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“And after these things, I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with His glory.” (Rev. 18:1)

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We want to invite you all to join us then as we assemble together at Silver Springs, Florida for the Feast of Tabernacles. Momentous events are upon us, and our God is calling us to prepare for the latter rain!

“And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left ...shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep the feast of tabernacles. And it shall be, that whoso will not come up ... even upon them shall be no rain.” Zechariah 14:16-17

THE LAODICEAN PROBLEM

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This is a biblical analysis of the symptoms, and the cause of the symptoms of the Laodicean Church. As with all prophecy, we must allow the scriptures to interpret themselves. Let us analyze the issues:

We are told by Jesus regarding the seventh and final church of the seven churches in Revelation chapters 2 and 3 that because it is “lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.” Revelation 3:16. We are also told that it professes to be “rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:” Revelation 3:17.

In a careful analysis of these issues, let us start with the first question about why Laodicea is spued out of His mouth. It is important to notice that regarding the Laodicean church, it does not say “because you might be lukewarm, I might spue you out”. There is to be no second guessing here, Laodicea is lukewarm, and absolutely will be spued out.

Why is Laodicea spued out? The bible says: Leviticus 18:24-28 Defile not ye yourselves in any of these things: for in **all these the nations are defiled** which I cast out before you: And the land is defiled: therefore I do visit the iniquity thereof upon it, and **the land itself vomiteth out her inhabitants. Ye shall therefore keep my statutes and**

my judgments, and shall not commit any of these **abominations**; neither any of your own nation, nor any stranger that sojourneth among you: (For all **these abominations** have the men of the land done, which were before you, and the land is defiled;) That the land spue not you out also, when ye defile it, as it spued out the nations that were before you.

The bible tells us that the statutes given to Moses were to be kept by all nations, even before Israel was given the law, these statutes were to be kept by the nations that were in the land before Israel. Laodicea professes to “keep the commandments of God”, but yet also professes that these “statutes and judgments” which were “given to Moses” were nailed to the cross. I will show examples shortly.

In their blindness they nail the statutes to the cross. The very statutes that explain and define the ten commandments. Imagine someone giving you a new word, and not telling you what it means or giving you the definition. The ten commandments also have statutes to explain them. For instance, the health statutes explain and define the sixth commandment. When we eat something unhealthy we are actually killing ourselves.

Knowing that Laodicea is “blind”, we can read of the cause of blindness in the scriptures. We are told in 2 Corinthians chapter 3 that there is a blindness issue



many have when reading the books of Moses.

2 Corinthians 3:14-15 But **their minds were blinded**: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in **the reading of the old testament**; which vail is done away in Christ. But **even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart**.

Laodicea is “spued out” because they are “defiled”. Why are they defiled? Because they are violating the statutes of God contained in the books of Moses. Laodicea is “blind”.

For instance, let us consider carefully the following chart taken from Seventh-day Adventist website Amazingfacts.org.

MOSES' LAW	GOD'S LAW
Called "the law of Moses" (Luke 2:22).	Called "the law of the Lord" (Isaiah 5:24).
Called "law ... contained in ordinances" (Ephesians 2:15).	Called "the royal law" (James 2:8).
Written by Moses in a book (2 Chronicles 35:12).	Written by God on stone (Exodus 31:18 32:16).
Placed in the side of the ark (Deuteronomy 31:26).	Placed inside the ark (Exodus 40:20).
Ended at the cross (Ephesians 2:15).	Will stand forever (Luke 16:17).
Added because of sin (Galatians 3:19).	Points out sin (Romans 7:7-20).
Contrary to us, against us (Colossians 2:14).	Not grievous (1 John 5:3).
Judges no one (Colossians 2:14-16).	Judges all people (James 2:10-12).
Carnal (Hebrews 7:16).	Spiritual (Romans 7:14).
Made nothing perfect (Hebrews 7:19).	Perfect (Psalms 19:7).

In the line above, Luke 2:22 is quoted. The problem with that can be noted right away by looking at the immediate context of this verse regarding the “law of Moses”. Notice it is not just called “the law of Moses”.

Luke 2:22-24 And when the days of her purification according to **the law of Moses** were accomplished, they brought him to Jerusalem, to present him to the Lord; (23) (As it is written in **the law of the Lord**, Every male that openeth the womb shall be called holy to the Lord;) (24) And to offer a sacrifice according to that which is said **in the law of the Lord**, A pair of turtledoves, or two young pigeons.

Notice how the term “law of the Lord” is used to refer to the ceremonial ordinances. And several examples could be shown that the term “Law of Moses” refers to the moral statutes. The terms “Law of Moses” and “Law of the Lord” are not references to different laws, but rather refer to “the law” as a whole and include both moral statutes, as well as the ceremonial law.

But the chart above is meant to read of the Law of Moses having “ended at the cross” and also being “carnal”. All verses referenced in their context do not say “law of Moses”. The problem is that it is not the law of Moses that ended at the cross. The ceremonial laws contained in the law of Moses however were nailed to the cross. The law of Moses includes all of the law, ceremonial and moral, and this point has been misunderstood by “Laodicea”. And now because of this they are left without “vision” as we shall see.

Deuteronomy 31:26 Take this book of the law, and **put it in the side of the ark** of the covenant of the LORD your God, that it may be there for a witness against thee.

The ancient sanctuary is but a type of the biblical truth that “ye are the temple of God” (1 Cor 3:16) And so therefore

this "book of the law" is to be in our hearts. (Jer 31:33) In the chart above, the book is said to be nailed to the cross. This is contrary to the truth of the gospel.

Though this looks very close to truth, the statutes contained in the little book in the side of the ark as referenced in Deuteronomy 31:26 in the chart above are to be written in your heart, the heart being a reality of what the ark is a type of. You are the temple of God. And regarding the idea of "defiling yourself" Paul wrote:

1 Corinthians 3:16-17 Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man **defile** the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are.

Yes, that is what the temple was a type of. You are the temple. And the little book placed in the side of the ark was a type of God writing his laws, statutes and judgments in your heart. , These commandments, statutes, and judgments were moral, and were to be kept by all nations, in all lands, throughout all ages. They are eternal. Just as we were told in Leviticus 18, which we read earlier.

The term "type" merely means "symbol", and that law was called the "typical" or "symbolic" law. It "typified" or "symbolized" many "realities".

Who hath "blinded" the mind of the Laodicean to these things "when Moses is read" (2 Cor 3:14, 15)?

2Corinthians 4:3, 4 But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: In whom **the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them** which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

Satan has blinded the minds of those in Laodicea. He has lead them to think and say that "we are God's commandment keeping church" when in reality Laodicea does not really keep the commandments of God.

