

# SANCTIARY STUDIES LESSON #6

## CHRIST COMING TO HIS TEMPLE

### PART #3

#### INTRODUCTION

All italics are in original text. All emphases are the authors unless noted. All Scriptures are from the K.J.V. Bible unless stated otherwise.

Last lesson we were looking at Christ coming to His temple in the heart. We will continue that study in this lesson. We left off with **COL 415:3**. “It (God’s character) has been misunderstood and misinterpreted. **At this time a message from God is to be proclaimed, a message illuminating in its influence and saving in its power. His character is to be made known.** Into the darkness of the world is to be shed the light of His **glory, (character)** the light of His goodness, mercy, and truth.” {COL 415.3}.

**NOTE:** “God’s character, His glory, His divinity all these elements are united in just one thing, His character, and are the essential points in the last message to be given to the world. This is the messages of Revelation 14:6-12, the three angel’s messages. These messages have to be assimilated and become a part of our very being.

Let us pray:

Dear Father I ask for Your spirit to fill each heart with love, knowledge, understanding and love of the truth. May my

words be your words and not my own. Let them be burning words of fire from the heavenly altar. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Your only begotten Son. Amen.

**COL 415:5, 416:1.** “Those who wait for the Bridegroom’s coming are to say to the people, ‘Behold your God.’ **The last rays of merciful light, the last message of mercy to be given to the world, is a revelation of His character of love. The children of God are to manifest His glory. In their own life and character, they are to reveal what the grace of God has done for them.” {COL 415.5}.**

**NOTE:** To reveal something like character it must be lived out in the life. It must be incorporated into the very existence or heart—then it is revealed without controversy. A profession means nothing except as it is revealed in a changed life. Are our lives proving our professions to be a lie? The world is tired of false professions. Let us continue in COL 415 & 416.

“The children of God are to manifest His glory. In their own life and character, they are to reveal what the grace of God has done for them. {COL 415.5}

“The light of the Sun of Righteousness is to shine forth in good works--in words of truth and deeds of holiness. “{COL 416.1}.

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COL 384:1, 3. **“The sanctification of the soul by the working of the Holy Spirit is the implanting of Christ's nature in humanity. Gospel religion is Christ in the life—a living, active principle. It is the grace of Christ revealed in character and wrought out in good works. The principles of the gospel cannot be disconnected from any department of practical life. Every line of Christian experience and labor is to be a representation of the life of Christ.”** {COL 384.1}.

“It is not possible for the heart in which Christ abides to be destitute of love. If we love God because He first loved us, we shall love all for whom Christ died. **We cannot come in touch with divinity with-out coming in touch with humanity;** for in Him who sits upon the throne of the universe, divinity and humanity are combined. Connected with Christ, we are connected with our fellow men by the golden links of the chain of love.” {COL 384:3}.

COL 420:2. “The revelation of His own glory in the form of humanity will bring heaven so near to men that **the beauty adorning the inner temple will be seen in every soul in whom the Saviour dwells.** Men will be captivated by the glory of an abiding Christ. And in currents of praise and thanksgiving from the many souls thus won to God, glory will flow back to the great Giver.” {COL 420.2}.

**NOTE:** “Beauty adorning the inner temple”. Once again, the sanctuary is used to illustrate more clearly what is to happen in the soul sanctuary. It is a most thrilling study when the sanctuary God had Moses to build is studied as an allegory, or visual aid, to understand what the Father intends to accomplish in our very person. These studies are given to help understand this beautiful reality.

There is a chapter in “Early Writings”, beginning on page 269 titled “The Shaking”. I will add to this lesson as an addendum for your reading pleasure. I feel it is a description of the 144,000. All should understand what is expected of the Bride of Christ!

I have endeavored in the last three lessons to show the connection between Daniel 7:13; Daniel 8:14; Malachi 3:1-5; Matthew 25:1-13; and Revelation chapter 14.

It is evident that the message of Christ coming to His temple in heaven also has its paramount fulfilling in Christ's coming to the soul temple, to the mind, of each one who will open the door and let Him enter. Jesus told the Jews to clean the in-side of the pot and the outside would be clean also. When the mind is clean from bad thoughts; the actions will be pure and clean also. The body will not do bad things because our actions are controlled by the mind. When that happens, it will be easy to obey the law of God!

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May God bless and keep us all giving everyone understanding as we study His Word.

Let us pray:

Holy Father, grant that we may understand and be transformed by this wonderful truth about the cleansing of the soul temple. May Christ's indwelling holy spirit move within each person to give us victory over all sin? Help us to reflect the character of Christ in our lives. I ask this in the name of Jesus, Your Son. Amen.

