



The Book of Revelation Lesson 13 1Q 2019 I Make All Things New

by Tim Jennings

NEXT WEEK CLASS WILL START AT 10 A.M. AND STOP AT 11 A.M. FOLLOWED BY Q&A TO DISCUSS THE NEW PAMPHLET

Australia Report:

First HUGE Thanks to Simon Harrison and his fiancé Maani who have been so helpful in not only organizing this entire event, but also in heading up C&R Ministries in Australia.

Also, if you have appreciated *The Remedy New Testament* all the editing has been done by Mirra Huber, who lives in Tasmania Australia. Well it was such a privilege to get to meet Mirra and her sister at our last stop in Melbourne. What a blessing Mirra has been to us!

There are so many more people we want to thank, but are fearful of forgetting someone—truly too many to remember everyone but we have so many friends down under who love this message—thank you all!

We were reminded that we are in a war between Christ and Satan and the devil does not want this message going forward, but God overruled every time.

When we left our plane was delayed in ATL 45 minutes and then after we took off in the first few minutes of flight our plane was hit by lightning, which was quite frightening, but no harm and we kept going. Then when we got to LAX we were held on the tarmac for 45 minutes so when we finally got off we had to run through the airport and barely made our connection to Brisbane, but we made it—but our luggage didn't. We arrived in Brisbane Friday morning, spoke Friday evening and Sabbath and then left Brisbane Sunday morning. Our luggage finally caught up with us an hour before we left on Sunday morning. While there I got food poisoning or a GI bug and was nauseated and sick on my stomach for 7 days—so to all our Australian friends, if I seemed less social, please forgive me. But, every time I got up to speak the nausea went away and I was energized and had a clear mind.

- We arrived Friday February 22 and spoke in Brisbane (Gold Coast SDA Church)
- We spoke at (Springwood Church) in Brisbane and 8 Miles Plains
- Toowoomba Parkhouse Café
- Cairns SDA church
- Adelaide at the Morphett Vale SDA church
- Cooranbong and Avondale High School and retirement village
- Sydney Adventist Hospital
- Perth—Livingston SDA church



- Perth—Christian Counselor’s Association of Australia
- Melbourne at Nunawading SDA church

Talks presented included:

- *Recovering from Sexual Abuse*
- *The Mind God’s Design and What Went Wrong*
- *The God-Shaped Brain*
- *The Seven Levels of Moral Development*
- *The Science of Belief*
- *Neurobiology of Depression and Drug Free treatments*
- *Addictions and the Adolescent Brain*
- *Healthy Love versus Love Addiction*
- *The Developing Brain*
- *The Aging Brain*
- *Domestic Violence in the Christian home*
- *Plus teaching two SS lessons and multiple open Q&A times*
- ***total 31 presentations in 15 days***

We were so positively received and this message is changing lives all over the world.

We had people come up to us at every venue and tell us they watch this class every week and it has changed their lives. Many said to tell each of you hello and how they appreciate you and your questions and all our substitute teachers when I am gone. Truly there were far too many stories for me to remember them all but here is a sampling:

- A young man in late 20’s came up to me and told how he had been an atheist but came across our material online and it has completely changed his life and he now believes in God and has given his life to Christ.
- A lovely gentleman and his wife drove over five hours to come to our event and he told me they are Christians but not SDAs and came across our material online and have read all my books and it has transformed their lives.
- A woman in her 70’s came up to me and told me she has been a lifelong Adventist, a pastor’s wife but had been so discouraged with Adventism that she was about to leave the church when she came across our material. And with tears in her eyes and a smile on her face, she grabbed my hands and squeezed them telling me how much God has used this ministry to reach her—that she has such a love relationship with God now.
- One lady came up to me and said that she was in the SDA church her entire life but so many things didn’t make sense and she was really struggling. She came across our materials and started reading and listening, but was afraid because it seemed to contradict so many things she had been taught in the church. She said that she had been praying that God would show her the



truth, but as she was studying our material it was contradicting so much of the traditional stuff that was getting stressed and afraid and unsure and was just calling out to God to know what to do. Then one evening as she was struggling with this question, she heard God speak to her and say, “You wanted to know the truth—this is the truth.” She said, since then she has embraced this message and has had such peace and the doubts have resolved.

