

SDA's:

You Have a Lot of Things Right - But There's Much More to Learn

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"It's easier to fool people
than to convince them that they have been fooled."
Mark Twain

Seventh-day Adventists - You have a lot of things right, including the following:

The Seventh-day, Saturday, Sabbath – the day God made holy is THE day on which to worship Him

The State of the Dead: Death is a sleep. No one goes to heaven or hell when he or she dies

There will be a **Literal Second Coming of Christ** (No secret rapture)

During the Millennium, the earth will be destroyed and uninhabited. Only Satan and his demon angels will be on this earth – with no one to tempt.

First and Second Resurrections: The first Resurrection is for the righteous, who will be taken to heaven, along with the living righteous, when Jesus comes again. The second Resurrection occurs after the Millennium with the resurrection of the unsaved.

Speaking in tongues is not of God: The type of "speaking in tongues" that is done in the Pentecostal and many evangelical churches is identical phonetically and linguistically to Satanic voodoo.

But There is More to Learn

Ellen White, herself says there is more to learn, and more to unlearn. She never claimed to be a prophet. Here are a number of her quotes:

“I am NOT Infallible” said Ellen G. White

"In regard to infallibility, I NEVER claimed it; God ALONE is Infallible." Selected Messages, Book One, pp 415 and 37

"Let no one come to the conclusion that there is no more truth to be revealed. The diligent, prayerful seeker for truth will find precious rays of light yet to shine forth from the word of God." Counsels on Sabbath School Work, p. 34

"There is no excuse for anyone in taking the position that there is no more truth to be revealed, and *that all our expositions of Scripture are without error*. The fact that *certain doctrines* have been held as truth for many years by our people is not a proof that *our ideas* are infallible. **Age will not make an error into truth**, and truth can afford to be fair. No true doctrine will lose anything by close investigation. Review and Herald, December 20, 1892

"We cannot hold that **a position once taken**, an idea once advocated, is not, under any circumstances, *to be relinquished*. There is but One who is *infallible* -- - He is the way, the truth, and the life.

"If **the pillars** of our faith will not stand the test of investigation, it is time we knew it." Testimonies to Ministers, pp 105 and 107

"**The Bible and the Bible alone**, is our creed, the sole bond of union; all who bow to this holy Word will be in harmony . . . Man is fallible, but God's Word is infallible.

"We have many lessons to learn, and many, many **to unlearn**. God and heaven alone are infallible. Those who think that they will never have to give up a **cherished view**, never have occasion to change an opinion, will be disappointed.

"In regard to infallibility, **I never claimed it**; God alone is infallible. His word is true, and in Him is no variableness, or shadow of turning." Selected Messages, Book One, pp. 416 and 37.

"Our position and faith is in the Bible. . . . And never do we want any soul to bring in the Testimonies **ahead of the Bible.**" Evangelism, p. 256

"We are not to accept the opinion of commentators as the voice of God; they are

erring mortals *like ourselves*. God has given reasoning powers to us as well as to them. We should make the Bible *its own expositor*.

“We must study the truth for ourselves. No man should be relied upon to think for us. No matter who he is, or in what position he may be placed, we are not to look upon any man as a criterion for us. Testimonies to Ministers, pp. 106 and 110

“Whatever may be man’s intellectual advancement, let him not for a moment think that there is no need of thorough and continuous searching of Scripture for greater light. As a people we are called individually to be students of prophecy. We must watch with earnestness that we may discern any ray of light which God shall present to us. We are to catch the first gleamings of truth; and through prayerful study, clearer light may be obtained, which can be brought to others.

“Some of our leading brethren have frequently taken their position on the wrong side: and if God would send a message and wait for these older brethren to open the way for its advancement, it would never reach the people.

“The rebuke of the Lord will rest upon those who would bar the way, that clearer light shall not come to the people. . . . Let no one run the risk of interposing between the people and the message of heaven.” Gospel Workers, pp 300, 303, and 304.

A spirit of pharisaism has been coming in upon the people who claim to believe the truth for these last days. They are self-satisfied. They have said, “We have the truth. There is no more light for the people of God. ***But we are not safe*** when we take the position that we will not accept anything else ***than that upon which we have settled as truth***. We should take the Bible, and investigate it closely for ourselves. We should dig in the mine of God’s word for truth.” Review and Herald, June 18, 1888.