In Leviticus 26 we are told:

Leviticus 26:3-4 **If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; Then I will give you rain in due season**, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit.

But if we do not walk in these things we are told that something would happen to our eyes:

Leviticus 26:14-16 **But if ye will not hearken unto me, and will not do all these commandments; And if ye shall despise my statutes, or if your soul abhor my judgments, so that ye will not do all my commandments, but that ye break my covenant: I also will do this unto you; I will even appoint over you terror, consumption, and the burning ague, that shall consume the eyes,** and cause sorrow of heart: and ye shall sow your seed in vain, for your enemies shall eat it.

A curse if we violate the law of God. The curse of blindness, loss of vision. We are also told in the bible that regarding "vision" that those who don't keep His law have no "vision":

Pro_29:18 Where *there is no vision*, the people perish: but **he that keepeth the law, happy is he.**

"Happy is he" that keeps the law, but the Laodicean is "miserable" we are told, and he is "blind" or has "no vision". Well, the only reason for that can be that they think, believe, teach and tell people they keep the law, when they "knowest not" that they don't.

Lam_2:9 Her gates are sunk into the ground; he hath destroyed and broken her bars: her king and her princes *are* among the Gentiles: **the law is no more**; her prophets also find **no vision** from the LORD.

One of God's promises regarding not keeping his laws would be blindness. However, if we keep his commandments we walk in the light.

Proverbs 6:20-23 My son, keep thy father's commandment, and forsake not the law of thy mother: Bind them continually upon thine heart, and tie them about thy neck. When thou goest, it shall lead thee; when thou sleepest, it shall keep thee; and when thou awakest, it shall talk with thee. For

the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life:

How much more do God's people need the light today? "So much the more as ye see the day approaching." (Heb 10:26) And therefore these commandments are for the spiritual life of the people, then they must allow the spirit into the midst of them. They must open the door to allow Christ to come in and dwell with them. (John 14:17, 18)

God's spirit is signified by rain. (See Joel 2:23, 28) In Leviticus 26:4 we were told that "If ye walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them; Then I will give you rain in due season"

We are also told in Deutoronomy in several places that "**if ye shall hearken diligently unto my commandments which I command you this day, to love the LORD your God, and to serve him with all your heart and with all your soul, That I will give you the rain of your land in his due season.**" (Deu 11:13, 14)

If God's people would receive the latter rain, the holy spirit, or the fullness of him, it would be important for them to believe the word and to keep his commandments and statutes. We are also told regarding the latter rain that God has appointed times for pouring out the latter rain:

Zechariah 10:1 **Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain;** so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field.

Zechariah mentions the rain only one other time in his

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book, and that is in Zechariah chapter 14. God gives us the appointed time for pouring out His rain:

Zechariah 14:16-18 And it shall come to pass, that every one that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, and to keep **the feast of tabernacles**. And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the LORD of hosts, even **upon them shall be no rain.**

The rain is to come down on those who come up to the feasts. This principle can also be seen in a careful study of Joel chapter 2. The apostles who received the early rain in Acts chapter 2 were gathered on the day of Pentecost when the Holy Spirit was poured out upon them. The feasts being mentioned in the statutes. God said "And ye shall keep it a feast unto the LORD seven days in the year. *It shall be* a statute for ever in your generations:" (Lev 23:41)

With such a small amount of time remaining in this world, our Father has called the Laodiceans up to the feast.

Luk 14:13 But **when thou makest a feast**, call the **poor**, the maimed, the lame, **the blind**:

But Laodicea says that they are "rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and **poor**, and **blind**, and naked." (Revelation 3:17)

Jesus goes on to speak a parable in the context of calling these "poor" and "blind" folks to a "feast": (Brackets Added)

Luke 14:16-24 Then said he unto him, A certain man (**Jesus**) made a great supper (**Feast**), and bade many: And sent his servant at supper time (**appointed time**) to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready. And they all with one consent began to make excuse. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused. (I have a job and can't take the time off) And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused. (**I would rather work than come up to the feast**) And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come. (**I'm attached to a church and can't go as she might not like**

that) So that servant came, and shewed his lord these things. Then the master of the house(church) being angry said to his servant, Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind. (**Laodicea**) And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room. And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled. For I say unto you, That none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper.

It is written that they which came not up to the "feast of tabernacles" in Zechariah 14 which speaks of the appointed time for the out pouring of the latter rain, that they would not receive the latter rain, but rather would suffer the plagues. One of those plagues would be "blindness."

Zec 14:12 And this shall be the plague wherewith the LORD will smite all the people that have fought against Jerusalem; Their flesh shall consume away while they stand upon their feet, and **their eyes shall consume away in their holes**, and their tongue shall consume away in their mouth.

"Their eyes shall consume away in their holes" – Blindness and this shall be "the punishment of all nations that come not up **to keep the feast of tabernacles.**" (Zech 14:12, 19)

Laodicea and the Church of God

It is interesting to note that Christ is not in the Laodicean church.

Rev 3:20 Behold, **I stand at the door, and knock**: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, **I will come in to him**, and will sup with him, and he with me.

Why is this important to note? Why is it important to understand where Christ is with respect to this church? The bible explains.

Ephesians 1:22-23 And hath put all things under his feet, and gave him to be the head over all things to **the church, Which is his body, the fulness of him that filleth all in all.**

The presence of God is inside his church. The presence of God alone constitutes his church. If Christ is on the outside of the church knocking, that implies that his "body" is outside of the church of Laodicea. The head, shoulders, knees toes, and all other members of the body stand on the outside of the Laodicean church.



We are told in several scriptures that the temple of God is “the fullness of him” by his spirit in each individual member of the church. (See 1 Cor 3:16, 17, 1 Cor 6:19, 2 Cor 6:16, Eph 2:18-22, etc.) We are told that “Jerusalem, which is above is the mother of us all” (Gal 4:26) and that if we are children, we must be “children of promise” (Gal 4:28) or in other words “born again...by the word” (1 Pet 1:23) or in other words “born of spirit” (Gal 4:29). That the only way by which we might be children of the mother of us all, and members of the church, is we must be born into the family, the “remnant of her seed” and having “the testimony of Jesus” which is “the spirit of prophecy.” (Rev 12:17, 19:10)

With that in mind, the spirit not being in the midst of this church, we can conclude that the Laodicean church is not “the temple of God.” If it is not the church of God, or the “kingdom of God” (John 3:3) Then who’s kingdom or church is it?

Laodicea is “naked”, God’s church is “clothed with the sun” (Revelation 12:1) Could it be that the Laodicean Church is but a counterfeit of God’s true church in these last days. The last church is seen in Revelation 12 and 14.

