at stake were to be more fully revealed. **And for the sake of man, Satan's existence must be continued. Man, as well as angels, must see the contrast between the Prince of light and the prince of darkness. He must choose whom he will serve.**" {DA 761.3}.

NOTE: From the seemingly simple act of eating a piece of fruit we see the effects of disobeying even one of God's commands and where disobedience ultimately leads. It is for this reason anyone who does not give up sin will not be allowed into heaven.

In order to secure the universe from future disaffection, Satan must be given time to more fully develop

his principles of government so they could be plainly seen in contrast to God's principles.

DA 759: 2. "It was God's purpose to place things on an eternal basis of security, and in the councils of heaven it was decided that time must be given for Satan to develop the principles which were the foundation of his system of government. **He had claimed that these were superior to God's principles. Time was given for the working of Satan's principles, that they might be seen by the heavenly universe.**" {DA 759.2}.

NOTE: Adam and Eve were not to remain in the garden after their sin though they plead earnestly. Why? God condescended to explain the reason.

PP 61: 4. "After their sin Adam and Eve were no longer to dwell in Eden. They earnestly entreated that they might remain in the home of their innocence and joy. They confessed that they had forfeited all right to that happy abode, but pledged themselves for the future to yield strict obedience to God. **But they were told that their nature had become depraved by sin; they had lessened their strength to resist evil and had opened the way for Satan to gain more ready access to them. In their innocence they had yielded to temptation; and now, in a state of conscious guilt, they would have less power to maintain their integrity.**" {PP 61.4}.

NOTE: Sin depraves the nature and lessens spiritual strength to resist evil. Man's nature was now fallen! A door was now open for Satan to gain more ready access to the heart or mind of man. **Pardon from sin did not undo the deleterious effects fallen nature had upon man.** That had to be eradicated in the final atonement in the most holy place. They would **have the knowledge of sin, the memory and experience in sin the rest of their lives.** Because of

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these things Adam and Eve could not remain in the garden or have open communion with God!

PP 59: 3. “It was not the will of God that the sinless pair should know aught of evil. He had freely given them the good, and had withheld the evil. But, contrary to His command, they had eaten of the forbidden tree, and now they would continue to eat of it—they would have the knowledge of evil—all the days of their life.” {PP 59.3}.

NOTE: The knowledge of evil that God did not want us to know is more than a knowledge about evil, all the universe knows about evil through Satan’s rebellion. The knowledge of evil God did not want Adam to know was an experience in evil that can only come through personal sinning.

RH February 24, 1874: 4. “Adam and Eve were permitted to partake of every tree in the garden save one. There was only a single prohibition. The forbidden tree was as attractive and lovely as any of the trees in the garden. **It was called the tree of knowledge**, because in partaking of that tree, of which God had said “Thou shalt not eat of it,” **they would have a knowledge of sin, an experience in disobedience**.” {RH February 24, 1874, par. 11}.

BLJ (To be Like Jesus), 41:5. “Adam and Eve had chosen the knowledge of evil, and if they ever regained the position, they had lost **they must regain it under the unfavorable conditions they had brought upon themselves**.” {BLJ 41.5}.

NOTE: The terrible effects of sin is evident in what inspiration calls the “corrupt channels of humanity,” which defiles even the good things we do. This is one aspect of sin that Christ did not take upon Himself. He never gained a knowledge of evil, never an experience in disobedience. We find that inspiration is clear that no one is free of this spiritual handicap during probationary time.

4T 366: 3. “When I was shown the present condition of man in physical, mental, and moral power, and what he might become through the merits of Christ, I was astonished that he should preserve such a low level. Man may grow up into Christ, his living head. It is not the work of a moment, but that of a lifetime. By growing daily in the divine life, he will not attain to the full stature of a perfect man in Christ until his probation ceases.” {4T 366.3}.

Ecclesiastes 7: 20. “For *there is* not a just man upon earth, that doeth good, and sinneth not.” (Italics in original).

Proverbs 20: 9. “Who can say, I have made my heart clean, I am pure from my sin?”

NOTE: The answer is obvious. Even the 144,000 immediately before they are sealed are clothed in filthy garments pleading for purity of heart. They are not pleading for victory over a specific sin but for purity from the corrupt channels of humanity, purity of mind and heart! They are agonizing over the knowledge, the memory, and the experience of sin in themselves.