- After my talk on *The Science of Belief* in which I describe quantum mechanics and string theory, how all reality is connected through these invisible strings, a woman and her husband came up and said that she knows what I am teaching is the truth because she didn't believe in God, and refused to believe in God, was living with a lot of stress and one day God gave her the awareness of how all things in the universe are connected by Him and through Him. She said it was so powerful she knew God was real and gave her heart to Him.
- In Melbourne, a Baptist pastor came to the meetings and stopped to tell us how much he appreciated the message and wanted our materials to share at his church.
- A message came in online: “*Thank you for your ministry and visit to Nunawading Victoria Australia, it is helping my family members who stopped worshipping God many years ago get a new fresh positive perspective of God and His character. May God continue to bless you as you share the ‘Good News’ of a loving Creator Designer God around the world.*”

Our last stop in Melbourne, was such a positive experience. We were in the main church auditorium at the Conference Office Headquarters and there was standing room only, they opened a bonus room and had to bring in extra chairs and still people were standing out in the hall, which was a surprise for the church leadership as it was a holiday weekend and they didn't expect a large attendance.

I received a couple of emails since getting back:

Dear Tim, We wish to pass on to you and your team our deep appreciation for your fabulous presentation/s at Nunawading SDA Church last Friday night and Sabbath. Chris and I are familiar with your YouTube Sabbath School classes as well as your books and DVD's but it was such a pleasure to hear you once again in person. I had the pleasure of meeting you and to be in the audience at the New Zealand Conference. The content last weekend was so relevant and illuminating and is helping both of us understand more the Father's plan and the unbelievable and extraordinary life and sacrifice of Jesus. I know from many others that I have spoken to since, others we deeply respect for their commitment to God, that they too felt the Holy Spirit moving and feel so encouraged to continue to dig deeper and explore both Scripture and the writings of Ellen White... for us and I'm thinking most of the 400+ people who attended, that having Come and Reason Ministries attend our church was such a blessing. It was so inspirational and we are grateful for your study, your commitment and your willingness to travel to the other side of the world and head to Melbourne after what must be an exhausting tour. Could you also kindly pass on to your wife, your team and all involved our appreciation and grateful thanks.

To our Collegedale Class I received this email and a card:



I am emailing from Melbourne. A big thank you to you all for sharing Dr. Jennings with us here in Australia these past weeks. We were blessed to hear him speak today and last night. We managed to sneak in a very quick hello and thank you to Tim but was mindful of his time. What we really wanted to do was ramble on and on about the difference Come and Reason has made to EVERYTHING since discovering you on YouTube about a year ago. This message is exciting!! Thank you all for what you are doing to get God's true character 'out there'.

Well done also to the ladies teaching in Dr. Jennings absence. We have very much enjoyed listening to them :))

Also, for our Australian friends, we are in the final stages of receiving Not For Profit Status in Australia. Check with Simon at Australia@comeandreason.com for when this is finalized—all paperwork is in, just waiting for the government to grant the status.

SABBATH

What things are made new?

- The earth—all physical things on the earth, mountains, trees, waters, animals—what about people?
- Do we get *new* hearts? When do we get new hearts before or at the second coming?
- So would this mean we are set right, in heart, with God before the second coming? What is another word for setting right? Justified or justification—so do we actually get justified before the second coming or are we just declared to be righteous, set right, justified but really we are not, which is what penal substitution teaches?

Read first paragraph, “The destruction...” It says Babylon induces secular powers to persecute—what does this suggest the problem is and what we need to watch out for?

Does it suggest the problem is a physical conflict, one in which physical force is brought to bear?

But what kind of war does Paul say we are in, (2Cor 10:3-5)? A war for our minds—is Babylon's primary attack one of inducing state powers to inflict coercion, or is the real attack in our minds—getting Christians to believe that government enforcement of law is how God operates so that Christians will support the beastly system?

How could Christians come to support the state in passing laws to coerce the consciences of people? What issues might be involved? Could it be:

- to save the earth—climate reform—not enforcing worship, but rest from work for environmental reasons? Would this really be coercion of conscience if no worship is involved? No, it would be no different than laws that require cars to get inspection for emissions—this is



not a matter of conscience. So, don't confuse Revelation's warnings with laws to take a day off each week to reduce carbon emissions if no issues of worship are involved.

- what about laws regarding marriage? Could these be avenues that Satan could use to get Christians to seek to enforce their beliefs on others by the power of the state? In other words, be tricked into pursuing what they believe is a good goal, but with Satan's methods of coercion?
- What is the difference between carbon emission laws and laws on marriage?
 - Carbon emission laws would be about environmental and economic policy—not about personal matters of conscience—like laws on recycling, clean air, car exhaust emissions, etc.
 - But laws on marriage move past community and environmental issues to personal issues of conscience and belief.

