

91-THE MIDNIGHT CRY-THE SEVEN SEALS-THE SEALED 144 THOUSAND-CRIMEA-UKRAINE-TURKEY-RUSSIA-Isaiah 1-2-3

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The peace of Christ, beloved brethren, the little flock of the Lord Jesus Christ. We greet you from Madison Institute on this 352nd day since the beginning of the war against Ukraine. The second beginning, so to speak, because the real war began in 2014. For this day is the 352nd day of war, 352 days of death, of destruction, of atrocities and of all the evil that this red power from the east has brought upon the west. We have seen for so many days, for almost a year, a few days left to be a year, and we have seen so much injustice, so much death of an innocent people, a people that has not sought anyone's territory, a people that has not wanted to extend its borders, an afflicted people, an innocent people, a people that unexpectedly, in 2014 evil came upon it, and without help from the West, without any help, it had to lose the Crimean peninsula, it had to lose other territories as well. And the question for us who read the Bible is why, why? Why? Because the Lord says that we must understand what is going on in this world. His word has been given so that we can understand the times and the judgment, to understand everything that happens at the level of nations, everything that happens between countries, everything that happens in this world must be reflected in the Bible. The conflicts between the nations, Ellen White says, and also the natural disasters, the cause why they come, all of this we who study the Bible have to understand. So looking a little bit with a prophetic eye, in the past of this year of war, we have received from the Lord a little help, so to speak, this week, to be able to understand better. We have read a quote that we would like to read at the beginning of this topic, which will not be a political topic, but a prophetic topic. We are going to comment on the word that the Lord has given us today. And before that, we would like to read a quote from the pioneers, a quote from Haskel, from a faithful pioneer, a pioneer who has written a very well known, very important book, which is called "The Cross and its Shadow" (1914). And we would like to read a quote which surprisingly has to do with Ukraine. The book is called "The Story of Daniel the Prophet", published in 1904. It is by Stephen Nelson Haskel. We are going to read a quote that is on page 247 in English, paragraph 3, and 248, paragraph 2. And the quote goes like this. Listen very carefully. "All eyes are focused on this point, and have been for years. Turkey is universally known as the sick man of the east, and the only reason it does not die is because the intoxicants are administered figuratively first by one nation and then by another. The time will come when he will leave Constantinople and settle in Palestine, that is, plant his tabernacle between the Mediterranean and the Red Sea. Again and again, the world has realised that the end of all things is near". Note these words. "The end of all things is near," says Haskel, "For everyone knows that when the Turk leaves Constantinople, there will be a general break-up of

Europe. They may not call this impending conflict the battle of Armageddon, but God has named it so." "In the Crimean war of 1853-1856, the world trembled over Turkey, and lest the crisis should precipitate, England and France came to the rescue and Russia was ordered to stand aside. And the Russo-Turkish war of 1877, the powers of Europe united to sustain the life of the sick man". And then the next paragraph is prophetic, it speaks of Revelation. "I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, and I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God." We remember clearly the words of Revelation chapter 7. "Do not harm the earth until we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads". The third paragraph of Haskel that we are about to read reads thus. "God has His eyes on his people, and He is never without a witness in the world. No one knows when Turkey will depart from Europe". Note the words. This time it doesn't say "from Constantinople", it says from Europe. "Nobody knows when Turkey will leave Europe". It is surprising that he says these words because Turkey is not part of Europe, Turkey is part of Asia. But here, prophetically, Haskel has had the inspiration to see that Turkey was going to enter the Western coalition, the coalition of Europe, of the West. And Haskel says here, "No one knows when Turkey will leave Europe, but when it does, the history of the earth will be short. Then it will be said, 'He who is righteous, let him be righteous, and he who sanctifies himself, let him sanctify himself'". This is Revelation 22:11, it is the general closing of grace. And Haskel goes on to say, "Today is the day of preparation. The fate of Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece and Rome is recorded for the edification of the nations of today.

While the world watches Turkey, let the servant of God watch the movements of His Great High Priest, whose ministry for sin is almost finished." Here brother Haskel seems to connect what is happening with Turkey, or what is happening between the nations, the conflicts between the nations, he says are related to the ministry of the Lord Jesus Christ in the Most Holy Place. That is exactly what we have shown in many topics that we have recorded from the Madison Institute. We have shown clearly that the conflicts between the nations show what is going on in the Most Holy Place. And we have shown that this conflict in the Ukraine is directly related to the sealing of the 144,000. We have said, for those who have not heard, although we recommend that all listen to the topics, from Passover 2021 until now, because since then the Lord has given signs that the time of the sealing of the 144,000 was going to begin soon. And then He gave the first sign, which has begun, which was the same sign of the Lord Jesus Christ when He began His ministry of seeking "the 144,000", between quotes, that is, His disciples, and preparing them. His ministry began with a wedding. So the first sign was a wedding that took place in the autumn of 2021. Then, a few months later, the war in Ukraine began, at the beginning of 2022, and this was the second sign. This event, as we have shown, because God showed us, God opened the Word to us to be able to understand, and opened our

minds, showed us that this is the first seal of Revelation chapter 6. And that the seven seals are to be able to seal the 144,000. And we have shown that the second seal was a great sword given to a red power, and the flag of Russia, the ancient flag, the true flag of her true character, which is communism, is red. And we have shown in another subject the three powers of the East, of Asia, so to speak, the three powers that have red flags. And we have shown Russia, China and Turkey. We have shown these three powers that will play a role in the final events. This quote, the Lord gave us to understand that even our pioneers, though they did not understand the whole outcome of the final events, because it was not for them to understand, it is for us. Ellen White says that only after the fulfillment of prophecy can we fully and clearly understand the fulfillment of prophecy. After the prophecy is fulfilled we can realize all that was involved in this prophecy. So Haskel could only give a few hints that the end, the final work of the Lord Jesus Christ in the most holy place, the sealing of the 144,000, has to do with Turkey, has to do with Russia, which appear here, has to do with Crimea, which is Ukraine, Turkey, Russia and Ukraine. It has to do with these and clearly with the rest of the West, because the West also appears here. All the nations that he has mentioned in these three paragraphs are the West, Ukraine, Turkey and Russia. And he says that what happens among these nations has to do with the end of grace, with what will happen before the decree of Revelation 22:11 is given. It has to do with the sealing of the 144,000 and the salvation of all the rest of the Lord's martyrs from among the peoples. So, here it appears that there was a war for the Crimea, a Crimean war between 1853-1856. This is after Turkey practically surrendered power, surrendered. It was the fulfillment of that prophecy of Revelation, so to speak, understood by a pioneer of ours, when the Ottoman Empire was going to stop its walk, was going to surrender power. And after that there was a war in the Crimea. He says that here the world trembled for Turkey so that the crisis would not precipitate, because the world before this war, the world trembled for the woes, the first woes, the first two woes that in historical understanding represented the Ottoman Empire. Then the whole world trembled so that Turkey would not take that destructive power in its hands again. And England and France intervened so that this would not happen, so that Turkey would not again become a destructive power towards the West, towards the Western world, because Turkey, the Ottomans invaded a lot of territory. And Russia was ordered to stay out of it. Then later it seems that there was a Russo-Turkish war in 1877. And the powers of Europe united to support the life of the sick man, i.e. Turkey. Then it seems that in the past the powers of Europe also united, but not to defend Ukraine, but to defend Turkey. It seems that in the past Turkey has played a role, had a war with Russia and all that. Now looking at Turkey we can only note that at the moment it is in coalition with the West, but that it has opposed the West's plans several times. It is a double-minded power, it is a power that you don't know what it will do in the future. You don't know. It is a power that can change. Turkey, just as it

