

Seventh Decree: Ye Shall Surely Die

“Keep this commandment without spot, unrebukeable, until the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ: Which in his times he shall shew, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords;

Who only hath immortality, dwelling in the light which no man can approach unto; whom no man hath seen, nor can see: to whom be honour and power everlasting. Halleluyah.” 1 Timothy 6:14-16.

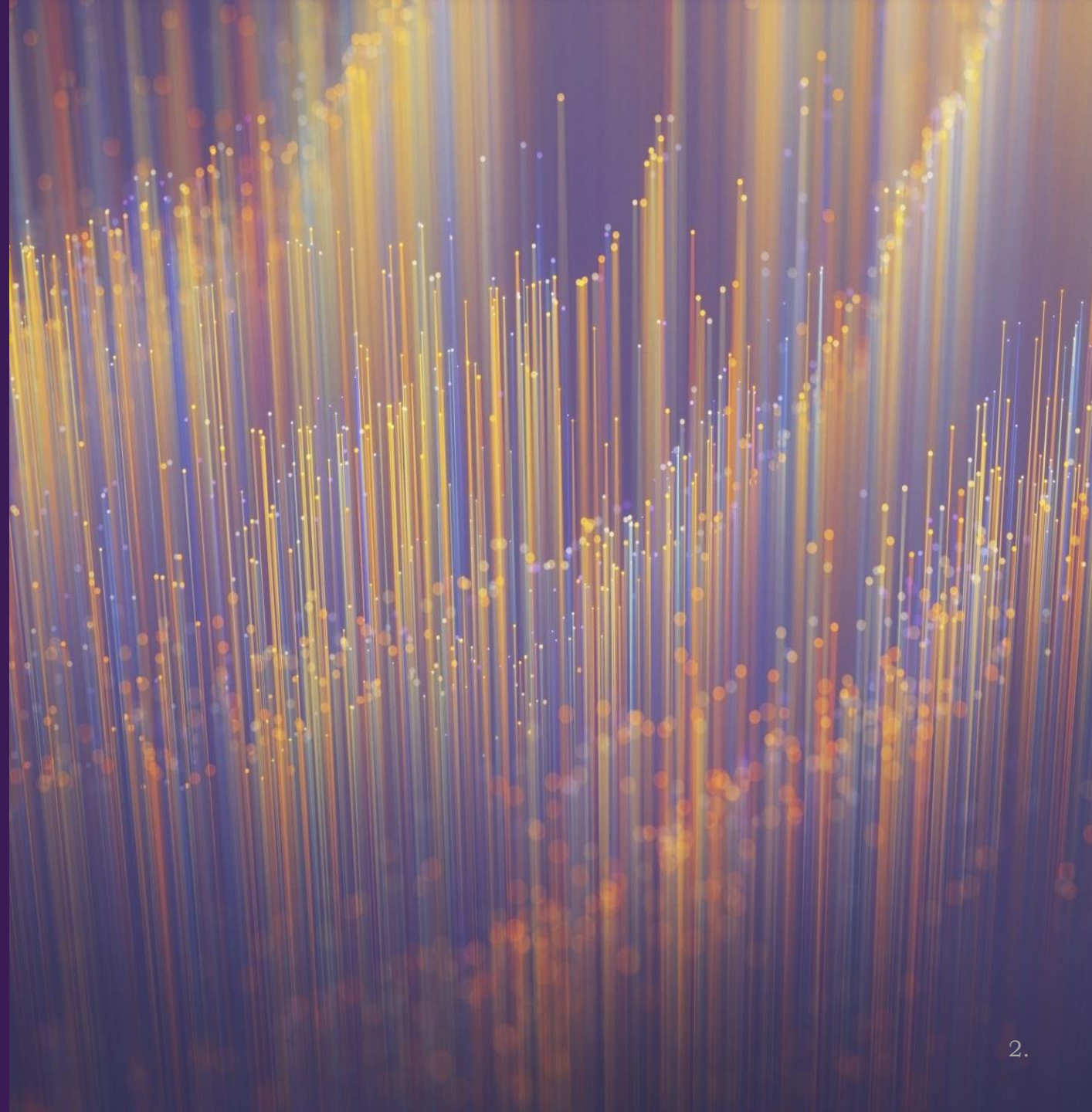
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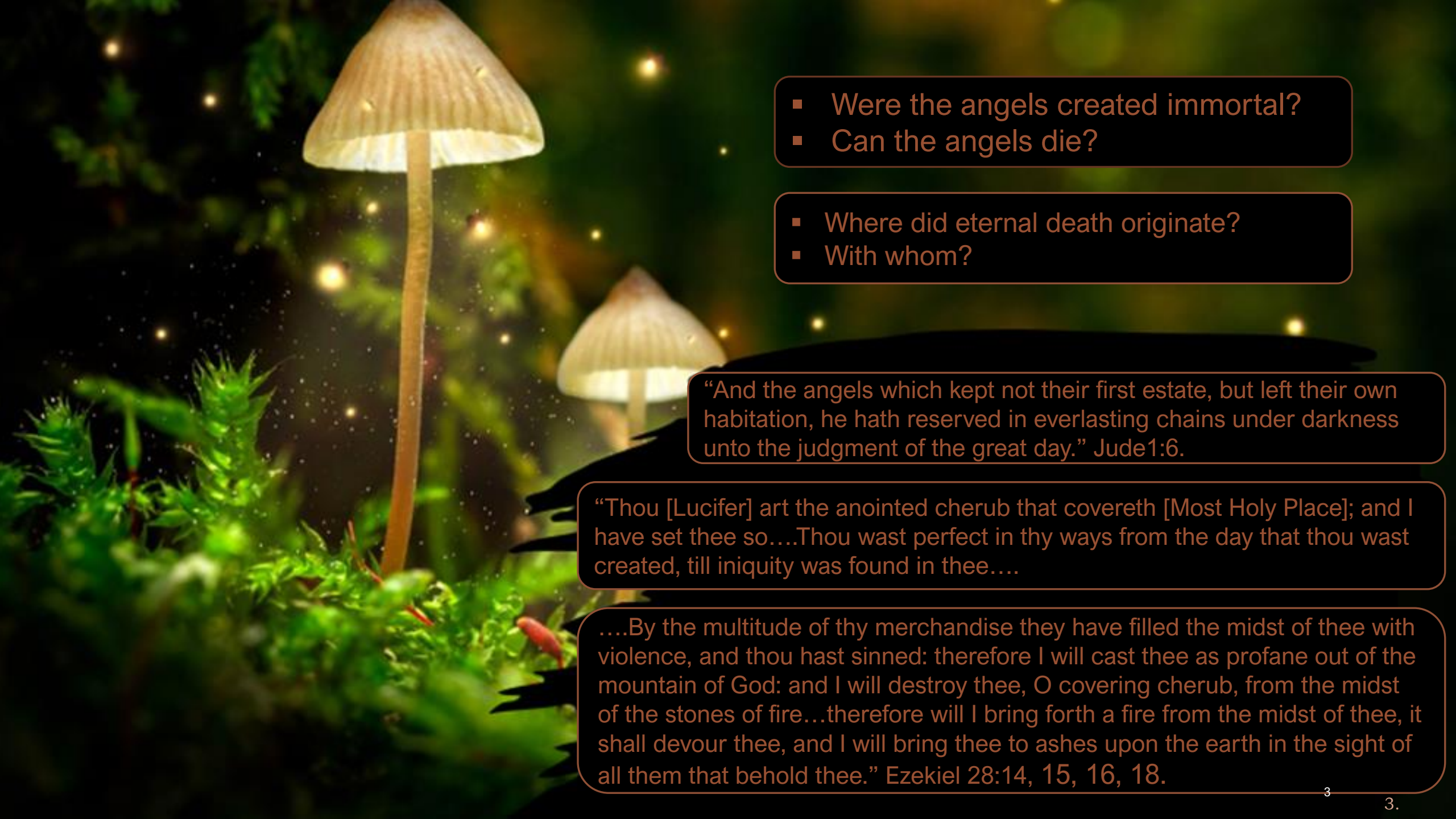
“But he that sinneth against me wrongeth his own soul: all they that hate me love death.”
Proverbs 8:36.