Read second paragraph, “With the destruction of Babylon...”

The lesson references the fifth seal—let's read this seal:

When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained. ¹⁰ They called out in a loud voice, “How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you judge the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?” ¹¹ Then each of them was given a white robe, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and brothers who were to be killed as they had been was completed. Rev 6:9-11

What do you hear happening? Do you hear anything about the Investigative Judgment or Sanctuary message?

There is an altar, where does that symbol (altar) place the scene? In the sanctuary, so this seal is focusing our attention on the work of Christ in the sanctuary.

What is under the altar? Souls—what does this mean?

Do we understand it through a legal view based on human law and teach that God is functioning like a human law court? Or, do we teach that God is Creator and He is functioning in harmony with His design law in whatever He is doing?

It is taught that Jesus is in the sanctuary opening records, reviewing sins, removing sins from the record of the saved etc. Do we understand such descriptions in legal terms or in design law terms?

Have you considered where the dead go when they die? Do they return to dust? Do they go to God? Do they go to heaven? Or do they do all three?

According to the Bible, human beings are tripartite:



“Now may the God of peace himself make you completely holy and may your spirit and soul and body be kept entirely blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.” (1Thes 5:23 NET, emphasis supplied).

Is it possible that at death, one part of a human returns to dust, one part goes to God, and one part goes to heaven?

Interestingly, computers are also tripartite and serve as a very poignant object lesson. In order to have an operational computer, one needs hardware, software, and an energy source. Having only two of these three, results in a computer that will not operate. All three are required for actual functioning.

In a similar way, to have an operational (or functioning) human being, it requires all three components—body, soul, and spirit:

- The Greek word for body is *σῶμα* [soma] and is analogous to a computer’s hardware—the physical machine, including our brain.
- The Greek word for soul is *ψυχή* [psuche], from which we get *psyche*, as in *psychiatry* and *psychology*, and means our unique individuality, personhood, identity. It is analogous to a computer’s software.
- And the Greek word for spirit is *πνεῦμα* [pneuma], from which we get *pneumonia* or *pneumatic* and means wind, air or breath, as in the breath-of-life. This is our energy source—the life-energy originating from God.

If a computer runs out of power, then into what state does it go? It sleeps. And how does the Bible describe those who die the first death? They sleep, awaiting the resurrection. So, with this in mind, we can now answer what actually happens to the various components of a human being at death.

At the first death,

- the body returns to dust (see Gen 3:19, Ps 44:25, Ecc 3:20);
- the spirit—life energy—returns to God who gave the breath of life (see Ecc 12:7);
- but what about the soul—the psyche, the individuality, the software? Where does that go?

If someone stole your laptop and was threatening to destroy it unless you paid a great price, but you had a perfect copy of the data backed up on a cloud-server, you might say, “I’m not afraid of the one who can destroy my laptop (body) but cannot destroy the software (soul/psyche).” This is what Jesus described in Matthew 10:28 when He spoke about those who might kill us for our faith in Him.

Why is it, that killing of the body cannot destroy the soul? Because the soul is our psyche, our individuality, our unique personhood and is distinct from the body. The question is, Where does the soul go when it is absent from the body?

The apostle Paul said, “Therefore we are always confident, knowing that, whilst we are at home in the body, we are absent from the Lord: (For we walk by faith, not by sight:) We are confident, I say, and willing rather to be **absent from the body, and to be present with the Lord.**” (2Cor 5:6-8 KJV, emphasis supplied)



But where would our identities (souls) be stored in heaven? Would it not be in the heavenly records, the Lamb's book of life? EGW says this:

Remember, **your character is being daguerreotyped** [photographed] **by the great Master Artist in the record books of heaven**, as minutely as the face is reproduced upon the polished plate of the artist. What do the books of heaven say in your case? Are you conforming your character to the Pattern, Jesus Christ? Are you washing your robes of character and making them white in the blood of the Lamb? (TSB 62.1, emphasis supplied)

Every passing hour of the present is shaping our future life. These moments spent in carelessness, in self-pleasing, as if of no value, are deciding our everlasting destinies. The words we utter today will go on echoing when time shall be no more. **The deeds done today are transferred to the books of heaven, just as the features are transferred by the artist onto the polished plate.** They will determine our destiny for eternity, for bliss or eternal loss and agonizing remorse. **Character cannot be changed when Christ comes, nor just as a man is about to die. Character building must be done in this life.** (TM 429.3, emphasis supplied)

What is the relationship between deeds and character?