has changed in the past, it can change again. It is a power that is not Christian, so to speak. It is a power that is a red flag power and that makes us seriously think that it can take the other side. It may take the side of the countries that Satan is going to use. We wanted to mention about this quote from Haskell to understand that in the final conflict, in the conflict of the day of atonement, here among the nations Crimea has a central role. Crimea is here between all these countries, between Russia, between Europe, between Turkey. Crimea is on the Black Sea. Crimea has been taken away by Russia in 2014. And surprisingly Russia has acquired this piece of land, a country as big, as huge as Russia, has acquired a piece of peninsula, a piece of land which is Crimea. Apparently this has nothing to do with the Bible, but the Bible speaks of a final conflict. In Matthew 24 the Lord has told us that nation will rise up against nation. There will be wars in the land, but it will not yet be the end. It will not be. At the end of the world, there has to be wars. And as Haskell says here, these wars have to be concentrated around the Crimea, it seems, here between the nations of Europe or the West, and Russia, Turkey and those red flag powers. In the beginning of the day of atonement the enemy has waged war in the Crimea, and it was the beginning of the day of atonement, it was the beginning of the preparation of the 144,000, because history was to have been finished at that time with Ellen White. And there was war in the Crimea. That generation could not, did not have the faith to get the seal of God, to get the 144,000 sealed at that time. So there was a second attempt, which is Joshua's attempt, the second attempt to get into the heavenly Canaan, which is now. And we understand that since the second world war, which puts an end to this first attempt of the Lord to end the history of the world, since the second world war the Lord has been preparing the ground to be able to finally seal His victorious people. And there were several wars. The cold war, which started immediately after the second world war. Then other wars on this earth, the Vietnam War, Afghanistan, and other wars between the West and the East. But since 2001, more clearly, the enemy, the enemy has been given power to strengthen itself, and to be able to come to what it has done, starting with 2014, and coming to this war of 2022. Let's note that Putin has been in power as the president of Russia, as the dictator of Russia, since 23 years ago. Since 22-23 years ago. That is, starting it seems to be with this year 2001, starting with 2001, Russia has prepared itself, because of this dictator, has prepared itself to play its final role in the prophetic history of this world. And the first thing it has done in 2014, let's note the years because this is after Laodicea rejected the Holy Spirit. Since 2014, and it's a year before 2015, when finally Laodicea was rejected, the leadership; for the members there is still time to wake up. And then in 2014 Russia removes Crimea. It seems that history repeats itself exactly from those years, from 2014 more clearly, because in 2013, at the end, in autumn, beginning with the 22nd of the tenth month of 2013, the work began in the Madison Institute. The Lord put up the tower of the flock. This was at the end of 2013. This is like now; at the end of 2021, the Lord has given a sign which

was a wedding, and then at the beginning of 2022, a few months later, Russia starts the war against Ukraine. It has not been content to have only Crimea and the other regions of Donbass and the other. It seems that Ukraine has been at the centre of all that history that must happen as a sign that the sealing is being done from the most holy place. So Ukraine seems to be the one that has to suffer. Ukraine has been chosen to suffer injustice. And Ukraine has a long history, although in the past it has apparently been attached to the territory of the Soviet Union, but it has always been a different people, a different nation from Russia. So...

Within a few months of Russia conquering Crimea in 2014, a few months before, in the fall of 2013, the Lord has established Madison. The Lord has begun again the work of the old Madison that Ellen White built and that is the overcoming church, the church where the people of God will be sealed by the work of Madison. Ellen White was the one who led the remnant people of God out of that great alpha apostasy. A few had remained and the Lord led "the woman in the wilderness", as Revelation says, He led the faithful remnants of Adventism, He led them in Madison. Of all Adventism, that ministry had remained as the center, as the direction of the Lord's work, as a corner of heaven on earth, as the place where the characters of the 144,000 were to be prepared. And that work lasted for 50 years, then it ended. This work had to begin again. And this work the Lord began it in the fall of 2013, exactly on the day He began the work in the Most Holy Place in 1844.

October 22 was the beginning of the work in 1844 and October 22 was the beginning of Madison Institute in 2013. A few months later, at the beginning of 2014 Russia attacked Ukraine and took Crimea. It took away that territory of Crimea. Do not all these signs that have already been mentioned, that will be prophetic signs that the decree of Revelation 22:11 is near, do not all these signs about Russia, Crimea, this war in Ukraine, have to do with the end of the world? Does it not have to do with the sealing of the 144 thousand that must take place so that the Lord can declare the final decree? Let him who is righteous be righteous. Of course it does. The 144,000 must be sealed in their foreheads before the latter rain falls. Some disagree with that, but this is the truth. Before they receive the latter rain, the 144,000 must be sealed with the character of God in their minds, in their foreheads, which means their minds, the subconscious and the conscious. Their minds must become the mind of Jesus. They must get the mind of Jesus. They must become copies of Jesus in their character. They must come to a consecration never seen on this earth at such a level of an entire world-wide people. But this work the Lord promised and is going to do. This work is the main object, the main theme of the work of the Most Holy Place. The Lord longs, it says that the Holy Spirit longs with much desire, longs for them to be seen, for Christ Jesus to be born in these 144,000, for Christ Jesus to take a face in us and to come to His fullness and for us to be transformed from glory to glory to the stature of the fullness of the character of Christ. This work was symbolized when the Lord said, "I have been so desirous to take this supper with you." Let us

remember the Passover. That desire of the Lord was a manifestation of the desire He now has - to see Himself reflected in this people. "I have been so desirous to take this supper" and this word supper reminds us of the message to Laodicea. "He that shall open the door I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with Me." All this speaks of an entrance of Christ Jesus into us, speaking of the five wise virgins of Laodicea, that Laodicea open their minds to such a level that Christ can dwell in them, dine with them, which is a metaphor. This means to love God, to love God above all things and to love your neighbors. To dine with a person is the greatest gesture of love. What is to dine? And after supper the Lord gave His life. To give His life is the greatest gesture of love and to dine is also to dine with someone for real, not for intentions. To wish to dine with someone - I wish to dine with such a person - can be said only by one who loves such a person or one can dine in that way only among those who love each other. So the five wise virgins have to reach this level, they have to reach this level of love. They have to achieve first of all a new, true birth, just as the disciples were baptized, so to speak, in the sufferings of the Lord on the cross. The cross for them was the crucial point of true conversion. Until then they were the five wise virgins, the five virgins who slept and understood nothing of the work that Christ was doing and of the work that Christ is doing at this moment from the Most Holy Place. There is a people who have been blessed by the Lord with jewels of truth, with the treasure of truth, but who have not been delivered by this truth yet. So the Lord has to have patience and will wait until this people will truly open the door to Christ Jesus. This people will contemplate Christ Jesus and Him crucified and this people will renounce the self, the selfishness, their plans, to follow their will, to worship the calf of human selfishness.