We need to begin all over again. . . . *Errors may be hoary with age*; but age does not make error truth, nor truth error. Altogether too long have the old customs and habits been followed. The Lord would now have every idea that is false put away from teachers and students. We are not at liberty to teach that which shall meet the world’s standard *or the standard of the church*, simply because it is the custom to do so.” Testimonies for the Church, vol 6, p. 142.

1) There have been NO prophets since the Bible was written:

“God who at sundry times and in many ways, **spake in times past unto the fathers by the prophets,**

Hath in these last days spoken unto us by His Son . . .” Heb 1:1,2

God speaks NOW, through His Son – NOT through prophets!

“In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word WAS God.

“And the Word was made flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father; full of grace and truth.” John 1:1,14

Jesus, the Son, IS the “Word.”

Therefore, God speaks to us Now, in this era, through His Son – The Word of God – the Bible!

The Bible tells us that after the Bible was written by God’s inspired authors, there have been NO prophets.

2) What is the “Spirit of Prophecy”?

The apostle, John, the author of Revelation, tells us that he was exiled to the Isle of Patmos “for the Word of God and for **the testimony of Jesus Christ.**” Rev 1:9

In Rev 19:10, the Bible tells us, “. . . for the **testimony of Jesus IS the spirit of prophecy.**”

The “Spirit of Prophecy” is the testimony of Jesus – it is NOT Ellen White’s writings.

If the “Spirit of Prophecy” referred to Ellen White’s writings, then John would have been exiled to the Isle of Patmos for “reading Ellen White’s writings” **2,000 years before they were even written.**

John was exiled to the Isle of Patmos for the “testimony of Jesus Christ which IS the “Spirit of prophecy.” That phrase has NOTHING to do with Ellen White’s writings which have been falsely, and even blasphemously “pronounced” by the Seventh-day Adventist church as the “Spirit of Prophecy.”

3) The Ten Kingdoms of Revelation

In their Daniel and Revelation seminars, and in all their churches and schools, Seventh-day Adventists teach that the Ten Kingdoms of Daniel 7 and Revelation

17:12 are the barbarian tribes that conquered the Roman Empire and took over Europe: Alemanni, Anglo-Saxons, Franks, Burgundians, Visigoths, Suevi, Ostrogoths, Heruli, Bavarians, Vandals and Lombards.

But if that were true, then the toes of the great statue of Daniel 2 would have been connected to the legs of iron – and there would have been no “foot.”

The head was of gold, representing Babylon, the chest and arms of silver, representing Medo-Persia, the Belly and thighs of brass, representing Greece, and the legs of iron, representing Rome – the end (temporarily) of the One World Governments, at least those of ancient time.

But after Rome, we have the feet of iron and clay (some weak countries, some strong countries). The world has been living in the “foot” of the statue since Rome was conquered.

We are now living in the TOES of the great statue – the Ten Toes – representing the Ten Kingdoms of the earth. The Bible tells us that these are the Ten Kingdoms of the earth” Rev 19:19 (the whole earth) – NOT the “Ten Kingdoms that formed Europe.”

The Club of Rome, which is part of the New World Order/One World Government has published their map of what even THEY call the “Ten Kingdoms” of the world. They are putting those Ten Kingdoms together right now. The first “Kingdom” is the European Union. The Second Kingdom is the North American Union (Canada, Mexico and the U.S.).



These Ten Kingdoms will reign only for “one hour” with the beast power. One hour in prophetic time is 15 days. Then the “stone cut out without hands” (Jesus Christ – the Rock), will smash the statue to dust, meaning the Ten Kingdoms of the earth will be destroyed by the Second Coming of Christ.

“And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive authority as kings one hour with the beast.”
Rev 17:12

Then the God of heaven will crush all these previous kingdoms and will set up His own kingdom that will never be destroyed.

“And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a Kingdom which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall crush in pieces and consume all these kingdoms and it shall stand forever.

“Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold. . .” Daniel 2:44,45

We are now living in the Toes of the great statue. Once the Ten Kingdoms are put together – which is happening right now, - they will rule only for 15 days before Jesus Christ returns. Obviously, the Second Coming will be soon.