When you hear "deeds" do you think legal, judicial, the bad acts are the problem and require punishment—like in human law. Or, do you think through God's design law and realize that the deeds are evidence of character and further develop and reinforce the type of character one has?

The words are an indication of that which is in the heart. "Out of the abundance of the heart the mouth speaketh." [this would be evidence of the character] **But the words are more than an indication of character; they have power to react on the character.** Men are influenced by their own words. Often under a momentary impulse, prompted by Satan, they give utterance to jealousy or evil surmising, expressing that which they do not really believe; **but the expression reacts on the thoughts.** They are deceived by their words, and come to believe that true which was spoken at Satan's instigation. **Having once expressed an opinion or decision, they are often too proud to retract it, and try to prove themselves in the right, until they come to believe that they are.** It is dangerous to utter a word of doubt, dangerous to question and criticize divine light. **The habit of careless and irreverent criticism reacts upon the character,** in fostering irreverence and unbelief. Many a man indulging this habit has gone on unconscious of danger, until he was ready to criticize and reject the work of the Holy Spirit. Jesus said, "Every idle word that men shall speak, they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned." {DA 323.1}

So, what is recorded in the record books—merely lists of bad deeds that are legal in nature, requiring legal accounting and punishment, or our actual characters, individualities, personhoods?



This is why Paul could write:

Brothers, we do not want you to be ignorant about those who **fall asleep**, or to grieve like the rest of men, who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again and so we believe that **God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him**. The Lord himself will come down from heaven, with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet call of God, and **the dead in Christ will rise first**. After that, we who are still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever. (1Thes 4:13-18 NIV84, emphasis supplied)

Did you notice that the very same righteous dead who arise out of the ground are also coming down out of heaven with Christ, and that they are described as coming from heaven in a state of sleep? How can this be? Because their souls (psyches/software), which are stored/recorded on the heavenly servers, are coming down with Christ to be downloaded into their new immortal bodies during the resurrection at the Second Coming!

This is why Jesus could say, “I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.” (Jn 11:25,26 NIV84)

The righteous may *sleep*, but they never *die*. Their individualities are safe with Christ in heaven!¹

Do you see a connection with this and the doctrine of Investigative Judgment and the removing of sins from the Sanctuary in heaven?

When Jesus raises the righteous at the first resurrection, will they arise defective and sinful, or perfect and sinless? Obviously, perfect and sinless, but did all the saved who have died throughout history, die in perfect sinlessness or did they die as sinners who loved Jesus and trusted Him for their salvation, but who still struggled with defects in their lives?

Will they rise with those same defects? Will the thief on the cross, who found salvation in Christ, arise with the heart of a thief longing to steal? Will the great Reformer Martin Luther, who held staunch hatred of the Jews, arise hating the Jews and longing to kill them?

Then, would something need to happen in these saved souls **before** the resurrection so that at the moment of resurrection their previous evil habits, selfish natures, addictive tendencies and other lusts would be gone? Would all such defects, sinfulness, need to be removed?

Could we describe this process as a healing, cleansing, or removing sins? And from where are these “sins” being removed? From the individualities/characters of the sleeping people who have trusted in Jesus. They are receiving from Jesus *His* perfection, so that when they arise, they arise perfected!

¹ This article does not address the fate of the unrepentant *wicked*. Nothing in this article speaks to the mortality or immortality of the soul—that is a different discussion. However, it is the author’s position that the soul is mortal and immortality is a gift from God for the saved (see Rom 6:23).



EGW describes it this way:

We believe without a doubt that Christ is soon coming. This is not a fable to us; it is a reality. **When He comes He is not to cleanse us of our sins, to remove from us the defects in our characters, or to cure us of the infirmities of our tempers and dispositions. If wrought for us at all, this work will all be accomplished before that time.** (Counsels for the Church 214.4, emphasis supplied)

Do you see how the penal substitution lie cheats people, deceives people, and keeps people trapped in sin? It doesn't teach people that they can be renewed now, but that they can't be renewed now, only declared to be legally righteous, even though they remain unrighteous.

