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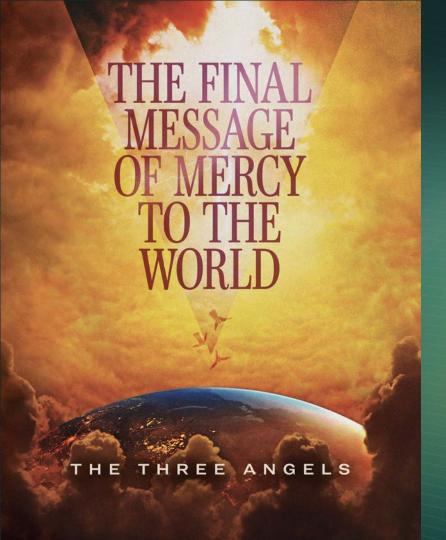
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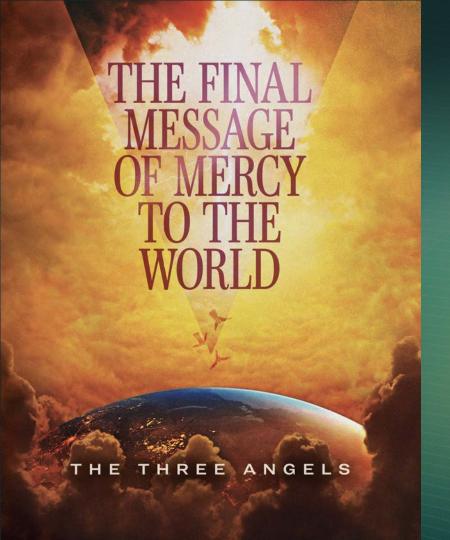
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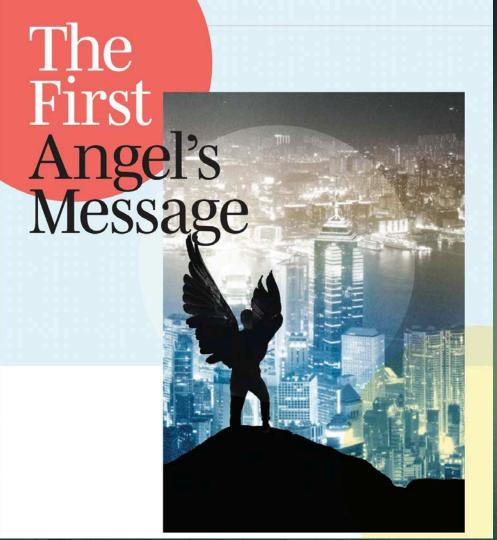
#### **REVELATION 1:1**

"The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place."



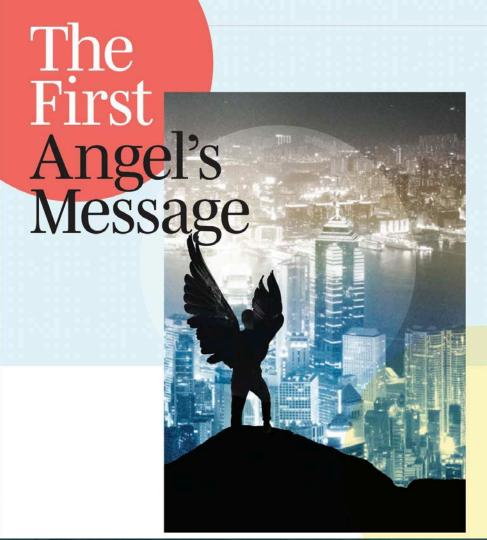
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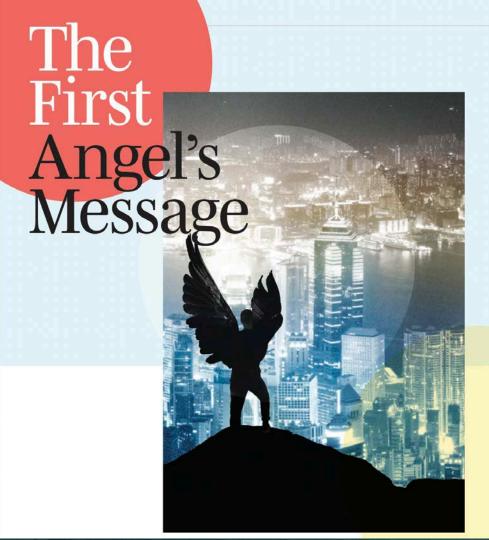
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#### **ETERNAL GOSPEL**

Jesus said, "this gospel of the kingdom will be preached in the whole world as a testimony to all nations, and then the end will come" (Matthew 24:14).