Rev 14:1 And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father’s name written in their foreheads.

Of the seven churches, there is one who bears the credentials of having the Father’s name in their forehead? Who have been sealed by that spirit of God? Who are children of the Mother of us all, also having her name in their forehead? The sixth church, Philadelphia.

Rev 3:12 Him that overcometh will I make a **pillar in the temple of my God**, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

These are the pillars that constitute the “temple of God”. But what of Laodicea? If they are not “the temple of God”, and they are “blinded by the god of this world.” Who then

do they represent?

Rev 3:9 Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

This church which confesses to be Jews, Christian, Protestant, Commandment Keeping, Seventh-day Adventist, without “the fullness of him that filleth all in all” is but a counterfeit of the “temple of God”, “the body of Christ”, “the church of the firstborn”. If it does not have the spirit in it, it is not “the temple of God”. So therefore it could only be but a counterfeit professing to be “God’s church” in this last day.

Now before we finish, I am only reading what the word of God clearly tells us. It is not in God’s order for us to go around calling other churches “the synagogue of Satan” to others, even if we know that they are. However, the word has clearly revealed this by principle and spoken it, and we can know and understand these things so that we might not make the mistake of saying “the synagogue of Satan is the church of god.”

Most of us have aided in building up the kingdom of Satan, and are as guilty as any other who we might perceive to be among them. God help us that we should never again say “I am increased with goods and in need of nothing”. For the mercy which he has had on us, I pray it to be had on every soul who may be deceived into this Laodicean state of mind. And may we all heed the call to come out of it. And to be among the children of God, “who have the spirit of His Son whereby we cry of Abba, Father” (Gal 4:6)

Let us be among those who come up to feast with Christ and “will sup with him, and he with me.” (Revelation 3:20)



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“The church is in the Laodicean state. The presence of God is not in her midst.” (Notebook Leaflets, p. 99 MS 166 1898)

“To the end of time, the presence of the Spirit is to abide with the true church.” (Acts of the Apostles, p. 55)

“God has a church... the presence of the High and Holy One who inhabiteth eternity can alone constitute a church” (The Upward Look, p. 315)



THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST: THE SON OF MAN

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From the very beginning, it was Satan's decided effort to obscure the character of God in the minds of men. For something to be revealed, it must be clearly and plainly acknowledged in the mind of the one it is being shown to. In every age since the fall of man, men have continually lost sight of the glory of God, although that glory may be seen all around us to the discerning eye. Scripture declares that "the invisible things of Him from the creation of the world are clearly seen, **being understood by the things that are made**, even his eternal power and Godhead," (Romans 1:20) yet so often, man does not see the invisible things of God in His creation, more specifically: His goodness, His mercy, His longsuffering, and His love. **It was for this cause, that Christ became a man.**

(Psalm 37:37) "Mark **the perfect man**, and **behold the upright**: for the end of that man is peace."

We are told here to "mark the perfect man", and **Christ is the sum of perfection**, and **without Him there is no perfection to be seen in man** at all. When we are told to "mark the perfect man", and "behold the upright", God has set before all mankind Christ, as the Son of man, for without Him, man would have been forever separated from God. Yet for man's sake, Christ became a man and in Him, both God and man find a meetingplace. Christ says "**without Me ye can do nothing.**" (John 15:5) Therefore no

uprightness, no perfection can be seen in man at all except it finds its source from God through Christ. In Christ alone, man finds all that he needs, and all that he will ever need, so that he may know the God whose way is perfect.

There is not one man that can truly reveal anything at all reflecting the glory of God unless He supernaturally endows that man with His glory. Even then, **it is only by that Perfect man**, God's appointed channel among men, whether recognized or unrecognized by the human agent, **that man may reveal anything at all in himself of God's likeness.**

The sad truth is that man's tendency has been to not recognize the One with whom they have to do, and only the pages of history recorded in the books of heaven may tell exactly the terrible results which have followed. For centuries, man had lost sight of the glory of God, and despite the lengthy record of human woe and man falling short of that glory, **God sought to continually reveal Himself to, and in, man.** Moses, a man with like passions as ourselves, was given a clear revelation of this goodness; notice how it came to him, and how it comes to us:

(Exodus 33:18-19) "And he [Moses] said, I beseech thee, **shew me Thy glory.** (19) And He said, I will make **all My goodness pass before thee**, and I will **proclaim the name of the LORD** before thee..."

Notice that the glory of God, His name, and His goodness are synonymous.

(Exodus 34:5-7) "And the LORD descended in the cloud, and stood with him there, and **proclaimed the name of the LORD.** (6) And the LORD passed by before him, and proclaimed, **YEHOVAH, YEHOVAH God, merciful and gracious, longsuffering, and abundant in goodness and truth,** (7) **Keeping mercy for thousands, forgiving iniquity and transgression and sin, and that will by no means clear the guilty...**"

What a revelation this was to Moses! Yet not only for Moses was this revelation given, but it was for all men that this word was left on record, and yet despite all of this, men were continually losing sight of God's goodness. In the fullness of time, **this revelation was to be manifested more definitely** to the dull minds of men than ever before. **That very word given to Moses was to be made flesh.**

THE WORD MADE FLESH

For man's sake this revelation of God's glory must be clearly beheld, for in doing so, man would be changed into that same image: therefore the consummation of that revelation was fittingly to be manifested in the Saviour of man who was came in our flesh. The Scripture tells us:

(John 1:14) “...the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us, (and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father,) full of grace and truth.”

The Word, the only begotten of the Father, the outflowing majesty of heaven and the express image of the Father’s person, “was made flesh.” That Word that made all things, that Word which relates the glory of God, was to find **it’s consummated revelation to man in being Himself made flesh!** What that means to us may itself be but dimly comprehended, but it means much more than we’ve taken in, **yet it has everything, EVERYTHING, to do with us.**

To better understand the glory of that statement conveyed by the beloved disciple, we should go back to that very thing which was made flesh, that is, **the Word of God. The first word of the gospel on record for us speaks of Christ being made flesh:**

Genesis 3:15 “And I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and **her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.**”

The promise of the **woman’s seed was the covenant promise that Christ was to come in the flesh as the son of man.** The gospel of Jesus Christ was even here given to reveal the true character of God, and **so fully bound up is the gospel with Christ being made flesh that they are intimately inseparable realities.**

It was Satan’s definite purpose to deface the image of God in man, and more, to become the head over man: the creature exalted above the Creator. In submitting to the beast, man was lost, and unless the dominion of the serpent was destroyed in their hearts, and full restoration brought to the image of God, they would be without hope. Therefore the gospel, **the Word of creation renewed, was given.** It was only in beholding the true image of God through the gospel that complete restoration could be secured. 2 Corinthians 4:3-4 “But if our gospel be hid, it is hid to them that are lost: (4) In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, **lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.**”

The mind of man must be enlightened. It was only **by virtue of that Word of the promised seed, which is Christ made flesh, that man could behold the mercy, love, and goodness of God.** If that promise itself proved to be so glorious a revelation, how much more glorious would that **Word appear when it was manifested!** Of that manifested word made flesh, John said “and we beheld his glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father”. Not only to the disciples of that age was John’s statement true, but **it encompassed all who ever believed on the gospel that Christ was to be made flesh,** for it was the gospel, and the **gospel is nothing less than the “righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith” (Romans 1:17).** Therefore, we might say **the gospel was**

made flesh in Jesus Christ.