“The soul that sinneth, it shall die.”
Ezekiel 18:20.

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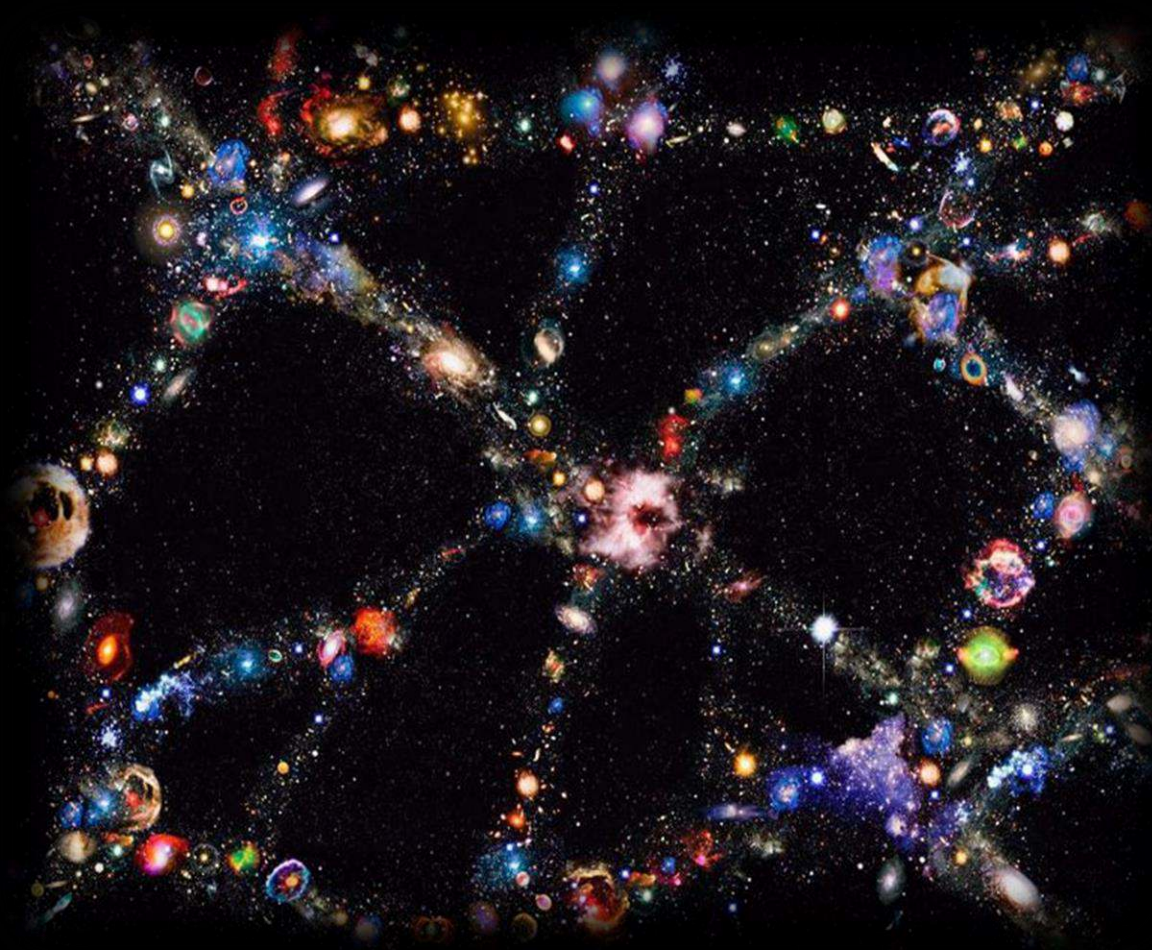
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“And the angels which kept not their first estate, but left their own habitation, he hath reserved in everlasting chains under darkness unto the judgment of the great day.” Jude 1:6.

“Thou [Lucifer] art the anointed cherub that covereth [Most Holy Place]; and I have set thee so....Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee....

....By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire...therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.” Ezekiel 28:14, 15, 16, 18.



