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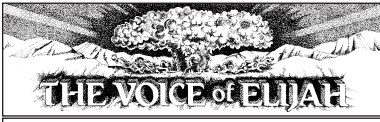
## A Dimwit Says, "Everybody Understands a Mystery"

Rightly, therefore, the divine apostle says, "By revelation the mystery was made known to me (as I wrote before in brief, in accordance with which, when ye read, ye may understand my knowledge in the mystery of Christ), which in other ages was not made known to the sons of men, as it is now revealed to His holy apostles and prophets." For there is an instruction of the perfect, of which, writing to the Colossians, he says, "We cease not to pray for you, and beseech that ye may be filled with the knowledge of His will in all wisdom and spiritual understanding; that ye may walk worthy of the Lord to all pleasing; being fruitful in every good work, and increasing in the knowledge of God; strengthened with all might according to the glory of His power."

And again he says, "According to the disposition of the grace of God which is given me, that ye may fulfil the word of God; the mystery which has been hid from ages and generations, which now is manifested to His saints: to whom God wished to make known what is the riches of the glory of this mystery among the nations." So that, on the one hand, then, are the mysteries which were hid till the time of the apostles, and were delivered by them as they received from the Lord, and, concealed in the Old Testament, were manifested to the saints. And, on the other hand, there is "the riches of the glory of the mystery in the Gentiles," which is faith and hope in Christ; which in another place he has called the "foundation."

And again, as if in eagerness to divulge this knowledge, he thus writes: "Warning every man in all wisdom, that we may present every man (the whole man) perfect in Christ;" not every man simply, since no one would be unbelieving. Nor does he call every man who believes in Christ perfect; but he says all the man, as if he said the whole man, as if purified in body and soul. For that the knowledge does not appertain to all, he expressly adds: "Being knit together in love, and unto all the riches of the full assurance of knowledge, to the acknowledgment of the mystery of God in Christ, in whom

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## *A Note From the Editor*

In the case of loving the Truth, we all fall into one of two camps, the way I see it: Either you have ears that “itch” and love being tickled with nonsense, or you have ears that eagerly hear the Truth with belief:

*<sup>3</sup>For there will be a time when they will not put up with our sound teaching; but those who have the ear that itches will pile up teachers for themselves, in agreement with their own selfish desires. <sup>4</sup>And on the one hand, they will turn their ear away from the truth; but on the other hand, they will be caused to swerve over to myths.*

(2 Timothy 4:3-4) —HSSB

*“The one who is part of the {living} God hears the statements made by the {living} God. For this reason you do not hear {them}, because you are not part of the {living} God!”*

(John 8:47) —HSSB

Here is one of my favorite excerpts from Charles Finney and an excerpt regarding the Church’s failure to follow Finney’s lead:

*A real lover of truth is willing to receive it, though it is not on a golden dish.  
“The Spirit Ceasing to Strive,” A Sermon, Rev. Charles G. Finney,  
December 15, 1850*

*The great revivals of the Church always emphasized the impending wrath of God and need for holiness in the life of the Believer. There is none of that Teaching now. “Fear” of God has been replaced by “reverence” for God. Total commitment has become nothing more than positive thinking and exuberance. Few will readily admit they wrestle with sin in their lives. Nobody appears to be concerned about the soon-to-be-revealed “wrath of the Lamb”: (Revelation 6:12-17).*

*“One Train. One Track. Two Rails.” **The Voice of Elijah**®, January 1992, p. 16*

For those lovers of Truth among us, you are fully aware that Larry has been teaching about the wrath of God and fear of the Lord since he began writing articles for this newsletter in 1990. Once again, the main article of this issue of *The Voice of Elijah*® is dedicated to the impending wrath of God on Judgment Day. Below are several excerpts from this publication and *The Voice of Elijah*® *Update* that provide a reminder of what Larry has been teaching for a very long time.

*Fear of God’s wrath is the only thing that will move sinners to genuine repentance.  
“Oh, So Many Four-Letter Words!” **The Voice of Elijah**®, July 1992, p. 8*

*Most “Christians” in our generation would never agree that God uses fear to motivate people to respond positively to the Truth. I say “our generation” because,*

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# “The Lord’s Day”? Really?—Part 2

With this issue of *The Voice of Elijah*<sup>®</sup>, I am beginning my thirty-fifth year of writing articles for this newsletter. In each and every one of those articles, I have revealed a bit more about my understanding of my calling, the message of the Scriptures, and/or the white-hot hatred the *Living God* harbors for those who choose to reject, twist, and/or distort the Truth that Jesus Christ *handed down* to His disciples as *The Apostolic Teaching*. Over that span of time, I have not been shy about telling you not only *that* God called me to do what I am doing but also *why* He called me to do it. Along the way, I have explained various and sundry parts of the seven sealed messages I “see” hidden in the text of the Hebrew Scriptures; but I have done it in such a way as to make it difficult for anyone but the most dedicated to put even one of those seven messages together into a coherent whole.

## Review

In the July 2024 issue of this publication, after almost sixty years of following God’s call on my life, I told you the time had finally arrived for me to put a few of the things I have written over the past thirty-four years together so that you True Believers can “see” the seven “threads” in the tapestry God’s Prophets wove into the fabric of the Old Testament. I told you that, by the time I have shown you all seven, you should be able to see just how stupid the unbelievers who contributed to the corruption and loss of *The Apostolic Teaching* really are. I said Satan’s minions have always been nothing but obstinate, obstructionist, and obsequiously observant of their own abjectly idiotic perversion of the Truth. But I also told you it won’t be long before this happens:

<sup>1</sup>(1) Beloved brothers, I am already writing this second letter to you, by which I am {trying to} wake up your unalloyed understanding {of the truth} with a reminder <sup>2</sup>so that {you} would recall:

(a) the statements that were made beforehand by the holy Prophets; and  
(b) the commandment of your Master and Savior, {that was spoken} via your Apostles, <sup>3</sup>knowing this, first of all, that in the last days mockers will come with mockery—those who are

(i) walking in accordance with their own selfish desires <sup>4</sup>and  
(ii) saying: “Where is **the promise** of His coming? For ever since the fathers fell fast asleep—since the beginning of creation—everything continues to be the same.”

<sup>5</sup>(2) For wanting this to be {true}, it has escaped their notice that

(a) {the} heavens were from long ago and  
(b) {the} Earth stood up together with {them}

(i) out of water and  
(ii) through water  
(iii) by the word of the {living} God, <sup>6</sup>by which the world at that time, which was flooded by water, was done away with.

<sup>7</sup>(3) So now the heavens and the Earth, which have been stored up by the same word, are being kept for a fire on {the} day of {the} sentencing and eternal damnation of depraved men.

<sup>8</sup>(4) So do not let this one thing escape your notice, beloved brothers, that with His Majesty one day {is} like one thousand years; and one thousand years {are} like one day.

<sup>9</sup>(a) His Majesty is not delaying **the promise**—as some deem a delay—but

(b) He is being patient with you, determined

(i) that no one would be done away with, but

(ii) that everyone would make room for an apology.

<sup>10</sup>(5) So {the} day of His Majesty will come like a thief, on which {day}

(a) the heavens will pass away—whistling—and then

(b) elementary things, which are going to be incinerated, will be undone, and

(c) {the} Earth and the works {done} on her will be found to be {what they are}.

<sup>11</sup>(1) Since all these things are going to be undone like this, what sort of {person} should you be in holy behavior and godliness, <sup>12</sup>while expecting and hurrying **the arrival of the day of the {living} God, because of which {day}**

(a) {the} heavens will be undone by being burned, and

(b) elementary things is going to be melted by being incinerated?

<sup>13</sup>(2) But in accordance with the thing that He **promised**, we are expecting

(a) new heavens and

(b) a new Earth in which a declaration of not guilty dwells.

<sup>14</sup>(3) Wherefore, beloved brothers, you who are expecting these things, must

(a) make every effort to be found in Him—unstained and without blemish in peace. <sup>15</sup>And

(b) deem the patience of our Master to be salvation, just as Paul, our beloved brother, also wrote to you in accordance with the wisdom that was given to him, <sup>16</sup>as also in all {his} letters—talking about

these things in them—in which {letters} there is some hard to understand things that the unlearned and unsettled twist to their own eternal damnation—like {they twist} the rest of the Scriptures also.

<sup>17</sup>(1) Therefore, **you beloved brothers who know {the truth} beforehand,**

(a) be on guard so that you do not fall away from your own resoluteness, after being carried away by the deception of those who are morally corrupted.

<sup>18</sup>And then,

(b) grow in

(i) {the} favor and

(ii) **knowledge of the truth** concerning our Master and Savior, Jesus, the Anointed One.

(2) **The glory {is} His, both now and in {the} day of {the} age to come. Without doubt!**

(2 Peter 3:1–18) —HSSB

After I showed you what Peter says, I pointed out three verses in the passage, the *significance* of which you may have overlooked:

So now the heavens and the Earth, which have been stored up by the same word, are being kept for a fire **on {the} day of {the} sentencing and eternal damnation of depraved men.**

(2 Peter 3:7) —HSSB

<sup>10</sup>(5) So {the} day of His Majesty will come like a thief, on which {day}

(a) the heavens will pass away—whistling—and then

(b) elementary things, which are going to be incinerated, will be undone, and

(c) {the} Earth and the works {done} on her will be found to be {what they are}.

<sup>11</sup>(1) Since all these things are going to be undone like this, what sort of {person} should you be in holy behavior and godliness, <sup>12</sup>while expecting and hurrying the arrival of **the day of the {living} God, because of which {day}**

(a) *{the} heavens will be undone by being burned, and  
(b) elementary things is going to be melted by being  
incinerated?*

(2 Peter 3:10–12) —HSSB

*The glory {is} His, both now and in {the} day of {the}  
age to come. Without doubt!*

(2 Peter 3:18b) —HSSB

After I showed you that, I told you I am aware of the arguments that those who have been duped by Satan use to “prove” the seven “days” of Creation are *literal* twenty-four hour days. I said that insipid stupidity evolved out of John Darby’s dumb Dispensational doctrine in which he claimed the Old Testament designation “Israel” can only refer *literally* to the Jews. I said his vapid beliefs in that regard are based on his total ignorance of the *significance* of the Hebrew idiom “cut off from,” which I explain in the book *Not All Israel Is Israel*.

I reminded you I have also shown how Satan’s Dispensational lie has come to be the dominant belief in our time in a booklet titled *Wanna Hear a Whopper?* I said I have no interest in once again refuting “the lie” inherent in those things, and I told you my only interest is in showing you what you need to know about “the day of His Majesty” (a.k.a. “the day of the Lord”), which Peter knew was an *æon* (Age) that will begin when this current *æon* (Age) has ended:

*The glory {is} His, both now and in {the} day of {the}  
age to come. Without doubt!*

(2 Peter 3:18b) —HSSB

After I swatted aside the idiotic notion that the seven *literal* “days” (Ages) of Creation are seven *literal* twenty-four hour days, I went on to show you why Satan has fought so vociferously over the past two centuries to keep his minions mindlessly believing idiotic concepts that are securely ensconced in the mind of unsuspecting dupes who have no idea that the myopic mental midget who dominates them has them riding his express train straight into the Pits of Hell. But I told you that dimwitted serial killer has been spreading “the lie” about the seven “days” of Creation to cover up an even bigger lie regarding a Truth that is stated in the first chapter of the first book of the Bible. I reminded you I have already put his lie to rest in the booklet titled *In the Image and Likeness of God*; so you may want to read, or

reread, what I explain there to fill in the gaps in what I tell you here.

In that booklet, I refute the ridiculous notion that the “Adam” mentioned in Genesis 1:26–27 is our forefather. I also pointed out the fact that what the Apostle Paul wrote in 1 Corinthians 15:45–46 about the two “Adams” demonstrates he knew Jesus Christ is the “Second Adam,” the “Adam” that Moses describes in the first chapter of Genesis, and the only “Adam” that God has ever created in His Own image and likeness.

After I made you responsible for *what you believe* with regard to the things I have explained over the years since I began writing, I gave you a bit more for which you will ultimately be held responsible:

1. *In Genesis 1:26–27, Moses tells us God planned to create Jesus Christ in His image and likeness on the sixth “day” of Creation.*

2. *In that same passage, Moses has also told us God said He would create “male and female” Believers in His image and likeness on the sixth “day” of Creation. I told you that is what the Apostle John had in mind when he wrote 1 John 3:2.*

3. *Since True Believers have not yet been created in the image and likeness of God, the only logical conclusion is, the seventh “day” of Creation has not yet begun; and we are still living in the sixth “day.” Therefore, those who seek to qualify still have an opportunity to be transformed into God’s image before the seventh “day” begins, which is precisely what Paul is explaining in Hebrews 3:1–4:11, where he is speaking in terms of (1) God “building a house” for Himself at the End of this Age, and (2) this current Age as the sixth “day”—that is, “Today.”*

I told you the beliefs that stand behind what Paul says in Hebrews 3:1–4:11 are the same beliefs the other Apostles believed. That is, their beliefs are these:

1. *Genesis 1:26–27 tells us God made a **promise** that He would supernaturally transform those who are able to prove they **believe His promise** into His very Own image and likeness on the sixth “day” of Creation—when He **fulfills the promise**.*

2. *The transformation of True Believers into the image and likeness of God will occur on the sixth “day” of Creation, at*

the Resurrection of the Righteous—which is **the fulfillment of the promise**.

3. Since the Resurrection of the Righteous has not yet occurred, we know the sixth “day” of Creation has not yet ended, and the seventh “day”—the Age in which God will rest—has not yet begun.

4. We are still living in the sixth “day” of Creation, so we still have hope of resting with God after the Resurrection of the Righteous, when the seventh “day” begins.

5. The seventh “day” of Creation will begin immediately after God has fulfilled the promise by resurrecting the Righteous in His Own image and likeness.

After I laid all that out for you to give the mockers that Peter mentions in 2 Peter 3:3–4 ample opportunity to deny the Truth regarding the seventh “day” of Creation, I went on to show you what the Prophets have said about the circumstances that will come into play when that seventh “day” of rest finally arrives. But I first showed you how the Book of Revelation describes it. I told you that, if that doesn’t terrify you, it is only because you don’t believe the consummation of the sixth “day” is right around the corner.

I said it might help you to envision the absolute horror that is facing the eight and a half billion unsuspecting believers in Satan’s ridiculous lies if you make a mental overlay of how John the Revelator describes it and place that horrific imagery right smack dab on top of what Peter says about the inferno that will usher in the seventh “day.” I told you that if that combination doesn’t help, just wait; what the Prophets say about “the Lord’s Day” should absolutely scare the pants off anyone with even half a lick of common sense. Then I showed you my translation of Revelation 17:1–18:24, where John the Revelator describes the circumstances that will exist here on the Great Harlot—Mother Earth—after the seventh “day” gets underway.