They are going to deliver themselves as priests who will be quickly transformed, according to the character of Christ, into priests and kings, that is, into high priests, so to speak, because they are the priests of the Day of Atonement. They are the priests who minister, who formerly ministered in the Most Holy Place, which was only one, only the high priest could enter into the Most Holy Place and only the high priests, made king priests by the Lord Jesus Christ, will be able to enter into the Most Holy Place in the presence of God, as it says in Revelation. And to be co-workers with Christ, to be his special army. Up to this point we have made an introduction to the subject and let's see that this week, when events have happened in Madison, when the Lord has announced to us, has warned us and the Lord has sent here certain people and has brought them from thousands of miles, from thousands and thousands of miles, He has brought them from two different places, without knowing each other and without us knowing anything, the same day, on the day of the full moon, without us understanding, we understood just a few hours later, we understood that the Lord had announced it in the morning and that the Lord wanted to make a judgment in this full moon, because in the Psalm it says that in the new moons, in the full

moons and in the festivities, on Sabbaths, is when the Lord makes great judgments to save, to awaken and the Lord brought some sleeping virgins to receive His word, to receive the word that could have awakened them. It was exactly at the full moon, when the moon was at one hundred percent light. This confirms once again that the Lord has a calendar and He acts according to this calendar, He has a pattern, let's say, a calendar, a pattern of events when He is going to allow events, when He is going to allow nations to work, just as He has allowed Russia just now, He has allowed it in 2014, but until 2014 He has not allowed it, it had to be just before 2015, which is seven years after 2008, which 2008 is seven years after 2001, when the sign of Isaiah has been given that the towers are going to fall, when the towers are going to fall the end is going to begin. The Lord has allowed a 7-7, two stages of seven years until 2015 and another seven years until 2022 when the war began, 7-7-7, three stages of seven years until the sealing began, Revelation chapter 6 began to be fulfilled literally, that is, to be fulfilled eschatologically in a second fulfillment, not denying the historical fulfillment but understanding that it has a double fulfillment, just as Matthew chapter 24 is a chapter of double fulfillment. It was locally with Jerusalem and will be worldwide with the world at the end. In the same way, the book of Revelation has double fulfillment and then after the three seven-year periods the Lord allowed Russia to really attack Ukraine with huge a army, wanting the whole country of Ukraine this time, not only Crimea, and this conflict would not be a small one, a local one, no. This conflict would involve the whole West, the United States, and this conflict was going to be a war, a third world war to say so. This war that comes in fulfillment of the wars announced in Matthew 24, this shows us that the end is not yet, as the Lord Jesus said. We will see these wars, the end is not yet, but that the end is near and that this war shows that the Lord seals, the Lord really wants to wake up for the last time and the final time the five wise virgins. In the parable of Matthew chapter 25 the midnight cry has been heard from the Madison Institute, since 2014. Since 2014 the Lord has caused the cry to begin from the Madison Institute; it was when the Lord has allowed the foundations to be laid for the website and everything, the YouTube channel and the recordings, first recordings that have been made, the cry that must come from the tower of the flock, the cry that must denounce and clarify the errors that are in Laodicea, errors, false interpretations and all kinds of falsehoods that have kept the people asleep, have kept the people as sleeping without being able to understand. The sheep have not been given the food that should have been given to the flock, the sheep have become lean, many sheep have died because of the food that they needed so much, and then the Lord has established a tower of the flock to be able to give the food in due time as it says there at the end of Matthew 24, and after that it says, it speaks of the midnight cry, it speaks of the five wise virgins and the five foolish virgins and it speaks of the midnight cry that is going to be heard just before the Bridegroom comes, before the Bridegroom returns. What other cry is there in this world that can explain

these events of Daniel and Revelation, of the sealed book and Revelation, the open book? These interpretations that many have given so far because many false anointed ones will arise and deceive many. The Lord in the midst of all these preachings and all these interpretations of so many, of thousands and thousands, the Lord has to have someone to present the truth. The Lord has to have a source from where the truth will come, from where He will speak, and it will not be a great cathedral, a luxurious pulpit, it will not be a stadium where the great preachers preach. The Lord preached humbly and John the Baptist preached humbly from a mountain. And the Lord then visited the villages and the whole country. For us this symbolizes the going of the word, as it says in the Old Testament, that my word will go quickly over the face of the earth and fulfill my purpose. It is the word of God that visits. Christ is the word made flesh. That is why He physically visited all the cities of Israel seeking the children of light. But this final time the Lord has allowed a technology that, in an instant, His word, from one place on earth, can visit the whole world at once. The word can walk quickly throughout the earth and he who lends an ear and listens to it can understand, can be enlightened from the darkness of his mind and can awaken from the state of dry bones, can receive the Holy Spirit if he repents and confesses as Jacob did in his wrestling with the angel of the Lord. If the people, the five wise virgins, will come to intercept these words of the Madison Institute, will come to find, to tune in to these words, to be able to find among so much that is preached in the world, and will come to hear these themes that all speak of Christ in us, the hope of glory, then these five virgins can be brought to life. Ezekiel 37 clearly shows how the five virgins are going to awaken. "With the midnight cry" it says elsewhere in Matthew 25, with the midnight cry given by the tower of the flock. In this case, given from the Madison Institute, at least. If the Lord has other ministries as fulfillment of the tower of the flock, on this earth, He knows it, but we cannot lead anyone to listen to anyone because it would be to deceive them, it would be to send them on wrong paths and follow the blind and fall into the pit together. We know our experience in the Madison Institute and how the Lord has spoken to us and guided us with miracles, with powerful signs. Step by step, He has fulfilled in the Madison Institute all the prophecies dated so far. The Lord humbly manifests Himself in this world. The Lord will also humbly manifest Himself in the end. And the Lord will not raise up a large ministry. The Lord will raise up a small ministry, just as Madison of old has been, that out of a pig farm, the Lord has made a corner of heaven on earth, a place where all who went were one family and all worked unselfishly, not thinking of themselves, but how they can serve to save souls. And they all went there and it was called Madison School because truly the work of God and the church of God is a school. The Lord was named teacher, the great teacher, because the church truly is a school. It is the school of the character of God. It is a school where you get the character of Jesus Christ.

So the Madison Institute has begun prophetically. We have shown that in

other topics, we just mention it, to understand why the Lord has given us to understand that the seals, the seven seals of Revelation chapter 6 have begun, because the Lord has given these signs, the two signs, the two witnesses in the Madison Institute, He has given us here the confirmation. The Lord has announced these signs seven months before, at Passover 2021, that's why we urge all who hear these words to be able to get everything that has been preached from here from the Madison Institute, from Passover 2021 until now, to be able to understand everything, to understand all the work of the Lord. And we are going to open our Bibles now in Isaiah chapter 1, 2 and 3. We are going to open our Bibles in the word that the Lord has given three times this week. Listen well, the Lord for three times, opening three different Bibles in three different worship services, the Lord spoke the same thing. This is humanly impossible, to open three different Bibles and open them on the same page. For the Lord spoke a few days before the Sabbath and showed Isaiah 1, 2, 3, and then at the beginning of this Sabbath last night He gave Isaiah 1, 2 and 3, and in the Sabbath service, in this service that we are recording, the Lord has given again, for the third time, Isaiah chapter 1, chapter 2 and chapter 3. If the Lord has given us so many times the same word, although it was enough to give us twice because in the Bible, when the Lord spoke twice, when the Lord spoke the same word for the second time, it was sealed, it was decided that it was going to be fulfilled to the letter. But when the Lord speaks three times, what can that mean? How serious must this word and this prophecy and these words be that the Lord wants us to understand?