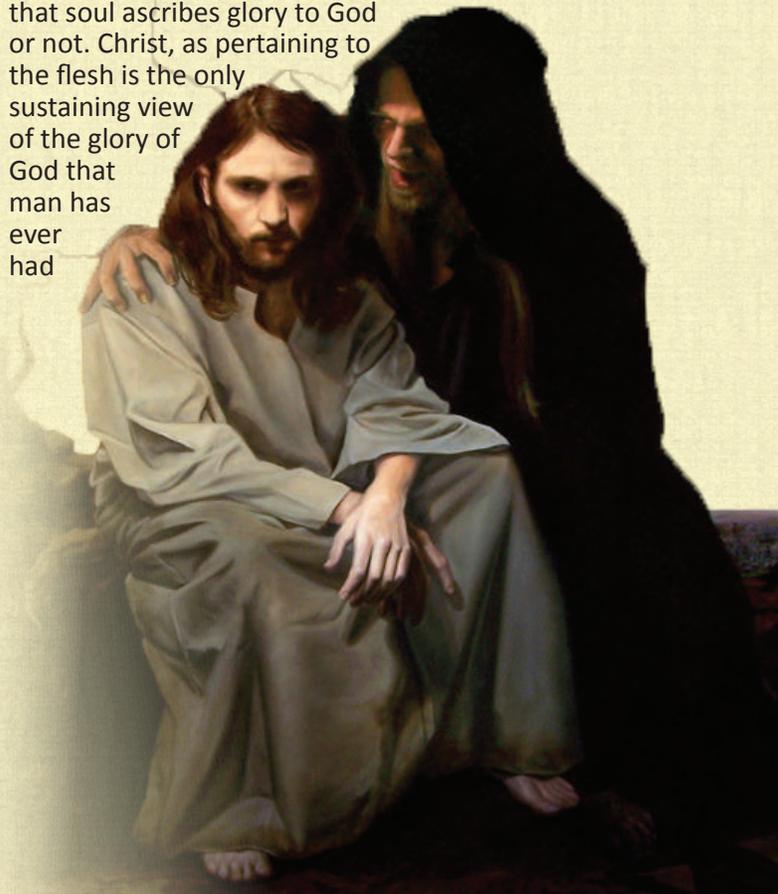
Thus we may begin to see the principle that **the glory of God is revealed to all flesh by that word, but that word is not revealed to any flesh at all if Christ did not covenant to be made that flesh in which it was to be revealed.** It is true then that the gospel given to man is wholly bound up in the truth summed up by John “And the Word was made flesh”. We will explore this matter more fully.

THE CHANNEL OF GLORY

The only glory that has ever been revealed is **the glory shining from the Throne of God.** It is communicated to man **by the revealed Word, and by the things that the Word has made.** It is truly wonderful that that man has the glory of God revealed to them, but **how can it be revealed in them? It is by that very same thing that made all things: by the Word.** But that Word was made our flesh. Therefore, Christ, in bringing to man the glory of God, **is the express human channel by which that glory is given to all men.** Says John:

John 1:9 “That was the true Light, **which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.**”

No dawning of day, no breath is given to any man except it comes from Christ, and this is true even in man’s fallen condition. Inasmuch as John said every man, he excluded no man from that statement, but **all man are lighted by Him that come into the world.** Thus **every ray of glory that man may reveal has it’s source in Christ,** whether that soul ascribes glory to God or not. Christ, as pertaining to the flesh is the only sustaining view of the glory of God that man has ever had



if ever they have truly beheld something **revealing true goodness at all**. The light revealed in the Son of man **is the light that may shine upon every son of man on either side of the cross**; there is no difference, save the clarity at which it might be particularly manifested in any given age. More than this, since **Christ is the light of the knowledge of the glory of God given to mankind**, it is also true that in Him, as **the very epitome of what man is to be, is to be found the measure at which God's glory can be manifested in a man, for by Him that glory comes to us**.

John 1:16 "And of his fulness have all we received, and grace for grace."

Christ, as the Son of man, is the capacity which man may receive by Him.

CHRIST: THE SON OF MAN

We've just examined the glory of God shining to man, and to be revealed in man, as revealed in the gospel, but was it absolutely necessary for Christ to take upon Himself humanity to do this? Since Christ is the one by whom all things came, being the Word of God, the answer is an absolute, definite "yes". He who "upholds the worlds" and by which "all things consist", is He who was made flesh, and it was **absolutely necessary in the gospel plan that Christ be made that which He was to redeem, that by Him man may be upheld**. If we understand more completely the depths of this, we may find our hearts becoming more endeared to **that great name He has taken upon Himself, as "The Son of man."**

PROMISED SEED

John said that the glory that was beheld was the glory as of **"the only begotten of the Father"**. Here our minds may be taken back through the extensive ages, to the glory Christ had with the Father before the world was: to when the counsel of peace, the gospel, was formed. Yet the statement takes in more than this. Christ, the woman's seed, the "word made flesh"; was **"made of a woman"** (Gal. 4:4), whose **conception was "of the Holy Ghost."** (Matt. 1:20) That is, **the seed of God the Father**: His offspring. Christ, the Son of the living God, was

made flesh. Seeing as He is the "only begotten of the Father", we may only be begotten truly **by Him**.

"He saith not, And to seeds, as of many; but as of one, And to thy seed, which is Christ." (Gal. 3:16) That Word made flesh was the gospel promise from the beginning, and that promise **is enjoined to all the of seed of Eve which believe**.

Galatians 3:26 "For ye are all the children of God by faith in Christ Jesus."

