“**The Restorer of Paths to Dwell In**” - Part 2

**“… and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.”** Isaiah 58:12

Greetings to all of my brothers and sisters who have dialed in from so many different countries and I pray that you will be blessed with what the Lord has for us today.

Before we begin let’s have an added prayer. Eternal Father we want to know the truth. We want to know what are some of the most important areas, where we have forgotten the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history. Enlighten us with **your** Holy Spirit for we pray in your begotten Son’s blessed and Holy name. AMEN

As I stated yesterday, it will continue to be important that you have listened to all previous recordings on this subject, since there is an order and a direction in which the Lord is leading. This subject is by no means to be minimized or underestimated as to its importance. When we have a full understanding of what the Omega is, we can be among those who will be **“The restorer of paths to dwell in …”**

We often talk about revival and the Lord knows we need revival. We also talk about reformation and the Lord knows we really need reformation. But something we don’t talk much about is restoration and the Lord knows that we desperately need restoration. Let us breathe a short prayer, Father in heaven, You want us to be restorers of paths to dwell in. Teach us those paths as we study our pioneers and the testimonies through your prophet, in Jesus name, AMEN.

Every day I will be reading this very important S.O.P. counsel which expresses a very important need for our time. Hear the voice of the Lord calling you brother, and you sister. It is found in Education, p. 57. (1903) ***“The greatest want of the world is the want of men,--men who will not be bought or sold; men who in their inmost souls are true and honest; men who do not fear to call sin by its right name; men whose conscience is as true to duty as the needle to the pole; men who will stand for the right though the heavens fall.”*--**Education, p. 57. (1903) {CM 54.4} Are you that man or woman?

What is the Omega that caused God’s prophet to tremble for our people? In order for us to understand what the Omega is, we must thoroughly understand what the alpha was; for you see there is absolutely a direct connection that the majority today have missed entirely. In the coming days we are going back to our pioneers and study some applicable things that they had written and believed and we must look at the fundamental principles which were the foundation of their faith. Why the fundamental principles? You will see in the next quote.

Suffice it to say that the Seventh-day Adventist faith has been dramatically changed, just as Ellen G. White prophesied in 1SM 204.2. I am sure if you have been a frequent caller to Metro New York World Ministry, that you are familiar with this quote. We will zero in on some of the most important statements. GPS,

***“The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced.”*** {1SM 204.2}

Did you hear what God had His prophet write? ***“… giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith …”*** We know that there are many progressive liberals within Adventism that have been discarding foundational doctrines which are pillars of the faith. But historic Seventh-day Adventists cling to the pillar doctrines I mentioned yesterday. What we need to know is, what are the specific pillar doctrines that have been discarded, even by historic Adventists? She said ***“principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded.”*** This is why the Omega is so serious because God given principles of truth have been discarded. What are those God given principles of truth? We will discover that this week. She said ***“Our religion would be changed.”*** Then, and listen brethren, she said, ***“The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error.”*** This statement is no longer a prophecy for the future, for it is 35 years now our history.

I closed yesterday with this final sentence from God’s prophet,***“We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history.”***Well His teaching in our past history would include*,* ***“The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error.”***That is no small matter when the very teachings and principles were God ordained and confirmed by visions. We will piece these things together and Satan is working to stop these messages and he will work to try to prevent you from hearing them. Let nothing prevent you from getting it all, because this is **HUGE**. You will either become a **“restorer of paths to dwell in,”** or you will side with the enemy in the Omega while still in the church.

Even though we were warned by Sister White that, **“*The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error,”***that statement has been fulfilled because here is what leadership is saying today in the Omega and that is, ‘that the pioneers were wrong.’ How can they do this, when there were intelligent men with many hours of study, who forged out our pillar doctrines, which were then confirmed by God’s prophet through many visions? That answer will be forthcoming.

In the very next paragraph 1SM 205.1 she wrote this, ***“Who has authority to begin such a movement? We have our Bibles. We have our experience, attested to by the miraculous working of the Holy Spirit. We have a truth that admits of no compromise. Shall we not repudiate everything that is not in harmony with this truth?”***  {1SM 205.1} But that is exactly the problem. Sadly the truth that admits of no compromise has been repudiated. You will see it clearly and I caution you to be patient. I have been studying this for much of this year and my heart cries for the fact that the watchmen had been sleeping, and the men who should be in the forefront on this, are themselves not only sleeping, but preaching the Omega, all the while Satan has been working his will.