#### ETERNAL GOSPEL

- If the church has been sharing the gospel since Jesus' ascension, why hasn't the end come and why did Jesus prophesy that the final message of mercy starts with the eternal gospel?
- Is it possible the gospel got lost in religion?
- What is the eternal gospel?

# THE FINAL MESSAGE OF MERCY STARTS WITH THE ETERNAL GOSPEL

- What is the Good News that has been true, eternally true; true in eternity past and future?
- What is the news that the universe has doubted but is foundational to life, health, and happiness?
- What is the news that dispels the lies of Satan and wins us back to trust in God?
- What is the central target of Satan's lies, upon which his rebellion has been built, and thus, the eternal good news that Satan is wrong?

# WHAT IS THE GOOD NEWS THE WORLD NEEDS IN ORDER TO WIN THE WAR?

For though we live in the world, we do not wage war as the world does. The weapons we fight with are not the weapons of the world. On the contrary, they have divine power to demolish strongholds. We demolish arguments and every pretension that sets itself up against the knowledge of God, and we take captive every thought to make it obedient to Christ. 2Cor 10:3-5

# THE ETERNAL GOOD NEWS IS THE TRUTH ABOUT GOD

- "God is love" 1John 4:8
- God is not the person Satan alleges
- The eternal good news is what Jesus revealed "Anyone who has seen me, has seen the Father" John 14:9
- Life eternal is knowing God John 17:3
- If we don't understand the good news about God, we will misunderstand everything else!

# AND WHAT DETERMINES HOW WE UNDERSTAND GOD'S CHARACTER?

- How we understand God's law!
- How do you understand God's law?
- God is Creator—He builds reality, space, time, matter, energy, life—and His laws are the laws upon which reality functions: Design Laws!
- And God's design law is an expression of His character of love!

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- How we understand God's law and therefore God.
- Angels and humans cannot create reality.
- We make up rules and call them laws, but our rules require external enforcement—Imposed Law.
- Christianity exchanged the truth of God's Design Law for Roman Imposed Law and this changed how we view God from a being of love to a cosmic enforcer.

# **EUSEBIUS FIRST CHURCH HISTORIAN (263-339 CE)**

"With the Roman Empire monarchy had come on earth as the image of the monarchy in heaven."

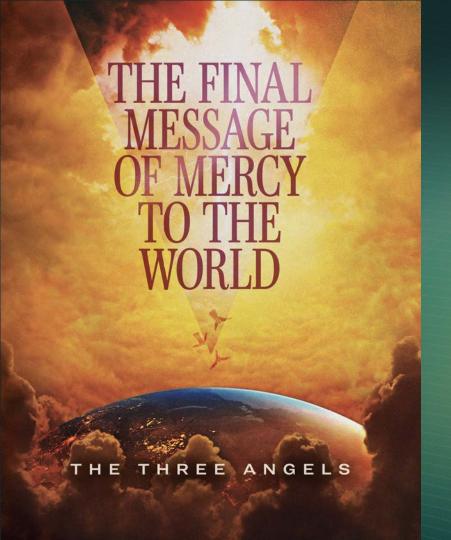
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#### **DANIEL 7:25**

"He will speak against the Most High and oppress his saints and try to change the set times and the laws"

### How DID THE IDEA OF GOD'S LAW CHANGE?

- Imperialism—God's design law was replaced with the idea that it functions no differently than human law—imposed rules.
- Why doesn't a church committee vote that on bad pollution days its members are not required to breathe?
- What does it mean if a church committee votes to change God's law?
- That they no longer view it as design law!