Let's read some verses. First of all, we have to understand that chapters 2 through 5 are one word, they are one revelation given to Isaiah. In a single moment when the Lord spoke to him, He spoke all these words to him at once. And these words are for Judah and Jerusalem, it says in chapter 1, verse 1. This symbolically we understand that they are for Laodicea, in order to awaken the five wise virgins. And let's see that here he speaks clearly, "Do not bring me your offerings, I do not support them, I do not want to see hands raised with evil, with evil and selfish hearts." The Lord, beloved brethren, does not bear the offerings that Laodicea brings. He does not bear the worship that Laodicea does. He does not bear the prayers that Laodicea raises. All these, all these services, all the prayers, all the hymns, all that Laodicea thinks it does to praise the Lord, are rejected by the Lord. They are all abominable things, so to speak. Because in the Bible it says that even the prayers of the wicked are abomination before God. When a selfish person who wants to stay in his selfishness, even though he is reading about the unselfish character of the Lord Jesus daily, and when one like this raises prayers in his selfishness, this is abomination before God, beloved brethren. And here it says, and then it says like this, from verse 16, "Wash yourselves, cleanse yourselves, put away the iniquity of your works from before my eyes, cease to do evil, learn to do good, seek judgment, restore the wronged, hear the fatherless in righteousness, protect the widow, come quickly, saith the

Lord, and let us reason together, if your sins were as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow, if they were red like crimson, they shall be as wool. " Let us note, beloved brethren, the problem of the Most Holy Place is only one, human selfishness. The sin of this world, says Ellen White, is selfishness. The problem that prevents the Lord from returning, because He cannot seal selfish people, is that these five wise virgins are still selfish, they still have selfishness, they are still contaminated as Lot was contaminated by Sodom and the Lord saved him only because he had a single character trait, or a few, but there it is mentioned of being hospitable. And only because of this trait, which is of Christ Jesus, he was saved. But he did not have the character, he had lost almost everything, and he lost his daughters, his family and everything, and the Lord saved them with his very little faith and could only take them to a cave where he ended his days. We can understand how difficult it is for the Lord to find people willing to be transformed, willing to leave selfishness and pride, self-exaltation, vainglory and human pride. It was difficult in the past for the Lord Jesus Christ to endure the twelve, but let us speak only of the eleven, who are a reflection of the 144 thousand, a reflection of the five wise virgins. So difficult was it for the Lord to endure their selfishness for three and a half years, and to see how no matter what miracle the Lord Jesus Christ did, what goodness He showed, what suffering He endured, they could not be transformed, their hearts of stone could not be broken. Do you realize how difficult it will be at this end of the world to do the same work not with eleven, but with an enormous multitude of every tongue and people and tribe? A world-wide people that the Lord must bring to victory over selfishness. This is almost impossible if the Lord could find so few in the past. And it was so difficult for the Lord Jesus Christ Himself to do this work. How will the Lord do this work now? And He says that He is searching with the lamp in all the earth to see if there is anyone who has wisdom and who knows God. Again "to know God", which is to be intimate with God, which is to have His character. It is like a relationship between the Bridegroom and the bride, Christ and his bride, Christ and each one of us. The relationship between us and Jesus Christ, between each one of us and Jesus Christ has to be an intimate one. We have to know Him and He has to know us. And the Lord has lifted up that prayer in John 17 saying that "eternal life is this, that we may know Christ Jesus and God the Father". And here we understand these words of Isaiah chapter 1, which are actual words, they are words that the Lord sends from the Most Holy Place to His church. "Wash yourselves, cleanse yourselves, put away the iniquity of your works from before My eyes. What is the iniquity of our works? The Lord says that our works are as filthy rags of a woman. Why? If we do good, he says even this good that we do, if we give something to a poor person or help something, when Laodicea does this in the Laodicean state, when one does good, that is a filthy rag. Why? Because he is tainted with selfishness. Because he is selfish, but he wants to do some works like the Pharisees, to calm down and convince himself that he is a Christian. Many do in Laodicea good works to lull themselves further into

the Laodicean state, to lie to themselves that they are Christians. And then they continue in the rest of the week selfishly. Do you realize, beloved brethren, that the Lord will not receive these offerings, these selfish works? Do you realize that the Lord will not be lied to by us? Do you realize that the Lord looks deep into the heart? Do you realize that the Lord looks into our very intentions when we do this? The Lord does not stand for that anymore. And here He says, "wash yourselves, cleanse yourselves". Do you know what these words mean? These words, "wash" or "cleanse", we find them in Revelation where it says that they, the 144 thousand, have washed their robes, that is, their minds, their characters, in the blood of the Lamb. Why in the blood of the Lamb? Because that blood cleanses, that blood is the blood of altruistic love, it is the blood of altruism. It is altruism, it is agape love. They have washed in agape love their selfishness. Love can kill selfishness, but selfishness has not yet been able to overcome the love that was in Christ Jesus, just as the darkness has not been able to overcome the light that illuminated in the midst of it. The darkness of this world, beloved brethren, is selfishness. The light of God is agape love. "There is no greater love than to lay down one's life for his neighbor." Christ, and God the Father through Christ, gave us, revealed to us all His love, has given us everything. Christ has endured everything to be an example to us, a "way" to attain eternal life. So the only solution that God has for the five wise virgins is, "Wash yourselves, wash your iniquity, your iniquity, put it away from before me," as it says in verse 16, "Wash your iniquity," your selfishness in the blood of the Lamb. Also in the letters of John, the first letter of John, it says that the one who will confess his sins and ask not only for forgiveness, but cleansing, that one will be saved, that one will obtain cleansing. The cleansing is not the initial forgiveness, the cleansing is to obtain the victory. And at every point of our character, for every character trait inherited or gained in this world by our associations with the ungodly, with the unclean, with the selfish, with the wicked, all these bad character traits have to be cleansed one by one, they have to be overcome, and they have to be replaced with the character traits of Jesus Christ, which have only one word in the Bible, they are named "Glory". We have to be transformed from glory to glory, it says in the New Testament, beholding with open face the glory of Christ, that is, beholding His character, beholding Him, beholding the Father in God made man, "tabernacling among us", beholding Christ Jesus. We have to do it with longing, we have to do it longing for His character, longing to have the same love for others ourselves, to be able to manifest the same sacrifice, to be able to do what Christ did, to be able to have the desire that Christ had to seek to save souls. We have to achieve this, and this means "wash", "wash", "cleanse", it means to change our bad selfish character traits with the glorious character traits of Christ, one by one. It is not just "Lord, I ask your forgiveness, forgive me", and then again I go back to selfishness. In Isaiah the Lord says that "your goodness is like the morning clouds that pass away." That is, this is the goodness of the five wise virgins. This is the goodness of

Laodicea, it is a goodness that moves, that passes, as the morning clouds pass. And we know that almost always at night some clouds come, in the morning when the sun rises they are gone. This is how the Lord compares Laodicean goodness. The Lord does not accept this kindness, it is a woman's filthy rag in his eyes. The Lord commands through the prophet Isaiah, and now through those who have walked in the footsteps of Jesus Christ, in this case the Madison Institute, He commands all to wash their selfishness in the blood of the Lamb. And it says here how to do it, in verse 17, "Learn to do good". What good? Our good? The good of Laodicea? The good of the Pharisees, who paid tithes, did many things, went to the ends of the earth to make disciples? What good does God want us to do?