- Were the beings of the unfallen worlds created immortal?
- Can they die?

“The Lord has given me a view of other worlds. Wings were given me, and an angel attended me from the city to a place that was bright and glorious. The grass of the place was living green, and the birds there warbled a sweet song. The inhabitants of the place were of all sizes; they were noble, majestic, and lovely. They bore the express image of Jesus, and their countenances beamed with holy joy, expressive of the freedom and happiness of the place. I asked one of them why they were so much more lovely than those on the earth. The reply was, “We have lived in strict obedience to the commandments of God, and have not fallen by disobedience, like those on the earth.”

Then I saw two trees, one looked much like the tree of life in the city. The fruit of both looked beautiful, but of one they could not eat. They had power to eat of both, but were forbidden to eat of one. Then my attending angel said to me, “None in this place have tasted of the forbidden tree; but if they should eat, they would fall. Then I was taken to a world which had seven moons....

...I begged of my attending angel to let me remain in that place. I could not bear the thought of coming back to this dark world again. Then the angel said, “You must go back, and if you are faithful, you, with the 144,000, shall have the privilege of visiting all the worlds and viewing the handiwork of God.”
Early Writings, 39.

“The BOSS, the Largest Structure in the Universe (So Far).

Astronomers recently discovered a **wall of galaxies** 1 billion light years across, larger than anything else yet identified in the cosmos.” The BOSS has an estimated mass 10,000 times greater than our own galaxy, the Milky Way.

The BOSS is named after the **Baryon Oscillation Spectroscopic Survey**—an international effort to map galaxies and quasars in the early universe—and is like cosmic webbing. This wall is made up of 830 separate galaxies that gravity has corralled into four superclusters, connected by massive filaments of hot gas, Joshua Sokol reports for New Scientist. This creates a twisting structure that resembles a cosmic honeycomb.” March, 2016 <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/smart-news/meet-boss-largest-structure-universe-180958378/>

- Who gave the first sermon on immortality?

“The great original lie which he [Satan] told to Eve in Eden, “Ye shall not surely die,” was the first sermon ever preached on the immortality of the soul. That sermon was crowned with success, and terrible results followed. He has brought minds to receive that sermon as truth, and ministers preach it, sing it, and pray it.”

1 Testimonies to the Church, 342.



“Ye shall not surely die.” Genesis 3:1

- Were Adam and Eve created immortal?

“The warning given to our first parents—“In the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die” Genesis 2:17 —did not imply that they were to die on the very day when they partook of the forbidden fruit. But on that day the irrevocable sentence would be pronounced. **Immortality was promised them on condition of obedience**; by transgression they would forfeit eternal life. That very day they would be doomed to death.

In order to possess an endless existence, man must continue to partake of the tree of life. Deprived of this, his vitality would gradually diminish until life should become extinct. It was Satan’s plan that Adam and Eve should by disobedience incur God’s displeasure; and then, if they failed to obtain forgiveness, he hoped that they would eat of the tree of life, and thus perpetuate an existence of sin and misery.

But after man’s fall, holy angels were immediately commissioned to guard the tree of life. Around these angels flashed beams of light having the appearance of a glittering sword. None of the family of Adam were permitted to pass the barrier to partake of the life-giving fruit; hence there is not an immortal sinner.”

Patriarchs and Prophets, 60.

■ The Immortality Question

“One day I listened to a conversation between my mother and a sister, in reference to a discourse which they had recently heard, to the effect that the soul had not natural immortality. Some of the minister’s proof texts were repeated. Among them I remember these impressed me very forcibly: “The soul that sinneth, it shall die.” Ezekiel 18:4. “The living know that they shall die: but the dead know not anything.” Ecclesiastes 9:5. “Which in His times He shall show, who is the blessed and only Potentate, the King of kings, and Lord of lords; who only hath immortality.” 1 Timothy 6:15, 16. “To them who by patient continuance in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life.” Romans 2:7.

“Why,” said my mother, after quoting the foregoing passage, “should they seek for what they already have?”