I warned you that, in spite of what the majority will choose to believe, the author of the Book of Revelation is describing circumstances leading up to a nuclear holocaust that announces the beginning of the seventh “day” of Creation (the Lord’s “day”) and the absolute horror that will face the few radiation-poisoned survivors who must deal with the aftermath as they slowly die an agonizing death. I told you to mock me if you will, but the

Prophets do not hold back on this one, and they tell it like it will be, not the way fools want it to be. But I warned you that you need to pay close attention to Revelation 18:6–7 because it is referring back to something the Prophet Isaiah said that will tie everything together all neat and tidy for those who have eyes to see.

Then I reminded you that, in the very first issue of *The Voice of Elijah*® newsletter, I told you Isaiah is using the *parabolic image* of “Babylon” in Isaiah 14, where he describes the appearance of the Antichrist as one who is *parabolically* LIKE the king of “Babylon.” Then I told you Isaiah *parabolically* describes the salvation of “The Remnant” of God’s People as well as the destiny of *The Harlot*—Planet Earth—in Isaiah 13, where he makes it clear that those who refuse to “keep Sabbath” on the sixth “day” will be forced to do so on the seventh—when that final “day” of Creation begins with the dazzling white light of all those nuclear warheads going off, one after the other, making the sun, moon, and stars pale in comparison.

Then I showed you my interim translation of Isaiah 13, so you could see for yourself what Isaiah had in mind. I asked you if you noticed how, after describing the devastation of Planet Earth, Isaiah obliquely refers to it as “Babylon” in verse 19. I told you to make a note of that and reminded you that you had already seen that *parabolic imagery* in Revelation 17–18. Then I gave you a heads-up by telling you that you are going to see it again later on.

I next gave you my interim translation of Isaiah 14, where Isaiah is describing the perspective of the members of “The Remnant” who enter the rest of God on the seventh “day” of Creation after being resurrected in the image and likeness of God. I told you Isaiah depicts them as looking back at the reign of the Antichrist and the predicament that he and those who followed him in trying to create a stupid *Utopia* here on Earth will face at that time, when they will be *parabolically* forced to “keep Sabbath” on the seventh “day” of Creation.

After showing you what the Master Prophet Isaiah says about the Lord’s Redeemed resting on “the Lord’s Day,” immediately after the destruction of Mystery Babylon, I went on to show you the incredible insight that some of the other Prophets contribute to our understanding of what is yet to come as fools work feverishly to craft a *Utopia* here on Planet Earth.

I told you the secret ingredient that all the master chefs of the perfect are overlooking is the one God

Himself slipped into their mixing bowl: WAR! That’s the one that is going to bring their stupid desire to hide from the angry, jealous God of Israel to a screeching halt. And when war does the dirty work God intended, they won’t be able to say He didn’t give them sufficient warning. He did, but they stupidly believe it’s all just a myth. So I warned you that, if you have a brain, God expects you to use it. Examine the evidence. I told you there is much more to the Truth than what I presented at that time.

I began looking at the evidence by giving you my interim translation of Obadiah, who prophesied more than a century before Isaiah came along. I told you he got the ball rolling on the basis of what he could see Moses had already explained in *The Teaching of Moses* about the seventh “day” of Creation. I also told you that, to understand what Obadiah says concerning “Edom,” you need to know the people called “Edom” were the descendants of Esau.

As you may remember, Esau was the jugheaded brother of Jacob who stupidly sold his right to *inherit the promise*, thereby leaving his descendants out in the cold while the descendants of Jacob shared the right to *inherit what was promised*. But the key to understanding what Obadiah says in his brief treatise resides in the curious combination of verse 15 and verse 18. In verse 15, he tells the descendants of Esau they will get what they deserve, not because of what Esau did in rejecting *the promise*, but because they did the same through their own actions. In verse 18, he tells them they will be locked out forever when members of the “houses” of Jacob and Joseph are made in the very image and likeness of the eternally burning Person that God is. That will occur on the eve of the fire that erupts without warning on the morning of the seventh “day.”

I told you the next Prophet after Obadiah to speak concerning the nuclear fire that will announce the beginning of God’s Sabbath “day” of rest is the Prophet Joel. I explained that his entire prophecy is a parable and told you that you should pay attention to what he says about the *parabolic* “locusts” who bring about the *parabolic* “famine” of Truth that will be ended by “The Teacher” who comes along right before the seventh “day” begins. I reminded you that I have, in the August 2016 issue of *The Voice of Elijah® Update*, already explained how the *parabolic* “locusts” that Joel describes provide a much-needed connection to the same *parabolic imagery* in Chapter 9 of the Book of Revelation.

Then I gave you my interim translation of the first chapter of the Book of Joel and told you that what the Prophet says there is inextricably linked to the things Isaiah tells us about the seventh “day” of Creation in Isaiah 13–14. I told you that is because Isaiah quotes Joel 1:15 almost verbatim in Isaiah 13:6. I challenged you to take a look, keeping in mind the fact that Isaiah was prophesying more than a century after Joel.

After giving you my interim translation of Joel 2, I warned you not to take any of Joel’s statements *literally*, but especially those concerning edible items that “sprout” out of the “ground.” I said my suggestion would be to think *parabolically* in terms of what all those *parabolic* “locusts” might be and what they might want to “consume,” and then go and learn the *meaning* of what Moses says in Deuteronomy 8:1–3.

After that, I gave you my interim translation of Joel 3 and reminded you that the point of Joel’s entire parable is to explain what the circumstances will be LIKE right before the seventh “day” begins. I also told you that if you have a good cross-reference, you will be able to see where the same *parabolic imagery* is used in the Book of Revelation.

After giving you my interim translation of Amos 5, I told you the ostensible purpose of the things Amos tells us about the seventh “day” is to link it to the *restoration* of “The House” of Israel to *Corporate* Israel after they have been “cut off from” that *Corporate* Body. I said he shares that mission with the Prophet Hosea, but I pointed out that Isaiah saw an opportunity in the things Amos says in Amos 5 and uses it to explain a bit more about the role “The Teacher” that Joel mentions in Joel 2:23 will play in the days leading up to the nuclear holocaust that initiates the seventh “day” of Creation. I told you he explains that *parabolic imagery* more fully in Isaiah 29–35; but I said my only interest in what I was explaining was to show you how Isaiah, in Isaiah 29, expands on the *parabolic* “darkness” Amos mentions in Amos 5:18, which is also the “nether gloom” he mentions in verse 20.

After telling you all that, I gave you my interim translation of Isaiah 29; and told you Isaiah’s point in that chapter is, most folks are going to have a late wake-up call when the seventh “day” “dawns” on them. As a result, when that time arrives, those poor dupes are going to wake up with a start to find that a few—those who have been “awake” for quite a while by that time—are already all dressed up and ready for

the "day." I told you that is why I showed you what he says about "darkness" and "nether gloom."

Then I went on to show you what the Prophets have to say about the Lord's "day." I gave you my interim translation of the entire Book of Zephaniah, who came along nearly a century after Isaiah, because he has a laser-focus on it. I said it should be obvious to anyone who is paying attention that Zephaniah is speaking *parabolically* to the inhabitants of Planet Earth as though they are living in a city. I said a key takeaway from what he says is the identification of the city, which can be determined by starting with what Zephaniah says in Zephaniah 2:15a.

I told you that if you know your Bible, you already know Zephaniah is giving his reader a hint that they should go back and read what Isaiah said about the *parabolic harlot* "Babylon" in Isaiah 47. As a reminder, I gave you my interim translation of that chapter and told you that, after reading it, all the pieces should fall into place for you so that you can understand why John the Revelator calls Planet Earth a "prostitute" and "Mystery Babylon" in Revelation 17–18. But I told you that if you needed a reminder, you should take a look at what Isaiah says about "*The Woman*" who "reigns" over all the midget-minded morons who currently rule the nations.

I warned you that, if the information I had given you up to that point was neatly packed away in your "carry-on," you should be able to "see" Revelation 17–18 is describing events here on Earth that will occur during the run-up to, and aftermath of, the sixth "day" of Creation coming to an end. I challenged you to look at the text and told you John the Revelator is obviously pointing back to Isaiah 47:7–8 in Revelation 18:7. For that reason you should be able to "see" what he is *talking about*—if you want to.

I told you that, at that point, all you needed to know to round out the information I had provided is why Isaiah calls Planet Earth "Babylon." And I said if you know what happened at the Tower of Babel, where God set a limit that imbecilic *Utopians* and their stupid "Artificial Intelligence" will never be able to cross, it should all make perfect sense. We are at the brink, looking down over the precipice, knowing full well the *Living* God is still in control with plans to catch the unsuspecting totally off-guard. But I told you that you also need to factor in what Malachi says about "The Teacher" whose activities are going to introduce the circumstances Isaiah describes in Isaiah 29–35.

Malachi spells that out fairly clearly (provided you have enough intelligence to accept it) in Malachi 4.

After I showed you what the Prophets of Israel, from as far back as 845 B.C. and all the way down to 460 B.C., were saying about the beginning of the final "day" of Creation, I told you that, without exception, they all knew that "day" of a blazing inferno was yet to come. Then I went on to show you the Apostles believed that very same thing. I said you need to be aware of that if you have any interest at all in knowing the Truth. For that reason I told you I would explain it for you; otherwise, you might make a very big misstep and have me to blame.

After I transitioned to what the Apostles wrote about the seventh "day" of Creation, I reminded you that I had already shown you 2 Peter 3, where Peter clearly reveals he knew all about the conflagration that will come at the beginning of "the Lord's Day." I also pointed out that he also confirms the Apostles were still waiting for that seventh "day" to begin when he spoke on the Day of Pentecost (Acts 2:1–21) and quoted what Joel had written about that "day" in Joel 2:28–32.

Then I showed you what the Apostle Paul says in 1 Thessalonians 5:1–11, where he reveals the seventh "day" of Creation ("the Lord's Day") was at the very forefront of his mind. He makes it clear in that passage that those who believe *The Apostolic Teaching* will know when the seventh "day" is about to begin. I told you that should convince you—and will convince anyone who is still "awake"—that the Church today has lost all but a wee bit of the Truth that Jesus Christ *handed down* to His Apostles.

But I showed you where, in his other letter to the local church in Thessalonica, Paul reveals something even more astounding as to why the agents of Satan have worked so hard over the last two centuries to distort the Truth about the nuclear holocaust that is going to occur at the very beginning of the seventh "day" of Creation. In 2 Thessalonians 2:1–17, where he describes Satan appearing in the person of the Antichrist, Paul issues a dire warning to anyone who believes the seventh "day" of Creation has already come. I pointed out that he is warning True Believers against believing one specific lie—which he calls "the lie" in verse 11. I also told you that is "the lie" I have put to rest in the minds of True Believers by what I wrote. For that reason his warning does not bode well for anyone who wants to *stubbornly* cling to the mistaken notion that the Church



has not already gone through “the apostasy” he mentions in verse 3.

Then I told you it will not be obvious to those who cannot read the original Greek text, but there are, at the very least, three other places where Paul refers to the seventh “day” of Creation and indicates it is still to come. We can be sure that is the case because he uses exactly the same phrase in those three passages as he uses in 2 Thessalonians 2:2. He calls it “the Day of the Lord”—which I normally translate as either “the Day of His Majesty” or “the Day of our Master,” depending on whether or not it occurs in conjunction with the possessive pronoun.

The first instance in which Paul uses that phrase is 1 Corinthians 5:5. But in a couple of other places, he links the phrase “day of the Lord” to the end of the sixth “day” by referring to it as a “consummation” (Greek: *telos*) of the current Age. The first occurrence is in 1 Corinthians 1:8; the second is in 2 Corinthians 1:13. Then in 1 Corinthians 10:11, Paul refers to “the Lord’s Day” as a “consummation of the past ages,” which reveals he was well aware of the fact that the seven “days” of Creation are, in fact, “Ages.”

After I showed you Paul refers to the seventh “day” of Creation as the “consummation” of the things God has already done on the first six “days” of Creation, I showed you 1 Corinthians 15:20–24, where he tells us the “consummation” of this “Age” follows the Second Coming. Then I concluded by reminding you what Paul said when he warned his readers to be careful to make sure they do not believe “the lie” that tells us the seventh “day” has already begun:

<sup>1</sup>(3) *Consequently,*

(a) *holy brothers,*  
(b) *partners in an invitation to what is in Heaven,*  
*you must take a close look at*

(i) *the Apostle and*  
(ii) *High Priest of our confession, Jesus,* <sup>2</sup>*Who was trustworthy to the One Who made Him, even as Moses {was trustworthy} in the entirety of his house.*

<sup>3</sup>(a) *For This Individual has been deemed worthy of more glory than Moses—in as much as the One Who constructed it has much more honor than the house.*

<sup>4</sup>(b) *For every house is constructed by someone, but God {is} the One Who constructed everything!*

<sup>5</sup>(i) *And on the one hand, Moses {was} trustworthy as an attendant in the entirety of his house as a testimony of the things that were going to be spoken;*

<sup>6</sup>(ii) *but on the other hand, the Anointed One {is trustworthy} as a Son over His house, Whose house we are—only if we firmly hold fast our self-assurance and the boast of our hope.*

<sup>7</sup>(4) *Wherefore, just as the Spirit that is holy says:*

“**TODAY, IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE,**  
<sup>8</sup>**DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS**  
As {they did} DURING THE PROVOCATION  
IN THE DAY OF THE TEST IN THE DESERT,  
<sup>9</sup>**WHERE YOUR FATHERS TESTED {Me}**  
FOR APPROVAL  
AND SAW MY WORKS FOR FORTY YEARS.  
<sup>10</sup>**WHEREFORE, I WAS ANGRY WITH THIS GENERATION;**  
AND I SAID, ‘THEY ARE BEING LED ASTRAY  
CONTINUALLY IN THEIR HEART,  
SO THEY HAVE NOT KNOWN MY WAYS.’  
<sup>11</sup>**AS I SWORE AN OATH IN MY ANGER:**  
‘THEY WILL NEVER COME INTO MY REST!’”

<sup>12</sup>(1) *Watch out, brothers, lest perhaps there might be a nasty heart in any of you because of a lack of belief in God’s promise so that {you} withdraw from {the} living God.*

<sup>13</sup>(2) *But encourage one another each and every day within the span of time that is called “today,” so that none of you are hardened by {the} deceitfulness of your sin.*

<sup>14</sup>(a) *For we have become partners of the Anointed One only if we hold fast to the beginning of our certitude confirmed up to the time of the consummation, <sup>15</sup>while {it} is said:*

“**TODAY, IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE,**  
**DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS**  
As {they did} DURING THE PROVOCATION.”

<sup>16</sup>(b) For after some heard {what He said}, they provoked {Him}, but not all who came out of Egypt with Moses {did so}.

<sup>17</sup>(i) So then, with whom was He angry for forty years? {Was it} not

(a) those who sinned—

(b) those whose limbs fell {off Israel} in the desert?

<sup>18</sup>(ii) So then, to whom did He swear an oath that {they} would not come into His rest except those who were not persuaded by **God's promise**?

<sup>19</sup>(iii) So we see that they could not come in because of a lack of **belief in God's promise**.

<sup>1</sup>(c) Therefore, we should be afraid lest perhaps, while a promise is left behind that {we} may come into His rest, any of you might seem to come up short of {it}.