So, our souls, our individualities, or safe and secure in heaven, on the heavenly servers—and what other metaphor does the Bible use for the safekeeping of the individualities of the righteous? The heavenly Sanctuary! (see Eph 2:19-22; 1Pet 2:5; 2Cor 5:1). Using beautiful symbolism Revelation describes this cleansing of the individualities (souls) of the dead:

When he opened the fifth seal, I saw under the **altar [sanctuary]** the **souls [individualities]** of those who had been slain because of the word of God and the testimony they had maintained. They called out in a loud voice, “How long, Sovereign Lord, holy and true, until you **judge [Investigative Judgment]** the inhabitants of the earth and avenge our blood?” **Then** each of them was given a **white robe [cleansing of their characters at that time]**, and they were told to wait a little longer, until the number of their fellow servants and brothers who were to be killed as they had been was completed [**cleansing of the living on earth**]. (Rev 6:9-11 NIV84)

So, we could describe this process as *cleansing of the Sanctuary*.

We could say that:

Jesus, our heavenly High Priest, is opening every individual record and examining it closely, and for all those who have trusted Him, He removes the sins from their account;

which means

He examines in detail the stored data (code) that constitutes every person, and for those who trust Him, He removes all damaged code—all elements of selfishness, all tendencies to sin—and writes in His perfection!

The cleansing of the sanctuary is the cleansing of individualities, and EGW connects this cleansing of the temple directly to Malachi 3:1-3, which is critical, because Malachi 3:1-3 is the same event as the one described in Daniel 8:14 that began in 1844.

The coming of Christ as our high priest to the most holy place, for the cleansing of the sanctuary, brought to view in Daniel 8:14; the coming of the Son of man to the Ancient of days, as presented in Daniel 7:13; and the coming of the Lord to his temple, foretold by Malachi, are descriptions of the same event; and this is also represented by the coming of the bridegroom to the marriage, described by Christ in the parable of the ten virgins, of Matthew 25. (GC88 426.1, emphasis supplied)



In 1844, Christ began His final work in heaven of cleansing the souls, databases of all who trust Him from the residual elements of sinfulness people had when they died, so when they arise they arise in sinless perfection.

But why wait until 1844 to start this final work? Because Jesus needs to not only perfect the individualities of the dead/asleep who have placed their trust in Him, but He also has to do the same for those who are still alive on earth at the time of His Second Coming.

This means He needs a people who have comprehended the truth sufficiently enough to expunge the lies about God from their minds and experience the transformation of their souls as described above. Because of Satan's counterattack on Christ's work at the Cross, it wasn't until 1844 that people on earth were ready to begin this final preparation.

But why wait until 1844 to start this final cleansing work?

After Christ's victory at the cross, Satan's *man of sin*—the little-horn power, as Paul and Daniel describe him—wages war against God's people by attacking the truth about God. This evil power advances its assault on God's character by changing people's perception of God's law—it replaces the truth of God's design-law with the human imposed-law lie. This little-horn power—man of sin—thereby sets himself up in God's temple, proclaiming himself to be God (see Dan 7:25; 2Cor 10:3-5; 2Thes 2:4), by getting humans to conceive of God as an authoritarian dictator—an imposer of rules who, in order to be just, must use His power to inflict punishment and death on the unrepentant. This little-horn power is winning the war of ideas by filling hearts and minds with imperialism and dictator-views of God until the Ancient of Days comes and gives judgment/discernment to the saints (see Dan 7:22).

God, looking down the corridors of time, tells His friend Daniel that 490 years remain for the Jewish people to be the avenue for the Messiah. In the middle of the last week of their mission, the Messiah will come and end the ceremonial system, and He will provide the remedy for human salvation. But the little-horn power will arise after Christ's victory at the cross, and it will war against the saints until a message goes forth from God, proclaiming to the world: Be in awe of God, for the time has come for people to make a right judgment about God—to worship the Designer, Creator, Him who made the heavens, earth, seas and fountains of waters (see Rev 14:7).

This message is specific in its design to turn the minds of people away from the imperial dictator-god with its false, imposed Roman-law construct, back to our Creator God, whose laws are the design-protocols upon which life is built. Those who accept the truth about God and His design-law understand their need for healing and transformation, and they cooperate with Jesus in His work of cleansing the Sanctuary—their souls—so that they will be prepared to meet Him face to face. Those who reject the truth about God and His design-law, continue to perpetuate the lie of the little horn and teach the Investigative Judgment concept through legal lenses, subvert the church, and obstruct the final healing message.



This perspective is developed in more detail in our pamphlet we are making available today. It is currently on our website in digital form and we have print copies here in class for you to take. I want you to take it, study it this week, and next Sabbath we will start our regular class at 10 a.m. instead of 10:20, and at 11:00 a.m. we will do Q&A over this new pamphlet.