Zechariah 3: 1-5. “And he shewed me Joshua the high priest standing before the angel of the LORD, and Satan standing at his right hand to resist him. And the LORD said unto Satan, The LORD rebuke thee, O Satan; even the LORD that hath chosen Jerusalem rebuke thee: *is* not this a brand plucked out of the fire? Now Joshua was clothed with filthy garments, and stood before the angel. And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment. And I said, Let them set a fair mitre upon his head. So they set a fair mitre upon his head, and clothed him with garments. And the angel of the LORD stood by.” (Italics in original).

5T 472:2-475: 2. P.472: 2. “Zechariah’s vision of

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Joshua and the Angel applies with peculiar force to the experience of God's people in the closing up of the great day of atonement."

Page 473: 4. "Their only hope is in the mercy of God; their only defense will be prayer. As Joshua was pleading before the Angel, so the remnant church, with brokenness of heart and earnest faith, will plead for pardon and deliverance through Jesus their Advocate. They are fully conscious of the sinfulness of their lives, they see their weakness and unworthiness, and as they look upon themselves they are ready to despair."

Page 475: 2. "As the people of God afflict their souls before Him, pleading for purity of heart, the command is given, "Take away the filthy garments" from them, and the encouraging words are spoken, "Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment."

NOTE: Specific sins have been dealt with during the daily transfer of sin to the sanctuary. In that administration specific sins were overcome and cleansed from the life! Therefore, this pleading for purity of heart is for the blotting out of the knowledge, experience, record, and memory of those sins in the mind. This second atonement is only done in the most holy apartment of the sanctuary!

PP 355:5. "Important truths concerning the atonement were taught the people by this yearly service. **In the sin offerings presented during the year, a substitute had been accepted in the sinner's stead; but the blood of the victim had not made full atonement for the sin. It had only provided a means by which the sin was transferred to the sanctuary...**"

NOTE: The daily addressed sins of commission only, the knowledge, experience and memory of sin were not addressed in the daily atonement. These were to be addressed in the most holy apartment administration of the sanctuary on the Day of Atonement. Let us return to Testimonies Vol. 5:

"The spotless robe of Christ's righteousness is placed upon the tried, tempted, yet faithful children of God. The despised remnant are clothed in

glorious apparel, nevermore to be defiled by the corruptions of the world. Their names are retained in the Lamb's book of life, enrolled among the faithful of all ages. They have resisted the wiles of the deceiver; they have not been turned from their loyalty by the dragon's roar. Now they are eternally secure from the tempter's devices."

NOTE: We can understand from these quotes when God's people are freed from the depravity of nature (fallen nature), the corrupt channel which they gained through sinning. This point is of supreme importance. It is to solve this great problem that Christ entered the most place in 1844 to accomplish. This is what the three angel's messages is all about. This is another part of the mystery of God being finished. There is a big difference between the depravity we receive from actually committing sin and the fallen nature we are born with. One is inherited, the other is received from the act of actually sinning. This last form is deadly, but being born with a fallen nature is not deadly. Christ had the fallen nature we are all born with and yet He was sinless! The experience in sin is what is poison, it is deadly!

1MCP (Mind, Character and Personality, Vol. 1)

236: 2. "The lower passions have their seat in the body and work through it. 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.**" {1MCP 236.2}.

NOTE: Temptation is not sin. It is the way Satan entice us to a wrong act.

5T 425: 4, Sent. 4. "**Temptation is not sin. Jesus was holy and pure; yet He was tempted in all points as we are, but with a strength and power that man will never be called upon to endure.**" (Italics in original).

NOTE: Satan works through the fallen nature to allure into indulgence of appetite and passion. You will feel the pull of the flesh to gratify the temptation but through the power of the spirit and the grace of

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God you need not yield. **However, once an individual has yielded and sinned, there is a strong urge to yield again, especially if the sin was desirable, pleasant and enjoyable the first time!** This we must firmly resist, or it will eventually overpower the mind and will.

MH 451: 2. “Sin has degraded the faculties of the soul. **Temptations from without find an answering chord within the heart, and the feet turn imperceptibly toward evil.**” {MH 451.2}.

NOTE: Sin has two aspects. One is guilt. Adam felt an estrangement and aversion to God because of the guilt of his transgression. But when that sin was forgiven and he was reinstated into favor with God, that guilt was removed. This is the work in the holy place, first apartment, administration of the sanctuary. **On the other hand, the knowledge of evil, and the experience in disobedience is not removed when sin is pardoned in the first apartment administration. This aspect of sin is often ignored or not understood.**

PP 355: 5. “In the sin offerings presented during the year, a substitute had been accepted in the sinner’s stead; **but the blood of the victim had not made full atonement for the sin.** It had only provided a means by which the sin was transferred to the sanctuary. By the offering of blood, the sinner acknowledged the authority of the law, confessed the guilt of his transgression, and expressed his faith in Him who was to take away the sin of the world; **but he was not entirely released from the condemnation of the law.**”

NOTE: This sacrifice in the holy place did not make a full atonement for sin and did not entirely release the sinner from the condemnation of the law. What does this mean? The guilt of the sin was taken away into the sanctuary but the knowledge and experience of sin remained with the individual. There had to be a second atonement made to remove the knowledge, experience and memory of sin.