<sup>2</sup>(i) For we also are those who have had the good news of **the fulfillment of the promise** proclaimed {to us}, even as those individuals also {did}. But the word of the news did not benefit those individuals who, when they heard {it}, were not mixed together with {it} by their **belief in God's promise**.

<sup>3</sup>(ii) For those who have **believed God's promise** are going to come into His rest, just as He has said:

"AS I SWORE AN OATH IN MY ANGER:  
"THEY WILL NEVER COME INTO MY REST."

And yet His works have been done since the establishment of the world!

<sup>4</sup>(iii) For He has stated somewhere about the seventh {day} like this, "AND THE {living} GOD RESTED FROM ALL HIS WORKS ON THE DAY—{that is}, THE SEVENTH."<sup>5</sup> And again in this instance,

"THEY WILL NEVER COME INTO MY REST!"

<sup>6</sup>(d) Therefore, since it is left for some to come into it, and those who had the good news of **the fulfillment**

**of the promise** proclaimed {to them} previously did not come in because of apathy,<sup>7</sup> He stipulates a specific day—**today**—saying again by David so long a span of time later just as had been stated before:

"TODAY, IF YOU HEAR HIS VOICE,  
DO NOT HARDEN YOUR HEARTS."

<sup>8</sup>(i) For if Joshua had given them rest, he would not have talked about another day after these things.<sup>9</sup> So then **a Sabbath day rest is left for the people of the {living} God**.

<sup>10</sup>(ii) For He—the One Who has come into His rest—has also rested from His works, indeed, just as the {living} God from His Own {works}.

<sup>11</sup>(e) Therefore, we must make every effort to come into that rest, so that no one would fall by the same perfect example of their apathy. (Hebrews 3:1–4:11) —HSSB

## Focusing on the Essentials

In showing you everything I have up to this point, my objective has been to demonstrate just how effective the Liar Satan has been in convincing the vast majority of people that total stupidity is the absolute Truth. If you are one of the very few who are able to see the Truth in what I have presented over the past three decades, you should consider yourself extremely fortunate. Not many will be able to see the logic in the Truth I have been called to *restore* simply because Satan has finally accomplished what the author of the Book of Revelation understood he would:

<sup>7</sup>(4) Then there was war in Heaven— Michael and his messengers waging war with the sea serpent. And

(a) the sea serpent and his messengers waged war,<sup>8</sup> and

(i) they did not have the ability {to win};  
(ii) neither was a place found for them in Heaven any longer.

<sup>9</sup>(b) So the sea serpent—

- (i) *the great one,*
- (ii) *the snake,*
- (iii) *the ancient one,*
- (iv) *the one that is called*

- (a) *“False Accuser” and*
- (b) *“Satan,”*

(v) *the one who is going to lead the entire civilized world astray—was thrown down.*

*(Revelation 12:7–9a) —HSSB*

Satan knew from the outset that, if he were ever going to accomplish his ultimate objective, he had to convince everyone the following three lies are completely non-negotiable:

1. *Genesis 1:26–27 is describing the creation of Adam and Eve in the image and likeness of God.*

2. *The first chapter of the Book of Genesis is a description of things that have already happened; therefore, we are living in the seventh “day” of Creation.*

3. *John 3:16 means God loves everybody so much that He would never send them into the fires of Hell because they are His Children, created in His very Own image and likeness.*

If you take a look around, a quick survey of what is going on in the Church today should convince you there is nothing much left for God to do except turn off the lights and start all over, which is precisely what He has planned for His latest and greatest Creation—that is, for the “male and female” Believers He is going to create in His Own image and likeness at the end of this Age. If you are not fortunate enough to be one of those, you have no clue as to what He has planned for the Redeemed. I didn’t say that, the Apostle Paul did:

<sup>1</sup>(1) *When {I} came to you, brothers,*

*(a) I also did not come proclaiming the mystery of the {living} God to you with superiority of word or wisdom. <sup>2</sup>For I decided not to know anything among you except Jesus, the Anointed One—and This Individual crucified.*

<sup>3</sup>(b) *I also came to you*

- (i) *with an infirmity and*
- (ii) *with fear and*
- (iii) *with a lot of trembling.*

<sup>4</sup>(2) *So my word and my preaching {were}*

*(a) not with persuasive words of wisdom, (b) but with a demonstration of {the} Spirit and supernatural power, <sup>5</sup>so that your belief in God’s promise would not be {based}*

- (i) *on men’s wisdom,*
- (ii) *but only on God’s supernatural power.*

<sup>6</sup>(3) *Now*

*(a) we do speak a wisdom among those who are complete, yet not {the} wisdom*

- (i) *of this current age nor*
- (ii) *of the rulers of this current age, who are going to be abrogated; <sup>7</sup>but*

*(b) we speak God’s wisdom, which had been tucked away in*

- (i) *a mystery that the {living} God decided on beforehand—before the past ages—as our glory;*
- <sup>8</sup>(ii) *{a mystery} that none of the rulers of this current age has known; for they would not have crucified the Master of our glory if they had known {it}. <sup>9</sup>But*
- (iii) *{a mystery} just as it has been written:*

*“WHAT EYE HAS NEVER SEEN  
AND EAR HAS NEVER HEARD  
AND WHAT HAS NEVER COME  
UP ON A MAN’S HEART  
{Is} WHAT THE {living} GOD HAS PREPARED  
FOR THOSE WHO LOVE HIM.”*

<sup>10</sup>(4) *Yet the {living} God has revealed {those things} to us via the Spirit;*

*(a) for the Spirit searches everything, even the depths of the {living} God.*

<sup>11</sup>(b) For who among men is aware of the {thoughts} of the man except the spirit of the man that is in him? So also nobody knows the {thoughts} of the {living} God except the Spirit of the {living} God.

<sup>12</sup>(i) So we did not receive the spirit of the world, but the Spirit that is from the {living} God, so that we would be aware of the things that have been granted to us as a favor by the {living} God, <sup>13</sup>which things we also talk about—not in words taught by human wisdom, but only in {words} taught by {the} Spirit, {words} that compare spiritual things to spiritual things.

<sup>14</sup>(ii) But a soulish man does not accept the things of the Spirit of the {living} God, for it is stupidity to him, so he is not able to know that he is being interrogated spiritually.

<sup>15</sup>(iii) But the spiritual {man} examines every last thing, yet he is not going to be interrogated by {anybody}.

<sup>16</sup>(c) For WHO HAS KNOWN HIS MAJESTY'S MIND? {Who is} THE ONE WHO WILL PUT IT ALL TOGETHER FOR HIM? But then we have {the} mind of the Anointed One.

(1 Corinthians 2:1–16) —HSSB

In that passage, Paul is talking about the fact that only True Believers can understand the Truth in regard to the message of the Hebrew Scriptures because they alone believe the Truth. Therefore, they alone know that God plans to create them in His Own image and likeness—of which Truth I am only now beginning to realize the magnitude. For that reason I encourage you who have already experienced the incredible change that occurs when the Spirit of Christ takes up residence in you to not neglect the obligation you accepted when that event occurred. This is the way the Apostle Paul describes the decisiveness you exhibited when you made the commitment God requires:

<sup>15</sup>(1) Now I was previously determined:

(a) to come back to you with this confidence, so that you would give {Him} thanks for the favor a second time; <sup>16</sup>and

(b) to pass through your {area} into Macedonia; and

(c) to come back again to you from Macedonia; and

(d) to be sent on my way to Judea by you.

<sup>17</sup>(2) Therefore, when {I was} deciding this, I did not by any means use indecisiveness, did I? Or do I decide what I decide in accordance with flesh, so that there is for me the "Yes, it is; yes, it is" and the "No, it isn't; no, it isn't?" <sup>18</sup>But the {living} God {is} trustworthy, because our word—the one that is for you—is not "Yes, it is" and "No, it is not."

<sup>19</sup>(a) For the Son of the {living} God, Jesus, the Anointed One, Who was preached among you by us—by me and Silvanus and Timothy—was not "Yes, it is" and "No, it is not," but it is only "Yes, it is" in Him.

<sup>20</sup>(b) For the "Yes, it is" in Him {is} as many as **God's promises**; wherefore, the "Without doubt!" through us {is} also with glory to the {living} God through Him.

<sup>21</sup>(i) But the One Who anointed us and confirms that we—together with you—are in the Anointed One {is} God, <sup>22</sup>the One Who

(a) has also personally set His seal on us and

(b) has put the initial payment of His Spirit in our hearts.

<sup>23</sup>(ii) But I call the {living} God {as} a witness for my soul, that, sparing you, I no longer came to Corinth, <sup>24</sup>because

(a) we are not your slave masters on the basis of your **belief in God's promise**, but

(b) we are only co-workers for your joy; for you stand because of your **belief in God's promise**.

(2 Corinthians 1:15–24) —HSSB

Those who have truly been born again—instead of lying to themselves as most will—are already well aware of their obligation to protect the Holy Spirit they *received* when they made an open and honest apology to God. But for the record I will include what Paul says about that as well. It has to do with protecting the Truth you have been given the ability to understand:

<sup>17</sup>(4) Therefore, I am saying this, and I am testifying for His Majesty so that you would no longer walk—just as the Gentiles also walk—in {the} futility of their mind:

<sup>18</sup>(a) those who are darkened in their understanding;  
 (b) those who have been estranged from the life of the {living} God:

- (i) because of the ignorance that is in them
- (ii) because of the hardness of their heart;

<sup>19</sup>(c) those who, having become totally senseless, have, through selfishness, handed themselves over to licentiousness for a business of all uncleanness.

<sup>20</sup>(5) But **you did not learn the Anointed One in this way**, <sup>21</sup>if indeed:

(a) you have heard Him and  
 (b) have been taught by Him, just as truth is in Jesus:

<sup>22</sup>(i) so that you can set aside the old man, the one that is being beguiled:

- (a) by your previous behavior,
- (b) by your selfish desires with their deceit;  
<sup>23</sup>and then

(ii) so that {you} may be restored to youth in the spirit of your mind; <sup>24</sup>and

(iii) so that {you} may slip on the new man, the one who was created corresponding to God by

- (a) a declaration of not guilty and
- (b) {your} devotion to the truth.

<sup>25</sup>(6) Wherefore,

(a) **set aside the lie**;  
 (b) **SPEAK TRUTH**, EACH ONE WITH HIS NEIGHBOR, because we are members of one another.

<sup>26</sup>(c) **BE ANGRY, AND DO NOT SIN**;

(d) **do not let the sun set on your angeriness**.

<sup>27</sup>(e) **Do not even give the false accuser a place**.

<sup>28</sup>The one who steals must not steal {anymore}; but he must labor instead, working with his own hands for what is good, so that he may have {something} to contribute to the one who has any need.

<sup>29</sup>(f) **Do not let any rotten word come out of your mouth**, never anything but something good for our need with regard to edification, so that it may grant a favor to those who hear {what you say}. <sup>30</sup>And

(g) **do not cause anguish to the Spirit of the {living} God**;

- (i) **Which is holy**,
- (ii) **by Which you have been sealed for a day of emancipation**.

(Ephesians 4:17–30) —HSSB

Paul’s point is, as a True Believer you must focus completely on the Truth you can “see” in the Hebrew Scriptures. If you do that, the Holy Spirit Who resides within you will transform you, just as Paul indicates when he says this:

<sup>1</sup>(1) *Therefore, I implore you, brothers, via the compassion of the {living} God,*

(a) *to present your bodies as a living, holy sacrifice, well-pleasing to the {living} God—your logical priestly service;* <sup>2</sup>and

(b) *to not be shaped by this current age, but*

(c) *to be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you approve of what the will of the {living} God {is}—which is*

(i) *good and*

(ii) *well-pleasing and*

(iii) *complete.*

<sup>3</sup>(2) *For I tell everyone who is among you—via the favor that was given to me—*

(a) *to not have a mind-set more high-minded than {the} mind-set that one should have, but*

(b) *to have a mind-set so as to have good common sense—in each one as much as the {living} God has divided out a measure of belief in God’s promise.*

(Romans 12:1–3) —HSSB

If you do what the Lord expects of you, what do you think you are being “transformed” into? No surprise there (provided you have learned what you should have from the things I have written); you are expected to be “transformed” into the “glory” of the image and likeness of God. I didn’t say that; Paul did:

<sup>1</sup>(1) *Are we beginning to commend ourselves again? Or not? Do we, like some, need letters of commendation*

- (a) to you or
- (b) from you?

<sup>2</sup>(2) You are our letter {of commendation}:

- (a) one that has been inscribed in our hearts;
- (b) one that is known and read by all men;
- <sup>3</sup>(c) one that is becoming well-known, because you are a letter from the Anointed One;
- (d) one that was served by us;
- (e) one that has been inscribed:

- (i) not with black ink,
- (ii) but only with a living God's Spirit;
- (iii) not on tablets made of stone,
- (iv) but only on tablets of hearts made of flesh.

<sup>4</sup>(3) So we have a confidence like this before the {living} God through the Anointed One, <sup>5</sup>not because we are worthy of consideration of ourselves, to reckon anything as from ourselves; but our consideration {is} from the {living} God, <sup>6</sup>the One Who also made us worthy of consideration as servants

- (a) of a new testament—
- (b) not of something that has been written,
- (c) but of {the} Spirit. For

- (i) the thing that has been written kills, but
- (ii) the Spirit gives life.

<sup>7</sup>(4) But if the serving of death in something that had been written—that had been engraved—on stones came with glory, so the sons of Israel could not stare at the face of Moses because of the glory of his face, which {glory} is going to be abrogated, <sup>8</sup>how could the serving of the Spirit not be with even more glory?

<sup>9</sup>(a) For if {there was} glory in the serving of the death sentence, the serving of the declaration of not guilty is going to exceed {that glory} with a lot more glory.

<sup>10</sup>(b) For even the {face} that had been glorified on this part {of Israel} had not {actually} been glorified on account of the incredible glory {of God}.

<sup>11</sup>(c) For if the {face} that is going to be abrogated {was} with glory, the {face} that is going to remain {is} with a lot more glory.

<sup>12</sup>(5) Therefore, we who have a hope like this use a lot of candor, <sup>13</sup>and {are} not at all like Moses. He used to put a covering down over his face so that

- (a) the sons of Israel could not stare at the consummation of the {face} that is going to be abrogated. <sup>14</sup>But
- (b) their thoughts were turned to stone;

(i) for up to the time of day today, at the reading of the old testament the same covering—which has not been uncovered—remains, because it is abrogated in the Anointed One.

<sup>15</sup>(ii) But up to today, whenever it might be that Moses is read, a covering lies over their hearts.

<sup>16</sup>(a) Yet whenever it may be that one turns back to His Majesty, the covering is removed.

<sup>17</sup>(b) Yet His Majesty is the Spirit, so freedom {is} wherever the Spirit of His Majesty {is}.

<sup>18</sup>(c) Yet we who are looking at a reflection of the glory of His Majesty in a mirror with a face that has been uncovered are all being transformed into the same image from {one} glory into {another} glory, even as from His Majesty's Spirit.