He has said, "GOOD is only ONE". GOD. God alone is the measure of good, He alone will be the measuring reed of our characters, the reed of Revelation, the reed with which the temple will be measured, that is, our character, the reed is the character of Christ. This is the reed. "Learn to do good," the good that is in God, not the good that is in men. "Learn to do good, seek judgment, restore the wronged, hear the fatherless in righteousness, protect the widow." All these kind deeds must be born in our hearts. Not only strive ourselves to do some good deeds. No, it must become part of us as the blood of Christ was part of his body. The blood of Christ has to flow in our spiritual veins. It has to flow in us, that altruism and supreme love for God and love for our neighbor, to the level that it makes us forget about ourselves. It makes us forget. I have seen in my life people so absolved or, how to say, people who wanted so much to do one thing and do it well, that they didn't care about the damage they did to themselves. I've seen cutting themselves with huge cuts, blood flowing and they would just quickly cover it up with something or ignore it and keep working, keep doing that. That kind of character. When you hurt yourself don't forget about everybody else, don't forget that you were holding on to the lost sheep with your hand and if you hurt your other hand you let go of the sheep and take care of yourself. This is selfishness, beloved brethren. We have to judge ourselves and see what kind of character we have, what kind of blood flows in our veins. We have to see if there is truly agape love in us. "Learn to do good, seek judgment, restore the wronged, hear the fatherless in judgment, protect the widow." This is similar to what he said elsewhere. "What else does God require of you, O soul, but to exercise judgment, to show mercy, and to walk humbly with your God?" That is what the Lord Jesus has come to teach us because it seems that for four thousand years man has not been able to understand the character of God. There have been men of God, there have been men who have achieved altruism, but very few. And the Lord wants to save many, He wants to save and He can only save us if He sees Himself reflected in us. And the Lord has had to come down on this earth to show us what kind of love is the love of God. What kind of law is God's law. God's law is not "do not kill" physically, but then go and kill with words and speak evil of someone. Not kill with a knife, but kill with words. God's law is not words written in stone. The law of God is LOVE, it is

to love God in such a way and to love men in such a way, until we can forget about ourselves because of the interest we manifest for them, forgetting about ourselves. When did the Lord Jesus Christ manifest any interest in Himself? When did He concentrate on Himself? When did He ask for something for Himself? And yes, He has asked, He has asked at a time when He most needed comfort from those who have been in His school for so many years. And He asked them to pray for Him in Gethsemane. And they have not done this either.

The Lord will not ask us by force, as Ellen White describes it in *Early Writings*, chapter "A word to the little flock", there the angels say that God will not force anyone to give. God looks through His angels, who look and are appalled, they are dumbfounded by the selfishness that is in the church, that is in the people who say they are God's people on this earth. They are dumbfounded. And there it clearly says that the Lord will not force anyone to show love, to give to the poor, to help. He will not force anyone. The Lord will only open opportunities. And he who is a child of light will not be able to pass by an opportunity without giving of his love, which is not his own but that of the Lord Jesus Christ. The love of Jesus Christ is not a lake, no one can contain it and not let it flow. It is a spring, it is a flowing stream. Only that love that has to be given to others is the love that God will recognize as His. If one will say to the Lord, "Lord I have love", but he has done nothing good, nothing, no good to anyone. That love that he felt in his heart as something burning and he liked to read the Bible, but he has not manifested it to others, that love has been in him a pool of water, a pool of standing water. That love has not been able to heal anyone, it has not been able to help anyone. And then the Lord will say to him, "depart from Me, you worker of iniquity, I do not know you". Verse 18, "Come then". When will we have to come? When will the five wise virgins have to appear before the Lord? After they have learned, after they have been cleansed, after they have washed, after they have learned to do good. It says, "Come now," says I AM, "and let us reason together, if your sins were as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow". When will the Lord forgive us of our sins? Here in verse 18 it speaks of the final work of God, that the complete forgiveness of our sins is when our sins will be taken away and cast into the sea of forgetfulness. It is when our sins will be blotted out. First, before the Lord blots out our selfishness from the Most Holy Place and places it on Satan's head, we have to cleanse or wash our "robes", it says here clearly that it is a work of man. "Learning to do good" is a human effort. It is a work that man must strive to do, depending on the Lord with his help, feeling his weakness. But it is man's effort to make. The Lord will not transform any heart that does not strive. It says here that just after washing their character in the blood of the Lamb, just after obtaining the victory, the Lord will blot out their red sins, it says here, from the Most Holy Place. The Lord will forgive only those who have changed, those who will be transformed, after they get the victory, as Ellen White says, after getting the victory, the Lord will blot out their sins. And it says here, "If your sins were as scarlet, they shall be as

white as snow. If they were red, as crimson, they shall be as wool."

Let us note that here we are speaking exactly of the work of the Most Holy Place. It is a work of purification. It is not just any work. We are not in the dispensation of the court. We are not in the holy place dispensation. We are in the Most Holy Place dispensation. It is when one has to change and come to agape. It is when one has to obtain God's forgiveness in heaven. The final forgiveness. And so as we have said in other recordings, the sins of many that have been forgiven, with the initial forgiveness, which is like a temporary release, like a release that is given to some prisoners, conditional.

Conditioned liberation. That forgiveness that God gives initially, to whom He presents Himself saying, "Lord, I want to be a Christian." The Lord accepts, receives his initial confession of sins and gives him a conditional forgiveness. But we have said that the sins of many who have been conditionally forgiven, will return over their heads if they do not finish their path of sanctification. If they will return to wickedness. Some who die on this path of sanctification will be saved, but those who begin it, like the five foolish virgins, and then return to wickedness, to what they have left, to what they have vomited, again become wicked and remain so. The confessed sins will come back over their heads again. This first confession and forgiveness of sin is not erasure. And the 144,000 must obtain the blotting out of their sins, without which God will not be able to protect them on this earth from death. The Lord will not be able to keep them alive. The Lord will protect only those who have no sin on record in the heavens so that the enemy can't invoke that sin and claim their lives. The Lord will be able to make a generation not taste death, only if they are cleansed from all sin. As Paul said, "I am clean from your blood, from all sin, I am clean." We can understand what kind of victory God wants to give us. Verse 19. "If ye will and hear, ye shall eat the good of the land. If ye would not, and are rebellious, ye shall be consumed with the sword: for the mouth of God hath spoken it this day." And then he begins with his cry, with his weeping for this people who have started out to be Philadelphia and have become Laodicea. And he says, "How hast thou become a harlot, O faithful city? She was full of judgment, in her dwelt equity, but now murderers." And the murderers of whom the Lord speaks here are the false shepherds. Those shepherds who kill and eat their sheep, as it says in the Old Testament. Those false shepherds who should give life, should lead their sheep in paths of life and lead them to death. Blind, who are followed by blind sheep. But these will pay tenfold, says Ellen White. "Thy rebellious princes and companions of thieves, all love gifts and go after rewards. They do not hear the orphan in judgment, nor does the cause of the widow come to them. Therefore, says the Lord, I am the Lord of hosts, the mighty One of Israel: I will take vengeance on My enemies, I will take vengeance on My adversaries, and I will turn My hand upon you, and I will cleanse your scum and take away all your tin." Notice, the Lord has promised to cleanse His church, His inheritance that has been defiled. And the Lord still has a Laodicean people. The Lord wants to bring this people out of their selfishness and lead them into

Philadelphia. To make them a Philadelphian people, that is, a people of the true and final church that will be saved. The church that will be kept from the evil that will come upon the whole world to test the inhabitants of the earth. The Lord has a victory. And this victory He gives to the Philadelphia church. Only those who cease to be Laodiceans and enter Philadelphia. "Philo," means love. Philadelphia is the church of those who love one another with agape love. Of those who love, not only love one another, but love with agape love. This church will be the church that will enter heaven. It says here that the Lord will cleanse the dregs. "I will restore thy judges as at the first, and thy counsellors as at the first. Then shalt thou be called a city of righteousness, a faithful city. Zion with judgment shall be ransomed, and the converts thereof with righteousness. But the rebellious and sinners shall be broken. Those who forsake the Lord, I Am, shall be consumed." So much for the judgment of the church that claims to be the church of God. The judgment of Laodicea. We have practically read Matthew chapter 25, with the five wise virgins and the five foolish virgins. We have heard the midnight cry found here in verses 16, 17, 18. These are the words of the Lord inviting the people to wash their robes in the blood of the Lamb. And then chapter 2. Later on, we said 1 to 5, but it is 2 to 5. Isaiah received chapter 1 some time before. And then it is repeated, then he receives the second witness.