#### AN END-TIME PLEA

- Many Reformers have embraced the 3 Angels Messages as end-time warnings for the world to get ready to meet Jesus
- But they have presented the messages through the Roman Imposed Law View
- We present these messages through the Creator Design Law View

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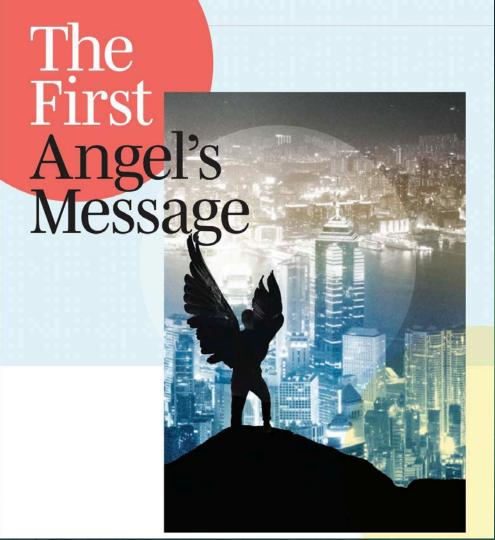
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## THE FOUR JUDGMENTS

#### FIRST JUDGMENT

- Imagine that your spouse believes a lie that you have had an affair and has moved out. If you want him or her back, what will you have to do?
- Who is on trial? Who is being judged?

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- "Let God be true but every man a liar. As it is written: 'That You may be justified in Your words, And may overcome when You are judged." Romans 3:4 NKJV
- "God must be true, even though every human being is a liar. As the scripture says, 'You must be shown to be right when you speak; you must win your case when you are being tried." Romans 3:4 GNB

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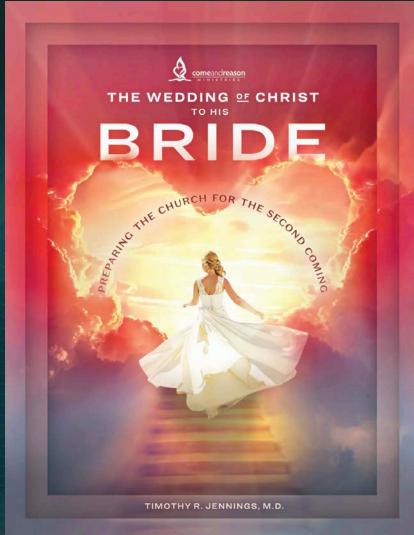
- Satan lied about God.
- Adam and Eve judged wrongly and broke trust with God.
- Humanity has been called to make this judgment over and over again:
  - Joshua: "Choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve... as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD" Joshua 24:15
  - Elijah" "If the LORD is God, follow him; but if Baal is God, follow him"
     1Kings 18:21
- Jesus revealed the truth about God.
- We must judge: Is God like Satan says—or is God like Jesus revealed?
- This judgment of ours determines whether we choose to trust God and open our hearts or not.

#### SECOND JUDGMENT

"Then suddenly the Lord you are seeking will come to his temple; the messenger of the covenant, whom you desire, will come, says the Lord Almighty. But who can endure the day of his coming? Who can stand when he appears? For he will be like a refiner's fire or a launderer's soap. He will sit as a refiner and purifier of silver; he will purify the Levites and refine them like gold and silver. Then the Lord will have men who will bring offerings in righteousness, and the offerings of Judah and Jerusalem will be acceptable to the Lord, as in days gone by, as in former years. 'So I will come near to you for judgment." Malachi 3:1–5

#### SECOND JUDGMENT

- This is the Judgment of the Great Physician, diagnosing what is wrong and determining the best therapeutic intervention.
  - God bringing "judgments" upon rebellious people throughout history to alert, to convict, to redeem, to protect, to redirect, and to keep open the avenue for Messiah (Flood, Sodom, captivity).
- Jesus' work in the heavenly sanctuary to determine (judge):
  - Who has trusted Him and given Him access to their hearts
  - What residual elements of sin remain to be removed in order to perfect them for the resurrection and second coming (Cleansing His Bride—which=two become one, at-one-ment).
  - But this only happens in the hearts of those who have first judged God to be trustworthy!



## FOR MORE

#### THIRD JUDGMENT

- "I saw thrones on which were seated those who had been given authority to **judge**. And I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded because of their testimony for Jesus and because of the word of God. They had not worshiped the beast or his image and had not received his mark on their foreheads or their hands. They came to life and reigned with Christ a thousand years." Revelation 20:4–6
- "Do you not know that we will **judge** angels?" 1 Corinthians 6:3
- During the 1,000 years, the saints review the history of what transpired and the lives of the lost and of angels, so that no doubt is left in any mind as to why the unrepentant are not in heaven.

#### FOURTH JUDGMENT

- "I saw a great white throne and him who was seated on it. ... And I saw the dead, great and small, standing before the throne, and books were opened. Another book was opened, which is the book of life. The dead were **judged** according to what they had done as recorded in the books." Revelation 20:11, 12
- And what is recorded in the books of heaven?
- The "names" of people and in Scripture what do names represent?
- Character!