(2 Corinthians 3:1–18) —HSSB

The point of that entire chapter is fairly easy to understand if you know what Paul is talking about. The key resides in the term translated "glory." As I have told you repeatedly over the years, the Prophets and Apostles sometimes use that term to refer to "The Light" of The Teaching of Moses, as Paul does in Romans 1, where he is describing how numbskulls gave up the Truth at the Tower of Babel:

<sup>13</sup>(2) But I do not want you to not understand, brothers, that I have often intended to come to you—and have hitherto been prevented—so that I might also have some fruit among you, just as {I} also {have} among the rest of the Gentiles. <sup>14</sup>I am obligated to both Greeks and foreigners, to both those who are wise and those who are senseless.

<sup>15</sup>(3) So, as for me, I am also eager to proclaim the good news of **the fulfillment of the promise** to you who are in Rome:

<sup>16</sup>(a) for I am not ashamed of the good news of **the fulfillment of the promise**;

(i) for it is God’s supernatural power for salvation in anyone who **believes God’s promise**—in both Jew, first, and Greek;  
<sup>17</sup>(ii) for God’s declaration of not guilty is being revealed by it—on the basis of {His} **belief in God’s promise** resulting in {our} **belief in God’s promise**—just as it has been written,

“AND THEN THE ONE WHO IS BLAMELESS WILL LIVE ON THE BASIS OF **BELIEF IN GOD’S PROMISE**”;

<sup>18</sup>(b) for God’s anger is going to be revealed from Heaven against all {the} depravity and injustice of men who hold the truth fast in injustice,  
<sup>19</sup>because what is known about the {living} God is well-known within them, for the {living} God has made {it} well-known to them;  
<sup>20</sup>(c) for since {the} creation of the world His invisible {characteristics}—both His everlasting supernatural power and divine nature, which are understood by the things {He} made—have been plainly seen so that they are without excuse; <sup>21</sup>because,

(i) when {they} knew the {living} God, they did not glorify {Him} as God or give thanks, but became futile in their speculations; and their heart, lacking insight, was darkened.  
<sup>22</sup>(ii) Alleging that {they} were wise, they became stupid <sup>23</sup>and exchanged the glory of the imperishable God for {the} likeness of an image of a perishable man and of winged creatures and of quadrupeds and of reptiles.

(Romans 1:13–23) —HSSB

If you have an intelligence quotient even slightly above the baseline of a snail, you will pay very close attention to what Paul says in verse 18, which is what I am going to show you now.

## A Few Other Things You Need to Know

Before I wrote the first article in this series, I had already demonstrated there is a total lack of logic in believing that:

1. our forefather Adam was created in the image and likeness of God and

2. the seventh “day” of Creation has already begun.

So now I am going to do a deep-dive into one of the reasons why you may want to reconsider your belief in the nonsensical notion that the God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob loves everyone. Satan has been peddling that particular lie for a very long time, but only recently has it taken hold and grown into what some consider to be “conventional wisdom,” which is just another way of saying “lowest common denominator.” So let me put that lie to rest once and for all. Here is a listing of all the places in the New Testament where you can find evidence that the *Living* God is still the same angry, jealous God He always has been:

*But after seeing many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for his baptism, he said to them: “{You} descendants of vipers! Who gave you an indication that {you} should flee from the anger that is going to come?”*  
 (Matthew 3:7) —HSSB

*Therefore, he was saying to the crowds who were going out to be baptized by him: “{You} descendants of vipers! Who gave you an indication that {you} should flee from the anger that is going to come?”*  
 (Luke 3:7) —HSSB

*“Woe to those who have a baby in their tummy and those who are nursing in those days! For there will be an intense pressing need on the Earth, and anger at this people.”*  
 (Luke 21:23) —HSSB

*“The one who believes God’s promise about the Son has eternal life, but the one who is not persuaded by God’s promise about the Son will not see life, but the anger of the {living} God remains on him.”*  
 (John 3:36) —HSSB

*For God’s anger is going to be revealed from Heaven against all {the} depravity and injustice of men who hold the truth fast in injustice.*  
 (Romans 1:18) —HSSB

<sup>5</sup>But—in accordance with your impenitence and unapologetic heart—you are storing up anger for yourself for a day of anger and {the} revelation of {the} impartial judgment of the {living} God, <sup>6</sup>Who WILL PAY EACH

ONE BACK IN ACCORDANCE WITH HIS WORKS: <sup>7</sup>on the one hand, glory and honor and an imperishable body for those who are seeking eternal life by perseverance in good work; <sup>8</sup>but on the other hand, **anger and rage for those who, because of self-centeredness, and not being persuaded by the truth, and then allowing themselves to be persuaded by their injustice.**

(Romans 2:5–8) —HSSB

So, if {His forgiveness of} our injustice commends God's declaration of not guilty, what can we say? **{Is} the {living} God Who imposes His anger {on them} not unjust?** (I am speaking in human terms.)

(Romans 3:5) —HSSB

<sup>14</sup>For if **the heirs {of the promise are heirs}** on the basis of Law, our **belief in God's promise** has been emptied and **the promise** has been abrogated. <sup>15</sup>For **the Law brings about anger**, but where there is no law, {there is} no violation either.

(Romans 4:14–15) —HSSB

Much more, therefore, will we—those who have now been acquitted by His blood—**be saved from His anger** via Him.

(Romans 5:9) —HSSB

Perhaps the {living} God, wanting to present evidence of **His anger** and make known His ability, with a lot of patience, bore **containers of anger** that had been made ready for eternal damnation.

(Romans 9:22) —HSSB

Not taking your own vengeance, beloved brothers. But **you must give a place for His anger**; for it has been written, "I {have} AN ACT OF VENGEANCE; I WILL PAY {them} BACK," says His Majesty.

(Romans 12:19) —HSSB

<sup>3</sup>For the rulers are not {a source of} fear for good work, but only for awful {work}. So do you want not to be afraid of their authority? Do what is good, and you will have commendation because of it. <sup>4</sup>For to you he is God's servant for what is good; but be afraid if you are doing what is awful, for he is not wearing his sword for no good reason. For he is God's servant, an avenger, for **anger on the one who is involved in what is awful.** <sup>5</sup>Wherefore, {there is} a pressing need to submit, not only because of

**His anger**, but also because of your conscience.

(Romans 13:3–5) —HSSB

Among whom **we all at one time also conducted ourselves in the selfish desires of our flesh**, while acting in accordance with the will of our flesh and understanding; **and were by nature also children of anger, like the rest of {the sons of apathy}.**

(Ephesians 2:3) —HSSB

Let no one deceive you with empty words, for because of these things **the anger of the {living} God is going to come upon the sons of apathy.**

(Ephesians 5:6) —HSSB

<sup>5</sup>Therefore, **deaden your members that are on the Earth to sexual promiscuity, uncleanness—an urge, an awful selfish desire—and your selfishness, which is idolatry.** <sup>6</sup>Because of which {things} **the anger of the {living} God is going to come upon the sons of apathy,** <sup>7</sup>among whom at one time you also walked—when you were living for these things.

(Colossians 3:5–7) —HSSB

<sup>9</sup>For they are reporting about us what kind of entrance we had to you, and how you turned back from your idols to the {living} God, to be slaves to a God Who is living and real <sup>10</sup>and to wait up for His Son {coming back} from the heavens, the One that He raised from the dead—**Jesus, the One Who is going to deliver us from the anger that is going to come.**

(1 Thessalonians 1:9–10) —HSSB

<sup>14</sup>For you, brothers, have become imitators of the summoned assemblies of the {living} God that are in Judea in the Anointed One, Jesus, because you also suffered the same things under your own countrymen just as they also {did} under the Jews, <sup>15</sup>those who killed both His Majesty, Jesus, and the Prophets; and those who chased us away; and those who are not pleasing to God and {are} in opposition to all men; <sup>16</sup>those who prevented us from speaking to the Gentiles—so that they could be saved—so as to always completely fill the full measure of their sins. So {here} **at the consummation His anger has overtaken them.**

(1 Thessalonians 2:14–16) —HSSB

<sup>8</sup>But we who are of day must be sober, after slipping on a breastplate of **belief in God's promise** and love and a



helmet—a hope of salvation—<sup>9</sup>because **the {living} God has not put us down for anger**, but for an acquisition of salvation via our Master, Jesus, the Anointed One, <sup>10</sup>the One Who died for our sake, so that whether we stay awake or are sleeping, we may live together with Him at the same time.

(1 Thessalonians 5:8–10) —HSSB

<sup>14</sup>And Heaven was separated like a scroll that is being rolled up, and every mountain and island were moved out of their places, <sup>15</sup>and the kings of the Earth and the aristocrats and the commanders of a thousand and those who are wealthy and those who are mighty and every slave and free man hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains.

<sup>16</sup>And they tell the mountains and the rocks: “Fall on us and hide us from {the} presence of the One Who is sitting on the throne and from **the anger of the Little Lamb**, <sup>17</sup>because **the day of their anger—the most important day—has come; so who is going to be able to stand?**”

(Revelation 6:14–17) —HSSB

Now I want to show you what the Book of Revelation has to say about the time when the anger of the Living God has reached the level of an intense rage. I don’t think anyone would actually want to be on His bad side when that happens, but one never knows. Some people are so stubborn and contentious they just can’t help themselves:

<sup>8</sup>Then another messenger—a second one—followed {him}, saying: “She has fallen! Babylon the Great—the one who has made all the Gentiles drink some of **the wine of His rage about her sexual promiscuity—has fallen!**” <sup>9</sup>Then another messenger—a third one—followed them, saying in a loud voice: “If anyone worships the beast and his image and accepts {his} mark on his forehead or on his hand, <sup>10</sup>he will also drink some of **the wine of the rage of the {living} God that has been mixed undiluted in the cup of His anger**; and he will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of holy messengers and in the presence of the Little Lamb. <sup>11</sup>And the smoke of their torment is going to go up in {the} ages of ages to come.”

(Revelation 14:8–11a) —HSSB

<sup>19</sup>So the messenger cast his sickle onto the Earth and picked the vine of the Earth and threw {the grapes} into the wine press—the large one—of **the rage of the {living} God**.

<sup>20</sup>And the wine press was trampled on the outside of the

city, and blood came out of the wine press up to the bits of {the} bridles of the horses for one thousand six hundred 200-meter units. <sup>1</sup>Then I saw another tremendous and amazing sign in Heaven: seven messengers who have the last seven lashes, because **the rage of the {living} God** was completed by them.

(Revelation 14:19–15:1) —HSSB

And one of the four living creatures gave the seven messengers **seven bowls made of gold that are full of the rage of the {living} God**, the One Who is going to live into the ages of the ages to come.

(Revelation 15:7) —HSSB

Then I heard a loud voice out of the sanctuary, telling the seven messengers, “Go on and pour out **the seven bowls of the rage of the {living} God** onto the Earth.”

(Revelation 16:1) —HSSB

And the city—the great one—came to be in three parts, and the cities of the Gentiles fell. And Babylon the Great was recalled before the {living} God—to give her **the cup of the wine of the rage of His anger**.

(Revelation 16:19) —HSSB

<sup>1</sup>After these things, I saw another messenger—one who has tremendous authority—coming down out of Heaven; and the Earth was provided light by his glory. <sup>2</sup>And he shouted in a mighty voice, saying: “She has fallen! Babylon the Great has fallen! She has also become a home of demons and a guard house of every unclean spirit and a guard house of every unclean bird and a guard house of every unclean and hated beast; <sup>3</sup>because **all the Gentiles have drunk some of the wine of the rage of her sexual promiscuity**, and the kings of the Earth have been sexually promiscuous with her, and the merchants of the Earth have become wealthy from the supernatural power of her sensuality.”

(Revelation 18:1–3) —HSSB

<sup>11</sup>Then I saw Heaven, which had been opened, and guess what! There was a white horse, and the One called “Believable and True” {was} sitting on it. And He was judging and waging war by a declaration of not guilty.

<sup>12</sup>But His eyes {were} like a flame of fire, and a lot of diadems {were} on His head; {He is} One Who has a name that has been written that nobody is aware of except Him, <sup>13</sup>and {He is} One Who has been wrapped in an

overgarment that has been dipped in blood, and His name is called “The Word of the {living} God.”<sup>14</sup> Then the troops that were in Heaven—who had slipped on {something} made of clean, white, fine linen—were following Him on white horses.<sup>15</sup> And a keen saber came out of His mouth, so that He could repeatedly strike the Gentiles with it. And He will shepherd them with an iron staff; and He is going to trample the wine press of the wine of the rage of the anger of the {living} God, the Almighty!  
(Revelation 19:11–15)—HSSB

You can take everything I have explained thus far for whatever it is worth to you and do with it as you will. What you do with the things I have been called to explain is not my concern, I’m just laying the Truth out for you so that I am not responsible for you not having the opportunity to believe it. That’s just another way of saying what I have been saying all along: *You can believe it if you care to, disbelieve it if you dare to.*

When you boil it all down to the basics, I don’t have a dog in this fight; my only concern is that I have explained everything God called me to explain before His anger reaches the absolute fury of a rage directed at the stupid *utopian* delusion of folks who cannot accept the fact that we would have nothing at all if not for Him. Therefore, I am going to show you how the Prophets refer to the sad-sack circumstances leading up to the fiery beginning of the seventh “day” of Creation. I’ll begin with what Malachi says about that “day”:

<sup>1</sup>[Because] [guess what!] [The Day] [is coming], [burning] [like an Oven]; [and all] [who are arrogant] [and all] [who are doing] [Something That Incurs Guilt] [will be] [Stubble]. [And [The Day] [that is coming] will set [them] afire,” [says] [His [Supreme] Majesty], “[so that] [it does [not] leave] [Root] [nor Limb] [for them].<sup>2</sup>[But [for you] [who fear] [My Name], [the] Sun] [of a Declaration of Not Guilty] will rise] [with Healing] [in Her Wings]; [and you will go out] [and jump around] [like Calves] [from] a Stall].<sup>3</sup>[And you will tread on [Those Who Are Guilty] like grapes] [because] [they will be] [Ashes] [under] [the] Soles of] [your Feet] [on] [the] Day] [that] [I] [am making],” [says] [His [Supreme] Majesty].

<sup>4</sup>[You must remember] [The Teaching of] [My Slave] [Moses]—[the] Statutes] [and Decisions Based on the Truth] [for] [all] [Israel] [that] [I commanded] [him] [in Horeb].

<sup>5</sup>[Guess what!] [I] [am going to send] [The Prophet] [Elijah] [to you] [before] [The [great] [and fearsome] Day] [of His Majesty] [comes].<sup>6</sup>[And he will restore] [the] Heart] [of Fathers] [to] [Sons] [and] [the] Heart] [of Sons] [to] [their Fathers], [so that I do [not] come] [and viciously attack] [The Earth] [as] Someone Under the Ban].”