And it is the word that is from chapter 2 to chapter 5. And this is received to repeat practically what He has first said. We know that the Lord has done the same thing with these people. Time after time after time He has repeated His Word. Here we find it twice. And we read in chapter 2, again, that this is in the latter times. "That which Isaiah the son of Amos saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem; It shall come to pass in the latter times, that the mountain of the house of I AM shall be established as the head of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills, and all nations shall flow unto it." Let us note that these words show that even chapter 1 and chapter 2 and all the chapters of the book of Isaiah and everything that the prophets have written in the Old Testament or in the New Testament has a final fulfillment. And it is the primary fulfillment of their prophecies for the last days church. The last days church will be in the Laodicean state. And this church needs to be resurrected as Lazarus has been resurrected. The Lord at the end of His three and a half year walk has raised Lazarus. The Lord in that resurrection has shown how He is going to resurrect the Laodiceans. According to Ezekiel chapter 37. And it says here that in the latter times the Lord will build His temple on this earth. That is, He is going to build His people in His character. He is going to build a spiritual temple that is formed by living stones. That is, by people resurrected from the dead to the forever living. The Lord is not God of the dead but God of the living, said the Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord has a temple to build. And until that temple is finished, the history of this world will not be finished. The Lord has to build a temple of living stones, of stones of pure love. A temple of love, a temple called love. "Holiness to the Lord", as the high priest had written (on his crown). It means nothing but love, agape love, love of God.

That is the holy character of God, His love. And it says here that at the end of time the Lord will build this mountain, which is another symbol of the temple. Mount Zion is another symbol of His people. It is a symbol of the people and we find it in Revelation chapter 14 where we find the 144 thousand sealed sitting with the Lamb of God on Mount Zion. That means that these have been sealed, they have washed their robes, they have been overcomers. They have been sealed with the latter rain. And this is the process that the Lord is doing. And the latter rain will only be the acceptance that God will give to these people for their victory. He will pour the latter rain which is found in Revelation chapter 8 and it is the seventh seal. He will pour it upon those who have obtained the victories in these first six seals. One through six is the time when the 144,000 must put off selfishness and put on the white robes of the white linen of the Lord Jesus Christ, which is unselfishness. And then they will receive the latter rain. We continue reading some more verses. "And many people shall come and say, Come and let us go up to the mountain of I Am, to the house of the God of Jacob, and He will teach us in His ways, and we will walk in His paths, for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the Word of I Am from Jerusalem." This third verse shows us that there will be redeemed from among the Gentiles because of the victory won by the 144,000. The Lord will cause His character, His unselfishness, to be seen in the world. He will cause His white garments to be seen, His characters, His love to be desired by others also. By others in the world. The Lord has a people among those who do not know the Bible. And this people, finally in the last days, The Lord will bring them up, in quotation marks, of course it is spiritual here, He will bring them up to the house of God of Jacob, and teach us in His ways. That is to say, The Lord will teach these ones agape love as well. "And he shall judge among the nations, and shall rebuke many people, and they shall beat their swords into plowshares, and their spears into pruning hooks. People shall not lift up sword against people, neither shall they rehearse themselves any more for war." Here, the spiritual meaning is evident. There are many in the world who do not yet have the agape character, they have enmities. They have enmities, just as the disciples had enmities among themselves, even while living side by side with the Lord Jesus. The more those who are in the world are at enmity, they make wars with one another. Revenge is the order of the day, in the mouths of those who do not know God.

However, the Lord still promises to transform from among these. And the Lord will raise up on earth something for them to be able to be transformed. We have been able to recognize in this war an opportunity raised by God, so that people all over the world can renounce their evil, their selfishness, their wars with others, to be able to manifest altruism, to be able to go and wash their clothes there in Ukraine, or helping from afar, but forgetting themselves, forgetting that bad character, and taking the opportunity to transform themselves. There are some whose souls long to see themselves different, but they don't have the power. They believe it is not possible. Satan has lied

to them for so long, that as one is born so shall one be, that character or temperament cannot be changed. But the Lord opens opportunities so that the character can be changed. And I am sure that in Ukraine the Lord has saved many. The Lord has transformed many souls, many characters. And He has transformed even people who were doing evil, like here. People with swords, in quotes, and with wars. He has transformed them. They have seen such terrible things. They have witnessed such terrible scenes, seeing the dead, or people dying in their hands. And this has produced a change in them. There are many who watch these scenes on television and there is no change in them. But there are others who come to their senses, who repent of their wickedness, seeing how others suffer. And this work also comes from the Lord. For the Lord was able to transform the eleven only when someone died for them. When Christ died for them. They contemplating His sacrifice, His unjust judgment, just as it is done now against Ukraine. His scourging, His unjust torture, and His terrible death. They looking at all that, have given up their swords and spears that they had all in their hands. And they were pushing each other with them, they were pricking each other. They, the disciples. But seeing, contemplating the sacrifice, the death of the Lord, they have given up.... It was easy for them, in the light of the Lord's death, to give up their wickedness. To give up their wickedness completely. In the same way, I am sure that the Lord transforms people there in Ukraine. And it continues on saying here. And we're going to come to some verses where he's talking about some unique things. Some unique events. "Enter into the rock, hide in the dust from the awful presence of I Am and the brightness of His Majesty. The haughtiness of man's eyes shall be cast down and the pride of men shall be humbled. And I Am alone shall be exalted in that day." Let us note that these words truly speak of a future time. A time that has not yet come. A time when the prophecy says that there will be some who will enter into the rock. They will hide in the dust from the dreadful presence of the Lord and the brightness of His Majesty. It speaks of a future day. A day when the Lord alone will be exalted. Evidently it is speaking of the end of the world. Just like the beginning of these chapters 2, 3, 4 and 5. These four chapters are one Word given to Isaiah. And these four chapters speak to the people of the end of the world. And it says that then this event will take place when the haughtiness of man's eyes will be cast down. Let us note that the struggle that the Lord has is against selfishness. It contains haughtiness, it contains pride, it contains arrogance and all sins. They all fall into the category of selfishness. And it says that the haughtiness of man's eyes shall be cast down. The pride of men will be humbled. Let us note that this will be like a victory for the Lord. The Lord has to humble everyone and make every knee bow before Him. And it says here in verse 12: "For the day of I Am of hosts shall come upon every one that is proud and haughty. And upon every one exalted, and he shall be brought low." Let us note that the day of the Lord, we might say for us to understand, is the day of atonement. The day of judgment is the day of atonement. The day when every selfish soul will be humbled. In

this day that had to be a shorter time, not so long, not 200 years, almost. It had to be over before, a long time ago. This day is the day when the Lord will offer the total change of character to whoever wants it. And to the others who have not wanted the change of character, He will humiliate them. This time will be so hard, so great the anguish that will come upon the world, as it says in Daniel chapter 12, verse 1, an anguish like there has never been and never will be. An anguish that will humble even the rich, the mighty, the haughty and every exalted man. This time that is before us, beloved brethren, and that has begun, has only begun a shadow of what is to come. For the seven trumpets and the seven last plagues have not yet begun.