GC 418: 1. The broken law of God demanded the life of the transgressor. The blood, representing the forfeited life of the sinner, whose guilt the victim bore, was carried by the priest into the holy place

and sprinkled before the veil, behind which was the ark containing the law that the sinner had transgressed. By this ceremony the sin was, through the blood, transferred in figure to the sanctuary.” {GC 418.1}.

DA 321: 3. “Whatever the sin, if the soul repents and believes, the guilt is washed away in the blood of Christ.” {DA 321.3}.

NOTE: The guilt is removed but the knowledge and experience of sin remains throughout the life. Let’s return to Patriarchs and Prophets and learn what happens to all sin including the knowledge, experience and memory of sin.

PP 355: 5. “On the Day of Atonement the high priest, having taken an offering for the congregation, went into the most holy place with the blood and sprinkled it upon the mercy seat, above the tables of the law. **Thus the claims of the law, which demanded the life of the sinner, were satisfied.** Then in his character of mediator the priest took the sins upon himself, and, leaving the sanctuary, **he bore with him the burden of Israel’s guilt. At the door of the tabernacle he laid his hands upon the head of the scapegoat and confessed over him “all the iniquities of the children of Israel, and all their transgressions in all their sins, putting them upon the head of the goat.”** And as the goat bearing these sins was sent away, **they were, with him, regarded as forever separated from the people.** Such was the service performed “**unto the example and shadow of heavenly things.**” Hebrews 8:5. {PP 355.5}.

NOTE: This is what happened once a year on the great Day of Atonement. On the 10th day of the 7th month was another atonement because the daily atonement did not make a full atonement. This second atonement does make full atonement and remission of sins. Now the law demands “the soul that sinneth it must die, see Ezekiel 18: 4, 20. Does God ignore or change His law? NO! So how is it that “the claims of the law that demand the life of the sinner” are satisfied if the sinner does not die? Does that sinner have to die? YES, he had to die! Death had already occurred in the new birth! The old Adamic life

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had already died (the work of a life time), and the divine nature has now fully taken its place! This is symbolized in Zechariah 3:4 as the change of the filthy garments. Quoted later.

These sins were placed on the head of the scape goat and he was led into the wilderness into a land not inhabited by a fit man! (See Lev.16: 21). We will learn about this fit man a little later. I think you will be surprised and excited!

In the reality of this ceremony taking place in the heavenly sanctuary on the great Day of Atonement. Which started in 1844, all sins, the memory of sin, the knowledge, experience, and records of sin will all be placed on Satan and wiped from memory. This is the receiving of the change of raiment, notice it is not washed clean, it is new! What do I mean? It is the new Birth completed as spoken by Christ to John in John 3:3.

Zechariah 3: 4. “And he answered and spake unto those that stood before him, saying, **Take away the filthy garments from him. And unto him he said, Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment.”**

NOTE: Let me say this in another way—this change of raiment is the new birth experience of a new mind! The Adamic mind or fallen nature must be overcome! It is not the washing in the water but a new being for the old is passed away! Just as in death there is no more memory or knowledge, so in this death there is no more knowledge, memory or experience of sin! Forever safe and free from the castigation and misery of Satan’s kingdom and his tyrannical reign. Just like the Day of Atonement for Israel, so in the real Day of Atonement in the heavenly sanctuary all sin will be blotted out.

GC 485: 1. “Thus will be realized the complete fulfillment of the new-covenant promise: “I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.” “In those days, and in that time, saith the Lord, the iniquity of Israel shall be sought for, and there shall be none; and the sins of Judah, and they shall not be found.” Jeremiah 31:34; 50:20. {GC 485.1}.

THE EXPERIENCE OF THE NEW BIRTH ON THE DAY OF ATONEMENT

The time of Jacob’s trouble is the time of receiving of the change of raiment given to Joshua the high priest. This also represents the new mind! This is the new name written in the forehead. The born-again experience in the final atonement we must all have in order to enter the heavenly abode.

John 3: 3, 5. “Jesus answered and said unto him, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, **Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.** V. 5. Jesus answered, Verily, verily, I say unto thee, **Except a man be born of water and of the Spirit, he cannot enter into the kingdom of God.”**

NOTE: This is not the washing of water by the Word. It is a completely new life experience that is subject to obedience to the Word of God and His law. The eradication of the experience and knowledge of sin, even the memory of sin and its record is erased. The recipient actually receives a new mind!