## FOURTH JUDGMENT

"Make a tree good and its fruit will be good, or make a tree bad and its fruit will be bad, for a tree is recognized by its fruit. You brood of vipers, how can you who are evil say anything good? For out of the overflow of the heart the mouth speaks. The good man brings good things out of the good stored up in him, and the evil man brings evil things out of the evil stored up in him. But I tell you that men will have to give account on the day of judgment for every careless word they have spoken. For by your words you will be acquitted, and by your words you will be condemned." Matthew 12:33-37 NIV84

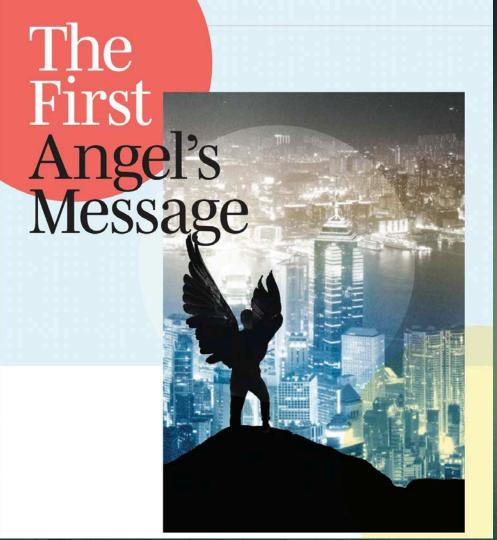
- What is being described?
  - Character—the actual condition of each heart, a diagnosis of what actually is.

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- Design law: Be in awe of God and trust Him to heal you for you are dying of a terminal condition, then be His witness, reveal the glory of His character and methods of love to others for the time in human history has come for people to make a right judgment about God and worship the Creator, Him who made...



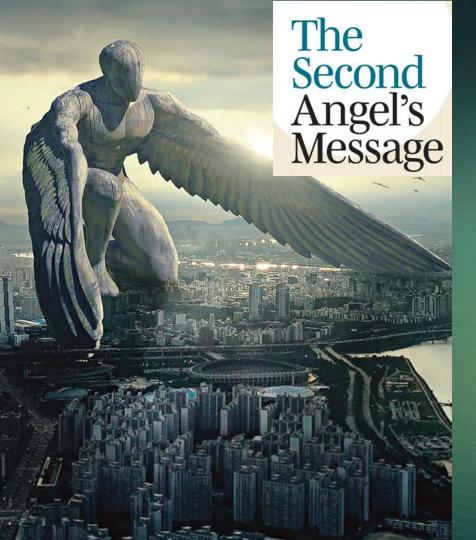
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- Thus Jesus has sent the 3 Angels' Messages to present the truth about Him and call them out of the false system that intoxicates the world



A second angel followed and said, 'Fallen! Fallen is Babylon the Great, which made all the nations drink the maddening wine of her adulteries.'

## BEASTLY INTOXICATION

• The "maddening wine" is the lies about God that the entire world accepts —especially that God's laws are imposed and God functions as enforcer and source of inflicted pain, suffering, and death.

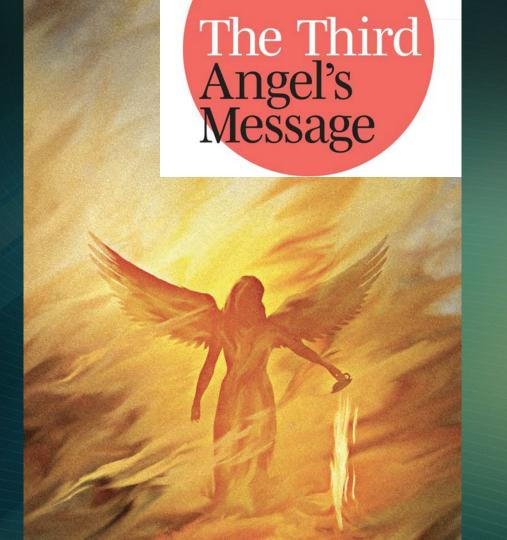
## **COME OUT OF BABYLON**

- Of all the nations in the Bible story arc that warred against Israel—
- Babylon is the first to create a legal code the Code of Hammurabi
- We are called to leave the imposed law systems of this world and return to worship Him who made the heavens....