The gospel promise of Christ coming in the flesh was given to Eve as being her "seed", yet it is true that all mankind is that seed. And just as Christ is the "only begotten", He is the only seed which was primarily spoken of in this gospel promise. However, **all the seed of Eve may be included in this promise if they believe in the Son of God, who is that gospel made flesh**. He is the only living connection to the gospel that man has. And that gospel promises everything that pertains unto life and godliness (2 Pet. 1:3), including enmity with the serpent. Yet this enmity came at a great cost.

THE GREAT INHERITANCE

When mankind was lost, they became something that the Word of God (that is Christ) had not made them to be. They became **"heathen": foreign to the citizenship of heaven**.

Christ was the heir of all of heaven as the firstborn, the Son of God. Yet when Adam and Eve stepped outside of the bounds of heaven, they no longer belonged to that inherited possession of the Word of God. God did not choose to immediately blot out the heathen world from the sinless universe, but it was this time that the gospel was to be executed. God said to His Son:

Psalms 2:8 "Ask of me, and I shall give thee **the heathen for thine inheritance, and the uttermost parts of the earth for thy possession.**"

How was Christ, the Prince of heaven, to inherit that which was alienated from Him? He, the Word, had to become **the Upholder of man even in their fallen condition**:

(Hebrews 2:14) "Forasmuch then as **the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise**

took part of the same;"

BEARING ALL THINGS

Christ had to partake of flesh and blood: there was no other way. More than this, notice the accumulative force adding weight to this great act: "he also", "himself likewise". What is being emphasized here? It would have been an infinite condescension already for Christ to agree to come from the throne of glory and take upon Himself the flesh of Adam before his fall. Yet **this was not enough**. If He had left all the riches of heaven, so as to become poor in that flesh, that would have been more condescending. Yet still, **even that would not have been enough**. It was necessary for Christ to take upon Himself the very nature of fallen man. What does that glorious truth mean? It means that **"He himself hath suffered being tempted", "in all points tempted like as we are,"** (Hebrews 2:18, 4:13). In all points, He knows what it means to truly suffer; He endured our sufferings. He even **"learned obedience by the things which he suffered"** (Hebrews 5:8).

(Hebrews 2:10) "For it became him, for whom are all things, and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons unto glory, to make the captain of their salvation **perfect through sufferings.**"

Mark the perfect man O Israel! The One by whom all things were made! This may give us much more humble, **yet truly exalted views of what perfection is**. He became a man to partake of our sufferings, to be made perfect for our sakes! More than this, **He also Himself likewise took part in our temptations, "in all points...as we are"**. Let us for a moment drink this reality in, and we may become forever thankful that **Christ understands being assailed with those temptations**. Yet His condescension to take upon Himself our nature means **much more than even this**. By Christ came all things as the heir of heaven, but in man's lost state, He must **inherit all things pertaining to man in order to do for that man that which he most needs to have done, but cannot do for himself**: that is, that He might retrieve them from the depths of the dark pit of **sin & death**. That statement may well bear with it much more than many have conceived.

Christ has taken up **all of mankind upon Himself**. Therefore, by taking upon mankind, He has borne upon His shoulders **man's fallen condition**. Being the Word of God, He had everything to do with creation. Being the Word made flesh, He has **everything to do with man in the flesh: upholding man in their fallen condition by His own body**, whilst upholding the integrity of heaven. Thus the Scripture of Isaiah holds certainly true:

Isaiah 53:4 "Surely **he hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows...**"

Christ has borne all the sicknesses and sorrows of the human experience in Himself, for the cross was but the final manifestation of the outworking of His life as a man, and any man's life, whoever it may be, is **but the upholding of that sustaining life of the Word made flesh**. It says He "hath borne our sicknesses, and carried our sorrows", and the same prophet declared that He is **"a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief"**. Why is He a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief? Because **in His body, all the sorrows of man are borne upon Him, every woe that has afflicted man has been felt in the Son of man**. Indeed, **all sorrow and the curse of sickness**, which is but the violation of the perfect law of God, must have been **borne by Him at the cross**. Therefore leaving no sorrow to be brought to man, nor grief afflicting man **save that which befell Him in His body**. Our beautiful Saviour knew suffering, and to teach that He came in any other flesh is to say diminish His beauty and perfection. This was His portion, and what for? The prophet says it is **for our healing**, for in Him, the Word made flesh, is

the only power by which a man can find healing, for **"with His stripes, we are healed."** (Isaiah 53:5) It is our privilege to understand more fully that Christ, in bearing upon Himself mankind, is intimately acquainted with every one of us without exception.

If temptation has overtaken anyone, know that it overtook Him first, and nothing has ever come to any man but what He had to endure in that human experience. **All of human experience is found in that great human experience of Christ for the sake of man's blessing**. Here we see the Christ principle in it's true beauty: for not one soul is, nor can ever be, excluded from His human experience;

though through unbelief, they may choose the curse of death rather than the blessing of life.

Therefore, He partakes of our suffering, and no suffering has man known except He agreed to first bear it in His body. Every wound, every temptation, every sorrow, He knows. **In His human experience may be found the capacity for "every man that cometh into the**

world". While He did not participate in the act of sinning, **He endured all the ruin it brought to man**. And man may choose not to participate in that blessing, but He has upheld them that they may make the choice for themselves if they will obey the gospel. Regardless of their choice, **"He was wounded for our transgressions"; every sin that a man has done has struck the Son of God**.

2 Corinthians 5:21 "For he hath **made him to be sin for us**, who knew no sin;"

Now, though He was made sin, it means He suffered for sin. There must be no confusion that Christ Himself did not partake of any sin Himself, but was made it for it's destruction.

The inspired record says of Christ, "He did no sin," he **"knew no sin,"** and **"in him was no sin."** He was **"holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners."** Yet, He was "numbered with the transgressors" for the sake of their redemption.

Hebrews 2:14 "Forasmuch then as the children are partakers of flesh and blood, he also himself likewise took part of the same; that **through death he might destroy him that had the power of death, that is, the devil;**"

To inherit all man, He must bear, yet Himself not partake of in heart, all of the curse declared in the Word of God; every sickness, every woe, even death. Thus Christ, who is the living Word, **needed to be made that curse that befell mankind, which meant decided death**.