4) Hell

The word “Hell” is not found in the Bible. The translators have “written it in.” Three of the words that are occasionally, and arbitrarily, translated Hell, when the translators want to make God look harsh - are actually the words for “grave” – Sheol (in the Hebrew), and Hades and Tartarus in the Greek. None of these words have anything to do with “burning.” The only word that is again occasionally translated “Hell” is the word Gehenna – the valley used as a place for burning trash right outside Jerusalem. It was used for burning up the “bad stuff” – not the good stuff.

Jesus said He came “to destroy the works of the devil.”

Human beings are NOT the “works of the devil (1 John 3:8).” Even the worst of the human race was created by God. It is the SIN in our life that is the “work of the devil.” God uses His “fiery law” (Deuteronomy 33:2) to “**burn**” **the sin out of our life** – NOT to kill us.

“And He shall sit as a **refiner and purifier of silver**: and **He shall purify the sons of Levi, and refine them as gold and silver**; that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in righteousness.” Malachi 3:

Jesus was very specific that He would NEVER burn any human being alive.

“They built the high places of Baal, which are in the valley of the son of Hinnom, to cause their sons and their daughters to pass through the fire unto Molech; **which I NEVER commanded them to do, neither did that thought EVER come in My mind, that they should do this abomination.** . . .” Jer 32:35

God said that **the thought of burning a human being alive “had NEVER even come into His mind.”**

If God called burning a human being alive - an abomination back then (and He is the same yesterday, today and forever – Heb 13:8) then He will NOT do it in the end.

Jesus said,

“Love your enemies. Do GOOD to those who hate you.” Matt 5:44

Then WHY doesn't that work for God?

The definition of the word "Gospel" is - - - GOOD NEWS! Is it "Good News" that God is going to have to burn up all those He was UNABLE to save?

Is Satan MORE POWERFUL than God?

Can Satan win God's children away from Him and God doesn't know how to win them back? Is Satan stronger than God? The Bible says:

"Nothing is impossible with God." Luke 1:37

"God is the Savior of ALL mankind." 1 Tim 4:10

"God is Love" (1 John 4:8) and "Love NEVER fails." (1 Cor 13:8)

So God will NOT fail to win everyone of His children back to Him.

5) Jesus was NOT resurrected on Sunday

The words "First day of the week" or "Sunday" are NEVER mentioned in the Bible, in the original Scriptures. The words "First Day of the week" have been arbitrarily, and erroneously "written into" the Bible.

Sabbaton = the Seventh-day Sabbath

The word "Sabbaton" in the Greek, means Sabbath, the Seventh-day (Saturday) Sabbath, the day Jesus was rebuked by the Pharisees for "healing on the Sabbath" – the day Jesus kept when He was on earth. The word "Sabbaton" is used 68 times in the New Testament. Fifty-nine of those 68 times, the word is translated "Sabbath." But 9 times it is arbitrarily, and incorrectly translated "first day of the week." Every time the resurrection of Jesus Christ is mentioned in the Bible, the translators MISTRANSLATE the word Sabbath as "first day of the week."

We also know that Jesus was NOT resurrected on Sunday (the first day of the week) by Jesus' OWN Words!

Three Days and Three Nights

When asked to show the people a sign that He was the Messiah, Jesus said,

“For as Jonah was **three days and three nights** in the belly of the whale; so shall the Son of man be **three days and three nights** in the heart of the earth.” Matt 12:40

If Jesus was talking here about His crucifixion and resurrection, where are the “three NIGHTS”?

If Jesus was crucified on Friday (which He was), and resurrected on Sunday – there are PARTS of 3 days – **but there are only TWO nights: Friday night and Saturday night. There is not even a PART of a third night.**

How can the WHOLE Christian world have MISSED that??

Jonah was NOT dead in the belly of the whale: Jesus was NOT dead in the “Heart of the Earth”

Furthermore, Jesus said He would be in the same condition as Jonah was when he was in the belly of the whale:

“For AS Jonah was . . . in the belly of the whale; SO SHALL the SON OF man be. . . in the heart of the earth.”