But this time that will come after the sealing of the 144,000, is a time that will humble all the haughty of the earth. It is so terrible what will happen throughout the world, that every proud and haughty in heart who have not repented of their sins, will be humiliated and finally killed. When the Lord Jesus Christ comes, the last ones who are left on the destroyed earth will die and the only ones who will survive are the 144,000 who are sealed. And it goes on to say: "And upon every high tower and upon every strong wall", meaning that what is coming will come upon these, upon all the high mountains, upon all the high hills. In the Bible, "hills and mountains" mean proud people. They are symbols of exalted characters, just as the mountain is high.

And let us remember that the antichrist is seated on seven mountains. He is the most exalted of all, most proud who thinks he is God. He says that upon all the high mountains, and upon all the persons that have exalted characters, and upon all the raised hills, and upon every high tower, and upon every strong wall, and upon all the ships of Tarshish, and upon all the precious paintings, shall come that which is to come, the affliction. "And the haughtiness of man shall be brought low, and the pride of men shall be humbled. And I Am alone shall be exalted in that day. And He shall utterly take away the idols, and they hide in the holes of the rocks and in the clefts of the earth because of the dreadful presence of I Am, and because of the brightness of His majesty, when He shall arise to smite the earth." Notice that these words are words from the book of Revelation. They are words that for the first time have been spoken here in Isaiah, but the book of Revelation places them in their more detailed context of the end, of the final events. So here it speaks that those who have not accepted to be cleansed in the blood of the Lamb, and we are not speaking only of Laodicea, but of the gentiles as well, The Lord does a work with the whole world. His flock is worldwide, His flock is the earth. The church and Laodicea for Him is the earth. It is the whole earth, it is all mankind. He has given His blood, it says in John chapter 3, verse 16: "God so loved the world." Then all those of the whole world who in the time of acceptance, that is, in the time before the decree of Revelation 22:11 was given, have not been transformed, all those will be sadly punished. The Lord will gather His people into flocks of little companies, just as He brought Lot out of the cities, He will bring out His people who must live, from

where the plagues will fall and the trumpets will fall. The Lord will protect some of them, others will be martyrs, as the Gentiles must be, for there is no greater love than to lay down one's life for his neighbor. The Gentile who has come to lay down his life for his neighbor has obtained the Agape law in his heart. There is no greater love, that is the law written in Him. He has been able to give everything for his neighbor, that is why the Lord will save some by making them martyrs, because that is the way He can save them. And we do not speak of the first death, this does not matter before God, the first death is nothing, it is a dream. We speak of the second death, of eternal death. God's interest is to save from eternal death, and that is why He has a book which is the book of life, where He wants to fill this book with names of people. So here we read in a few words the great final conflict of the day of atonement, The Lord will call each one to leave their red or black sins, their selfishness, their haughtiness, their swords, their spears, all evil, and to transform themselves, both the five wise virgins on one side, who must become the 144,000, and the people of the Gentiles. All must leave their selfishness. The Lord will not accept in heaven anyone who is selfish. The Lord does a work in the Most Holy Place to transform selfish souls into people of love, and He will achieve it. This we are assured of in Revelation chapter 7, where we see, we find at the end of the chapter, a great multitude clothed in white robes. Those about whom John asks: Who are these clothed in white robes? As the chapter begins, they represent the 144,000. But like them, there is another invisible people, there is a people of gentiles who are martyrs, and who appear at some points in Revelation, mentioned those martyrs who have given their lives because they have not accepted Satan's dominion over their minds, their souls. And we have heard of many who have been killed, shot, because they have not submitted to the commands of evil men. They have not wanted to fight, many have not wanted to fight, of the Russians, we mean, they have been shot. It is possible that among them there are also people of nobler character. And then there are the martyrs of Ukraine, there are the martyrs who have died there, and there are martyrs all over the world. Ukraine is the great opportunity, but the Lord has opportunities for everyone, in whatever situation each one is, has opportunities that open their lives to work altruism, and to trample selfishness. Let us not forget that the Lord has promised in the New Testament, saying: Soon, God will crush Satan under the soles of your feet. He has promised that selfishness will be crushed by God's people, and in that way Satan's head will be crushed. His character will be crushed, no one will want it, no one will ever want to be selfish. Everybody will see one day where that character leads, and that there is nothing good, and that there is not even happiness, and there is nothing in that character. No one can enjoy life, not even this life, let alone the future life, if he lives in selfishness. And it says here that there will come a day when they will go into the caves, while others before this have hidden in Christ Jesus, in the rock, where Elijah and Moses also hid. There are rocks, there is the rock of Mount Sinai, the

rock of Horeb, and there is another rock, there is a cave, which also signifies Christ Jesus. And the people who will arrive in the Most Holy Place, who will arrive before the throne of God, where they will be allowed to enter into the Most Holy Place, where only the high priest enters, these people will have hidden themselves in Christ Jesus. The entrance into the Most Holy Place, the entrance into the ark, into the true ark of God, is to hide oneself in Christ Jesus, that is, to hide oneself in His character. Christ in us, this is the beginning, this is what determines the other. Christ in us and us in Christ. Christ in us means to have us or to obtain the character of Christ, and this will cause us also to be received in Christ, that is, under His protective wings. This refers to the protection that the Lord will give to those who have let Christ grow in them. Christ in us and we in Christ. That is the greatest blessing we can long for in this world. While others will hide in caves, while others will seek man's salvation, a false salvation, they will think they can save themselves with their wealth, with their power, their technology, their subterranean cities that they have made, their bunkers, it will not be possible. No one will be able to hide from the radiance of the One who will come to earth, no one! They will all die, even those hidden in caves. There are bunkers that are deep, deep under the earth. The Bible assures us that all the proud will die when Christ will come near, will come to this earth. There is no way to hide. Angels will be sent. The angels will seek and find everyone. Sodom and Gomorrah has all been turned to ashes. It does not matter that some have gone into the basement of their palace or their temple. It doesn't matter, they have all died. And here is practically an apocalyptic passage for us to understand that this chapter and these chapters must be understood in the apocalyptic context of the end of time, of the end of days. They are prophecies of Revelation. And chapter 3, we have just a few verses, let's just mention. It says: "For behold, the Lord, I Am of hosts, will take away from Jerusalem and from Judah, the sustainer and the strong, the breadwinner and the water, the mighty man of valor and the man of war, the judge and the prophet, the wise man and the old man, the captain of fifty and the man of honor, and the counselor and the excellent artificer and the skillful speaker. And I will make them young men to be their princes, and young men shall be their lords, and the people shall do violence one to another, every one against his neighbor. The youth shall rise up against the old man, and the villain against the nobleman. When a man shall deal with his brother, of his father's household, and shall say, Thou shalt be our prince, and this ruin shall be in thine hand. He shall swear in that day, saying, I will not take care of it, for in my house there is neither bread nor clothing; do not make me prince of the people, for Jerusalem is ruined, and Judah is fallen, because their tongue and their works have been against I Am, to vex the eyes of His majesty. The appearance of their countenance convinces them, that like Sodom they preach their sin, they do not conceal it. Woe to their soul! For they have brought evil upon themselves. Say ye to the righteous that it shall be well with him; for he shall eat of the fruits of his own hands. Woe unto the wicked, it

shall be bad for him. For according to the works of his hands shall he be recompensed."