Deuteronomy 30:19 "...that I have set before you **life and death, blessing and cursing:** therefore **choose life**, that both thou and thy seed may live:"

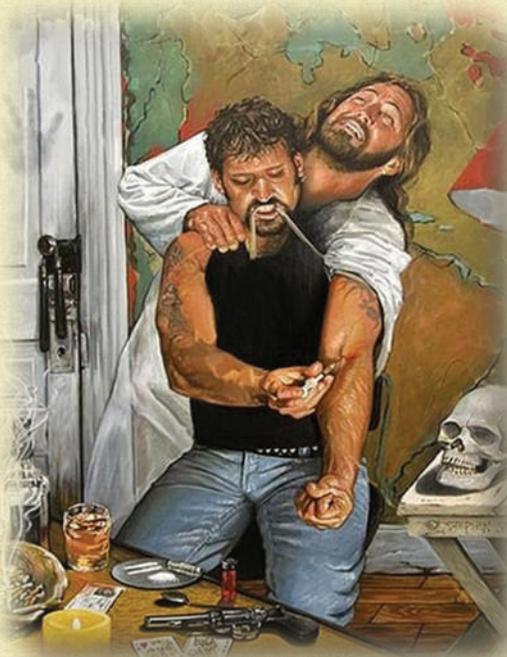
The Son of man must manifest this ultimate degree of suffering for the sake of mankind. **The life of man to be made death. The Word of blessing to become the curse, for the purpose of destroying both in His body**. He came to man who was cursed, and gave the Word to bless them. Therefore, it **behoved Him now become that curse, as well as that blessing**. In order to destroy that curse, the judgment which Christ must partake of was given well in advance:

Deuteronomy 21:23 "His body shall not remain all night upon the tree... (for **he that is hanged is accursed of God;**)"

Those who partook of the curse were separated from God, according to the Scripture, **therefore Christ had to go to the greatest depths of human woe that none might be out of salvation's reach**. The **Word of God had to be made that curse that was written**. For it is written:

Isaiah 65:15 "And ye shall leave **your name for a curse unto my chosen:** for the Lord GOD shall slay thee, and call his servants by another name:"

Christ inherited that name that was



synonymous with the absolute goodness and glory of God, and now bore the depravity and malignity of our names on the cross **to inherit us, and call us "by another name"**.

Galatians 3:13 "Christ hath redeemed us **from the curse** of the law, **being made a curse for us**: for it is written, Cursed is every one that hangeth on a tree:"

There is no true death by sin except the second death, by which the accursed soul dies. Even so, it was necessary that **He had to inherit both the sin of man, and that death to truly qualify the Scripture of receiving "the heathen for His inheritance."**

OVERCOMING

The Son of man has so intimately associated Himself with humanity. **His human experience having taken in the capacity of what fallen man is found in Him.** As a man, **He partook of our temptations, and our sufferings in full.** And what hope can this bring us! For **He overcame in His own body our temptations, arming flesh with the divine nature** as the Son of God. Even so, by Him this is to be our experience; **our victory is the one He has wrought in our flesh.**

He declares of those who overcome in His power "Ye are they which have **continued with me in my temptations.**" (Luke 22:28) Do you notice how **He calls our temptations His temptations?**

He was **made to know hunger, deprivation, and all the trials of life; He has borne the burdens of human woe upon Himself, and He has associated Himself with all mankind, who He has taken upon Himself.** Notice the following:

Matthew 25:42-45 For I was an hungred, and ye gave me no meat: I was thirsty, and ye gave me no drink: (43) I was a stranger, and ye took me not in: naked, and ye clothed me not: sick, and in prison, and ye visited me not. (44) Then shall they also answer him, saying, **Lord, when saw we thee an hungred, or athirst, or a stranger, or naked, or sick, or in prison, and did not minister unto thee?** (45) Then shall he answer them, saying, Verily I say unto you, **Inasmuch as ye did it not to one of the least of these,**

ye did it not to me.

He has so associated Himself with us in our fallen state, that it is our privilege to so associate with Him in victory. That was the infinite cost necessary for God to place enmity in the heart of man, and that enmity is nothing less than victory over Satan. The first promise of victory over the enemy of souls is secured for us in Christ alone. When that promise was given to Eve, all mankind was that woman's seed.

It is true that Christ alone is that seed, and that woman is both symbolic of heaven, but yet it also constitutes a literal seed from a literal woman which would come in literal flesh.

It is **only by faith** (see Gal. 3:26) in that seed that we may be called overcomers, and who are overcomers except the children of God? That divine seed of God taking flesh **has enjoined all flesh that believes** into this wonderful promise of victory:

1 John 5:4-5 "For **whatsoever is born of God overcometh the world**: and this is the victory that overcometh the world, **even our faith.** (5) Who is he that overcometh the world, but **he that believeth that Jesus is the Son of God?"**

Therefore to overcome the devil is given to Christ alone, by whom **all things came**, and it is **never given to any other to overcome.** Yet to **exclude man altogether from this promise is to exclude him from the victory that can be found alone in that seed by faith.** That would be a sharp contradiction to the Scripture! The Word of God abundantly testifies that **man can overcome in the power of God found in Christ:**

Revelation 3:21 "To him that **overcometh** will I grant to sit with me in my throne, **even as I also overcame**, and am set down with my Father in his throne."

Revelation 2:26 "And he that **overcometh**, and **keepeth my works** unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:"

Notice also that those who overcome are those **who keep the works of Christ.** To keep the works of Christ is to be a **partaker of that seed by faith, and it is nothing less than keeping the commandments of God.** It is the

manifest works of Christ in our flesh only in connection to Christ, but there is no connection to man at all **unless the Word is dwelling in our flesh**, by which it is made to fulfill those works in the flesh. **It is only this way that we can become living epistles of the gospel of Christ:**

2 Corinthians 3:2-3 Ye are our epistle written in our hearts, **known and read of all men:** (3) Forasmuch as ye are manifestly declared to be **the epistle of Christ ministered by us, written not with ink, but with the Spirit of the living God;** not in tables of stone, but **in fleshy tables of the heart.**

And we must understand also that **God has shut out the promise of overcoming to any flesh at all independent of faith in the Son of man.** Notice the following:

Romans 9:8 That is, They which are **the children of the flesh, these are not the children of God:** but the children of the promise are counted for the seed.

Galatians 3:29 And **if ye be Christ's**, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

The Scripture calls those who believe "the remnant of her [the woman's] seed [which is Christ]", and "if ye be Christ's" then you are included in that "seed"; overcoming is the gospel promise of what God will do in your flesh.