Jonah was NOT dead for the three days and three nights he was in the belly of the whale. He was ALIVE - but unable to escape.

The “heart of the earth” is NOT the same as the “grave”

Jesus is telling us that, for the 3 days and 3 nights He would be “in the heart of the earth” (Notice Jesus did NOT use the word “grave”) Jesus, too, would be ALIVE – but unable to escape. His doom would be set.

How can this be?

Jesus Always began with His Betrayal

When Jesus spoke of his coming crucifixion, He always began with His **betrayal** (Matt 20:18,19; Mark 10:33; Luke 24:7, etc.).

“Behold we go up to Jerusalem: and the Son of man shall be **betrayed** unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall **condemn** Him to death. And shall **deliver** Him to the Gentiles (unbelievers) to **Mock**, and to **scourge**, and to **crucify** Him: and the **third day He shall rise again.** Matt 20:18,19

The “third day” that began with His BETRAYAL – NOT His crucifixion!

The answer to the confusion is that Jesus was FIRST betrayed at the dinner at Simon the leper’s house when Judas was rebuked by Jesus for condemning Mary Magdalene for pouring the expensive ointment on Jesus’ feet.

“Now when Jesus was in Bethany, in the house of Simon the leper. . .”
Matt 26:6

On what day was this dinner? It was on Tuesday night. How do we know?

“Jesus said, You know that after TWO DAYS is the feast of the Passover, and the Son of man is betrayed to be crucified.” Matt 26:2

It was THAT night that Judas FIRST betrayed Jesus by receiving the 30 pieces of silver from the scribes and Pharisees for – subsequently – on the following Thursday night, delivering Jesus to His enemies.

“”Then one of the twelve called Judas Iscariot went unto the chief priests.

“And said unto them, What will you give me, and I will deliver Him to you? And they counted out to him thirty pieces of silver.

“And from that time, he sought opportunity to BETRAY Him.” Matt 26:14-16

When did Jesus keep the Passover? On **Thursday evening** – the Last Supper – the night that Judas actually handed Jesus over to His enemies, to be crucified on Friday.

Three days: Wednesday, Thursday and Friday

Three nights: Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

During that time Jesus was ALIVE (just like Jonah in the whale’s belly) – but His doom was set – because Judas had received the 30 pieces of silver from the scribes and Pharisees on TUESDAY EVENING.

So when was Jesus resurrected?

Jesus was crucified on Friday. He died at 3:00 P.M. He was placed in the tomb before sundown on Friday night. He was resurrected from the tomb on Friday evening as soon as the sun went down, ushering in the Seventh day – Saturday – Sabbath.

He was only dead for a few hours. Jesus didn't have to be dead for any specific period of time. He just had to die.

The Seventh-day – Saturday – Sabbath is full of life and health. It is the “Sabbath of the Lord thy God” (Exodus 20:10), It is God’s memorial of His creation of us human beings, and the whole world (Exodus 20:11), AND the memorial of His redemption of the whole world (Deuteronomy 5:14,15).

The women came to the tomb BEFORE DAWN on “SABBATON” – the Seventh-day Saturday – (NOT the “first day of the week”) as erroneously translated in the King James version and all other versions, and Jesus had already been resurrected.

6) The words punish and punishment are not in the Bible. The word is always “visit” meaning God “visits” us with the recompense of our own actions. We reap what we sow. There are “consequences of sin” but no “punishment” for sin. “Punishment” is punitive. Reaping the consequences of sin is remedial. God allows us to reap the consequences of sin in order to turn us back to right-doing (righteousness).

The word erroneously translated as “punish” is actually the word “visit.” Check the word “punish” in Strong’s concordance - #6485 in the Hebrew. It is the SAME number as the word “visit.”

7) The word “lost” in the parable of the “lost” sheep (Luke 15:4,5) and the “lost” coin (Luke 15:8-10) is the Greek word *apollumi* (#622 in Strong’s Concordance). The sheep was lost – but alive, and the coin never had life. So the word *apollumi* CANNOT mean to “deprive of life.”

Yet, when the word *apollumi* is used to describe sinners (Matt 22:7; Luke 17:27; Luke 17:29), the translators translate that same word – *apollumi* – as DESTROYED, when it really means “lost – waiting to be found – as were the “lost” sheep and the “lost” coin.