Here is a big clue as to why change happened, 1SM 204.2 she wrote, ***“The leaders would teach that virtue is better than vice, but God being removed,*** (God being removed – What does that mean? I assure you we are going to find out.) ***but God being removed, they would place their dependence on human power, which, without God, is worthless. Their foundation would be built on the sand, and storm and tempest would sweep away the structure.****”* {1SM 204.2}

How could that be? She says, ***“… but God being removed, they would place their dependence on human power …”*** That is an enormous clue.When we look at the history of the children of Israel, all through the Old Testament, it has been such that leaders bring in programs relying on human power, and discarding God-given blueprints, which without God, is worthless. Apostasy always ensues and false gods were set up and worshipped. This is true today.

She then concluded saying and brethren listen closely, ***“I hesitated and delayed about the sending out of that which the Spirit of the Lord impelled me to write. I did not want to be compelled to present the misleading influence of these sophistries. But in the providence of God, the errors that have been coming in must be met.”*** {1SM 205.2} So here are the instructions to us today, “But in the providence of God, the errors that have been coming in MUST BE MET.” And you know it’s not too late. I cannot and I will not shrink from that challenge.

We must be the ones who, as Isaiah 58:1 says to cry aloud and spare not, for as you will see, the attack, with Satan leading the way, has been on the throne of God, on His begotten son and on God’s Holy Spirit. That’s the way it was in the alpha, it is more so here in the Omega. Though Satan has been subtle in his plans, he is complimenting himself at how easy it has been to deceive the church and our ancient men. He really believes that he has won. God is not going to raise up another people, as this is what Jesus has said through His last day prophet regarding the true remnant people of God, ***“Enfeebled and defective as it may appear, the church is the one object upon which God bestows in a special sense His supreme regard.”*** --The Acts of the Apostles, p. 12. {ChS 13.5} His church that has His supreme regard are those faithful Adventists who keep His commandments, have the testimony of Jesus and they do not embrace the Satanic deceptions that today are taught as truth when those deceptions are exposed.

The Omega had its beginning in the alpha, and it has been much more multiplied here in the period now called the Omega of apostasy in this final generation. We are now going to see that the apostle Paul revealed to us what the Omega is about. Our first scripture is 2 Corinthians 11:3 and 4. Paul wrote, **“But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ. For if he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.”** Paul warns us that we are just as vulnerable, even much more so than was Eve, to Satan’s subtleties, that would cause our understanding of the simplicity of Christ to become corrupted. Let us not think that this has not already happened.

And what did Paul mean by “another Jesus, another spirit, and another gospel,” and what does that have to do with the alpha and omega of apostasy? Well we are going to answer that in these remaining studies. I invite you of course to put your bias and your prejudice aside and study what you will be hearing, with an open mind and God will give you what you need to know. However, if you choose, and of course some will, to hold on to your bias and your prejudice, you will be looking only for errors in what is presented based on your own misunderstanding and you will actually reject the truth of what God will be bringing to us in these days coming, then you will be left with another Jesus, another spirit and another gospel. This is most serious for it really does matter where you stand on the Omega.

Revelation 13:3, the last part tells us that **“… all the world wondered after the beast.”** Does all the world include Seventh-day Adventists? I would say a good majority hold to one of her deceptions that is connected with the Omega.

We cannot underestimate the power of the enemy of souls when we are careless in our beliefs, because Revelation 12:9 says, **“And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: …”**

Jesus clearly warned us in Mark 13:22, **“For false Christs and false prophets shall rise, and shall show signs and wonders, to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.”** “…to seduce, if it were possible, even the elect.” The word seduce means to persuade to disobedience or disloyalty. Even the elect, God’s people can be seduced. It says if it were possible. Well it’s very possible to be seduced into Satan’s errors regarding doctrine if you are not studying and in earnest prayer. Even if you are taking the words of respected Theologians, when they may putting out information that is directly opposite from what our pioneers believed and taught.

Matthew 24:24 uses the words **“…if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.”** So Matthew uses the word deceive while Mark used the word seduce, both speaking of God’s church and Matthew is even more specific when he says the **very** elect. We cannot afford to be careless and we better understand what this omega is about.

Why is this so important that we do not accept another Jesus who will be posing as the Biblical Jesus and through what source will another Jesus come into Adventism? We read today in 1SM 204.2, ***“A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced.”***That is another big clue right there. She is telling us that intellectual philosophy would be the source through which another Jesus, another spirit and another gospel would come in and in fact, did come into Adventism 35 years ago. There was strong opposition then, but today there is hardly a whisper.

Brethren, the reformation that began in the 16th century continues to this very day. What the pioneers had achieved in some doctrines and principles that have been changed, we need to get them restored.