1 John 3:9 "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; **for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God.**"

This is the only way at all that we may **overcome as Christ overcame: by faith.**

John 6:27-29 "Labour not for the meat which perisheth, but for that meat which endureth unto everlasting life, which the Son of man shall give unto you: **for him hath God the Father sealed.** (28) Then said they unto him, What shall we do, **that we might work the works of God?** (29) Jesus answered and said unto them, This is the work of God, **that ye believe on him whom he hath sent.**"

Therefore, because that divine seed was made flesh, that same seed which would come in literal flesh of Adam, by faith dwelling in our hearts

[who are of the flesh of Adam], is nothing less than the Word of God which takes root, and **causes us to triumph gloriously.**

1 Corinthians 15:45 And so it is written, The first man Adam was made a living soul; the **last Adam was made a quickening spirit.**

It is by Christ, "the last Adam", **that the promise was achieved; it is by faith in Him, that it shall be also achieved in us.** Since He has so **enjoined Himself with us in all things pertaining to this life, let us be joined to Him in the life to come.** He has been **made sin for us.** He has been **made our death.** He has gone to the greatest depths **to save us from hell.** Now we may seem Him as our righteousness, and we may be "**made the righteousness of God in Him**"

(2nd Cor. 5:21). He has been **made our life.** He is **made our victory,** and **we are made to overcome, even as He overcome through faith.** He is **made man's reconciled sonship with God.** He has been **made all things for the sake of all men,** that by all means in the will of God, **He might bring all who believe back into heavenly communion with God** at His throne. No wonder the glorious question is set forth by the apostle:

Romans 8:35-39 **Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?** shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

(36) As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all

the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. (37) **Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.** (38) For I am persuaded, that **neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,** (39) **Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

Romans 16:20 ...the God of peace shall **bruise Satan under your feet shortly.** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen.



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Vegan Cheese Sauce

- 2 cups chopped cauliflower (or potatoes)
- 1 cup chopped carrots
- 1/2 cup salsa
- 1/3 cup olive oil
- 1/2 cup nutritional yeast
- 1 tbsp lemon juice
- 2 tsp himalayan sea salt
- 1/2 tsp garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp onion powder.

Boil cauliflower & carrots until soft. Drain (save some reserve water in case you need it to thin). Blend all ingredients in blender until very smooth.



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SCRIPTURE BREAKDOWN



(1 John 5:7) “For there are three that bear record in heaven, the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost: and these three are one.”

Many have the idea that 1 John 5:7 is the basis for the Trinity. However, this verse does not say “These three are one God”. It also does not say “God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit”. Another important note we can make about this verse:

The Title “God” is not used at all in this verse. The verse does say however that the Father, the Word, and the Holy Ghost “bear record”. So, what is the Record?

(1 John 5:10) “He that believeth on the Son of God hath the witness in himself: he that believeth not God hath made him a liar; because he believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.”

The title “God” is used in this verse and refers to the Father. The title “God” is never used in scripture once with the terms “The Father”, “The Son”, and “The Holy Spirit” together. God is a Father in the context of this verse.

So since all three bear record, and the record is that “God gave of His Son” then we can conclude:

1. The Father “bears record” that (God the Father) gave His Son.
2. The Word “bears record” that (God the Father) gave His Son.
3. The Holy Ghost “bears record” that (God the Father) gave His Son.

All three “bear record” that “God” is a Father, and since this is true, they also “bear record” that “God” is NOT a “Father, Son and Holy Spirit”. 1 John 5:7 is telling us that God is a Father alone if we analyze or read the context with care, we also find the following:

(1 John 5:11-13) [Immediate context] “And this is the record, that God hath given to us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. He that hath the Son hath life; and he that hath not the Son of God hath not life. These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.”

Is this topic important? What else does 1 John say about God and His Son?

(1 John 4:9) In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him.

Love is what draws men to repentance. (Rom 2:4) This love is very important to behold, as it is by “beholding we become changed into the same image, from glory to glory.” (2 Cor 3:18)

(1 John 4:14, 15) And we have seen and do testify that the Father sent the Son to be the Saviour of the world. Whosoever shall confess that Jesus is the Son of God, God dwelleth in him, and he in God.

(1 John 5:1) Whosoever believeth that Jesus is the Christ is born of God: and every one that loveth him that begat loveth him also that is begotten of him.

We love the begetter, the Father, and the begotten, the Son.

This theme is what we find summarized in John’s Gospel in the following verse:

(John 20:31) But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that believing ye might have life through his name.

This is not a side issue. The question comes down to “Is God three co-eternal, co-equal beings?” or “Is God a loving Father who begat a Son and who had to sacrifice this dear Son in order to save us? Is this an act performed by 3 co-eternal beings? Or is this the real deal? Did Father really have a literal Son that He gave for us? Can you be drawn to him if you cannot see the manifestation of Father’s Love?”

If we fail to believe “the record” that the Father “bears” in giving his son, “we make God a liar” (1 John 5:10). How can we trust Him? But John tells us about a liar. We read in chapter 2:

(1 John 2:22) “Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.”

If we deny that God gave His Son, and that God is really a Father, and the word is truth. The word then by default would make us a liar. God really had a Son to give. Furthermore in Proverbs we are told:

Proverbs 30:4-6 Who hath ascended up into heaven, or descended? who hath gathered the wind in his fists? who hath bound the waters in a garment? who hath established all the ends of the earth? what is his name, and what is his son’s name, if thou canst tell? Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him. Add thou not unto his words, lest he reprove thee, and thou be found a liar.

We could always read 1 John 5:7 to say:

“There are three (Gods) that bear record in heaven, (God) the Father, (God) the Word, and (God) the Holy Ghost: and these three are one (God).”

But this would be adding to His word, and the bible says that if we add to his word we will “be found a liar”, and “who is a liar...He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son” and we make “Him a liar” if we “believeth not the record that God gave of his Son.” (1 John 5:10)

I know that I don’t want to add or take away from this word. And although some may use the argument that this text shouldn’t be in the bible. I would not take away from what is there. We do read however in the SDA Bible Commentary the following:

“ The disputed words found their way into the KJV by way of the Greek text of Erasmus. It is said that Erasmus offered to include the disputed words in his Greek Testament if he were shown even one Greek MS that contained them. A library in Dublin produced such a MS (known as 34), and Erasmus included the passage in his text. It is now believed that the later editions of the Vulgate acquired the passage by the mistake of a scribe who included an exegetical marginal comment in the Bible text that he was copying. The disputed words have been widely used in support of the doctrine of the Trinity, but, in view of such overwhelming evidence against their authenticity, their support is valueless and should not be used (The Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary, vol. 7, p. 675).

Biblically it doesn’t support the Trinity anyway. But there are concerns with respect to the authenticity of the verse, however, the consistent message of God and His Son is supported by this verse when we take our time to read it.

There are three in heaven. We see them in the following verse:

(Revelation 22:1) “And he shewed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.”

There is only one “God” here.