Exodus 34: 10-15. “And he said, Behold, I make a covenant: before all thy people **I will do marvels, such as have not been done in all the earth, nor in any nation: and all the people among which thou *art* shall see the work of the LORD: for it is a terrible (awesome and amazing). thing that I will do with thee. Observe thou that which I command thee this day: behold, I drive out before thee the Amorite, and the Canaanite, and the Hittite, and the Perizzite, and the Hivite, and the Jebusite. Take heed to thyself, lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land whither thou goest, lest it be for a snare in the midst of thee: But ye shall destroy their altars, break their images, and cut down their groves: For thou shalt worship no other god: for the LORD, whose name *is* Jealous, *is* a jealous God: Lest thou make a covenant with the inhabitants of the land, and they go a whoring after their gods, and do sacrifice unto their gods, and *one* call thee, and thou eat of his sacrifice.” (Italics in original).**

NOTE: God said “I make a covenant.” Not—I will renew the covenant. This covenant is completely

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different from the old covenant with Israel. This one was not ratified with the blood of animals but with the blood of Christ on calvary's cross! The different nations mentioned, the Canaanite, the Hittite, etc. are representing the sins of those nations of people that may be present within each of God's children. These nations can also represent the nations of the world and especially the different denominations of Christianity. God's children are to make no covenant or agreement with any of them period! These all represent Babylon. Why do I say they represent Babylon? Because they are all fallen and unclean. **They have drunk of the wine of Babylon's false doctrines!**

Revelation 18:1-5. "And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.** For **all nations** have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the **kings of the earth** have committed fornication with her, and the **merchants of the earth** are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. **And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.** For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities."

Isiah 52: 11. "Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean *thing*; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD." (Italics in original).

NOTE: The rational is that Gods children will succumb to the same sins if they remain in or associated with unbelievers and will receive the same punishment. For this reason, we must separate ourselves from all iniquity, sin, rebellion and false doctrines of Babylon. How do we completely separate from sin? We cannot separate from the world, yes, it is full of iniquity. What do we do?

John 17: 15. "I pray not that thou shouldest take

them out of the world, **but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.**"

NOTE: Jesus prayed to keep us from the evil in the world not to take us out of the world. How does He do this? The answer is a total and complete surrender to the Father and His Son. By doing this we receive the new birth which enables us to obey God completely! Did not the Father send Christ to become human? Did He not redeem us through His death? YES. Then why should we refuse to make a total surrender to Him. He gave all for us!

Romans 12: 1, 2. "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, **that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.** **And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind,** that ye may prove what *is* that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Italics in original).

NOTE: God has given all that is in heaven to His redeemed! He even makes us one with Himself just like He and Christ are one with all the fulness of the Godhead!

John 17: 20-23. "Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; **That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee, that they also may be one in us:** that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. **And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me, that they may be made perfect in one;** and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and **hast loved them,** as thou hast loved me." (Italics in original).

Ephesians 3: 19. "And to know the love of Christ, which passeth knowledge, **that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God.**"

Ephesians 4: 13. "Till we all come in the **unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ.**"

NOTE: Jesus has requested that full pardon and restoration as if we had never sinned, and with this He

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also request that we be joint heirs with a seat upon His throne. That would make us counterparts of God! Amazing redemption. Why, with all these privileges would anyone refuse total surrender and commitment to Him? For a fact, if you do not make a total surrender then none of these promises will be yours and you will be lost.

We have already looked at Laodicea and discovered that to buy gold, white raiment and eye salve one must open the heart's door and He will come in and sup with you. Do you suppose that Christ will also bring His blood with Him into the heart when He enters? YES! He brings His blood and His life is in His blood. Isn't the Word the same as Christ Himself? YES! By the sprinkling of Christ's blood in our minds we assimilate His mind into our mind! This is done by faith and the acceptance of His Words! (See Phil. 2: 5). And Christ had the Fathers mind as His mind.

John 1: 1, 14. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. V. 14. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us...."

NOTE: It is obvious, Christ is the Word made flesh, or personified. So, to eat or drink Christ's blood is to assimilate this same Word which is Christ Himself into our heart and minds. This is God writing His law on the fleshly tables of the heart or mind! This is how we experience the new birth. The new birth presupposes the death of the old Adamic life we were born with. This death is real. We tenaciously cling to life with all our power. But this we must not do in this case!