In the pamphlet is the main article, followed by several addendum—please read the addendum also. I will share one section now

The last paragraph states the Babylon is destroyed—how do you destroy a system of belief? By destroying the ideas in the minds of intelligent beings it is based upon—this final destruction of Babylon is not a war of physical power, but of truth destroying all the lies about God and removing all the confusion Babylon has caused.

SUNDAY

The Wedding Supper of the Lamb—what is this referring to?

When does the Wedding *Supper* take place? At the second coming—then when does the wedding take place? Before the second coming, and when did the wedding ceremony occur?

To whom is Christ married?

Read first paragraph, “Two thousand years ago...” What does this mean? Does it mean Christ gets married to inanimate matter?

Or does the New Jerusalem symbolically represent something else?

Similarities between the MHP and the NJ:

Most Holy Place

- Cube
- Covered in Gold-Perfect
- Saved at-one with God
- Where God dwells
- HP cleanses MHP

New Jerusalem

Cube
Paved in Gold
Saved at-one with God
Where God dwells
HP cleanses the hearts of the saved

So, prior to the coming of Christ, He receives His kingdom, which is primarily a concern for objects or people? And when a wedding occurs, what happens between the bride and groom? Does intimacy occur? Does union occur? Do the two become one? In other words, at a wedding at-one-ment happens!!!!



So, could we consider, that the receiving of His kingdom, the wedding for which we are guests, is Christ bringing into perfect at-one-ment all those who have put their trust in Him. In other words, the cleansing of their data-sets, their individualities, their characters as they are united to Christ like a bride to her groom, so that at the resurrection they are perfect?

Consider Revelation 3:12, describing the saved:

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. Revelation 3:12. {CTr 227.1}

What is being described here? The cleansing of character to restore the saved to God's original design for humanity, receiving the perfection of Christ as their own—being united or at-one with Christ, i.e. being married to Him.

I found this EGW quote in connection with Revelation 3:12 and found it instructive:

Never will the human family—redeemed by the example of the Sent of God, the only begotten of the Father—understand and fully comprehend the terrible conflict waged with deceptive, alluring power and concealed, deadly hatred by Satan against our Lord when He lived upon earth. After the battle of the great day of God shall take place, when the power of rebellion is forever broken and Christ's mediatorial work in its magnitude is represented so plainly that all of the redeemed of God's family shall, with clear comprehension, **understand the mission of His Son as the mediatorial remedy to make of the fallen race a repentant, humble, meek, reclaimed order of beings—then there will be seen developed the difference between the person that serveth God and the one that serveth Him not.** {CTr 227.2}

Rebellion will exist in our world until in heaven are spoken the words "It is done." **Rebellion in the church is caused by its members feeling opposed to God and to His terms of salvation.** Human beings want abundant room to express themselves and to attract attention. They do not know or understand that they are working out the plans of Satan. **If they refuse to see and to become enlightened, if they refuse to be instructed, they reject the mediatorial remedy that has been given to save the sinner—not in sin but from sin.** [Come let us reason together... Those who refuse to reason, to examine evidence, to pursue the truth have closed their minds to the truth that Jesus has brought. It is only through the truth we are won to genuine trust in God and then transformed by the Spirit of Truth and Love. Notice the purpose of Christ was not legal, but remedial, healing, to fix the damage sin has done to His creation.] **For the express purpose of saving sinners was the remedial work of Christ planned.** {CTr 227.3}



Here is another EGW quote:

Jesus sent His angels to direct the minds of the disappointed ones to the most holy place, where **He had gone to cleanse the sanctuary** and make a special atonement for Israel. Jesus told the angels that all who found Him would understand the work which He was to perform. I saw that **while Jesus was in the most holy place He would be married to the New Jerusalem**; and after His work should be accomplished in the holiest, He would descend to the earth in kingly power and take to Himself the precious ones who had patiently waited His return. {EW 251.1}

Do you see the reality through the metaphorical language? Jesus is uniting Himself in heart, mind, character with all the saints through history who have trusted in Him, thus cleansing their records (their individualities/data sets) which are stored in heaven. This unity, is oneness in the most intimate way and is described as a marriage.

In COL 311, describing the parable of the wedding feast EGW writes:

When we submit ourselves to Christ, the heart is united with His heart, the will is merged in His will, the mind becomes one with His mind, the thoughts are brought into captivity to Him; we live His life. This is what it means to be clothed with the garment of His righteousness. Then as the Lord looks upon us He sees, not the fig-leaf garment, not the nakedness and deformity of sin, but His own robe of righteousness, which is perfect obedience to the law of Jehovah. {COL 311.4}

Again, do you see the reality through the metaphor of an actual healing of the character, mind, motives to be at-one with Christ.

