The Promised Son

Lesson 3, 1st Quarter Jan. 8-14, 2022

Sabbath Afternoon – January 8

Memory Text:

"Hath in these last days spoken unto us by the Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; Who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high:" KJV – Hebrews 1:2, 3

This scripture reveals that Christ is not only our Saviour but our Creator. Jesus said that He created not only our world but all other worlds too; and that He is one with the Father. It is for this reason that "God chose to dwell (with us), the Word, to take man's Our image, after Our likeness." – Gen. 1:26. And while the Exodus Movement was about all "dot...drink the same spiritual drink: they drank of the spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ." 1 Cor. 10:4.

"...There is a personal God, the Father; there is a personal Christ, the Son." –Testimony 1:1-3; 1SM 293.1

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Sunday – January 9

In These Last Days

Numbers 24:14-19; Isaiah 22, 3

Balaam was implicated to predict Christ's birth and His ruling. When will his ruling begin?

In effect Balaam said to the King of Moab: "I have tried my best to obtain your favor and to curse Israel, but God has blessed them and I can not curse them. I will tell you what they will do in the future, and, if you follow the advice I give you, you will be able to defeat them." Balaam's advice was to corrupt Israel through the women of Moab. Balaam's advice was set out of the mountain without Moab, and that was the end of the matter, but this time, he was in the mountains of Moab, and he was in the city, the place, the idol, and the place of God. God hath made known unto us, that God hath come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure." Gen.2:24, 35, 45, 47.

What similar to the image? is not the stone which Daniel reveals is symbolical of the Kingdom of God, which is the whole world? It reveals the process of the prophecy's turning into history. The stone (the world) is to grow) is symbolical of the first fruits in the Kingdom of God, which is the whole world, the 144,000 "servants of God" (Rev. 7:3) that consequently the Kingdom of God is known as it is the last in which the wheat and the tares are harvested, and the tares are bundled with the wheat, the 144,000 first fruits, is harvested, is separated from the wheat out of which the stone, the first fruit of the Kingdom, is the first fruit of the harvest.

Further, it is seen that being "cut out without hands", Daniel's prophecy of the stone points out the fact that they are generated by the Holy Spirit, and consequently, in the growth of the stone reveals, is the result subsequently of the Holy Spirit and the second fruits out of all nations, causing the resultant stone to grow, and the process of lightening the earth with glory (Rev. 18:1), of "preaching this gospel of the kingdom in all the world for a witness unto all nations," thereby gathering out of the nations the second fruits, the "new people", out of Babylon (Rev. 18:4). Out of every nation and kindred and tongue and people (whom Babylon rules), they being "redeemed from among men, being the first fruits" (Rev. 66:19), the Kingdom of God on earth in its latter restoration.

Prophetically envisioning in the long ago this glorious work of the Holy Spirit in the people of the church of God, and for the "everlasting gospel," inspiration publicly declared:

"I, Midge, received a message, the sick were healed, and signs and wonders followed the believers. I saw that the work, and every saint, fearless of consequences, should be the conclusions of his own conscience, and united with those who were keeping all the commandments of God, and with power they sounded abroad the third message..." "Early Writings", pg. 278.

"And in those days shall men seek death and shall not find it, and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them." Rev. 9:6.

"...the seeds that were ripened to bell God's people have been and fell as powerless as a straw..." "Early Writings", pg. 285.

Monday – January 10

God Has Spoken to Us by His Son

Hebrews 1:1 - 4

How are God and Christ one and yet two distinct Persons?

"God is the Father of Christ; Christ is the Son of God. To Christ has been given an exalted position. He has been highly exalted with the Father. All the counsels of God are opened to His Son. 8T 268.3

"Jesus said to the Jews: My Father worketh hitherto, and I work... The Son can do nothing of himself, but what he seeth the Father do: for what things soever he doeth, these also doeth the Son likewise. For the Father loveth the Son, and showeth him all things that himself doeth." John 5:17-20. 8T 268.4

"Here again is brought to view the personality of the Father and the Son, showing the unity that exists between them. 8T 269.1

"This unity is expressed also in the seventeenth chapter of John, in the prayer of Christ for His disciples: 8T 269.2

"Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; that they all may be one; as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me. And the glory which Thou gavest Me I have given them; that they may be one, even as We are one: I in them, and Thou in Me, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that Thou hast sent Me, and hast loved them, as Thou hast loved Me." John 17:20-23. 8T 269.3

"Wonderful statements! The unity existed between Christ and His Father, and they desire the personality of either. They are one in purpose, in character, and yet they are in person. It is thus that God and Christ are one." 8T 269.4

"The relation between the Father and the Son, and the personality of both, are made plain in this scripture also: 8T 269.5

"Thus speaketh Jehovah of hosts, saying, Behold, the man whose name is the Branch; And He shall grow up out of His place; And He shall build the temple of Jehovah... And he shall bear the glory, And shall sit and rule upon His throne; And He shall be a priest upon His throne: And the counsel of peace shall be between Them both." Zechariah 6:12, 13. A. V. 8T 269.6

"Black, dirty object never reflects, it illuminates all that it has of light. The world is a mirror, and it reflects what it receives. If we have in our hearts the love of God, we will be like Christ, and we will be able to see Christ in our lives. The world "shall see the glory of God, as Moses did when he came down from Mount Sinai.