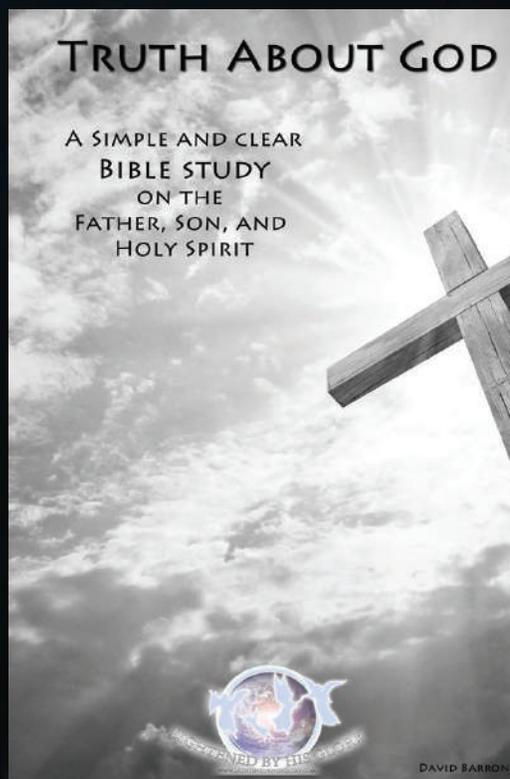
God = The Father

Lamb = The Son

River of water of Life = Their Spirit

And all three “bear record” that “God is the Father” and “Jesus is the Son of God”.

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Startling signs are all around us, and God is seeking to communicate to His children what His will is at this present time. We're told in Scripture that "the thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun." (Ecclesiastes 1:9)

A question was set before Christ: "...the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?" (Matthew 24:3)

As it was in the days of Lot

In the days of Lot, licentious practices had to a wide extent prevailed. The children had forsaken the faith of Noah, and gave themselves over to corruption and sensuality. Lot had found himself in the midst of Sodom, which God said He was going to destroy because of how fixed in their corruption they had become; they had decidedly forgotten the God of heaven.

Romans 1:27-28 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet. (28) And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient;

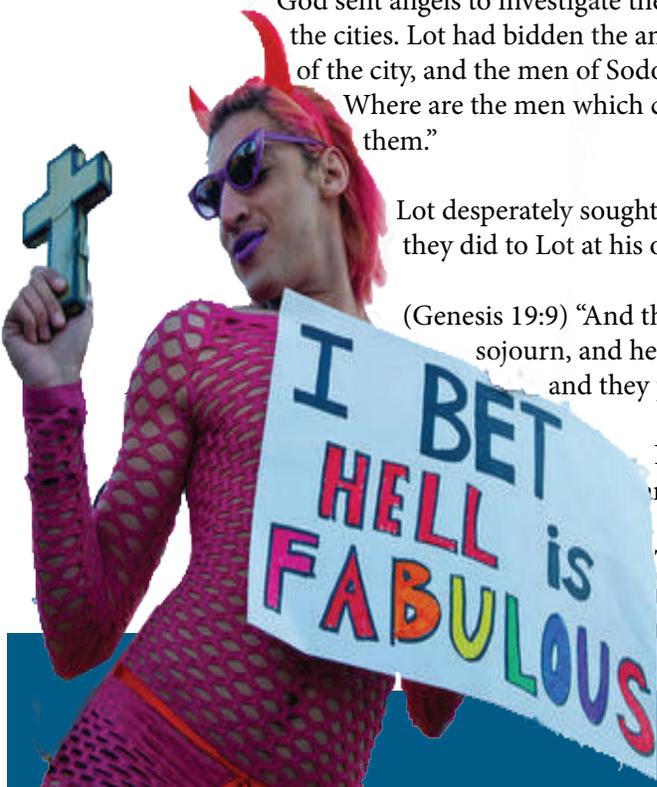
God sent angels to investigate the cries that came before His throne from the corruption overflowing in the cities. Lot had bidden the angels to remain at his house for the night because of the sore corruption of the city, and the men of Sodom saw it. (Genesis 19:5) "And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them."

Lot desperately sought to restrain their wickedness by pleading with them. Yet look at what they did to Lot at his own home:

(Genesis 19:9) "And they said, Stand back. And they said again, This one fellow came in to sojourn, and he will needs be a judge: now will we deal worse with thee, than with them. and they pressed sore upon the man, even Lot, and came near to break the door."

Now the judgement of the city was certain. It's wickedness was sealed, and it's fate decided. Lot was divinely instructed by angels to leave the city.

The destruction of the city came, and Lot was scarcely delivered from that wicked land. So notable was the results of Sodom and Gomorrah in their rejection of the Spirit of God, that Christ declares it a sign just



before He returns.

Luke 17:28-29 "...as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; (29) But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all."

Sodomy has its origin from that place that was judged. It means nothing less than sexual perversion and confusion, where the natural function of man and woman is distorted from the created purpose.

Recently, the United States legalized homosexual marriages nationwide. The symbol of the covenant has always been the rainbow; for it represents the rainbow surrounding the glorious throne of God, and represents the everlasting covenant between God and His dear Son. Likewise, man and woman, who are made in their image is a symbol of that covenant. In great sign was witnessed as the legalization of homosexual marriage was announced. The lights shone on the whitehouse in a rainbow hue as a demonstration of their acceptance of homosexual marriages; the perversion of God's covenant. Though the United States is not a Christian theocracy, and is in no sense founded on the Christian religion, the moral perversity in the world is nevertheless an evident sign before Christ's coming. Moreover, the force that was employed in the days of Lot is the very same characteristics being manifested by homosexual couples today.

A conscientious Christian couple that owned a bakery was sued by homosexuals for refusing to make a wedding cake for them against their convictions. The case was decided, and the Christian couple had to pay hundreds of thousands of dollars in fines only to maintain a clear conscience. The decision was a blatant removal of the rights of Christians to maintain their convictions.

"The investigation concludes that the bakery is not a religious institution under the law and that the business' policy of refusing to make same-sex wedding cakes represents unlawful discrimination based on sexual orientation,"

This is only one case of many, that include wedding florists, and photographers, all being sued across the United States of America and are losing their rights to obey their conscience.

And the result of all of this? There will be three. One is that certain states will take protective actions to protect the rights of conscience for a time. The other is a pushing back from the Evangelical community to gain power over the state to restrict the rights of practicing homosexuals, thus pushing for the United States to hold a more theocratic society that can take away rights based on the state-sustaining of a particular class of religious ideals. The last class will be those who will honor the protection of rights for all classes. Some among this class will recognize the signs that Jesus foretold, and will, as Lot, recognize in this sign a clear call to leave the populated cities where the war over rights is taking place, just as the Christians left Jerusalem when the war raged between the Jews and Romans in the siege of Jerusalem.



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