I listened to these new ideas with an intense and painful interest. When alone with my mother, I inquired if she really believed that the soul was not immortal. Her reply was, that she feared we had been in error on that subject, as well as upon some others.

“But, mother,” said I, “do you really believe that the soul sleeps in the grave until the resurrection? Do you think that the Christian, when he dies, does not go immediately to heaven, nor the sinner to hell?” She answered: “The Bible gives us no proof that there is an eternally burning hell. If there is such a place, it should be mentioned in the Sacred Book.”

“Why, mother!” cried I, in astonishment, “this is strange talk for you! If you believe this strange theory, do not let anyone know of it; for I fear that sinners would gather security from this belief, and never desire to seek the Lord.”

“If this is sound Bible truth,” she replied, “instead of preventing the salvation of sinners, it will be the means of winning them to Christ. If the love of God will not induce the rebel to yield, the terrors of an eternal hell will not drive him to repentance. Besides, it does not seem a proper way to win souls to Jesus by appealing to one of the lowest attributes of the mind,—abject fear. The love of Jesus attracts; it will subdue the hardest heart.”

It was some months after this conversation before I heard anything further concerning this doctrine; but during this time my mind had been much exercised upon the subject. When I heard it preached, I believed it to be the truth. From the time that light in regard to the sleep of the dead dawned upon my mind, the mystery that had enshrouded the resurrection vanished, and the great event itself assumed a new and sublime importance.”

Christian Experience and Teachings of Mrs. Ellen G. White, 39-41, 1851.

- Are babies born immortal?

Answer: No

Paul clarifies this question:

“Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned.

But where sin abounded, grace did much more abound: That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.” Romans 5:12, 20, 21.

- Does Limbo exist?

“The netherworld of limbo, long speculated in Roman Catholic teaching as the destination of babies who die unbaptized, has been replaced with the “prayerful hope” that they reach heaven.

Pope Benedict XVI signed a theological report, years in the making, that effectively demoted limbo, a place neither in heaven nor in hell, where unbaptized babies would not be in communion with God but would nonetheless enjoy eternal happiness. Many in the church felt the idea, never formally a part of church doctrine, was outdated and caused undue worry for parents.” RCC - Pope Benedict, 2007 – 04 - 21

<https://www.nytimes.com/2007/04/21/world/europe/21briefs-limbo.html>

- Thus saith the LORD

“The living know that they shall die: but the dead know not anything.” Ecclesiastes 9:5. The soul sleeps in the grave until the resurrection.



- Does Purgatory exist?

- Pagan, Greek Philosophers, RCC Opinions

“The idea of purgatory has roots that date back into antiquity. A sort of proto-purgatory called the "celestial Hades" appears in the writings of Plato and Heraclides Ponticus and in many other pagan writers. This concept is distinguished from the Hades of the underworld described in the works of Homer and Hesiod. In contrast, the celestial Hades was understood as an intermediary place where souls spent an undetermined time after death before either moving on to a higher level of existence or being reincarnated back on earth.

Its exact location varied from author to author. Heraclides of Pontus thought it was in the Milky Way; the Academicians, the Stoics, Cicero, Virgil, Plutarch, the Hermetical writings situated it between the Moon and the Earth or around the Moon; while Numenius and the Latin Neoplatonists thought it was located between the sphere of the fixed stars and the Earth.

In Maccabees, we find the practice of prayer for the dead with a view to their after life purification a practice accepted by some Christians. The same practice appears in other traditions, such as the medieval Chinese Buddhist practice of making offerings on behalf of the dead, who are said to suffer numerous trials. Among other reasons, Catholic teaching of purgatory is based on the pre-Christian practice of prayers for the dead.”

https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/History_of_purgatory#:~:text=Roman%20Catholic%20Christians%20who%20believe,interim%20state%20for%20the%20dead

■ Does Purgatory exist?

“The advancing centuries witnessed a constant increase of error in the doctrines put forth from Rome. Even before the establishment of the papacy, the teachings of heathen philosophers had received attention and exerted an influence in the church. Many who professed conversion still clung to the tenets of their pagan philosophy, and not only continued its study themselves, but urged it upon others as a means of extending their influence among the heathen.