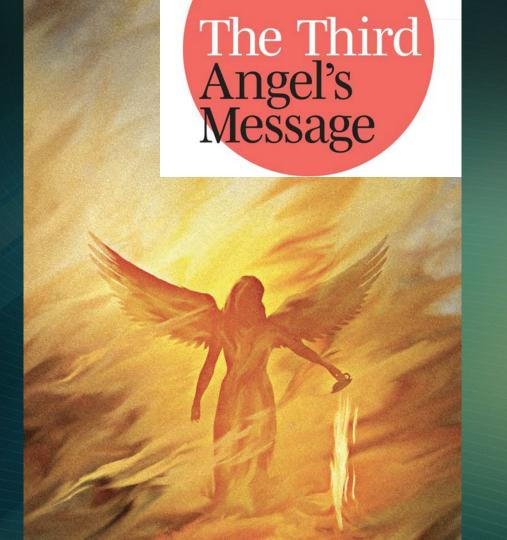
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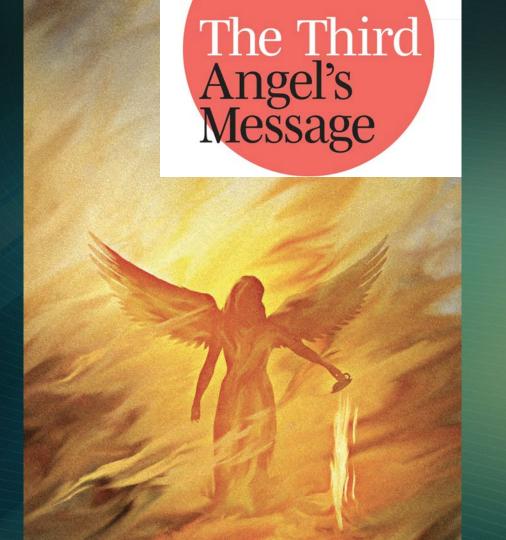
Then we are ready



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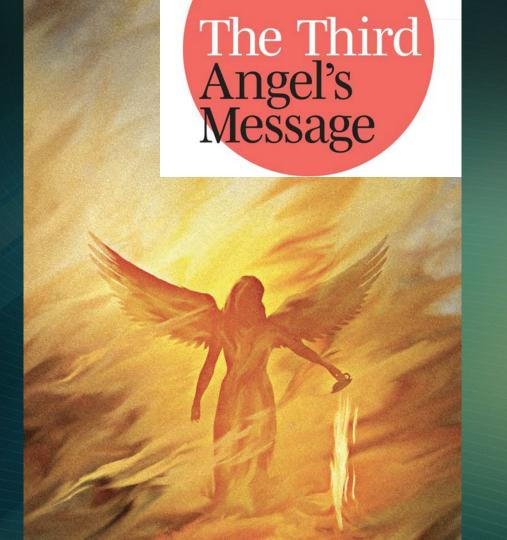
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And the smoke of their torment rises for ever and ever. There is no rest day or night for those who worship the beast and his image, or for anyone who receives the mark of his name."

## WHAT DID YOU HEAR?

- Good News?
- Righteousness by faith?
- A God of love?
- What law lens are you reading it through?
- Do you see God's design law at work?
- Do you see God describing reality, His character and methods of truth, love, and liberty?



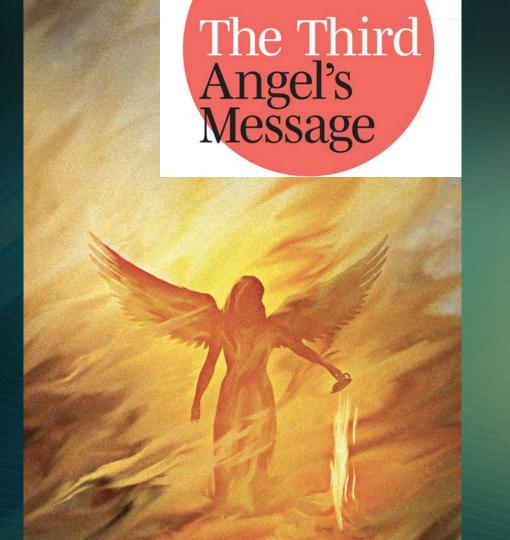
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## LAW OF WORSHIP

- By beholding we are changed. 2Corinthians 3:18
- They followed worthless idols and became worthless themselves. Jeremiah 2:5
- Romans 1:18-32 rejecting the truth about God darkens minds
- "Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith." Hebrews 12:2
- "We know that when he appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is." 130hn 3:2
- Which requires we reject the imperial view of God with the human law construct and worship the Creator.