Isaiah 60:1 – "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee."

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Tuesday – January 11

"He is the radiance of the Glory of God"

Hebrews 1:2-4

God's glory shine in the face of Jesus. When will his glory shine in the faces of God's people?

"Soon we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave to us and to the hour and of Jesus' coming. The living saints, 144,000 in number, all knew and understood the voice, while the wicked thought it was thunder and an earthquake. When God spoke the time, he poured upon us the Holy Ghost, and our faces shone with the glory of God, as Moses did when he came down from Mount Sinai.

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shines because its surface is of white substance. If it were made of black substance, it could not reflect any light whatever. The same is true with our minds. We are so eager to shine, we must now arise and clean up, put away our "black substance." I take an active part in this revival and reformation under the supervision of the Holy Spirit, Almighty, Tabernacle, and wonderfully mouse that abandoned, and Divine thinking put in contrast to the Divine, the Holy.

"Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the Lord, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for He will abundantly pardon. For thy thoughts are not your thoughts, neither are your ways my ways, saith the Lord. For as the heavens are higher than the earth, so are my ways higher than your ways, and My thoughts than your thoughts. For as the rain cometh down, and the snow from heaven, and returneth not thither, but watereth the earth, and maketh it bring forth and bud, that it may give seed to the sower, and bread to the eater: so shall My word be that goeth forth out of My mouth: it shall not return unto Me void, but it shall accomplish that which I please, and it shall prosper in the thing whereto I sent it." Isa. 55:7-11.

We must clean up our thoughts, our ways, our bodies, our souls, our minds, our inside and out. Cleanliness is Godliness; God's government is law and order, peace and righteousness, joy and consecration. Thus, we need to be polished by the Spirit of God, be "Christlike" in our ways, "Christ-like" in our, if we are ever to reflect the Word of God to those who are in darkness. We are to come out of all the things the message teaches, the same as you came during and following the Exodus, take what Inspiration says: "Arise, shine; for thy light is come, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." Those who are now sitting down as dark objects, consuming light to themselves, should come out of their inactivity opportunity and the opportunity, the privilege. Today, opportunity.

Isaiah 60:2 – "For, behold, the darkness shall cover the earth, and gross darkness the people: but the Lord shall arise upon thee, and His glory shall be seen upon thee."

The word "behold" connotes that if you look, you can see the Signs of darkness already hovering about you. Gross darkness covering the people, that will be at a complete loss to know which way to turn. Some will be very, very entirely confused and perplexed. Now is our opportunity to respond to the Lord's call and to get ready to meet the situation. We should now fully realize that we are in reality called to be the lights in the world, consecrated, and ultimately to the world. Wonderful indeed that we should be the chosen few, chosen among the great masses of the world! You cannot afford to miss on this privilege. **Act now.**

Isaiah 60:3 – "And the Gentiles shall come to thy light, and kings to the brightness of thy rising."

We are now the most obscure people in the world, but the day is coming when in which we shall be best known. Here is the sure promise that the Gentiles will come from sitting down and make the effort to seek God's set goal for us, the result shall be that the Gentiles will come to our light and the kings to the brightness of our rising. This is the acceptable day for you.

Isaiah 60:4 – "Lift up thine eyes round about, and see: all they gather themselves together, they come to thee: thy sons shall come from far, and thy daughters shall be nursed at the side."

Even now if we lift our spiritual eyes, says the Lord, we shall see that children are ready. The call, along with the signs of the times, is too plain for one to suppose that the day is far off. Our sons and daughters in this message are being gathered unto us from the ends of the earth.

Isa. 60:5 – "Then thou shalt see, and flow together, and thine heart shall fear, and be enlarged; because the abundance of the sea shall be converted unto thee, the forces of the Gentiles shall come unto thee."

When this comes to pass, then the remnant shall plainly see and flow together, the abundance of the wealth of the Gentiles shall be turned over to them.