Thus were serious errors introduced into the Christian faith. Prominent among these was the belief in man’s natural immortality and his consciousness in death. This doctrine laid the foundation upon which Rome established the invocation of saints and the adoration of the virgin Mary. From this sprung also the heresy of eternal torment for the finally impenitent, which was early incorporated into the papal faith.

Then the way was prepared for the introduction of still another invention of paganism, which Rome named purgatory, and employed to terrify the credulous and superstitious multitudes.

■ Pagan Rome and Papal Rome say: Yes

By this heresy is affirmed the existence of a place of torment, in which the souls of such as have not merited eternal damnation are to suffer punishment for their sins, and from which, when freed from impurity, they are admitted to Heaven.

Still another fabrication was needed to enable Rome to profit by the fears and the vices of her adherents. This was supplied by the doctrine of indulgences. Full remission of sins, past, present, and future, and release from all the pains and penalties incurred, were promised to all who would enlist in the pontiff’s wars to extend his temporal dominion, to punish his enemies, or to exterminate those who dared deny his spiritual supremacy.

The people were also taught that by the payment of money to the church they might free themselves from sin, and also release the souls of their deceased friends who were confined in the tormenting flames. By such means did Rome fill her coffers, and sustain the magnificence, luxury, and vice of the pretended representatives of Him who had not where to lay his head.” 4SOP, 62

- Does Purgatory exist?

- The Creator says: No – Luther and Protestantism – 1517

— Tetzel [the papal emissary] assured his hearers that the indulgences had power to save not only the living but the dead; that the very moment the money should clink against the bottom of his chest, the soul in whose behalf it had been paid would escape from purgatory and make its way to Heaven.

The doctrine of indulgences had been opposed by men of learning and piety in the Romish Church, and there were many who had no faith in pretensions so contrary to both reason and revelation. No prelate dared lift his voice against this iniquitous traffic, but the minds of men were becoming disturbed and uneasy, and many eagerly inquired if God would not work through some instrumentality for the purification of his church.

Luther, though still a papist of the strictest sort, was filled with horror at the blasphemous assumptions of the indulgence-mongers. Many of his own congregation had purchased certificates of pardon, and they soon began to come to their pastor, confessing their various sins, and expecting absolution, not because they were penitent and wished to reform, but on the ground of the indulgence. Luther refused them absolution and warned them that unless they should repent and reform their lives, they must perish in their sins....Luther now entered boldly upon his work as a champion of the truth.”

The Great Controversy, 128, 129, 1888.

- The Creator never changes!
- Time to be a Martin Luther!

- Does Purgatory exist?

- The pope says: Yes.

- Roman Catholic Church – October 23, 2020

— Vatican extends time to obtain full indulgences for souls in purgatory

ROME — Plenary or full indulgences traditionally obtained during the first week of November for the souls of the faithful in purgatory can now be gained throughout the entire month of November, the Vatican said.

Traditionally, the faithful could receive a full indulgence each day from Nov. 1 to Nov. 8 when they visited a cemetery to pray for the departed and fulfilled other conditions, and, in particular, when they went to a church or an oratory to pray Nov. 2, All Souls' Day.

The Vatican decided to extend the time one can receive a full indulgence to include the whole month of November”

Carol Glatz, Oct 23, 2020 – Catholic News Service

- Should we pray to and for the dead?
 - Do the dead speak to us?
- Thus saith the LORD: “The dead know not anything.”
Ecclesiastes 9:5.



▪ Modern Spiritualism

“The ministration of holy angels, as presented in the Scriptures, is a truth most comforting and precious to every follower of Christ. But the Bible teaching upon this point has been obscured and perverted by the errors of popular theology. The doctrine of natural immortality, first borrowed from the pagan philosophy, and in the darkness of the great apostasy incorporated into the Christian faith, has supplanted the truth, so plainly taught in Scripture, that “the dead know not anything.”

Multitudes have come to believe that it is the spirits of the dead who are the “ministering spirits sent forth to minister for them who shall be heirs of salvation.” And this notwithstanding the testimony of Scripture to the existence of heavenly angels, and their connection with the history of man, before the death of a human being.