So now Paul said “another Jesus” and this will have to do with the deception that is directly connected with the omega. What “Jesus,” was Paul talking about? Years ago, FBI agents were trained to discover counterfeit bills by only studying the true bills for endless hours. But it helped them to easily identify the counterfeit. In order for us to understand who this counterfeit Jesus is, we must study the true. And so we will.

 Luke tells us, in his account of Saul of Tarsus turned Paul, not long after his conversion at Damascus in Acts 9:20, **“And straightway he preached Christ in the synagogues, that he is the Son of God.”** Could “another Jesus” possibly have something to do with the “**Sonship**” of Christ? We have much studying to do before that question can be correctly answered, so now let us consider a number of familiar scriptures that pertain to the “Sonship” of Christ. Like the FBI, we are studying the true.

In 1 Corinthians 1:9 the scriptures say, **“God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord.”** Now I want you to notice that Paul did not preach, nor did he ever preach “God the Son,” rather He preached Jesus, the Son of God. Even though Jesus is as fully God as is His Father, it does not say “God the Son” in the entire New Testament. It does not even say “God the Son” in all of Sister White’s writings. Does that surprise you? This is very important in helping us to understand what God is teaching us, so that we can be **“The restorer of paths to dwell in.”** In other words restoring the beliefs of our pioneers that were confirmed to be true and correct, that today are accounted as error.

Would you agree that the Bible is a safe guide, a lamp unto our feet and a light unto our path? I know there are “Amens” to that statement. Then the next scripture is 1 Corinthians 8:6 **“But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him; and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.”**

Paul tells us that that there is one God the Father, and that He has a Son Jesus Christ, who is not the God of the Bible, He is the Son of the God of the Bible. Paul said there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things. We’ll come back to this in just a minute.

John recorded these words of Jesus in John 17:3, when He made it clear what Paul later stated in the scripture above: **“And this is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent.”** Jesus said that the Father is the only true God and Paul said there is but one God the Father of whom are all things. The important point to be gleaned here from both scriptures, is that the Father is the only true God, according to Jesus and He is the source of all that there is. Jesus recognizes the Father as pre-eminent, and we have much to study about that, but we want to be sure we are where our pioneers were in belief.

The next scripture is very important to our understanding of the relationship of the Father and the Son. 1 Corinthians 11:3 **“But I would have you know, that the head of every man is Christ; and the head of the woman is the man; and the head of Christ is God.”** Once again, the Father is the pre-eminent One

In 2 Corinthians 1:3 we read, **“Blessed be God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of mercies, and the God of all comfort; …”** There are certainly plenty of scriptures that establish God as the Father of Jesus. In the New Testament, Christ is referred to as ‘the Son of God’ over 40 times and Jesus consistently referred to God as His Father 65 times.

Now there are many today that say that Jesus became the begotten Son of God at the incarnation, while many others say He was begotten by the Father back in eternity. Well who is right and what did the pioneers believe? Right now let us read carefully John 3:16-18, Jesus talking to Nicodemus, **“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.”**

Nicodemus was told by Jesus that it was “God” who was doing the giving **(gave his only begotten Son)** and the sending **(For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world)**. He was obviously referring to the Father. Again we see the Father as having the pre-eminence. This is the pre-eminence of a father as in a **true** father and son relationship. It also reveals the love of the Father – also the sacrifice He made – in the giving of His only Son.

Now there are some that say, and many Adventists now believe in an intellectual philosophy that says Jesus and the Father were two of the three Gods in eternity that chose to play roles, one plays the Father and the other plays the Son. They are supposed to be co-eternal, neither preceding the other in eternity, and neither coming after the other. If that theory were true, then it definitely can’t be a true Father-Son relationship. The pioneers believed none of this role playing philosophy. It is only a philosophical theory as there is no proof of such in scripture or the S.O.P. Yet it is believed by many today as if it were gospel.

It is obvious that the Bible and God’s prophet Ellen G. White are totally silent about such a theory. It can be nothing more than what Sister White had identified as intellectual philosophy in 1SM 204.2. And if there were no true Father and Son relationship prior to the incarnation, then Sister White would not have referred to God as the Father and Jesus as the Son in their respective positions before the fall of man when the plan of Salvation was laid. But God’s prophet says, ***“Before the fall of man, the Son of God had united with his Father in laying the plan of salvation. God was to be manifested in Christ, "reconciling the world unto himself."*** (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, 13th September 1906, ‘Love toward God and man’).