Mark 8: 35-37. "For whosoever will save his life shall lose it; but whosoever shall lose his life for my sake and the gospel's, the same shall save it. For what shall it profit a man, if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Or what shall a man give in exchange for his soul?"

NOTE: This is God's promise, yet we still cling to the old Adamic life but, we also want the new divine life. So, a super human struggle is waged. This battle is the most intense we will ever fight. We must win this battle or lose our soul. Satan is involved in this

struggle to keep the old self alive. He must win or he dies. Therefore, our war is not against flesh and blood.

Ephesians 6: 11, 12. "Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high *places*." (Italics in original).

NOTE: By constant prayer agonizing before the Lord and putting on the whole armor of God we are able to win this battle! Here is a narrative of the running battle we must fight.

EW 269:1, 2. "I saw some, with strong faith and agonizing cries, pleading with God. Their countenances were pale and marked with deep anxiety, expressive of their internal struggle. Firmness and great earnestness was expressed in their countenances; large drops of perspiration fell from their foreheads. Now and then their faces would light up with the marks of God's approbation, and again the same solemn, earnest, anxious look would settle upon them. {EW 269.1}.

"Evil angels crowded around, pressing darkness upon them to shut out Jesus from their view, that their eyes might be drawn to the darkness that surrounded them, and thus they be led to distrust God and murmur against Him. Their only safety was in keeping their eyes directed upward. Angels of God had charge over His people, and as the poisonous atmosphere of evil angels was pressed around these anxious ones, the heavenly angels were continually wafting their wings over them to scatter the thick darkness." {EW 269.2}.

NOTE What is the final outcome for those who endure to the end?

EW 270:4. "Said the angel, "List ye!" Soon I heard a voice like many musical instruments all sounding in perfect strains, sweet and harmonious. It surpassed any music I had ever heard, seeming to be full of mercy, compassion, and elevating, holy joy. It thrilled through my whole being. Said the angel,

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“Look ye!” My attention was then turned to the company I had seen, who were mightily shaken. I was shown those whom I had before seen weeping and praying in agony of spirit. **The company of guardian angels around them had been doubled, and they were clothed with an armor from their head to their feet.**”

NOTE: These are now the living Ark of the testament of God in the most holy place. They prove that every man can live without guile and without fault, or perfect, before the throne of God! Back to Early Writings. I hope you understand these are the same as the ark of the testament in the most holy, they are the living ark of the covenant!

“They moved in exact order, like a company of soldiers. Their countenances expressed the severe conflict which they had endured, the agonizing struggle they had passed through. Yet their features, marked with severe internal anguish, now shone with the light and glory of heaven. **They had obtained the victory, and it called forth from them the deepest gratitude and holy, sacred joy.**” {EW 270.4}.

NOTE: Through sever agonizing anguish, prayer and struggle this group—the 144,000—have won the victory. It calls forth from them the deepest gratitude and holy sacred joy. If they have gratitude for victory, they must know they have won that victory! I have heard some say that you will never know when you win the victory. That is wrong according to this.

What we have just considered is the finishing of the new birth experience of John 3: 3. It is part of the time of Jacobs time of trouble. Victory is assured to those who pass the test of God and endure to the end. This is another aspect of the finishing of the mystery of God!

RH November 4, 1884: 11. “Each one in the day of investigative Judgment will stand in character as he really is; he will render an individual account to God. Every word uttered, every departure from integrity, every action that sullies the soul, will be weighed in the balances of the sanctuary. Memory will be true and vivid in condemnation of the guilty one, who in that day is found wanting. The mind will

recall all the thoughts and acts of the past; the whole life will come in review like the scenes in a panorama. Thus, everyone will be condemned or acquitted out of his own mouth, and the righteousness of God will be vindicated.” {RH November 4, 1884, par. 11}.

NOTE: To remove the record of sins recorded in the soul and in the books of the sanctuary is the purpose of the new birth experience in the final atonement setting of the cleansing of the soul! This began with the dead in 1844 when Christ entered the most holy place. But now, as the cases of the living are being considered, each one on a personal basis are having to experience the change of raiment of Zech. 3, which is the new birth experience of John 3: 3. But we will see there is another end-time event connected with the investigative judgement that will begin a chain reaction of events associated with the close of probation and the time of trouble. We will look at this in lesson #5.

Let us pray:

Holy Father, I have endeavored to convey some of the wonders of the mystery You have revealed to me. My prayer is that some may understand and be greatly blessed by these studies. Please send YOUR holy spirit for discernment and comprehension of this subject. Please forgive any sins we have committed and cleans us from all unrighteousness. I make this request in the name of Jesus, Your only begotten son. Amen.

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