The Message of Hebrews

Lesson 2, 1st Quarter Jan. 1-5, 2022

Sabbath Afternoon January 1

Memory Text:

> "Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens;" KJV — Hebrews 8:1

"Now of the things which we have spoken this is the sum: We have such an high priest, Who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; a minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man." Heb. 8:1, 2. "For Christ is not entered into the holy places made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us." Heb. 9:24. Indeed, "now was it time to awake out of sleep: for our salvation is nearer than when we believed." Rom. 13:11. "Now is the judgment of this world: now shall the prince of this world be cast out." John 12:31. "Now is the judgment" (Heb. 9:26, 27) – the cleansing of the sanctuary (Dan. 8:14).

Plainly, therefore, the judgment is to begin and the sanctuary to be cleansed, not before, but after the fulfillment of the period those appointed to die. The judging being consistent with the records found in the books of heaven, the names, therefore, of those who are found unworthy, without the "wedding garment", are blotted from the books. This is the sanctuary cleansed. Speaking of the commencement of this work of judging and blotting out the sins of the Daniel: "Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed." Dan. 8:14.

Sunday – January 2

Jesus Is Our King

Hebrews 1:14

According to Hebrews 1, how far back can we identify Christianity?

This scripture reveals that Christ is not only our Saviour but our King. Christ was not created nor did you world but all other world was not made by Christ and the Father. It is for this reason that "God Christ was made a little lower than the angels, to Our Image after Our likeness." – Gen. 1:26. And while the Exodus Movement was afoot, all "Ark, drink the same spiritual drink; for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them and that Rock was Christ." – 1 Cor. 10:4.

Clearly, then, since the personality now called Christ, has been with God's people even from the days of Adam and Eve, Christianity is not therefore itself with the beginning of creation.

Is Jesus our Mediator representing our world only people?

"The work of God's dear Son in undertaking to take the creature with the Uncreated, the finite with the infinite, is the work of a great plan, is a subject that may well employ our thoughts for a lifetime. Jesus has taken upon Him to confirm the beings of other worlds in their innocency and holiness, as well as to save the lost and perishing of this world. He opened a way for the inhabitants of other worlds to come in allegiance to God, while by the same act He opened a way for our fallen world to come out of already pure, that they might not become polluted." MYP 24.

"While we rejoice that there are worlds which have never fallen, we cannot but feel sympathy and honor and glory to Jesus Christ for the sake of redeeming our world. We know not what Adam, as well as to confirm themselves in their position and holiness, yet we know that God in the Lord Jesus Christ has given us a Saviour who has passed through his temptations, is the arm which has preserved the inhabitants of other worlds from sin. Every world throughout immensity engages the care and support of the Father and the Son; and this care is constantly exercised for fallen worlds. Christ is mediating in behalf of man, and the order of heaven works with the Saviour in this work of mediatorial work. Are not these things sufficient magnify our responsibility to engage our thoughts, and call forth our gratitude and adoration to God?" MYP 254.1

Tuesday – January 4

Jesus Is Our Champion

Compare 1 Samuel 8:19, 20 and Hebrews 2:14-16.

What did the Israelites look for in a king, and how were these wishes fulfilled in Jesus?

Did the Israelites get what they looked for in a king?

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Wednesday – January 5

Jesus Is Our High Priest

Hebrews 5:1-4

How many sections of priesthood are there?

Just as there were three sections or divisions of the church, (Rev. 2:1-3:22) there were three **Eve**, (2) the period represented by **Hagar**, and (3) the period represented by **Sarah**.

So also, there are three sections of the priesthood. The first section was the priesthood at the time of the Jewish church was the Levitical priesthood, and it was the priesthood before Israel left Egypt, and it is the root from which the Levitical priesthood, and the priesthood, there was Melchizedek who had neither father nor mother, neither beginning of days nor end of days, and he was the priest of the Most High God, king of Salem, king of peace. To him Abraham paid his tithes.