8) The words eternal, everlasting, and forever, do NOT appear in the Bible. (And how does one add an “ever” to “forever” to get “forever and ever”)? Those words are ALL mistranslations of the word “eon” or “eonian.” An “eon” is a very long period of time, at least a thousand years or longer.

The term “everlasting” life actually means *eonian* life – referring to Christ’s life in you. It is the essence of truly being “born again” or more precisely, “born from above. It means that Christ has given us His character and disposition, so we are now able to Keep His Commandments. As Paul said,

“I am crucified with Christ, nevertheless I live. But not I; Christ lives in me.” Gal 2:20

However, there IS a place in the Bible that tells us we WILL live forever, AND that the population of the world will not be save all at once: Salvation will occur in three different groups,

“For as in Adam **all die** even so in Christ shall (the same) **all** be made **alive**.

“**But every man in his own order**: Christ the first fruits: AFTERWARD they that are Christ’s at His coming.

“Then cometh the end, when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; When He shall have putdown all rule and all authority and power.

“For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet.

“**The last enemy that shall be destroyed (abolished) is death**.

“For He hath put all things under His feet. But when He saith all things are put under Him, it is evident that He is excepted which did put all things under Him.

“And when all shall be subdued unto Him, then shall the Son also Himself be subject unto Him that put ALL under Him, that God may be **ALL IN ALL!**” 1 Cor 15:22-28

First is physical: the second is spiritual

This is a major!

“It is sown a natural body: it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural (soulish = literal) body and there is a spiritual body.

“And so it is written, The **FIRST** man, Adam, was made a living soul: the **LAST** Adam (Christ) was made a life-giving spirit.

“Howbeit that was **NOT** first which is spiritual, but that which is natural (soulish) and afterward that which is spiritual. The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.” 1 Cor 15:44-48

In the Old Testament, the “lamb” brought for sacrifice was a literal lamb – and animal. In the New Testament, the “lamb” is Jesus Christ, who was sacrificed for the sins of the world.

In the Old Testament, there was a Temple – a literal building. In the New Testament, “Your body is the temple. . .” 1 Cor 6:19 God lives in us!

In the Old Testament, literal fire burned up Sodom and Gomorrah: In the New Testament, spiritual fire burns the sin out of our life. John the Baptist said,

“I indeed baptize you with water unto repentance; but He that cometh after Me. . . He shall baptize you with . . . fire.” Matt 3:11

9) The SDA Health Message: The Seventh-day Adventist church teaches about the “Health Message” yet the churches are full of people who are sick and dying, and taking numerous drug medications. Somehow, SDAs believe that “God works through doctors” – yet everything a doctor does to a diseased patient harms that patient even more.

Doctors are only taught TWO methods of “treatment”: 1) give drug medications that NEVER cure the disease but only “treat” the symptoms, making the patient “feel” better, or their laboratory numbers “look” better, yet the patient is NOT better. Their disease is continuing to progress because they haven’t addressed the underlying causes of their disease, and 2) we doctors are taught to cut off your body parts or cut out your organs.

But NO disease has ever been caused by having “too many” body parts or “too many” organs. And NO disease has ever been caused by a “deficiency” of drug medications. Therefore, neither of those “treatments” can cure any disease.

In addition, doctors develop cancer, heart disease, Parkinson’s and every other disease at the SAME rate as the general population, and doctors DIE from cancer, heart disease, Parkinson’s and every other disease at the SAME rate as the general population. So, if doctors do NOT know how to prevent or reverse their OWN diseases, how can they do it for you??

There is ONLY ONE way to get well, and that is to learn what made you sick. Diseases – ALL diseases – do NOT “fall from the sky” nor do they “just happen” nor are they genetic. We give them to ourselves slowly, one day at a time, over a LONG period of time, by the way we live, think, act, eat, and handle stress. Therefore, the ONLY way to get well is to CHANGE the way we live, think, act, eat, and handle stress.