Those who have died trusting in Him, have their individualities stored in the heavenly records, the Lamb's book of Life, and during the IJ, the Wedding, Jesus unites Himself with them by opening their datasets, their unique stored personhoods and removes all residual defects and writes in His perfection. Thus, they are "washed in the blood" metaphor for the life of Christ, His character restored in them, or covered by the robe of righteousness.

We who are alive on earth receive the same transformation of character through the indwelling of the Holy Spirit and our humble and purposeful trust in Him.

The Church will never fulfill its mission to take the final message of mercy to the world until we reject the imperial law lie with its penal substitution theology and return to worship our Creator God whose laws are design laws. If you want to see Jesus come in your lifetime, then I implore you to reject the legal lie and promote the truth about God.



MONDAY

Armageddon Ends

What is the battle of Armageddon?

- Is it a local battle, or worldwide battle? Worldwide
- Is it a battle of physical armies? No
- Is it a battle for hearts and minds? Yes
- What are the weapons employed by both sides?
 - Satan—lies, coercion, bribes, appeal to survival instincts, impersonation of Christ, miracles, imprisonment, physical torture, death penalty
 - God/Jesus/Saints—truth, love, freedom, never coercion, always leaves free, self-sacrifice, not loving own life so much as to shrink from death, trust God with one's life.

The lesson references 2Thes 1 as a description of the end of the wicked, let's read verses 6-10:

God is just: He will pay back trouble to those who trouble you ⁷ and give relief to you who are troubled, and to us as well. This will happen when the Lord Jesus is revealed from heaven in blazing fire with his powerful angels. ⁸ He will punish those who do not know God and do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus. ⁹ They will be punished with everlasting destruction and shut out from the presence of the Lord and from the majesty of his power ¹⁰ on the day he comes to be glorified in his holy people and to be marveled at among all those who have believed. This includes you, because you believed our testimony to you. (NIV84)

How do you understand this? What law lens are you reading it through?

If we believe Satan's lie that God's law functions like human law, requiring the law-giver to inflict punishment, what conclusions do we draw? That Jesus will use His power to inflict pain, suffering and death on the wicked.

If we reject this view, because we reject the lie that God's law functions like human law, and instead believe God is Creator and His laws are the laws upon which all reality operate and life depend, then what conclusions do we draw from the passage?

Do the wicked receive punishment? Yes, but from where? The Bible tells us, Galatians 6:8:

The one who sows to please his sinful nature, from that nature will reap destruction...(NIV84)

So, 2Thes 2:6-8 from *The Remedy*:

God always does what is merciful, loving and right: those who refuse the Remedy and cause harm, he will give up to reap the torment they have chosen—the destruction that comes from



unremedied selfishness—⁷ but he will free us from our afflictions. This will happen when the Lord Jesus appears in the sky in the full brilliance of his unveiled fiery glory, surrounded by his powerful angels.⁸ Truth and love will burn free, and those who have rejected the Remedy procured by Jesus will experience the punishment that unremedied selfishness and sin bring: they will be unfit to tolerate the intensity of absolute truth and pure love of God’s presence; the anguish of facing the reality of their true selves and of all they have done will overwhelm them;⁹ they will be punished with eternal separation from the glorious presence of God—separation from their source of life that unremedied sin and selfishness bring—and sink into everlasting non-existence.¹⁰ This will happen on the day Christ returns to be glorified in his people when he restores to his original ideal those who have taken the Remedy. This includes you, because you have believed us and have taken the Remedy.

TUESDAY

The Millennium

When does it begin?

Who is on earth?

Where are the saints?

How is Satan bound?

What do you think the lesson means in the first paragraph where it says, “The chaining of Satan is symbolic, because spiritual beings cannot be physically bound.”

Are they suggesting that Satan is not a physical being that angels don’t have physical bodies?

EGW wrote the following in EW 152:

I was shown Satan as he once was, a happy, exalted angel. Then I was shown him as he now is. He still bears a kingly form. His features are still noble, for he is an angel fallen. But the expression of his countenance is full of anxiety, care, unhappiness, malice, hate, mischief, deceit, and every evil. That brow which was once so noble, I particularly noticed. His forehead commenced from his eyes to recede. I saw that he had so long bent himself to evil that every good quality was debased, and every evil trait was developed. His eyes were cunning, sly, and showed great penetration. His frame was large, but the flesh hung loosely about his hands and face. As I beheld him, his chin was resting upon his left hand. He appeared to be in deep thought. A smile was upon his countenance, which made me tremble, it was so full of evil and satanic slyness. This smile is the one he wears just before he makes sure of his victim, and as he fastens the victim in his snare, this smile grows horrible. {EW 152.3}



I have always thought that angels were physical beings, with bodies, just made out of different stuff than our bodies.