And she also wrote this, ***“Before the fall of Satan, the Father consulted his Son in regard to the formation of man.”*** (Ellen G. White, Spiritual Gifts, Volume 3, page 36, ‘The temptation and fall’, 1864) Do you see, while Satan was still the unfallen angel Lucifer, Jesus was already the begotten Son of God, and it was for that very fact that Lucifer was jealous and ended up rebelling against the government of God.

In ‘The Review and Herald’ in 1907 are found these words

***“The Son of the infinite God came to this earth, and honored it with his presence. He emptied himself of his glory, and clothed his divinity with humanity, that humanity might touch humanity, and reveal to fallen man the perfect love of God.”*** (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, 6th June 1907, ‘No other Gods before me’)

There can be no doubt that this is referring to Christ as a Son - **in His pre-existence**. This is only the same as was written 16 years earlier – which was ***“It was necessary that the Son of the infinite God should come to be the light of the***

***world, to be the fountain of healing mercy to a lost race.”*** (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, 20th January 1891, ‘Co-operation with Christ’)

In the Bible Echo in 1899 was published a letter sent by Ellen White from Australia. In it she wrote: ***“Was not Christ the greatest teacher the world ever knew? Was He not the Son of the infinite God? and yet He said, "I do nothing of Myself.""*** (Ellen G. White, TheBible Echo, 18th September 1899, ‘Letter from Sister White’)

There are many quotes from the pen of Ellen White that tell us exactly the same thing – that Christ was the son of ‘the infinite’, meaning a son prior to the incarnation. Here are just three more:

***“The Son of the infinite God clothed his divinity with humanity, and submitted to the death of the cross, that he might become a stepping-stone by which humanity might meet with divinity.”*** (Ellen G. White, Review and Herald, 16th January 1894, ‘Students required to be workers with God’)

***“Although the only begotten Son of the infinite God humbled himself and took upon him humanity, his faith wavered not; but under the trial and test, he was equal to the proving of temptation on behalf of humanity.”*** (Ellen G. White, Review andHerald, 24th April 1894, ‘Victory in temptation through Christ’)

 ***“When in the fulness of time the Son of the infinite God came forth from the bosom of the Father to this world, He came in the garb of humanity, clothing His divinity with humanity.”*** (Ellen G. White, Signs of the Times, 17th May 1905, ‘Ateacher sent from God’)

We know that Jesus was God in human flesh and amongst the last words to his disciples, which was after the last supper and now only hoursbefore the crucifixion, Jesus said that He was going away to prepare a place for them.

This of course was in His “Father’s house” (John 14:1-3). In response to Him saying **“And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know”** (verse 4), Thomas asked **“…Lord, we know not whither thou goest; and how can we know the way?”** John 14:5

The reply of Jesus was **“… I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.”** John 14:6

Jesus then said **“If ye had known me, ye should have known my Father also:** **and from henceforth ye** **know him, and have seen him.”**

Philip responded to these words of Jesus by asking, **“… Lord, shew us the Father, and it sufficeth us.”** John 14:8

It is evident that up to now, the disciples had not really understood the relation of Christ to the Father. The reply of Jesus therefore probably surprised the disciples.

He said to Philip: **“… Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Philip? He that hath seen me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Shew us the Father? Believest thou not that I am in the Father, and the Father in me?** **the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but the Father that dwelleth in me, he doeth the works. Believe me that I am in the Father, and the Father in me: or else believe me for the very works' sake.”** John 14:9-11.

A little later Jesus also said, **“Yet a little while, and the world seeth me no more; but ye see me: because I live, ye shall live also. At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you.”** John 14:19-20

Now this is very important to your understanding. God the Father and Christ dwell within us through the Holy Spirit. Jesus said this in John 14:18, **“I will not leave you comfortless, I will come to you.”** And in verse 23 Jesus said, **“If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him and make our abode with him.”** Now this is key to your understanding. When Jesus ascended to heaven, physically His body was in the Holy place of the heavenly sanctuary where He began the work of mediation. The Father physically is on His throne. The only way that Jesus and the Father could come and make their abode in the disciples or even in us is through the power and presence of their Omnipresent Spirit. We will cover this in more detail in the days coming.

Tomorrow we are going to continue our digging into neglected information that God wants us to know, for in some of the most important areas, we have forgotten the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history.

As God spares we will meet again tomorrow with part 3.

Let us pray …Eternal Father we need not be the victims of Satan’s clever deceptions as long as we are open to your leading. Lead us into the truth we need to know as you led our pioneers over a century ago, in Jesus name we pray, AMEN.