Then the three sections of the priesthood lies up thus: (1) Melchizedek from Adam and Eve to the time of Israel, we have **Melchizedek**, (2) the period from Israel, we have the **Levitical** priesthood, and (3) in the Christian period we have the priesthood of **Christ** Himself...

Thursday – January 6

Jesus Mediates a Better Covenant

Hebrews 8:8-12

What is the type of the priestly work of our Lord and when will the heavenly sanctuary be cleansed?

That the true sanctuary, of which the tabernacle on earth was a type, is the temple of God in heaven, and that Christ is the priest who ministers in the sanctuary in behalf of the redeemed, is plainly taught in the Scriptures. The tabernacle which God commanded Moses to make was a type of the temple in heaven, of which Christ, our high priest, should be the minister. The tabernacle built by Moses was a type of the temple which was to be built by Solomon and Zerubbabel. Isa.59:19, last part: "When the enemy shall come in like flood, the Spirit of the Lord shall lift up a standard against him." Revelation 12:15, refers to this incident. "And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood." The woman here represents the Jewish church (Israel) and the Adventist church, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ. The "flood" is not the Sunday law, or any persecution, but it is a flood of false law in different setting, and is described in Revelation 13, as a false prophecy power to enforce the mark of the beast.

"Flood" is the same as "water", which means people (in the prophetic symbol), when Satan is using to cause the church to carried away in a false prophecy, that so no one would be suspicious of the great deception. In the end they be attempts to deceive the very elect (14,000) if it were possible. Revelation 13:15, "And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image should both speak, and cause that as many as should not worship the image of the beast should be killed." Lo! both the wheat and the tares grow together until the harvest. The harvest will mark the beginning of the harvest, which is the time of the latter rain and the latter rain. Revelation 18:1. The Spirit of God is poured upon His people (those who escape the ruin), and the promise, that it shall never depart from them. Isaiah 59:21, "As for Me, this is My covenant with them, saith the Lord; My spirit that is upon thee, and My words which I have put in thy mouth, shall not depart out of thy mouth, nor out of the mouth of thy seed, nor out of the mouth of thy seed's seed, saith the Lord, from henceforth and forever." Read Isaiah the Gospel Prophet," Chapter 3, pages 43-49.

Hebrews 8 and onward, and of which the Lord Jesus, as our great high priest, is minister; and that the priestly work of our Lord is the antitype of the work of the Jewish priest of the former dispensation; that this heavenly sanctuary is the one to be cleansed at the end of the 2300 days of Dan. 8:14; its cleansing being, as in the type, a work of judgment, beginning with the entrance of Christ as the high priest upon the judgment phase of His ministry in the heavenly sanctuary forshadowed in the earthly service of cleansing the sanctuary on the day of atonement. This work of judgment in the heavenly sanctuary began in 1844. Its completion will close human probation.

“The sacrificial service that had pointed to Christ passed away; but the eyes of men were turned to the true sacrifice for the sins of the world. The earthly priesthood ceased; but we look to Jesus, the minister of the new covenant, and “to the blood of sprinkling, that speaketh better things than that of Abel.” “The way into the holiest of all was not yet made manifest, while as the first tabernacle was yet standing: ... but Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, ... by His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.” Hebrews 12:24; 9:8-12.” DA 166.1

Friday - January 7

Further Study

“God chose Israel to reveal His character to men. He desired them to be as wells of salvation in the world. To them were committed the oracles of heaven, the revelation of God's will. In the early days of Israel the nations of the world, through corrupt practices, had lost the knowledge of God. They had once known Him; but because “they glorified Him not as God, neither were thankful; but became vain in their imaginations, ... their foolish heart was darkened.” Romans 1:21. Yet in His mercy God did not blot them out of existence. He purposed to give them an opportunity of again becoming acquainted with Him through His chosen people. Through the teachings of the sacrificial service, Christ was to be uplifted before all nations, and all who would look to Him should live. Christ was the foundation of the Jewish economy. The whole system of types and symbols was a compacted prophecy of the gospel, a presentation in which were bound up the promises of redemption.” AA 14.1

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