(Malachi 4:1–6)—my interim translation

I trust you took note of Malachi’s reference to True Believers treading on some unsuspecting folks as though they were grapes. You should have, and you should already know you saw the same *parabolic image* used in this passage:

<sup>6</sup>(1) Then I saw another messenger

(a) flying in midheaven—one who has {the} eternal good news of **the fulfillment of the promise** to proclaim as the good news of **the fulfillment of the promise**

(i) to those who are sitting on the Earth, even  
(ii) to every

(a) nation and  
(b) tribe and  
(c) tongue and  
(d) people,

<sup>7</sup>(b) saying in a loud voice, “Be afraid of the {living} God and give Him glory, because the hour of His sentencing has come; so pay homage to the One Who made Heaven and Earth and {the} sea and springs of waters.”

<sup>8</sup>(2) Then another messenger—a second one—followed {him}, saying: “She has fallen! Babylon the Great—the one who has made all the Gentiles drink some of the wine of His rage about her sexual promiscuity—has fallen!”

<sup>9</sup>(3) Then another messenger—a third one—followed them, saying in a loud voice: “If anyone

(a) worships the beast and his image and  
(b) accepts {his} mark

(i) on his forehead or  
(ii) on his hand,

<sup>10</sup>(a) *he will also drink some of **the wine of the rage of the {living} God that has been mixed undiluted in the cup of His anger;** and*  
 (b) *he will be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of holy messengers and in the presence of the Little Lamb.* <sup>11</sup>And  
 (c) *the smoke of their torment is going to go up in {the} ages of ages to come.*  
 (d) *And those who worship the beast and his image—even anyone, if he accepts the mark of his name—are not going to have refreshment day and night!”* <sup>12</sup>Here is the perseverance of the holy ones—those who keep watch over the commandments of the {living} God and their **belief in God’s promise concerning Jesus.**

<sup>13</sup>(4) *Then I heard a voice out of Heaven, saying, “Write, ‘The dead—those in His Majesty who die from this point on—are fortunate!’” “Yes,” says the Spirit, “so that they may be refreshed from their trouble, for their works are going to follow after them.”*

<sup>14</sup>(5) *Then I also saw, guess what!*

(a) *There was a white cloud, and*  
 (b) *sitting on the cloud {was} One just like a son of a man Who had*

(i) *a crown made of gold on His head and*  
 (ii) *a keen sickle in His hand.*

<sup>15</sup>(6) *Then another messenger came out of the sanctuary, shouting in a loud voice to the One Who was sitting on the cloud, “Send Your sickle and reap, because the hour to reap has come, because the harvest of the Earth has shriveled up.”*

<sup>16</sup>(7) *Then the One Who was sitting on the cloud cast His sickle onto the Earth, and the Earth was reaped.*

<sup>17</sup>(8) *Then another messenger came out of the sanctuary that is in Heaven, and he had a keen sickle.*

<sup>18</sup>(9) *Then another messenger—the one who has authority over the fire of the sacrificial altar—*

(a) *came out and*  
 (b) *called out in a loud voice to the one who has the sickle that is keen, saying, “Send your sickle—the keen one—and pick the clusters of grapes of the vine of the Earth, because her bunches of grapes are ripe.”*

<sup>19</sup>(10) *So the messenger*

(a) *cast his sickle onto the Earth and*  
 (b) *picked the vine of the Earth and*  
 (c) *threw {the grapes} into the wine press—the large one—of the rage of the {living} God.* <sup>20</sup>And

(i) *the wine press was trampled on the outside of the city, and*

(ii) *blood came out of the wine press up to the bits of {the} bridles of the horses for one thousand six hundred 200-meter units.*

(Revelation 14:6–20) —HSSB

In the two passages I showed you, the Prophet Malachi and John the Revelator are using the *parabolic image* of “wine” that the Prophets used to refer to a rancid concoction that God has already “mixed” in preparation for our “day.” Trust me, you don’t want to be one of those who continue “sipping” the “wine” in the “cup” of God’s wrath until the awesome fires of Hell announce the rising of the sun on the seventh “day” of Creation. Isaiah describes the circumstances leading up to that incredible event this way:

<sup>17</sup>“[Wake Yourself up]! [Wake Yourself up]!  
 [Rise up], [Jerusalem]—

[You [Who] drank] [from {the} Hand]  
 [of His Majesty]

[The] [Cup] [of His Rage].

[You drank] [{the} Deception] [{of the} Cup]  
 [of The Reeling]. [You drained {it}]!

<sup>18</sup>[There will not be any] [one guiding] [Her]

[Out of all] [{the} Sons] [She engendered]!

[And there will not be any] [one taking hold of]  
 [Her Hand]

[Out of all] [{the} Sons] [She raised].

<sup>19</sup>[These [two] Things] [are going to befall You];

[Who] [will rock back and forth] [for You]—

[The violated] [and broken One],

[Even the hungry] [and parched One]?

[Who]? [I will feel sorry for You]!

<sup>20</sup>[Your Sons] [will be enshrouded];

[They will lie down] [on Top] [of every] [Street];

[Those who are filling] [{the} Rage of] [His Majesty]—

[{The} Rebuke of] [Your God]—

{Are} [like an Antelope] [{in} a Net].

<sup>21</sup>[Therefore], [please] [listen to] [this, [humble] One],

[Even One Who has gotten drunk],  
 [but not] [from Wine].  
<sup>22</sup>[This is what] [Your Master], [His Majesty], [will say]:  
 ‘[When Your God] [argues in favor of] [His People],  
 [Guess what!] [I will take] [The] [Cup]  
 [of The Reeling] [out of Your Hand]—  
 [The] [Deception] [of the] Cup [of My Rage]?  
 [You will [not] continue] [to drink it] [any longer]!  
<sup>23</sup>[But I will put it] [in {the} Hand]  
 [of those who cause You sorrow],  
 [Who] [say] [to Your Soul],  
 “[Fall prostrate] [so that we can cross over],”  
 [And “You must make] [Your Back] [like {the} Earth]—  
 [Like a Street]—[for those who are crossing over].”  
 (Isaiah 51:17–23) —my interim translation

In the following psalm, the Prophet who wrote it has a bit of fun playing with the Hebrew term *qeren* which means “horn,” using it as a double entendre in which it is both part of the Hebrew idiom “raise up a horn”—which means the same as “build a house”—and also a physical horn used as a cup in a cultic ritual—you know, the *zonah* ritual:

<sup>1</sup>{Dedicated} to The Illustrious One] [concerning] “[You must [not] be totally corrupt].”  
 [A Melody] [of Asaph], [a Song].  
 [We give thanks] [to You], [O God].  
 [We give thanks] [that [Your Name]  
 {is} a Near Relative].  
 [They will recount] [Your Incomprehensible Works]  
<sup>2</sup>[When] [I get] [The Appointed Time].  
 [I [myself] will make a decision based on the Truth]  
 [of What Is Right].  
<sup>3</sup>[The Earth] [and All] [who dwell in it]  
 [are going to be filled with terror];  
 [I [myself] certified] [its Pillars]!  
 [Think about it!] <sup>4</sup>[I said] [to those who are boasting],  
 “[You must [not] boast],”  
 [But to Those Who Are Guilty], “[You must [not]  
 raise up] [a Horn]!”  
<sup>5</sup>“[You must [not] raise up] [your Horn]  
 [for {the} Highest]!  
 [You must [not] speak] [with [an overbearing]  
 Stiff Neck],”  
<sup>6</sup>[Because] {the Anointed One will} [not]  
 {be} [made to rise up]  
 [Out of The Place of Coming Out {at sunrise}],

[Or out of The Place of Going in at Dusk],  
 [And not] [out of {the} Wilderness],  
<sup>7</sup>[Because] [God] [is going to make a decision based on  
 the truth].  
 [He will bring [This One] down]  
 [And raise [Another One] up],  
<sup>8</sup>[Because] {there is} [a Cup] [in {the} Hand]  
 [of His Majesty].  
 [And {the} [fermented] Wine]  
 {is} [a [full] Mixture\*].  
 [So He will turn [some of this] over to]  
 [All] [The Guilty] [of {the} Earth].  
 [They will drink {it}];  
 [they will [definitely] drain] [its Dregs].  
<sup>9</sup>[But I] [will tell {it}] [for a Burning Eternity];  
 [I will sing a melody] [to {the} God of] [Jacob].  
<sup>10</sup>[Then [I will sever] all] [{the} Horns of]  
 [Those Who Are Guilty];  
 [{The} Horns of] [Those Who Are Not Guilty]  
 [will be raised up].  
 (Psalm 75:1–10) —my interim translation

For the benefit of those True Believers who have ears to hear—and eyes to see—the Truth hidden in the Hebrew Scriptures, I can tell you the “contents” of the “cup” the Lord has “mixed” for this generation is a deception that will completely entrance the fools who cannot understand and accept the simple Truth you can already see in the Scriptures. If you are one of those who can see what I have explained over the past three decades, you should be extremely grateful you have been given insight into something those who refuse to believe will eventually be forced to concede is true. The following is “The Way” the Apostle Paul describes both their situation and yours in the days, weeks, months, and years leading up to the seventh “day” of Creation. You know, “the day of the Lord”:

<sup>1</sup>(1) So, brothers, we are asking you {to do the following}

(a) for the sake of

(i) the coming of our Master, Jesus, the Anointed One, and

(ii) our assembling to Him,

<sup>2</sup>(b) so that you:

(i) would not be quickly shaken out of your mind, or  
(ii) be alarmed—

- (a) neither by a spirit
- (b) nor by a word
- (c) nor by a letter

(i) as if it were {written} by us—  
(ii) **as though it is currently the day of His Majesty.**

<sup>3</sup>(2) Do not let anyone dupe you in any way at all, that it may not be that:

- (a) the apostasy must come first and
- (b) the man of the lawless one—the son of eternal damnation—must be revealed,

<sup>4</sup>(i) the one who is opposed to, and exalts himself over, everything that is called “god” or an object of worship, with the result that he sits down in the sanctuary of the {living} God, presenting himself as convincing evidence that he is God. <sup>5</sup>(Do you not remember that I was telling you these things while {I} was still with you? <sup>6</sup>So you are aware of what is holding {them} fast now so that he can be revealed in his own time. <sup>7</sup>For the mystery of the lawless one is already working in {them}—the one who is only holding {them} fast at this time until he comes out of {their} midst.) <sup>8</sup>So then the one who is lawless will be revealed.

(ii) The one whom His Majesty, Jesus,

- (a) will put away by the spirit of His mouth and
- (b) abrogate by the appearance of His coming;

<sup>9</sup>(iii) the one whose arrival is in accordance with Satan’s energy: with all

- (a) supernatural power and
- (b) signs and
- (c) wonders—lies—<sup>10</sup>and with all
- (d) {the} deceitfulness of injustice

(i) for **those who are going to be done away with**  
(ii) **because they did not accept the love of the truth so that they could be saved.**

<sup>11</sup>(1) So for this reason **the {living} God will send them a deceptive energy**

- (a) **so that they believe the lie,**
- <sup>12</sup>(b) **so that all who did not believe the truth but were delighted with his injustice can be judged.**

<sup>13</sup>(2) But we have an obligation to always give thanks to the {living} God for you, brothers—those who have been loved by His Majesty—because

(a) the {living} God preferred you {as} first fruits for salvation through:

- (i) the process of {your} Spirit being made holy and
- (ii) {your} **belief in God’s promise** concerning {the} truth. <sup>14</sup>For which {salvation}
- (b) He also invited you:

- (i) via the good news of **the fulfillment of the promise** we have,
- (ii) for an acquisition of {the} glory of our Master, Jesus, the Anointed One.

<sup>15</sup>(1) So then therefore, brothers,

- (a) you must stand;
- (b) **and you must hold on to the oral traditions that you were taught, whether**

- (i) via speech or
- (ii) via our letter;

<sup>16</sup>(c) but our Master Himself, Jesus, the Anointed One—and the {living} God, our Father—{is} the One Who

- (i) loved us and
- (ii) gave {us}

- (a) an eternal encouragement and
- (b) a good hope through a favor,

<sup>17</sup>(i) to encourage your hearts and  
(ii) to make {you} resolute in every good work and word.

(2 Thessalonians 2:1–17) —HSSB

Paul's point in that chapter is, those who are taken by surprise when the Antichrist ushers in the seventh "day" of Creation are going to be absolutely convinced by "the lie" that tells them the seventh "day" has already begun, which goofiness they have taken to mean they need not fear anything God may or may not do because He is already resting on that "day." The Truth is, the *Living Word* of God is still downright busy—in the "day" that the writer of the Book of Hebrews could see the psalmist calls "today"—creating Children in His very Own image and likeness—which image and likeness the Prophets concealed in the Truth they hid in the Hebrew Scriptures. That being the case, if you intend to be one of those who will forever bear the image and likeness of God, you had best get busy mastering that Truth. Just sayin'.

Just so you know: The horrendous reality depicted by the *parabolic pantomime* that Jeremiah describes in the following prophecy is already well underway, and you really don't want to be one of those who refuse to listen like every other boneheaded, brain-dead, balmy buffoon before. Pay attention to what he says about the "cup" and the fact that the prophecy is directed at all the Gentiles. While you are at it, you might also want to note how verse 10 sounds a whole lot like what John the Revelator says in Revelation 18:22–23. No surprise there, they are both describing the same thing:

<sup>1</sup>[The Word] [that] [came] [to] [Jeremiah] [regarding] [all] [the] People [of Judah] [in [the fourth] Year] [of Jehoiakim], [Son] [of Josiah], [King] [of Judah]—[That {was}] [The [first] Year] [of Nebuchadnezzar], [King] [of Babylon]—<sup>2</sup>[which] [Jeremiah] [The Prophet] [spoke] [regarding] [all] [the] People [of Judah] [and to] [all] [the] Inhabitants of] [Jerusalem], [saying]: <sup>3</sup>"[From] [the] thirteenth] [Year] [of Josiah], [Son] [of Amon], [King] [of Judah], [and up to] [This] [Day]—[this] [twenty]-[three] [Years] [the] Word [of His Majesty] [has come] [to me]; [and I have spoken {it}] [to you]—[getting up early] [and speaking]—[but you have [not] listened].

<sup>4</sup>[And [His Majesty] sent] [all] [His Slaves], [The Prophets], [to you]—[getting up early] [and sending]—[but you have [not] listened]. [And you did [not] cup] [your Ear] [to listen] <sup>5</sup>[to those who were saying], 'Please! [Each one] [must turn back] [from his [bad] Way] [and from [your [bad] Practices], [and dwell] [on] [The Ground] [that] [His Majesty] [granted] [to you] [and to your Fathers] [from] [a Burning Eternity] [even until] a Burning Eternity]; <sup>6</sup>[and

you must [not] walk] [after] [other] [Gods], [to be their Slaves] [and to fall prostrate] [to them]; [and you will [not] exasperate] [me] [with What [your Hands] Have Made], [so that I do [not] do a bad thing] [to you].'<sup>7</sup>[But **you did [not] listen] [to Me],**" [declares] [His Majesty], "[so that] [you could exasperate] [me] [to do a bad thing] [to you] [with What [your Hands] Have Made].