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 If you worship the dictator you mark yourself in character (forehead) or behavior (hand) to be beastly



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- What does this mean?
- What is God's wrath?

## ROMANS 1:18, 24, 26, 28

- For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth (v. 18 ESV).
- "God gave them up..." (vs. 24,26,28).

## LAW OF LIBERTY

• If you choose Satan's version of an imperial god who uses beastly methods of coercion and mark yourself in character and deed to be beastly then God leaves you free. He stops interceding to protect you from your choice and this is know as God's wrath.

# FROM THE BIBLE COMMENTARY: HARD SAYINGS OF THE BIBLE

 "The human condition, which Paul describes in Romans 1:18-32, is not something caused by God. The phrase "revealed from heaven" (where "heaven" is a typical Jewish substitute word for "God") does not depict some kind of divine intervention, but rather the inevitability of human debasement which results when God's will, built into the created order, is violated....

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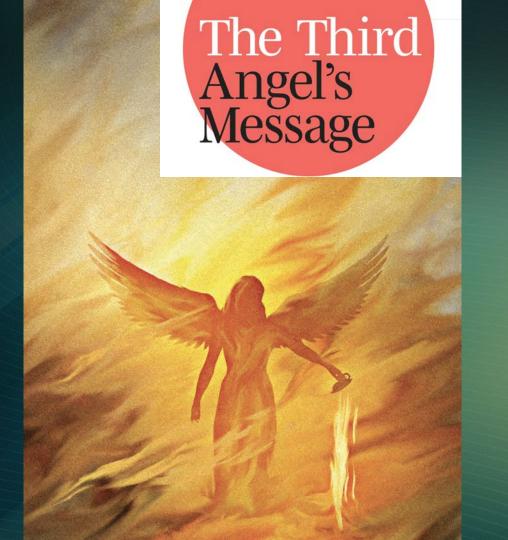
 Since the created order has its origin in God, Paul can say that the wrath of God is now (constantly) being revealed "from heaven." It is revealed in the fact that the rejection of God's truth (Rom 1:18-20), that is, the truth about God's nature and will, leads to futile thinking (Rom 1:21-22), idolatry (Rom 1:23), perversion of God-intended sexuality (Rom 1:24-27) and relational-moral brokenness (Rom 1:28-32)...

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• The expression "God gave them over" (or "handed them over"), which appears three times in this passage (Rom 1:24,26,28), supports the idea that the sinful perversion of human existence, though resulting from human decisions, is to be understood ultimately as God's punishment which we, in freedom, bring upon ourselves...

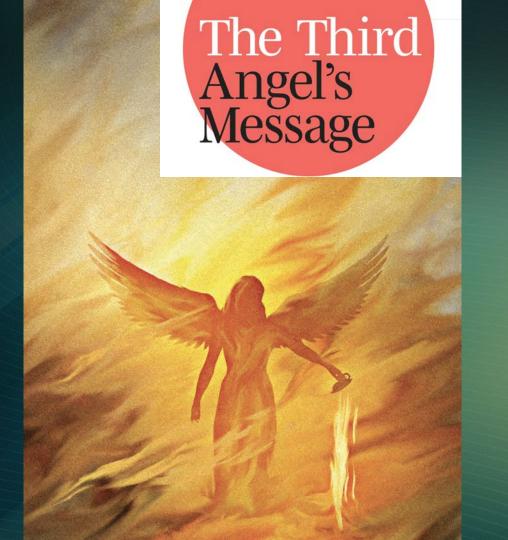
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 In light of these reflections, the common notion that God punishes or blesses in direct proportion to our sinful or good deeds cannot be maintained... God loves us with an everlasting love. But the rejection of that love separates us from its lifegiving power. The result is disintegration and death." p. 543