Isaiah 60:6-9 – "The multitude of camels shall cover thee, the dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; all they from Sheba shall come: they shall bring gold and incense; and they shall show forth the praises of the Lord. All the flock of Kedar shall be gathered together unto thee, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister unto thee: they shall come up with acceptance on Mine altar, and I will glorify the house of My glory. Who are these that fly as a cloud, and as the doves to their windows? Surely the Isles shall wait for Me, and the ships of Tarshish first, to bring thy sons from far, their silver and their gold with them, unto the name of the Lord thy God, and to the Holy One of Israel, because He hath glorified thee."

Our sons and daughters in the faith shall come as a storm by air and by sea. They shall come because the Lord will glorify all His people. The call, "Come out of Me," My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." (Rev. 18:4), shall indeed along with the wealth of the Gentiles bring out "a great multitude which no man can number." Rev. 7:9.

Wednesday - January 12

Through Whom He Made the Universe

Isaiah 44:24, Isaiah 45:18, Nehemiah 9:6, Jan.12

Although the Old Testament points to God as the Creator, Christ created the universe, including our world and its nature. How can we differentiate between nature and nature's God?

Hebrews 1:1, 2 reveals that God has spoken to us of Saviour but not Creator but what He created not only our world but all other worlds too; and that he is one with the Father. It is for this reason that "God spoke" and "Christ" said to the world, "He who sees me in Our image, after Our likeness." – Gen. 1:26. And while the Exodus Manual speaks of God, all "did...drink the same spiritual drink: for they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them: and that Rock was Christ." – 1 Cor.10:4.

"Those who have a true knowledge of God will not become so infatuated with the laws of matter or the operation of nature as to overlook, or refuse to acknowledge, the continual working of God in nature. Nature is not God, nor was it ever God. The voice of nature testifies of God, but nature is not God. It is a wonderful work, it speaks of God, it testimony to God's power. Deity is the author of nature. The Creator is behind it, and his power but that which God supplies. There is no personal God, the Father Infinite is personal Christ, the Son. And "God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by his Son, whom he hath appointed heir of all things, by whom also he made the worlds; who being the brightness of his glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high" (Hebrews 1:1-3). 15M 293.1

"The psalmist says: "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament sheweth his handywork. Day unto day uttereth speech, and night unto night sheweth knowledge. There is no speech nor language, where their voice is not heard" (Psalm 19:1-3). Some may suppose that these grand things in the natural world are God. They are not God. All these wonders in the heavens are only doing the work appointed them. They are the Lord's agencies. God is the superintendent, as well as the Creator, of all things. The Divine Being is engaged in upholding the things that He has created. The same hand that holds the mountains and balances them in position, guides the worlds in their mysterious march around the sun." 15M 293.2

Thursday - January 13

Today I have begotten you

Hebrews 1:5.

How is it possible for Christ to be the Son of God and yet be God?

"We declare unto you glad tidings," the apostle continued, "how that the promise which was made unto the fathers, God hath fulfilled the same unto us their children, in that He hath raised up Jesus again; as it is also written in the second psalm, Thou art My Son, this day have I begotten Thee. And as concerning that He raised Him up from the dead, now no more to return to corruption, he said on this wise, I will give you the sure mercies of David. Wherefore He saith also in another psalm, Thou shalt not suffer Thine Holy One to see corruption. For David, after he had served his own generation by the will of God, fell on sleep, and was laid unto his fathers, and saw corruption: but He whom God raised again, saw no corruption." AA 172.1

The Scriptures clearly indicate the relationship between God and Christ, and the Holy Spirit in view as clearly the personality and individuality of each. AG 18.1

"God, who at sundry times and in divers manners spake in time past unto the fathers by the prophets, hath in these last days spoken unto us by Son; ... who being the brightness of His glory, and the express image of His person, and upholding all things by the word of His power, when He had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high; being made so much better than the angels, as He hath by inheritance obtained a more excellent name than they. For unto which of the angels said He at any time, MH 421.3

"Thou art My Son, This day have I begotten Thee? MH 421.4

And again, MH 421.5 I will be to Him a Father, and He shall be to Me a Son?" Hebrews 1:1-5. MH 421.6

Friday - January 14

Further Study

"Talking humanity upon Him, Christ came to be one with humanity, and at the same time to reveal our heavenly Father to sinful human beings. He who had been in the presence of the Father from the beginning, He who was the express image of the invisible God, was able to speak to humanity in behalf of the Deity to mankind. He was in all things made like unto His brethren. He became flesh even as we are. He was hungry and thirsty and weary. He was sustained by food and refreshed by sleep. He shared the lot of men; yet He was the blameless Son of God. He was a stranger and sojourner on the earth—in the world, but not of the world; tempted and tried as men and women today are tempted and tried, yet living a life free from sin. Tender, compassionate, sympathetic, ever considerate of others, He represented the character of God, and was continually engaged in service for God and man. MH 422.2

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