The doctrine of man’s consciousness in death, especially the belief that the spirits of the dead return to minister to the living, has prepared the way for modern Spiritualism.

▪ Man’s Consciousness in Death

If the dead are admitted to the presence of God and holy angels, and privileged with knowledge far exceeding what they before possessed, why should they not return to the earth to enlighten and instruct the living? If, as taught by popular theologians, the spirits of the dead are hovering about their friends on earth, why should they not be permitted to communicate with them, to warn them against evil, or to comfort them in sorrow?

How can those who believe in man’s consciousness in death reject what comes to them as divine light communicated by glorified spirits? Here is a channel regarded as sacred, through which Satan works for the accomplishment of his purposes. The fallen angels who do his bidding appear as messengers from the spirit world. While professing to bring the living into communication with the dead, the prince of evil exercises his bewitching influence upon their minds....”

The Great Controversy,
Chapter 34, 551, Spiritualism.

▪ Modern Spiritualism

...He has power to bring before men the appearance of their departed friends. The counterfeit is perfect; the familiar look, the words, the tone, are reproduced with marvelous distinctness. Many are comforted with the assurance that their loved ones are enjoying the bliss of Heaven; and without suspicion of danger, they give ear to “seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils.”

When they have been led to believe that the dead actually return to communicate with them, Satan causes those to appear who went into the grave unprepared. They claim to be happy in Heaven, and even to occupy exalted positions there; and thus the error is widely taught, that no difference is made between the righteous and the wicked. The pretended visitants from the world of spirits sometimes utter cautions and warnings which prove to be correct. Then, as confidence is gained, they present doctrines that directly undermine faith in the Scriptures.

▪ Appearance of Departed Dead

With an appearance of deep interest in the well-being of their friends on earth, they insinuate the most dangerous errors. The fact that they state some truths, and are able at times to foretell future events, gives to their statements an appearance of reliability; and their false teachings are accepted by the multitudes as readily, and believed as implicitly, as if they were the most sacred truths of the Bible.

The law of God is set aside, the Spirit of grace despised, the blood of the covenant counted an unholy thing. The spirits deny the divinity of Christ, and place even the Creator on a level with themselves. Thus under a new disguise the great rebel still carries forward his warfare against God, begun in Heaven, and for nearly six thousand years continued upon the earth....Ibid., 552.

Thus Saith the LORD:

“It is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment.” Hebrews 9:27



....Many endeavor to account for spiritual manifestations by attributing them wholly to fraud and sleight of hand on the part of the medium. But while it is true that the results of trickery have often been palmed off as genuine manifestations, there have been, also, marked exhibitions of supernatural power.

The mysterious rapping with which modern Spiritualism began was not the result of human trickery or cunning, but was the direct work of evil angels, who thus introduced one of the most successful of soul-destroying delusions. Many will be ensnared through the belief that Spiritualism is a merely human imposture; when brought face to face with manifestations which they cannot but regard as supernatural, they will be deceived, and will be led to accept them as the great power of God....Ibid., 553.

Modern Spiritualism – Work of Evil Angels

▪ Modern Spiritualism

....These persons overlook the testimony of the Scriptures concerning the wonders wrought by Satan and his agents. It was by Satanic aid that Pharaoh's magicians were enabled to counterfeit the work of God. Paul testifies that before the second advent of Christ there will be similar manifestations of Satanic power. The coming of the Lord is to be preceded by "the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness." [2 Thessalonians 2:9, 10.]

And the apostle John, describing the miracle-working power that will be manifested in the last days, declares: "He doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do." [Revelation 13:13, 14.]

No mere impostures are here foretold. Men are deceived by the miracles which Satan's agents have power to do, not which they pretend to do. The prince of darkness, who has so long bent the powers of his master-mind to the work of deception, skillfully adapts his temptations to men of all classes and conditions.

▪ Counterfeit Miracles

....The wisdom which Spiritualism imparts is that described by the apostle James, which "descendeth not from above, but is earthly, sensual, devilish." [James 3:15.] This, however, the great deceiver conceals, when concealment will best suit his purpose.