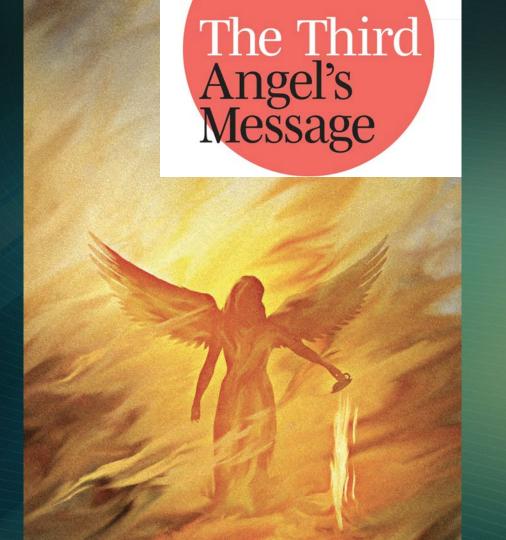
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The Law of Worship



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The Law of Liberty



He will be tormented with burning sulfur in the presence of the holy angels and of the Lamb...

What Law?

# What is the Truth about the Consuming Fire?

That Is Consistent With Scripture,
And
Harmonizes With The Laws Of Love And Liberty?

"The sinners in Zion are terrified; trembling grips the godless: 'Who of us can dwell with the consuming fire? Who of us can dwell with the everlasting burning?" Isaiah 33:14

## WHO DWELLS IN THE CONSUMING FIRE?

He who walks righteously and speaks what is right, who rejects gain from extortion and keeps his hand from accepting bribes, who stops his ears against plots of murder and shuts his eyes against contemplating evil 1501A 133:15

## **EVIDENCE FROM SCRIPTURE**

- Moses and the bush Exodus 3:2
- Sinai Exodus 24:17
- Solomon's Temple Dedication 2Chronicles 7:2
- Lucifer amongst fiery stones Ezekiel 28:14,16
- Ancient of days & rivers of fire Daniel 7:9,10
- Our God is a consuming fire Hebrews 12:29
- New Jerusalem Revelation 22:5

## THE LIE OF SATAN?

- The place you don't want to go is the place of eternal burning and consuming fire but that place is GOD'S VERY PRESENCE!
- The righteous are transformed like Moses' face after 40 days radiated God's glory Exodus 34:29-35
- But the people shrank back why?
- The wicked are destroyed by the brightness of Christ's coming 2 Thessalonians 2:8

# A FIRE THAT DESTROYS THE WICKED, BUT HEALS THE RIGHTEOUS?

It is a fire that consumes sin.

And what is sin made out of?

Lies and selfishness

What consumes a lie?

TRUTH!

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LOVE!

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- At Pentecost the Spirit fell and they saw two streams of fire – the fire of truth and love – but no one got burned, the building didn't catch on fire. Acts 2:3

#### FURTHER EVIDENCE

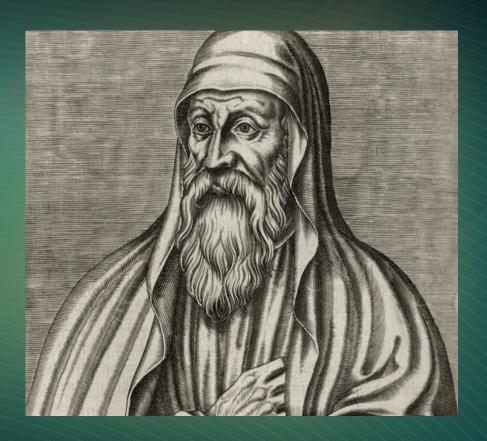
Aaron's sons Nadab and Abihu... offered unauthorized fire before the Lord... So fire came out from the presence of the Lord and consumed them, and they died before the Lord...Moses summoned [their cousins], and said to them, "Come here; carry your cousins outside the camp..." So they came and carried them, still in their tunics, outside the camp, as Moses ordered. Leviticus 10:1-5

# What Happens to Those Solidified In Lies and Selfishness When they Come Into Unveiled Love and Truth?

#### **ORIGEN OF ALEXANDRIA**

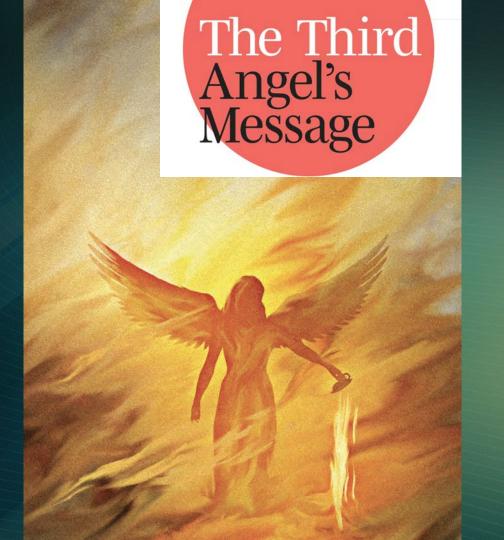
"Scripture indicates that every sinner kindles for himself the flame of his own fire, and is not plunged into a fire which has been previously kindled by someone else or which existed before him."