There is ONLY ONE Physician in the world who will give you a 100% GUARANTEE that if you follow HIS Health Plan, you WILL be well - - - and that is God. He PROMISES:

“IF – IF – IF you obey My laws (including God’s Health Laws), My commandments and My decrees, I WILL keep you FREE from EVERY disease.” Deuteronomy 7:11-15

Unfortunately, Adventists don’t believe that promise directly from God’s Word. They prefer to go to “man” (doctors), rather than to God – when they are seek, even though the Bible says:

“We ought to obey God rather than man.” Acts 5:29

If you are suffering from ANY disease, that means – by definition – you are NOT “following God’s laws, commandments and decrees.”

If you believe you ARE “following God’s laws, commandments and decrees” and you are still sick, then that means you believe God is a LIAR.

But God does NOT lie!

In addition, God tells us that drug medications are SORCERIES and witchcraft in Rev 18:23:

“. . . the Whole World will be DECEIVED by their Sorceries.” Rev 18:23

The word “sorceries” in the Greek is defined as *pharmakeia* = pharmacy = drug medications.

God calls drug medications SORCERIES! Yet, EVERY SDA hospital, including Loma Linda, gives out drug medications like candy. There is essentially NO DIFFERENCE in the treatment a patient gets at an SDA hospital compared to any other hospital. The entire Adventist “Health” system has gone the way of the world.

Furthermore, one needs to ponder the question, “How many human beings has your doctor ever created? Obviously, the answer is “None.” And how many human beings has God created? The obvious answer is “Billions.” So why do all Christians, including Adventist Christians CHOOSE to trust “man” (doctors) rather than trusting in God and God’s Health Plan that He describes in Deuteronomy 7:11-15?

10) Must WE “make the right choice?” The Adventist church, and virtually all other churches, teach that “We must make the right choice” – which means that our salvation is dependent on us! Yet, Jesus came to “TAKE AWAY the sin of the WORLD” (John 1:29) – not just the sin from **some people** in the world – who make the “right choice.” And Jesus also said,

“You did not choose Me, but I have chosen you.” John 15:16

Indeed, everyone WILL “make the right choice” because “ALL is of God” Romans 11:36, and God knows exactly how to get us to the point that we will recognize our need for Jesus Christ to run our life completely. Some will learn on this earth, before the Second Coming of Jesus Christ. But the rest will learn after the Judgment, as they are “reaping what they have sown.”

The salvation of the World was accomplished by Jesus Christ at the cross! Just because there are many who have not turned to Christ in this life, doesn’t mean that Jesus Christ will FAIL to do what He came to do – “Take AWAY the SIN of the WORLD.” The “saving of ALL mankind” (1 Timothy 4:10) will be accomplished through the Second Resurrection and the Judgment!

11) Do Adventists worship a Dual Deity? Most Christians believe that God is the author of righteous things, and Satan is the author of sinful things. But the Bible says,

“ALL is of God.” Romans 11:36

The First two chapters of Job tell us that Satan can do nothing unless God allows it. So, if God allows it, it must be His WILL!

God has not lost control of His creation. God created Satan to do exactly what he is doing:

“His hand formed the crooked serpent.” Job 26:13

“I created the waster to destroy.” Isa 54:16

“. . . an evil spirit from God.” 1 Samuel 18:10

Satan is not equal to God. Satan can do NOTHING unless God allows it, so, by definition, whatever Satan does is part of God’s Plan of Salvation.

12) How is God going to destroy Satan if “angels don’t die”?

Satan is an angel, admittedly an evil angel, but still an angel. Angels are spirit beings and thus, are not affected by sin, as we human beings are. Our bodies degenerate from a sinful life. We get sick and die. But angels don't have bodies, and therefore angels don't die. Satan and his evil angels are just as strong today as they were thousands of years ago.

And Jesus, Himself, said, "Angels don't die."

"The children of this world marry, and are given in marriage: but they which shall be accounted worthy to obtain that world, and the resurrection from the dead, neither marry, nor are given in marriage:

"neither can they die anymore for they are equal unto the angels."
Luke 20:34-36

So, how will God be able to "destroy" Satan if "angels Don't die" as Jesus said?

The Bible says Satan will be thrown into the "lake of fire" – but we have already established that the "lake of fire" is not literal (because one cannot throw death and the grave into a literal "lake of fire" – Rev 20:21). Again, spiritual fire burns the sin out of one's life.