<sup>8</sup>[Therefore] [this is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty] [has said]: '[For the simple reason] [that] [**you did [not] listen to] [My Word],** <sup>9</sup>[guess what! I am] [going to send] [and take] [all] [the] Families of] [**Zaphon,**' [declares] [His Majesty], '[even to] [Nebuchadnezzar], [King] [of Babylon], [My Slave]; [and I will bring them] [against] [This] [Land] [and against] [her Inhabitants] [and against] [all] [These] [Gentiles] [round about]. [Then I will put them under the ban] [and turn them] [into Something Devastated] [and into a Derision] [and into an [eternally burning] Ruin]. <sup>10</sup>[Then I will send [the] Sound] [of Elation] [and {the} Sound] [of Joy], [the] Voice] [of a Bridegroom] [and {the} Voice] [of a Bride], [the] Sound] [of a Pair of Millstones] [and {the} Light] [of a Lamp] to Hell], [away from them]. <sup>11</sup>[And [This] [whole] [Land] will be] [a Ruin] [and Devastation], [and [These] [Gentiles] will serve [the] King] [of Babylon] as slaves] [for] seventy] [Years].

<sup>12</sup>[And it will be] [when [seventy] [Years] have been fulfilled], [I will levy] [against] [the] King] [of Babylon] [and against] [That] [Nation], '[declares] [His Majesty], '[their Reprehensible Activity]—[even against] [the] Land] [of the] Chaldeans—[and I will turn] [it] [into an [eternally burning] Desolate Area]. <sup>13</sup>[Then I will bring] [on] [That] [Land] [all] [My Words]—[what] [I have spoken] [concerning her]—[everything] [that is written] [in [This] Scroll]—[what] [Jeremiah] [has prophesied] [concerning] [all] [The Gentiles] <sup>14</sup>[because] [many] [Nations] [and [important] Kings] [will enslave them], [even] [them]; [and I will repay] [them] [according to {the} Deed they Have Done] [and according to What [their Hands] Have Made].'" <sup>15</sup>[Because] [this is what] [His Majesty]—[the] God of] [Israel]—[said] [to me]: "[Take] [a Cup] [of The Wine] [of [This] Rage] [from My Hand], [and make [all] [The Nations] [to whom] [I] [am sending] [you] drink] [it]. <sup>16</sup>[When they drink {it}], [they will rise up quickly] [and commend themselves] [in the presence of] [The Sword] [that] [I] [am going to send] [between them]."

<sup>17</sup>[So I took] [The Cup] [from {the} Hand] [of His Majesty], [and I made [all] [The Nations] [to whom]

[His Majesty] [sent me] drink {it}: <sup>18</sup>[Jerusalem] [and] [the] Cities of [Judah], [and her Kings]—[her Commanding Officers]—[to turn] [them] [into a Ruin], [into Something Devastated], [into Derision], [and into a Curse], [the same as [This] Day]; <sup>19</sup>[Pharaoh], [King] [of Egypt], [and] [his Slaves] [and] [his Commanding Officers] [and] [all] [His People]; <sup>20</sup>[and] [all] [The Mixed Race], [and] [all] [the] Kings of [the] Land [of Uz]; [and] [all] [the] Kings of [the] Land [of the] Philistines—[even] [Ashkelon] [and] [Gaza] [and] [Ekron] [and] [the] Remnant of [Ashdod]; <sup>21</sup>[Edom] [and] [Moab] [and] [the] [Sons of] [Ammon]; <sup>22</sup>[and] [all] [the] Kings of [Tyre], [and] [all] [the] Kings of [Sidon], [and] [the] Kings of [The Coastal Lands] [that] {are} [in the] Area Beyond [The Sea]; <sup>23</sup>[and] [Dedan] [and] [Tema] [and] [Buz] [and] [all] [who hack off the Edges {of their hair}]; <sup>24</sup>[and] [all] [the] Kings of [Arabia], [and] [all] [the] Kings of [The Mixed Race] ([those who dwell] [in the] Wilderness); <sup>25</sup>[and] [all] [the] Kings of [Zimri]; [and] [all] [the] Kings of [Elam]; [and] [all] [the] Kings of [Media]; <sup>26</sup>[and] [all] [the] Kings of [The North]—[the ones who are near] [and the ones who are far away], [each one] [with] [his Brother]—[even] [all] [The Kingdoms of] [The Earth] [that] {are} [on] [the] Surface of [The Ground]. [But the] King [of Sheshak] [must drink] [after them].

<sup>27</sup>[Then you must say] [to them], “[This is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty], [God of] [Israel], [has said]: ‘[Drink] [and get drunk], [then vomit] [and fall]. [But you will never] get up [because of] [The Sword] [that] [I] [am going to send] [between you].”

<sup>28</sup>[And it will happen] [when] [they refuse] [to take] [The Cup] [from your Hand] [to drink], [then you must say] [to them], “[This is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty] [has said]: ‘[You will most definitely] drink! <sup>29</sup>[Because], [guess what!] [In the] City [over] [which] [My Name] [has been called], [I] [am going to begin] [to do something bad]. [So will you] be acquitted? [You will not] be acquitted, [because] [I am] [going to summon] [a Sword] [against] [all] [the] Inhabitants of] [The Earth],’ [declares] [His [Supreme] Majesty].”

<sup>30</sup>[So You] [must prophesy] [all] [These] [Words] [to them]; [and you must say] [to them]:

“[His Majesty] [will roar] [from on high], [And from] [His holy] Haven [He will grant] [His Voice]. [He will definitely] roar [along with] [His Habitat] [the] With a Cheer, [like those who are treading {grapes}];

[He will sing antiphonally] [against] [all] [the] Inhabitants of] [The Earth].  
<sup>31</sup>[A Clamor] [has come] [up to] [the] End [of the Earth], [Because] [His Majesty has] [a Legal Case] [against the] Nations.  
 [He] [is going to make a decision based on the truth] [concerning all] [Flesh].  
 [Those who are guilty]? [He has given them up] [to the] Sword,” [declares] [His Majesty].

<sup>32</sup>[This is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty] [has said]:

“[Guess what!] [Something Bad] [is going to go out] [From one] Nation [to] [another] Nation. [And an [intense] Cyclone] [will be awakened] [From the] Lower Parts of] [The Earth].  
<sup>33</sup>[Then [those pierced by] [His Majesty] [on [That] Day] will be] [From one] End [of The Earth] [up to] [the other] End [of The Earth]. [They will not] be lamented, [And they will not] be rounded up, [And they will not] be buried. [They will be] [Dung] [on] [The Surface of] [The Ground].

<sup>34</sup>[Wail], [you Shepherds], [and cry out]; [And you, [The Flock’s] Majestic Ones], roll around {in ashes}; [Because] [your Days] [of slaughtering the flock}] [And your Dispersions {of them}] [have been fulfilled], [So you will fall down] [like a [desirable] Container].

<sup>35</sup>[A Place to Flee] [from] [The Shepherds] [will go to Hell], [Even One Who Tries to Escape] [from [The Flock’s] Majestic Ones].

<sup>36</sup>[The Sound] [of [The Shepherds’] Outcry] [And The Wailing] [of [The Flock’s] Majestic Ones] {is} [Because] [His Majesty] [is spoiling] [their Pasture].

<sup>37</sup>[Then [the] Oases of] [their Peace] [will be kept still] [Because of] [His Majesty’s] [burning] Anger].

<sup>38</sup>[He will leave] [His Lair] [like an Alpha Lion] [Because] [their Earth] [will become] [Something Devastated] [Because of] [the] Burning [of the one who cheats], [And because of] [His [burning] Anger].”

(Jeremiah 25:1–38) —my interim translation

In the next article in this series, I plan to show you what the Prophets have said about the burning rage of God's anger. For now, I am going to focus on the contents of the "cup" of "wine" the Almighty God has "mixed" for the leaders of every nation on the face of the Earth. Believe me, you don't want to be one of the fools who are "drinking" the "wine" in her "cup" when the "Day of the Lord" arrives; but there is nothing I can do to convince you *what you should believe*. You, and only you, can do that—even when you try to off-load responsibility by trundling off down to the church house to ask some pompous, pious, pinheaded pulpit parrot *what he thinks you should believe*. But go ahead; do it. That is what every other cretinous cult member is doing. Just know this first of all: God gave us all a brain, so you might want to start using yours before He takes it back—with interest. But that's enough sarcasm, I'll get on with it.

This is "The Way" the Prophet Jeremiah describes the disastrous end that is rapidly descending on "the great city" "Babylon"—*The Harlot* that John the Revelator describes in the Book of Revelation:

<sup>1</sup>*[This is what] [His Majesty] [has said]:*

*"[Guess what! I] [am going to wake up] [the] Spirit  
[of a Destroyer] [against] [Babylon]*

*[And against] [the] Inhabitants of] [a Heart]  
[I am going to raise up].*

<sup>2</sup>*[And I will send] [Strangers] [into Babylon],  
[And they will winnow her] [and wither] [her Earth]  
[Because] [those [from the] Area Around] will be  
[against her] [on a [bad] Day].*

<sup>3</sup>*[The one who flexes] [his Bow] [will [not] flex {it}],  
[And he will [not] get up] [in his Breastplate].  
[So you must [not] take pity] [on] [her Chosen Sons];  
[You must put [her [entire] Army] under the ban]*

<sup>4</sup>*[So that [Those Who Have Been Pierced] fall]  
[in the] Land] [of the] Chaldeans];  
[And those who have been stabbed], [in her Streets],*

<sup>5</sup>*[Because] [Israel] [and Judah] {will} {not} {be}  
[a Widower\*]*

*[Because of his God]—[because of His [Supreme]  
Majesty]—*

*[Because] [their Land] [will become fully]  
[a Guilt Offering]*

*[Because of the] Holy One] [of Israel]."*

<sup>6</sup>*[Flee] [out of {the} Midst of] [Babylon],  
[And [Each One] help [his Soul] escape]!*

*[You must [not] be paralyzed]*

*[by her Reprehensible Activity],*

*[Because] [That is] [His Majesty's] [Time] [of Vengeance];*

*[He] [is going to settle up by giving [her] back]*

*[What She Deserves]."*

<sup>7</sup>*[Babylon] {is} [a [gold] Cup]*

*[in [His Majesty's] Hand],*

*[One that is getting [The [entire] Earth] drunk].*

*[The] Gentiles] [have drunk] [some of her Wine];*

*[Therefore], [the] Gentiles] [praise themselves].*

<sup>8</sup>*[Babylon] [will fall] [suddenly] [and be broken].*

*[Wail] [over her]!*

*[Take] [Balm] [for her Pain];*

*[Perhaps] [she can be healed]!*

<sup>9</sup>*[We could try to heal] [Babylon],*

*[but she will [not] be healed];*

*[Abandon her], [and let [Each One] go]*

*[to his own Land].*

*[When] [her Judgment] [makes contact]*

*[with] [The Sea of Waters]*

*[And rises up] [as far as] [Dust Clouds],*

<sup>10</sup>*[His Majesty] [will issue]*

*[our Declaration of Not Guilty]:*

*"[Come]! [So that we may recount] [in Zion]*

*[The Things that [His Majesty], [our God], Has Done]!"*

<sup>11</sup>*[Purify] [The Arrows]! [Fill] [The Small Shields]!*

*[His Majesty] [will wake up] [The] [Spirit]*

*[of the] Kings of] [Media],*

*[Because] [His Intention] [for] [Babylon] {is}*

*[to destroy her],*

*[Because] [His Majesty's] [Vengeance] {is}*

*[Vengeance] [for] His Temple]:*

<sup>12</sup>*[Raise up] [an Ensign]*

*[on] [the] Walls of] [Babylon]!*

*[Strengthen] [The Guard]!*

*[Get [Watchmen] up]!*

*[Prepare] [those who set ambush]!*

*[Because] [His Majesty] [not only] [intends to],*

*[But also] [is going to, do]*

*[What] [He has spoken] [against] [the] Inhabitants of]*

*[Babylon]:*



<sup>13</sup>[You reside] [on] [many] [Waters],  
[With} more than enough] [Treasures].  
[Your End] [is going to come];  
[Your Ill-gotten Gain] {is} [the} Unit of Measure].”

<sup>14</sup>[His [Supreme] Majesty] [has sworn an oath]  
[by His Soul]:

“[Unless] [I fill You [Descendants of Adam]  
with {something}] [like a Nymph Locust],  
[They will sing antiphonally] [over You]  
[{with} a Cheer].”

<sup>15</sup>[The} One Who made] [the} Earth]  
[by His Power],  
[The} One Who prepared] [The World]  
[by His Wisdom]

[And [stretched out] [The Sea of Waters]  
by His Understanding].

<sup>16</sup>[With His Voice], [He put] [a Large Amount] [of Water]  
[in The Sea of Waters];

[Then [Fog] came up] [from {the} End] [of {the} Earth].  
[He made] [Flashes of Lightning] [for {the} Rain]  
[And made [a Spirit] come out] [of His Storehouses].

<sup>17</sup>[Every] [Descendant of Adam] [is animalistic]—  
[Dried up], [away from Knowledge of the Truth].  
[Every] [Refiner], [because of a Graven Image],  
[Because] [His Cast Image] {is} [a Falsehood];  
[And {there is} no] [Spirit] [in them].

<sup>18</sup>[They {are}] [a Delusion], [What [Mockers]  
Have Made].

[They will go to Hell] [at {the} Time] [of their Levy].

<sup>19</sup>[Jacob’s] [Share] {is} [not] [like these],  
[Because] [He is] [the} One Who formed]  
[The Whole Thing];

[So {the} Scepter] {is} [His Inheritance].  
[His [Supreme] Majesty] {is} [His Name].

<sup>20</sup>[You {are}] [My] [War Club\*]—  
[My Weapon of] [War];

[So I will pulverize] [the} Nations] [with You];  
[So I will destroy] [Kingdoms] [with You];

<sup>21</sup>[So I will pulverize] [the} Horse]  
[and {the} one who rides him] [with You];

[So I will pulverize] [the} Chariot]  
[and {the} one who rides it] [with You];

<sup>22</sup>[So I will pulverize] [Man] [and Woman]  
[with You];

[So I will pulverize] [Old Man] [and Young Person]  
[with You];

[So I will pulverize] [Chosen Son] [and Virgin]  
[with You];

<sup>23</sup>[So I will pulverize] [the} Shepherd] [and his Herd]  
[with You];

[So I will pulverize] [the} Farmer] [and his Pair {of oxen}]  
[with You];

[So I will pulverize] [Governors] [and Officials]  
[with You].

<sup>24</sup>[So I will settle up by giving back] [to Babylon]  
[and to all] [the} Inhabitants of] [Chaldea]  
[Every] [Bad Thing They Did]—  
[What] [they did] [to Zion] [in your Sight],”  
[Declares] [His Majesty].

<sup>25</sup>[Guess what! I am] [against You],  
[O Mountain] [of The One Who Destroys]—  
[The One Who Destroys] [The [entire] Earth],”  
[Declares] [His Majesty],

“[So I will stretch out] [My Hand] [against You],  
[And roll You away] [from] [The Crags],  
[And turn You] [into a [burning] Mountain].

<sup>26</sup>[And they will [not] take] [out of You]  
[A Stone] [for a Corner] [or a Stone] [for Foundations],  
[Because] [You will be] [an [eternally burning]  
Desolate Area],”  
[Declares] [His Majesty].