Your brother in Christ

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### ADDENDIUM

#### EARLY WRITINGS 269-273.

##### “The Shaking”

“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 were 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}

“As the praying ones continued their earnest cries, at times a ray of light from Jesus came to them, to encourage their hearts and light up their countenances. Some, I saw, did not participate in this work of agonizing and pleading. They seemed indifferent and careless. They were not resisting the darkness around them, and it shut them in like a thick cloud. The angels of God left these and went to the aid of the earnest, praying ones. I saw angels of God hasten to the assistance of all who were struggling with all their power to resist the evil angels and trying to help themselves by calling upon God with perseverance. But His angels left those who made no effort to help themselves, and I lost sight of them. {EW 270.1}

“I asked the meaning of the shaking I had seen and was shown that it would be caused by the straight testimony called forth by the counsel of the True Witness to the Laodiceans. This will have its effect upon the heart of the receiver, and will lead him to exalt the standard and

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pour forth the straight truth. Some will not bear this straight testimony. They will rise up against it, and this is what will cause a shaking among God's people. {EW 270.2}

“I saw that the testimony of the True Witness has not been half heeded. The solemn testimony upon which the destiny of the church hangs has been lightly esteemed, if not entirely disregarded. This testimony must work deep repentance; all who truly receive it will obey it and be purified. {EW 270.3}

“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, ‘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.** 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:** I am constrained as I write this to stop and comment. This is the fulfillment of the new covenant of Jer. 31:31-34. The law has been written on the stony tables of the heart! Their hearts have been changed to hearts of flesh. The guardian angels have been doubled for each overcomer. That sacred beauty that envelops the Ark of the Covenant, in the most holy place, is now transferred or engraved in the human! The angels who protect the Ark of the Covenant have taken their positions on each side of the overcomer, and are facing each other, reverently looking into the hearts of these overcomers! Truly they are men wondered at, not only by angels but by men also. Zac. 3:8. The glory of God (the Sheki-nah Glory) positioned above the mercy seat, above the law of God, is now revealed in the human! These are the first fruits of the living. They are part of the last generation to live on earth. Let’s continue in “The Shaking”.

“The numbers of this company had lessened. Some had been shaken out and left by the way. The careless and indifferent, who did not join with those who prized victory and salvation enough to perseveringly plead and agonize for it, did not obtain it, and they were left behind in darkness, and their places were immediately filled by others taking hold of the truth

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and coming into the ranks. Evil angels still pressed around them, but could have no power over them.” {EW 271.1}.

**NOTE:** Now the pen of inspiration describes the work performed by the overcomers in bringing in the rest of the harvest of the living that are to be saved. Let’s continue:

“I heard those clothed with the armor speak forth the truth with great power. It had effect. Many had been bound; some wives by their husbands, and some children by their parents. The honest who had been prevented from hearing the truth now eagerly laid hold upon it. All fear of their relatives was gone, and the truth alone was exalted to them. They had been hungering and thirsting for truth; it was dearer and more precious than life. I asked what had made this great change. An angel answered, ‘It is the latter rain, the refreshing from the presence of the Lord, the loud cry of the third angel.’”

**NOTE:** This paragraph brings to view a great number who respond to the loud cry of Revelation 18, it is the message of the 144,000. These are those who have been kept from the truth because of outside influences. Some are Adventist, many are non-Adventist, and it matters not. The 144,000 are the bride; those who come into the truth are the guests at the wedding and are part of the great multitude of Rev. 14:9. Let’s continue:

EW 272:1. “Great power was with these chosen ones. Said the angel, ‘Look ye!’ My attention was turned to the wicked, or unbelievers. They were all astir. The zeal and power with the people of God had aroused and enraged them. Confusion, confusion, was on every side. I saw measures taken against the company who had the light and power of God. Darkness thickened around them; yet they stood firm, approved of God, and trusting in Him. I saw them perplexed; next I heard them crying unto God earnestly. Day and night their cry ceased not: ‘Thy will, O God, be done! If it can glorify Thy name, make a way of escape for Thy people! Deliver us from the heathen around about us. They have appointed us unto death; but Thine arm can bring salvation.’ These are all the words which I can bring to mind. All seemed to have a deep sense of their unworthiness and manifested entire submission to the will of God; yet, like Jacob, every one, without an exception, was earnestly pleading and wrestling for deliverance. {EW 272.1}

“Soon after they had commenced their earnest cry, the angels, in sympathy, desired to go to their deliverance. But a tall, commanding angel suffered them not. He said, ‘The will of God is not yet fulfilled. They must drink of the cup. They must be baptized with the baptism.’ {EW 272.2}

“Soon I heard the voice of God, which shook the heavens and the earth. There was a mighty earthquake. Buildings were

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shaken down on every side. I then heard a triumphant shout of victory, loud, musical, and clear. I looked upon the company, who, a short time before, were in such distress and bondage. Their captivity was turned. A glorious light shone upon them. How beautiful they then looked! All marks of care and weariness were gone, and health and beauty were seen in every countenance. Their enemies, the heathen around them, fell like dead men; they could not endure the light that shone upon the delivered, holy ones. This light and glory remained upon them, until Jesus was seen in the clouds of heaven, and the faithful, tried company were changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, from glory to glory. And the graves were opened, and the saints came forth, clothed with immortality, crying, 'Victory over death and the grave'; and together with the living saints they were caught up to meet their Lord in the air, while rich, musical shouts of glory and victory were upon every immortal tongue."

May God bless and keep all His

Children. Amen.