It's impossible to burn up a spirit being with literal fire. They could just waft away and escape the fire. And, as we have just learn, Jesus said, "Angels don't die."

So, there is only one way to eliminate Satan, and that is for Jesus Christ to "win him back!"

Is Satan beyond the reach of Jesus Christ. God says,

"Behold, I make ALL new." Rev 21:5

"Nothing is impossible with God." Matt 19:26

Which would be more glorious, for God to rise up with ferocious force and destroy Satan, or for God to **win him back**? Obviously, it would be much more glorious for God to win Satan back.

If God is unable to win Satan back, then Satan becomes more powerful than God. Satan's "will" is more powerful than God's "Will." **But that CANNOT be!**

God says that He is

“. . . operating all things according to the counsel of HIS OWN WILL.” Eph 1:11

13) The Investigative Judgment: Adventists believe that the “Great Disappointment” in October of 1844, when those who later became the founders of the Seventh-day Adventist church, was the “right date” but the wrong event. Rather than the Second coming of Christ, which they thought would happen, they now say that the event was Jesus entering into the Most Holy place in heaven to begin the Investigative Judgment, which apparently has been going on now for well over 160 years. According to this doctrine, Jesus has been “opening the books” on the lives of first – those who have died – and now apparently He is judging the living. For years, we used to hear, “Has your name come up yet?”

This naturally would put fear in the heart and mind of all members.

But God knows everything about everyone – at every moment of the day and night. He doesn't have to have an Investigative Judgment to know whether a person's heart is converted.

Furthermore, the SDAs teach that, apparently, there is a physical sanctuary in heaven in which all this is taking place, as though Jesus physically walks from one room to another room in the temple to do this particular work.

Again, God knows the heart and mind of every person at every moment. To suggest that Jesus must go through some type of a ritual in order to know whether one is saved or lost at any moment in time, denigrates the sovereignty of God.

The whole doctrine of the “investigative Judgment” – totally unique to the Seventh-day Adventist denomination, appears more as a face-saving measure for their audacity of setting a specific day for the Second Coming of Christ, something the Bible says we should not – and cannot – do.

“No man knoweth the day nor the hour that the Son of man cometh.” Matt 24:36

14) The Third Angel's Message: A terribly frightening message as commonly read by almost everyone, especially the SDAs, in Rev 14:9-11. It appears to pronounce doom on those who are lost – permanently lost – according to Seventh-day Adventist doctrine.

However, when read through the life of Jesus Christ, which the first words in Rev 1:1 tell us it is, it becomes a wonderful loving promise of Jesus Christ to every person who has ever been born on this earth.

Remembering that the “first” is always physical, and the “second” is always spiritual (1 Cor 15:43-48), here is the way it reads:

“And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

“The same shall drink of the (symbolic) wine of the “wrath of God” (which according to Romans 1:18:22-28, is allowing us to go our own way until we finally reap what we have sown and recognize our need for God to run our life), undiluted, into the cup of his indignation, and he shall be tormented with fire (God’s fiery law and “fiery trials” Paul speaks of in 1 Peter 4:12, that are meant to purify the sin out of our life), and brimstone (divine spiritual fire to do the same), in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb. (Jesus promises us that He will “go through the fiery trials with us. And He will NEVER leave us or forsake us.”)

“And the smoke of their torment (their trials and tribulations), ascendeth up for the eons of the eons (literal translation: a finite period of time – not endlessness – when the person reaps what he has sown, until he recognizes his need for Jesus to run his life), and they have no rest day nor night who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.” Rev 14:9-11

This is again a promise by the Lord that He will NEVER give up on us. The “fire” of God’s law will continue to burn the sin out of the sinner’s life, until **every sinner** is purified and is “offered as an offering in righteousness.” (Malachi 3:3)

How long did the shepherd search for the ONE lost sheep? Until he found it! There was NO cut-off time.

The Third Angel’s message, rather than being a frightening omen of doom and pain, is a wonderful promise of God – that Jesus Christ will go through ALL our fiery trials with us, until they have “burned” all the sin out of our life, and then God will be “ALL in ALL.” 1 Cor 15:28

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