<sup>27</sup>[Raise up] [an Ensign] [in {the} Earth]!  
[Blow] [a Trumpet] [among {the} Gentiles]!  
[Make {the} Gentiles] [who are} against her] holy!  
[Make [the} Kingdoms] [who are} against her] listen—  
[Ararat], [Minni], [and Ashkenaz]!

[Appoint] [over her] [Someone Who Records Things]!  
[Bring up] [a Horse] [like a [bristly] Nymph Locust].

<sup>28</sup>[Make [the} Gentiles] [who are} against her] holy—  
[The} Kings of] [Media], [her Governors]  
[and] [all] [her Officials],  
[And] [the} [entire] Land] [under} his Control].”

<sup>29</sup>[Then [The Earth] will quake] [and go through labor]  
[When] [the} Thoughts of] [His Majesty] [rise up]  
[against] [Babylon]

[To turn] [the} Earth]—[Babylon]—  
[into Something Devastated], [without] [Inhabitant].

<sup>30</sup>[The} Gibbors of] [Babylon] [will quit] [fighting];

[They will stay] [in their Fortresses];  
 [Their Valor] [will be extremely parched];  
 [They will become] [Women];  
 [They will have set [her Residences] on fire];  
 [Her Bars] [will have been broken].  
<sup>31</sup>[A Runner] [will run] [to meet] [a Runner];  
 [And one who tells {something}], [to meet]  
 [one who tells {something}]  
 [To tell] [the King] [of Babylon] [that] [his City]  
 [has been captured] [at last].

<sup>32</sup>[Even The Fords] [will have been taken hold of];  
 [They will have burned] [The Wetlands] [with Fire],  
 [And {the} Men of] [The War] [will be frightened].  
<sup>33</sup>[Because] [this is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty],  
 [God of] [Israel], [has said]:

"[The] Daughter [of Babylon] {is}  
 [like a Threshing Floor].  
 [The] Time [when] He will tread on her {is}  
 [still] [a little while],  
 [But [her] [Harvest] [Time] is going to come].

<sup>34</sup>[Nebuchadnezzar], [king] [of Babylon], [will eat Me]—  
 [he will cause confusion in Me];  
 [He will set Me down] [an [empty] Container];  
 [He will swallow Me] [like a Sea Serpent];  
 [He will fill] [his Tummy\*] [with My Dainty Things];  
 [He will rinse out the blood {of My sacrifice}]."

<sup>35</sup>[The] One Who dwells in [Zion] [will say]:

"[My Malicious One] [and My Remnant] {are}  
 [against] [Babylon]."

[Jerusalem] [will say]:

"[My Blood] {is} [on] [those who dwell in] [Chaldea]."

<sup>36</sup>[Therefore], [this is what] [His Majesty] [has said]:

"[Guess what! I am] [going to argue] [Your Legal Case],  
 [And I will take] [Vengeance for You].  
 [Then I will dry up] [her Sea] [and dry out]  
 [her Wellspring].

<sup>37</sup>[Then [Babylon] will become] [Piles]—[a Haven]  
 [of Jackals],  
 [Something Devastated] [and a Derision]  
 [without] [Inhabitant].

<sup>38</sup>[They will roar] [together] [like Alpha Lions];

[They will yelp\*] [like {the} Cubs of] [Lionesses].

<sup>39</sup>[During their Heat], [I will set]

[their Celebratory Feasts]

[And get them drunk], [so that] [they are jubilant];  
 [Then they will sleep] [an [eternally burning] Sleep]  
 [and never] [wake up].

<sup>40</sup>[I will bring them down] [to be slaughtered]

[like Young Rams],

[Like Rams] [along with] [Billy Goats]."

<sup>41</sup>[How] [will [Sheshak] be captured],

[And [the] Praise of] [The [entire] Earth]  
 be taken hold of?

[How] [will [Babylon] become] [Something Devastated]  
 [by {the} Gentiles]?

<sup>42</sup>"[The Sea] [is going to come up] [over] [Babylon];  
 [She will be completely covered]

[by {the} Large Amount] [of its Waves].

<sup>43</sup>[Her Cities] [will become] [Something Devastated],

[A [parched] Earth] [and a Desert Plain],  
 [An Earth] [in which] [a Man] [will [never] dwell]  
 [And {one} [through which] [a Son] [of Adam]  
 will [never] pass].

<sup>44</sup>[So I will levy] [against] [Bel] [in Babylon],  
 [And I will bring [What he Has Swallowed] out]  
 [of his Mouth]

[And [Gentiles] will [never] stream] [into him] [again].

[The] Walls of [Babylon] [are [also] going to fall].

<sup>45</sup>[Come out] [of her Midst], [My People],  
 [So that [Each One] helps [his Soul] escape]  
 [From [His Majesty's] [burning] Anger].

<sup>46</sup>[So lest] [you become Fainthearted]  
 [and are not afraid]

[When will [the] Message] be heard]

[throughout {the} Earth]?

[The Message] [will come] [in {one} Year];

[And after that], [The Message] [in {another} Year].

[Maliciousness] {will be} [throughout {the} Earth],  
 [And one who has control] {will be}  
 [against] [one who has control].

<sup>47</sup>[Therefore], [guess what!] [The] Days [are coming]  
 [When I will levy] [against] [the] Graven Images of]  
 [Babylon]

[And The Entirety] [of her Earth] [will be ashamed].

[Then everyone] [pierced by her] [will fall] [in her Midst].

<sup>48</sup>[The Sea of Waters] [and {the} Earth]—  
 [even everything] [that is] [in them]

[Will shout joyfully] [over] [Babylon],  
[When] [the ones who vanquish] [come] [to her]  
[from **Zaphon**],”  
[Declares] [His Majesty].

<sup>49</sup>[Not only] [is] [Babylon] {going} to fall] [{for} those  
in [Israel] who have been pierced],  
[But also] [those who have been pierced {throughout}]  
[The [entire] Earth] [will fall] [with Babylon].  
<sup>50</sup>[You who escape] [from {the} Sword] [must go]!  
[You must **not**] stand still!  
[Remember] [His Majesty] [from a long ways away],  
[And bring [Jerusalem] up] [on] [your Heart].”

<sup>51</sup>[We are ashamed] [because] [we have heard about]  
[a Disgrace];  
[Humiliation] [has covered] [our Faces]  
[Because] [Strangers] [have come in]  
[To] [{the} Sanctuaries of] [{the} House]  
[of His Majesty].

<sup>52</sup>[Therefore], [guess what!] [Days] [are coming],”  
[Declares] [His Majesty],

“[When I will levy] [against] [her Graven Images],  
[And [Anyone Who Has Been Pierced] throughout  
her entire] [Earth] [will groan].

<sup>53</sup>[When] [Babylon] [has come up to] [The Sea of Waters],  
[And when] [she has made {the} Highest Point]  
[of her Strength] inaccessible],  
[Those who vanquish] [will come] [to her] [from Me],”  
[Declares] [His Majesty].

<sup>54</sup>{The} Sound] [of an Outcry] {is going to come}  
[out of Babylon];

[And [a large amount] of Brokenness],  
[from {the} Land] [of {the} Chaldeans],

<sup>55</sup>[Because] [His Majesty] [is going to vanquish]  
[Babylon]

[And send {the} [loud] Sound] {coming} [out of her]  
to Hell].

[Their Waves] [will raise a ruckus]  
[like [many] Waters];

[It will cause] [{the} Sound] [of a Clamor].

<sup>56</sup>[When] [{the} One Who Vanquishes] [comes]  
[upon her]—[upon] [Babylon]—  
[Then [her **Gibbors**] will be captured];  
[Their Bows] [will be intimidated]

[Because] [His Majesty] {is}  
[{the} God] [of What Is Deserved];  
[He will settle up] [completely].

<sup>57</sup>[So I will get [her Commanding Officers]  
[and her Wise Men] drunk]—  
[Her Governors] [and her Officials]  
[and Her Gibbors]—  
[So that they sleep] [{the} Sleep of]  
[a Burning Eternity] [and never] [wake up],”  
[Declares] [The King];  
[His [Supreme] Majesty] {is} [His Name].

<sup>58</sup>[This is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty] [has said]:

“[The Walls of] [the wide-spread] [Babylon] [will be  
[completely] stripped away],  
[And her [high] Gates] [will be set] [on Fire],  
[When [Peoples] have gotten tired of]  
[more than enough] [Emptiness],  
[And [Kinfolk] will have grown weary of]  
[more than enough] [Fire].”

<sup>59</sup>[The Word] [that] [Jeremiah] [commanded]  
[Seraiah], [Son] [of Neriaah], [Son] [of Mahseiah], [when  
he went] [to Babylon] [with] [Zedekiah], [King] [of  
Judah], [in the fourth] [Year] [of his reign as king]—  
[when Seraiah] {was} [Commanding Officer] [of {the}  
Resting Place]. <sup>60</sup>[Then [Jeremiah] wrote] [every] [Bad  
Thing] [that] [would come] [upon] [Babylon] [on] [one]  
[Scroll]—[all] [These] [Words] [that were written]  
[about] [Babylon]. <sup>61</sup>[And [Jeremiah] said] [to] [Seraiah]:  
“[When You come into] [Babylon], [You must see {to it}]  
[that You read] [all] [These] [Words]; <sup>62</sup>[and You must  
say], ‘[You], [Your Majesty], [have spoken] [against]  
[This] [Place] [to completely cut it off], [so that [there will  
be] nothing]—[from Descendant of Adam] [even up to]  
[Beast]—[dwelling] [in it] [because] [it will be] [an [eter-  
nally burning] Desolate Area].’ <sup>63</sup>[Then it must be],  
[when You finish] [reading] [This] [Scroll], [You must  
bind] [a Stone] [on it] [and throw it] [into] [{the}  
Middle] [of The Euphrates River] <sup>64</sup>[and say],  
‘[Babylon] [will sink] [like this] [and never] [rise up]  
[because of] [The Bad Thing] [that] [I] [am going to  
bring] [against her] [so that they grow weary].”  
([The] Words of [Jeremiah] {are} [up to] [here].)  
(Jeremiah 51:1–64) —my interim translation

A person would have to have rocks for brains to not be able to see Jeremiah is speaking *parabolically* in terms of specific *parabolic imagery* in which the city of Babylon is *parabolically* LIKE something else. The Truth is, in the same way that Obadiah uses the *parabolic image* of “Edom” to speak *parabolically* regarding the catastrophe that Esau’s rejection of *the promise* caused for his descendants, Jeremiah is using “Babylon” as a *parabolic image* in the same way that Isaiah used it a century or so earlier. That is, Jeremiah is referring his reader back to what happened at the Tower of Babel when the “one people” at that time “pulled an Esau” and gave up *The Teaching* in favor of Satan’s nonsense. That should be obvious from what Jeremiah says about the *parabolic pantomime* involving the stone and the scroll:

<sup>61</sup>[And [Jeremiah] said] [to] [Seraiah], “[When You come into] [Babylon], [You must see {to it}] [that You read] [all] [These] [Words]; <sup>62</sup>[and You must say], ‘[You], [Your Majesty], [have spoken] [against] [This] [Place] [to completely cut it off], [so that [there will be] nothing—[from Descendant of Adam] [even up to] [Beast]—[dwelling] [in it] [because] [it will be] [an [eternally burning] Desolate Area].’ <sup>63</sup>[Then it must be], [when You finish] [reading] [This] [Scroll], [You must bind] [a Stone] [on it] [and throw it] [into] [{the} Middle] [of The Euphrates River] <sup>64</sup>[and say], ‘[Babylon] [will sink] [like this] [and never] [rise up] [because of] [The Bad Thing] [that] [I] [am going to bring] [against her] [so that they grow weary].’”  
(Jeremiah 51:61–64a) —my interim translation

That is not Jeremiah’s first mention of the fact that the “Babylon” to which he was referring would one day sink into “water.” Not by a long shot. Take a look at the *parabolic imagery* he had in mind:

“[You reside] [on] [many] [Waters],  
[With] more than enough] [Treasures].  
[Your End] [is going to come];  
[Your Ill-gotten Gain] [is] [{the} Unit of Measure].”  
(Jeremiah 51:13) —my interim translation

Jeremiah refers to the same *parabolic imagery* again when he says the following, but the reader will miss the point if he or she does not know the Hebrew term ordinarily transliterated as *Sheol* in the Old Testament

should actually be translated as “Sea of El,” which “Sea” the Canaanites considered to be equivalent to the Realm of the Dead. Jeremiah is referring to that “Sea” when he says this:

“[The Sea] [is going to come up] [over] [Babylon];  
[She will be completely covered]  
[by {the} Large Amount] [of its Waves].”  
(Jeremiah 51:42) —my interim translation

The “waves” he mentions in that verse are the same “waves” he mentions here:

<sup>54</sup>[{The} Sound] [of an Outcry] {is going to come}  
[out of Babylon];  
[And [a large amount] of Brokenness],  
[from {the} Land] [of {the} Chaldeans],  
<sup>55</sup>[Because] [His Majesty] [is going to vanquish]  
[Babylon]  
[And send [{the} [loud] Sound] {coming} [out of her]  
to Hell].  
[Their Waves] [will raise a ruckus]  
[like [many] Waters];  
[It will cause] [{the} Sound] [of a Clamor].  
(Jeremiah 51:54–55) —my interim translation

Now that I have explained that, I need to show you what John the Revelator said about “Mystery Babylon,” which is the same “Babylon” Jeremiah describes. That is, “the great city” who resides “on many waters”:

<sup>1</sup>(1) Then one of the seven messengers who have the seven bowls came and spoke with me, saying: “Come on! I will show you the judgment of the prostitute—the great one, the one who is sitting on many waters—<sup>2</sup>with whom

(a) the kings of the Earth were sexually promiscuous, and  
(b) those who dwell on the Earth became intoxicated by the wine of her sexual promiscuity.”

<sup>3</sup>(2) Then he carried me away in {the} Spirit into a desert; and

(a) I saw a woman

(i) sitting on a scarlet beast that has

- (a) seven heads and
- (b) ten horns—
- (c) {ten} names that are full of false religious claims. <sup>4</sup>And the woman was

(ii) wrapped in purple and scarlet, and  
(iii) gilded with

- (a) gold and
- (b) valuable stones and
- (c) pearls,

(iv) **holding a cup made of gold in her hand—**  
*one that is full of*

- (a) abominations and
- (b) the unclean things of her sexual promiscuity.

<sup>5</sup>(b) And {there was} a name—a mystery—that had been written on her forehead: “BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF THE PROSTITUTES AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.”

(Revelation 17:1–5) —HSSB

John goes on a bit later to tell us this:

(4) Then he tells me:

(a) “The waters that you saw—where the prostitute is sitting—are

- (i) peoples and
- (ii) crowds and
- (iii) nations and
- (iv) tongues.”