WEDNESDAY

The lesson points out that the planet will be purged by fire—this is the fire of combustion which burns up physical matter, the fire in which the elements melt—is this the same fire that consumes sin? No, the fire that consumes sin, is the fire of God’s life-giving glory, the fires of truth and love that consume lies and selfishness. It is only after the wicked are dead that the fires of combustion cleanse the physical matter of the earth.

Read the fourth paragraph, “A life free of suffering...”

Why does God’s presence guarantee a life free of suffering and death? Did God’s presence in heaven guarantee a universe free of suffering and death or did Lucifer rebel in God’s presence?

So, why do they say God’s presence is the guarantee? What is the guarantee that sin will never rise again? The truth—all truth—the truth about God revealed by Jesus, the truth about God’s law—perfect and righteous—the design protocols for life, not imperial rules—the truth about Satan and his lies about God’s law, the knowledge that violations of God’s law only injures and damages the one who violates it. Thus, the universe is safe and secure because all have the knowledge of the truth and have chosen the truth, thus being settled in their hearts and minds on the issue.

Consider this EGW quote:

Through Christ's redeeming work the government of God stands justified. [to whom? what is the redeeming work? Would this mean that we would remember we were redeemed and from what?] The Omnipotent One is made known as the God of love. Satan's charges are refuted, and his character unveiled. [to whom is God made known as the God of love and to whom is Satan's character unveiled? Will we remember?] Rebellion can never again arise. Sin can never again enter the universe. Through eternal ages all are secure from apostasy. By love's self-sacrifice, the inhabitants of earth and heaven are bound to their Creator in bonds of indissoluble union. [why can rebellion never arise again? because we all remember. It is Satan's lie that memory is erased in the hereafter.] {DA 26.2}

FRIDAY

The lesson points out that we are still waiting for the second coming of Christ—why do you think there has been a delay?

Is there anything we can do to hasten the day?



I believe the delay has occurred because the truth about God's design law, the eternal good news about God's character and methods has still not gone to the world. Instead, all Christianity has been infected with the beastly view of God as a dictator who makes up rules and then punishes rule breakers.

The SDA church was called into existence to finish the reformation by rejecting Imperial Rome's view of law and calling people back to worship Him who made the heavens, earth, sea and fountains of waters, i.e. the Creator whose laws are design laws. But the SDA leadership rejected this view in 1888 and embraced the imperial law lie and teaches its pastors and leaders that God is the source of inflicted pain, suffering and death—the lie Satan told from the beginning. We can only finish the work and hasten the day by rejecting the imperial law lie and returning to the truth about God and His law as design law.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all of our supporters!!! We appreciate your prayers and financial support.

To let you know what is IN THE WORKS in addition to our weekly class:

- Audio version of the Remedy is in production, we are about half way through and hope to have it by the first of April.
- The Power of Love Come and Reason Training and Equipping Course—is in production and more announcements will be forthcoming on time, place, and schedule
- A new sharing pamphlet to be out in March
- A weekly 15 minute radio show/podcast will start in April
- Exploring how to expand the Dr. Tim Jennings Television program

Check our website for new chapters of *The Remedy* the Psalms will be going up slowly as they are completed and edited. When an entire book of the Old Testament is complete then it will be added to the app and when you update the app you will get the new book. Thank you for your prayers and support as I work on this project.

April 3-6, 2019: Dr. Jennings will be speaking in Sophia Bulgaria.

May 10,11, 2019: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at Barrie SDA Church, 140 Mapleton Ave
Barrie, ON L4N 9N7 Canada

May 18, 2019: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the Love and Transformation Summit in Scottsdale, AZ

June 8, 2019: Dr. Jennings will present The Aging Brain Seminar at Mid Columbia Medical Center, in The Dalles, OR.

July 10, 2019: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the 3rd Global Health Conference, sponsored by the General Conference of SDA and held at Loma Linda University.

September 21, 2019: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at Crossroads Community Church in Georgetown Delaware.

October 9-12, 2019: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the American Association of Christian Counselors World Conference at the Gaylord Opryland Hotel in Nashville. Come and Reason Ministries will have a booth in the exhibit hall sharing our material with the attendees.