We have read the first 10 or 11 verses of chapter 3 which is also here in the 2 pages that the Lord has given 3 times this week, these days, 2 times being during this same Sabbath day. And here it is described, beloved brothers, what Ellen White also described sometimes, the terrible judgment of the people who know, the terrible judgment of those who have been the keepers of the victory, the precious gems, the truth. This laodicean people, this adventist people, this people who has not grown while receiving truth, this people who has trampled every ray of truth and ended up being worse than the old Jerusalem. The old Jerusalem where the mothers ended up eating their own children and which was full of violence and evil, selfishness and death. This people is seen the same way before the Lord who kill each other even though they take part of the tables of love, which the Bible says that are evil.

Their characters are so violent, so terrible, so wicked. Their criticism, their blasphemies, their longings, their works, everything they do, are so terrible, that the Lord will judge them in a very special way. The Lord will judge each one according to the light that he has, the light that he has been given. So to these who have had the truth, but have not been sanctified by the truth, and we speak first of all of Jerusalem, because here The Lord speaks of Jerusalem, that is, of the leaders, of the religious leaders, of the leaders not only of large or small churches, but of groups, of those who have led their larger or smaller flocks. And in parenthesis we want to say that there are Laodicean churches, even today in all media, in social networks, in whatsapp, telegram, facebook, in all this, there are groups led by a few, or only one, who are the leaders, the pastors of those groups, they give them food and they lead them, they lead them on the way of death. They give them what is not food. All of these will also be held responsible for the souls that have been lost. All of these, along with the great religious leaders also, all of these who have deceived others, thinking themselves to be the people, are reflected here. It speaks of Jerusalem and says that the Lord will remove from them, notice, before the sealing is finished, before the trumpets begin, the Lord will finish removing from the midst of Laodicea, any influence of any influential man, but with a Laodicean mind, of any pastor, even from the social network groups, which are also churches, from under any influence of any unclean pastor, the Lord will remove these that we are going to read again now. The Lord will bring out of Laodicea, He will bring out from every part, it says here, the sustainer and the strong. The Lord has given some the gift of gathering resources, as was Joseph of Arimathea or Nicodemus, they have come to be taken out, as the Lord promises here, taken out of Laodicea, taken out of Judaism, and their resources, along with them, and their resources have become sustenance for the small and weak church, and poor church of the Lord, newly born. They have used all their resources to be material help for the church. Here the Lord promises that He will first bring out the sustainers,

then the strong. Here enters another category that the enemy has bound in Laodicea, he has them bound with deceitful words by the pastors, or by those who think they are wise, anointed, or by the pastors of groups, those who preach, who comment on the prophecies, who show, and there are so many who show themselves before the others as being very wise, very strong in understanding the way. Here it can refer to another type of strength as well. There are the sustainers, then the strong, then the bread sustenance, and all water sustenance. Notice that he is not only going to bring out the men who can give sustenance in time of distress, but he is going to allow them to go hungry and thirsty. This is going to happen to all Laodiceans. Hunger and thirst, just as these poor, innocent people have suffered in Ukraine, there in their cities, destroyed, lack of heat, many have frozen, have frozen to death, lack of electric current, lack of water for months, not even to take a shower, lack of food also, and of all sustenance. All this if it has been able to come upon Ukraine, it will come upon all the proud. The Lord only shows what will be his wages for his way, and it will come upon the Laodicean leadership in this case. Chapter 3 speaks of the Laodicean leadership.

Here it says that the Lord will also take away the valiant man, the man of war, the judge and the prophet, all these that the Lord has given gifts to, the Lord will take them out. The Lord will cause their gifts to come to be used in His true flock. The prudent and the aged, the captain of fifty and the man of respect, and the counselor and the excellent artificer, and the skillful speaker. He does not speak here of the skillful selfish orators, Laodiceans, the lovers of gifts, as it says here. It refers to others as, remembering the book of Acts, we know how they have found Apollos or others who preached who were orators, had the gift of speaking. And the Lord needs such people. Paul also, a skillful speaker. And he has been taken out of Judaism. In the same way The Lord in all this time, the sealing is going to bring, is going to bring out, is going to enlighten, is going to lead to Jacob's repentance, to his wrestling with the angel, to recognize His character and His way. And they are going to leave that Laodicean Judaism and they are going to accept the way of Christ. They are going to accept to suffer rather with His poor church and to walk in this way than to walk with the great Laodicea. So, it says here that that Laodicea will be left with lads for princes and boys for lords. It is exactly what we have seen in all the years, as from their theological schools, boys that do not even know why they do the school or they do it to have a salary, because that is what John chapter 10 says, paid shepherds. These will become the ones who must lead the flock so as not to be deceived or killed by the dangers along the way. A shepherd must know how to lead and where to lead His flock. For these blind men will lead their flocks into the very pit where they themselves will fall. They will preach false doctrines and false prophecies. They will tell them that the end is not yet near, that there is still plenty of time and all will be surprised by the end, as the master of the house by the thief who breaks in to steal. The Lord has promised only to His true church that it will not be surprised by the coming of the end, because this church will

recognize the shepherds that He will put - the third Elijah. They will truly light the way. Then they will show step by step where we are in the history of the great struggle between good and evil. Where we are and what is next. And all will surely walk in preparation, knowing exactly what Christ is doing in the heavens and clearly recognizing the apocalyptic events as they are fulfilled on earth. Whereas those boys, grooms, princes, shepherds of Laodicea, will understand nothing. Sadly, we have encountered such shepherds, boys, in our walk in these years. We have seen all the blindness that they have and that they cannot understand anything. Well, this is being fulfilled for years now, all this. And I believe this is being fulfilled since 2008, when Laodicea has rejected the Holy Spirit. It is being fulfilled little by little, but now the Lord will take this work to the end and He will take out all who He can sanctify, He can transform from Laodicea. All others who will not accept to be led to waters of life, will die, will lose eternal life, probably. And they will die, they will suffer. Also they will not die an easy death, they will die suffering. Because they have been led by paid shepherds, evil shepherds, who are not shepherds, they are criminals, according to the Bible. These are criminal people, murderers, these shepherds, these false prophets, murderers of sheep. This is the word that the Lord has given us this Sabbath for Laodicea. For in this week we have seen how He is fighting to awaken Laodicea. The Lord has sent from thousands of miles away here, on this mountain, on this very farm, people who need to be awakened. Just as the Holy Spirit carried the people from all over Israel, from all over the country, He carried the people on the mountain where John the Baptist was. He didn't have to look for them, the Lord brought them there. And this type of judgment and work the Lord presented it through John the Baptist because ultimately, in the day of the Lord, in the day of atonement, the work that the Lord will finally do will be done maybe from a mountain or from places and the word that will be recorded and sent through the internet will circulate throughout the world and will accomplish its work quickly on the earth, says the Lord.

What must accomplish the work is the Word. The Lord, the way He transformed or converted souls, will be through the Word. And the true Word will be inspired by God. A man cannot save anyone with human words if there is no power of God in those words. Only the word of that person who will have sanctified his life, only that word will have the power of God to touch hearts and to transform them. So the Lord is doing the same work. The Lord sends on this Sabbath this word also. And the Lord has done so many miracles lately in order that His word may fly quickly over the whole earth and seek those who do not love this world and want to get rid of their selfish characters. The Lord has done great miracles. In a topic, God willing, we will tell you what God has done so that His Word may quickly fly on this earth. May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of the Eternal Father and the fellowship of His Holy Spirit quickly gather His remnant, His Mount Zion through His Word under His wings into one flock. And there shall be one flock, one shepherd. Blessings.

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