(Revelation 17:15) —HSSB

The point of what John says in that verse is this: Mystery Babylon is a *parabolic* depiction of the human civilization on Planet Earth, which was, as Moses tells us in Genesis 1, initially an ocean out of which dry land arose. But John continues:

(3) Then one mighty messenger

- (a) picked up a stone like a large millstone and
- (b) threw {it} into the sea, saying:

- (i) “Babylon—the great city—will be thrown down in a violent assault like this, and
  - (ii) she will definitely not be found any longer.”
- (Revelation 18:21) —HSSB

That should convince any reasonable person that Jeremiah and John are *talking about* precisely the same “Babylon.” But what I have pointed out so far are not the only correspondences between what John tells us about “The Woman” who is a prostitute and what Jeremiah says about “Babylon.” Take a look at what he says about “the wine” that God has “mixed” for all those who have no idea Who He really is. By that I mean, everyone who does not know God is an angry, jealous God Who has no use for those who do not love the Truth:

[Babylon] {is} [a [gold] Cup]  
[in [His Majesty’s] Hand],  
[One that is getting [The [entire] Earth] drunk].  
[The] Gentiles [have drunk] [some of her Wine];  
[Therefore], [the] Gentiles [praise themselves].  
(Jeremiah 51:7) —my interim translation

<sup>39</sup>[During their Heat], [I will set]  
[their Celebratory Feasts]  
[And get them drunk], [so that] [they are jubilant];  
[Then they will sleep] [an [eternally burning] Sleep]  
[and never] [wake up].

<sup>40</sup>[I will bring them down] [to be slaughtered]  
[like Young Rams],  
[Like Rams] [along with] [Billy Goats].”  
(Jeremiah 51:39–40) —my interim translation

“[So I will get [her Commanding Officers]  
[and her Wise Men] drunk]—  
[Her Governors] [and her Officials]  
[and Her Gibbors]—  
[So that they sleep] [the] Sleep of]  
[a Burning Eternity] [and never] [wake up],”  
[Declares] [The King];  
[His [Supreme] Majesty] {is} [His Name].  
(Jeremiah 51:57) —my interim translation

If you can’t see Jeremiah is *talking about* the same “cup” that John describes in Revelation 17:2 above, I seriously doubt anything would ever convince you. It’s obvious you do not want to see the Truth. For the

benefit of those who do, I must point out what Jeremiah writes about those who don’t:

[Because] [this is what] [His [Supreme] Majesty],  
[God of] [Israel], [has said]:

“[**{The} Daughter**] [of **Babylon**] **{is}**  
[like a **Threshing Floor**].  
[**{The} Time**] [**{when}**] **He will tread on her**] **{is}**  
[still] [a little while],  
[But [her] [Harvest] [Time] is going to come].”  
(Jeremiah 51:33) —my interim translation

And now we have come back to the *parabolic imagery* of the “harvest,” which is why I showed you what Jeremiah says in Jeremiah 51. Pay attention! When Malachi mentions “stubble” in the following passage, he is telling us God’s wheat “harvest” has ended and burning the “stubble” after the grape “harvest” is all that remains to be done:

<sup>1</sup>“[Because] [guess what!] [The Day] [is coming], [burning] [like an Oven]; [and all] [who are arrogant] [and all] [who are doing] [Something That Incurs Guilt] [will be] [Stubble]. [And [The Day] [that is coming] will set [them] afire,” [says] [His [Supreme] Majesty], “[so that] [it does [not] leave] [Root] [nor Limb] [for them].  
<sup>2</sup>[But [for you] [who fear] [My Name], [**{the}**] Sun] [of a Declaration of Not Guilty] will rise] [with Healing] [in Her Wings]; [and you will go out] [and jump around] [like Calves] [**{from}**] a Stall.” <sup>3</sup>[And you will tread on [Those Who Are Guilty] like grapes] [because] [they will be] [Ashes] [under] [**{the}**] Soles of] [your Feet] [on **{the}**] Day] [that] [I] [am making],” [says] [His [Supreme] Majesty].  
(Malachi 4:1–3) —my interim translation

John the Revelator says this about the “reaping” of God’s grape “harvest”:

<sup>14</sup>(5) [Then] [I [also] saw], [guess what!]

(a) There was] [a [white] Cloud], [and]  
(b) [sitting] [on] [The] [Cloud] {was} [One [just like]  
[a Son] [of a Man] Who had]

(i) [a Crown] [made of gold] [on] [His] [Head] [and]  
(ii) [a [keen] Sickle] [in] [His] [Hand].

<sup>15</sup>(6) [Then] [another] [Messenger] [came out] [of] [The] [Sanctuary], [shouting] [in] [a [loud] Voice] [to the One Who] [was sitting] [on] [The] [Cloud], “[Send] [Your] [Sickle] [and] [reap], [because] [The] [Hour] [to reap] [has come], [because] [The] [Harvest] [of The] [Earth] [has shriveled up].”

<sup>16</sup>(7) [Then] [the One Who] [was sitting] [on] [The] [Cloud] [cast] [His] [Sickle] [onto] [The] [Earth], [and] [The] [Earth] [was reaped].

<sup>17</sup>(8) [Then] [another] [Messenger] [came out] [of] [The] [Sanctuary] [that is] [in] [Heaven], [and] [he] [had] [a [keen] Sickle].

<sup>18</sup>(9) [Then] [another] [Messenger]—[the one who] [has] [Authority] [over] [The] [Fire] [of] [The] [Sacrificial Altar]—

(a) [came out] [and]

(b) [called out] [in a [loud] Voice] [to the one who] [has] [The] [Sickle] [that is] [keen], [saying], “[Send] [Your] [Sickle]—[the [keen] one]—[and] [pick] [The] [Clusters of Grapes] [of The] [Vine] [of The] [Earth], [because] [her] [Bunches of Grapes] [are ripe].”

<sup>19</sup>(10) [So] [The] [Messenger]

(a) [cast] [his] [Sickle] [onto] [The] [Earth] [and]

(b) [picked] [The] [Vine] [of The] [Earth] [and]

(c) [threw {the grapes}] [into] [The] [Wine Press]— [The] [Large One]—[of The] [Rage] [of The] [Living] God. <sup>20</sup>[And]

(i) [The] [Wine Press] [was trampled] [on the outside] [of The] [City], [and]

(ii) [Blood] [came out] [of] [The] [Wine Press] [up to] [The] [Bits of {the} Bridles] [of The] [Horses] [for] [one thousand] [six hundred] [200-Meter Units].

(Revelation 14:14–20) —HSSB

The events described *parabolically* in that passage are the same things Jeremiah describes this way:

<sup>19</sup>[Jacob’s] [Share] {is} [not] [like these], [Because] [He is] [**{the}**] One Who formed] [The Whole Thing];

[So **{the}**] Scepter] {is} [His Inheritance]. [His [Supreme] Majesty] {is} [His Name].

<sup>20</sup>“[You {are}] [My] [War Club\*]— [My Weapon of] [War];

*[So I will pulverize] [the} Gentiles] [with You];  
[So I will destroy] [Kingdoms] [with You].”  
(Jeremiah 51:19–20) —my interim translation*

In Revelation 19, John the Revelator provides a parabolic description of what Jeremiah describes there:

<sup>11</sup>(7) *Then I saw Heaven, which had been opened, and guess what! There was a white horse, and the One called “Believable and True” {was} sitting on it. And He was judging and waging war by a declaration of not guilty. <sup>12</sup>But*

- (a) *His eyes {were} like a flame of fire, and*
- (b) *a lot of diadems {were} on His head;*

- (i) *{He is} One Who has a name that has been written that nobody is aware of except Him, <sup>13</sup>and*
- (ii) *{He is} One Who has been wrapped in an overgarment that has been dipped in blood, and*
- (iii) *His name is called “The Word of the {living} God.”*

<sup>14</sup>(8) *Then the troops that were in Heaven—who had slipped on {something} made of clean, white, fine linen—were following Him on white horses.*

- <sup>15</sup>(a) *And a keen saber came out of His mouth, so that He could repeatedly strike the Gentiles with it. And He will shepherd them with an iron staff; and He is going to trample the wine press of the wine of the rage of the anger of the {living} God, the Almighty!*

(Revelation 19:11–15) —HSSB

In contrast to most of the parabolic statements Jeremiah makes in Jeremiah 51, the following is fairly easy to understand, provided you are aware he is referring to the Last Trumpet—the one blown right before all Hell breaks out here on Planet Earth simply because “the {living} God has put {it} in their hearts to act in accordance with His opinion” (Rev. 17:17a):

*“[Raise up] [an Ensign] [in {the} Earth]!  
[Blow] [a Trumpet] [among {the} Gentiles]!  
[Make [{the} Gentiles] [{who are} against her] holy]!”  
(Jeremiah 51:27a) —my interim translation*

The Gentiles mentioned in that passage are those who heed the warning in these two passages:

*“[Flee] [out of {the} Midst of] [Babylon],  
[And [Each One] help [his Soul] escape]!  
[You must [not] be paralyzed]  
[by her Reprehensible Activity],  
[Because] [That is] [His Majesty’s] [Time] [of Vengeance];  
[He] [is going to settle up by giving [her] back]  
[What She Deserves].”*

(Jeremiah 51:6) —my interim translation

*[We could try to heal] [Babylon],  
[but she will [not] be healed];  
[Abandon her], [and let [Each One] go]  
[to his own Land].*

(Jeremiah 51:9a) —my interim translation

John the Revelator issues the very same warning this way:

<sup>4</sup>(2) *Then I heard another voice out of Heaven saying:  
“Come out of her, My people,*

- (a) *so that you do not have commonality with her in her sins—and*
  - (b) *so that you do not receive any of her lashes;*
- <sup>5</sup>*because*

- (i) *her sins have joined {themselves} together as far as Heaven, and*
- (ii) *the {living} God has remembered her immoral acts.*

<sup>6</sup>(a) *Pay her back even as much as she paid {you}, and*

(b) *double the {ingredients} twice as much in accordance with her works; in the cup that she mixed,*

(c) *mix twice as much for her.”*

(Revelation 18:4–6) —HSSB

<sup>49</sup>*“[Not only] [is [Babylon] {going} to fall] [{for} those in [Israel] who have been pierced],*

*[But also] [those who have been pierced {throughout}] [The [entire] Earth] [will fall] [with Babylon].*

<sup>50</sup>*[You who escape] [from {the} Sword] [must go]!  
[You must [not] stand still]!*

*[Remember] [His Majesty] [from a long ways away],  
[And bring [Jerusalem] up] [on] [your Heart].”*

(Jeremiah 51:49–50) —my interim translation ■

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*until 150 years ago, most Christians understood that God was a God of wrath.*

*“Seen Any Angels Lately?” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, December 1994, p. 3*

*Charles Finney told his generation all about the Hell that awaits the fool who chooses not to believe the Truth. That was because he had experienced a personal encounter with the same God of wrath that I know. Some of you who read what I write have had a similar experience. To you I have but one word: Now is the time for you to drop the pretense you learned from the Pretenders all around you and get back to the basics you understood when you first believed.*

*“Hell Hath No Fury ... (and Other Lies That Fools Believe),” **The Voice of Elijah®**, April 1995, p. 21*

*The Truth is, some folks do experience the lovingkindness of the Lord; but His wrath is waiting for anyone who has a mental image of God that doesn't match the original.*

*“Questions & Answers,” **The Voice of Elijah®**, January 2004, p. 24*

*You see, the salvation that God offers those who believe in Jesus Christ—the Living Word of God—is nothing more than a rescue from the eternal wrath of God.*

*“Oh, Daniel, It Looks Like God; Must Be the Clouds in Your Eyes,” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, December 2007, p. 19*

*Isaiah 63 is talking about our own time, and he is specifically focused on the fact that those who know the Truth have no reason to fear the wrath of God that is hanging over the heads of those who have no interest in knowing the Truth.*

*“If What You Say Were Visible, What Would It Look Like?” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, December 2018, p. 19*

*My point in teaching the impending wrath of God is to wake people up to the fact that they are dying. Death is going to get them at some point, and the wise will deal with the wrath of God now—not later.*

*“Questions & Answers,” **The Voice of Elijah®**, January 2021, p. 28*

*The Truth is, Satan knew early on that he had to get rid of the belief in which God is an angry, jealous God of wrath because he knew (and still knows) how stupid we are. We are, in fact, so stupid that we will only be convinced to believe the Truth if we are afraid of what God will do to us if we don't. I didn't say that, it's in the Bible.*

*“Ever Hear That Old Saying, ‘Fools Rush in Where Angels Fear to Tread?’” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, November 2021, p. 17*

*The wrath of God is a horrifying thing to consider, yet I do it every day. And I can tell you with absolute certainty: You don't want to end up going through that left door on Judgment Day: (Hebrews 10:19–31).*

*“Well Glory Be! What Do I See? A Nitwit Parrot? Preaching?” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, December 2021, pp. 18–19*

*Job is the oldest book in the Bible, much older than Moses. Yet he knows about “The Way”; he knows about the “harvest” of God; he knows the wrath of God will ultimately manifest itself in fire.*

*“Climate Change? You Ain't Seen Nothin' YET!” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, March 2022, p. 20*

*(Matthew 13:1–32) Take note of what Jesus said about the fire that will consume those who, for one reason or another, did not have the good common sense to do what was necessary to avoid the wrath of the Almighty God.*

*“Just Because You Can Do It Doesn't Mean You Should,” **The Voice of Elijah® Update**, May 2022, pp. 11–12*

And there you have it. No “golden dish” required—just the plain and simple Truth.

In Him,

*Marcia Harper*



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are hid all the treasures of wisdom and of knowledge.” “Continue in prayer, watching therein with thanksgiving.” And thanksgiving has place not for the soul and spiritual blessings alone, but also for the body, and for the good things of the body.

And he still more clearly reveals that knowledge belongs not to all, by adding: “Praying at the same time for you, that God would open to us a door to speak the mystery of Christ, for which I am bound; that I may make it known as I ought to speak.” For there were certainly, among the Hebrews, some things delivered unwritten. “For when ye ought to be teachers for the time,” it is said, as if they had grown old in the Old Testament, “ye have again need that one teach you which be the first principles of the oracles of God; and are become such as have need of milk, and not of solid food. For every one that partaketh of milk is unskilful in the word of righteousness; for he is a babe, being instructed with the first lessons. But solid food belongs to those who are of full age, who by reason of use have their senses exercised so as to distinguish between good and evil. Wherefore, leaving the first principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on to perfection.”

Barnabas, too, who in person preached the word along with the apostle in the ministry of the Gentiles, says, “I write to you most simply, that ye may understand.” Then below, exhibiting already a clearer trace of gnostic tradition, he says, “What says the other prophet Moses to them? Lo, thus saith the Lord God, Enter ye into the good land which the Lord God swore, the God of Abraham, and Isaac, and Jacob; and ye received for an inheritance that land, flowing with milk and honey. What says knowledge? Learn, hope, it says, in Jesus, who is to be manifested to you in the flesh. For man is the suffering land; for from the face of the ground was the formation of Adam. Clement of Alexandria, “The Stromata,” Book 6, Chap. x, in Roberts and Donaldson (Eds.), *The Ante-Nicene Fathers* (1885), Vol. 2, pp. 458–459.

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