Origen on First Principles, translated by Butterworth, p. 141



#### LUCIFER'S END

By your many sins and dishonest trade you have desecrated your sanctuaries. So I made a fire come out from you, and it consumed you... Ezekiel 28:18



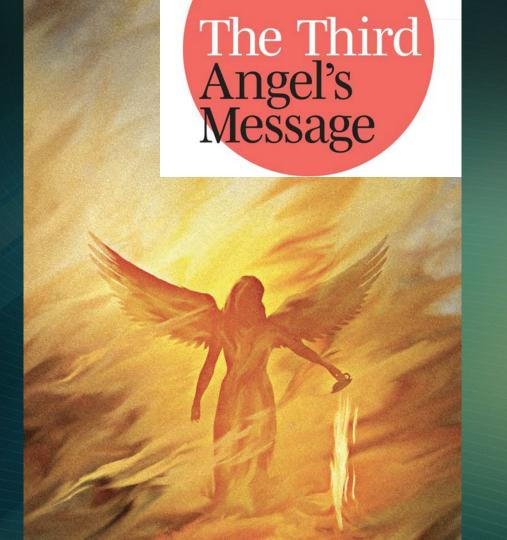
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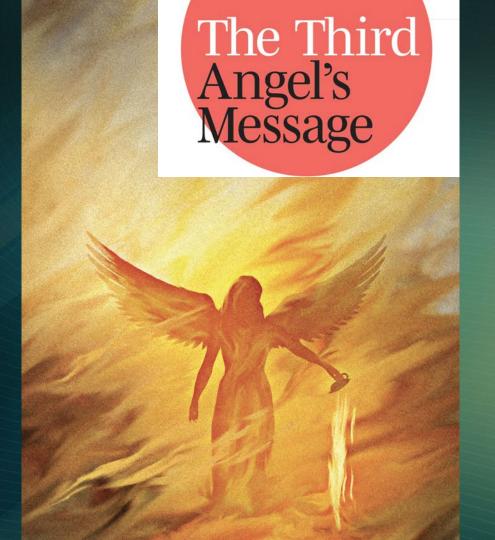
The word translated brimstone or sulfurous fire is the Greek word "thion" which is a form of the word thios which means divine, Godhead, divinity.

Therefore, the word translated brimstone should more accurately be translated "divine incense" or "holy fire" because it is the fire of God's presence!



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And the smoke of their torment rises for ever and ever. There is no rest day or night for those who worship the beast and his image, or for anyone who receives the mark of his name."

#### WHAT ABOUT THE SMOKE?

Smoke is what remains *after* something is burned, thus it is *symbolic* of the memory of what happened to them, how unremedied sin caused such suffering and torment and ultimate destruction. This will never be forgotten.

#### THE DESIGN LAWS OF GOD

- The law of worship: worship the beast and become beastly
- The law of liberty: God sets you free (wrath) to reap what you have chosen
- The laws of truth and love: are the unveiled life-giving glory of God's truth and love when it burns free over the planet again

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- 2. The God Jesus revealed, who is Love, and who created reality to operate only in harmony with Himself. The God who gave His life to heal!

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# GOD IS WAITING FOR A PEOPLE TO BE SETTLED INTO THE TRUTH ABOUT HIM REV 7:1-3

#### THE FINAL MESSAGE

- Is the truth about God as Creator whose character is love and whose laws are design laws. (First Angel)
- Is the message of freedom, calling people from the enslavement of the beastly imperial view of God (Second Angel)
- Is the message of reality and warning for those who insist on rejecting the first two messages: the laws of worship, liberty, love and truth and the ultimate destruction that unremedied sin brings. (Third Angel)

#### You Must Judge

Is God the kind of being Jesus revealed—our Designer who seeks to heal and save us from our terminal sin condition?

#### OR

Is God the kind of being Satan alleges—imposer of law who will inflict pain and suffering on all those who don't propitiate him with the blood of a human sacrifice?

# WHOM YOU WILL SERVE?

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The Choice Is Yours!

# QUESTIONS



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