He who could appear clothed with the brightness of the heavenly seraphs before Christ in the wilderness of temptation, comes to men in the most attractive manner, as an angel of light. He appeals to the reason by the presentation of elevating themes, he delights the fancy with enrapturing scenes, and he enlists the affections by his eloquent portrayals of love and charity.

He excites the imagination to lofty flights, leading men to take so great pride in their own wisdom that in their hearts they despise the Eternal One. That mighty being who could take the world's Redeemer to an exceedingly high mountain, and bring before him all the kingdoms of the earth and the glory of them, will present his temptations to men in a manner to pervert the senses of all who are not shielded by divine power." Ibid., 553.

▪ Witchcraft – Familiar Spirits – Ventriloquism

.... But none need be deceived by the lying claims of Spiritualism. God has given the world sufficient light to enable them to discover the snare. As already shown, the theory which forms the very foundation of Spiritualism is at war with the plainest statements of Scripture. The Bible declares that the dead know not anything, that their thoughts have perished; they have no part in anything that is done under the sun; they know nothing of the joys or sorrows of those who were dearest to them on earth.

Furthermore, God has expressly forbidden all pretended communication with departed spirits. In the days of the Hebrews there was a class of people who claimed, as do the Spiritualists of today, to hold communication with the dead.

But the “familiar spirits,” as these visitants from other worlds were called, are declared by the Bible to be the “spirits of devils.” [Compare Numbers 25:1-3; Psalm 106:28; 1 Corinthians 10:20; Revelation 16:14.] The work of dealing with familiar spirits was pronounced an abomination to the Lord, and was solemnly forbidden under penalty of death. [Leviticus 19:31; 20:27.]

- Not beings from outer space – They are inter-dimensional beings – Angels who became demons through disobedience.

▪ Illuminati – Freemasons – Bohemian Grove

The very name of witchcraft is now held in contempt. The claim that men can hold intercourse with evil spirits is regarded as a fable of the Dark Ages. But Spiritualism, which numbers its converts by hundreds of thousands, yea, by millions, which has made its way into scientific circles, which has invaded churches, and has found favor in legislative bodies, and even in the courts of kings—this mammoth deception is but a revival, in a new disguise, of the witchcraft condemned and prohibited of old....

The apostles, as personated by these lying spirits, are made to contradict what they wrote at the dictation of the Holy Spirit when on earth. They deny the divine origin of the Bible, and thus tear away the foundation of the Christian’s hope, and put out the light that reveals the way to Heaven.

Satan is making the world believe that the Bible is a mere fiction, or at least a book suited to the infancy of the race, but now to be lightly regarded, or cast aside as obsolete. And to take the place of the Word of God he holds out spiritual manifestations. Here is a channel wholly under his control; by this means he can make the world believe what he will.” Ibid., 556, 557.

Witchcraft – Familiar Spirits – Ventriloquism

Archives of Nethys

School [illusion \(figment\)](#); **Level** arcanist 1, bard 1, medium 1, mesmerist 1, psychic 1, redmantisassassin 1, skald 1, sorcerer 1, spiritualist 1, summoner 1, summoner (unchained) 1, wizard 1



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- Spell requires a requisite religion or race. If religion, spellcaster must worship the listed deity to utilize the spell. If race, the spell might only target members of the listed race (the spell will say this if it does), but often are just the race's guarded secrets. Members of other races can learn to cast them with GM permission.
- In order to prepare any of these spells, the caster must spend an hour performing a ritual in which he beseeches Torag (or a member of his family) for the aid of one of his divine family members. For 24 hours after the ritual, the caster may prepare spells of the requested deity. The caster may only attune himself to one additional deity at a time.

DESCRIPTION VENTRILOQUISM OCCULT RITUALS

You can make your voice (or any sound that you can normally make vocally) seem to issue from someplace else. You can speak in any language you know. With respect to such voices and sounds, anyone hears the sound and recognizes it as illusory (but still hears it). - **Spell Resistance:** none

<https://aonprd.com/SpellDisplay.aspx?ItemName=Ventriloquism>

SDA Invites Ventriloquist – Pathfinders 2019

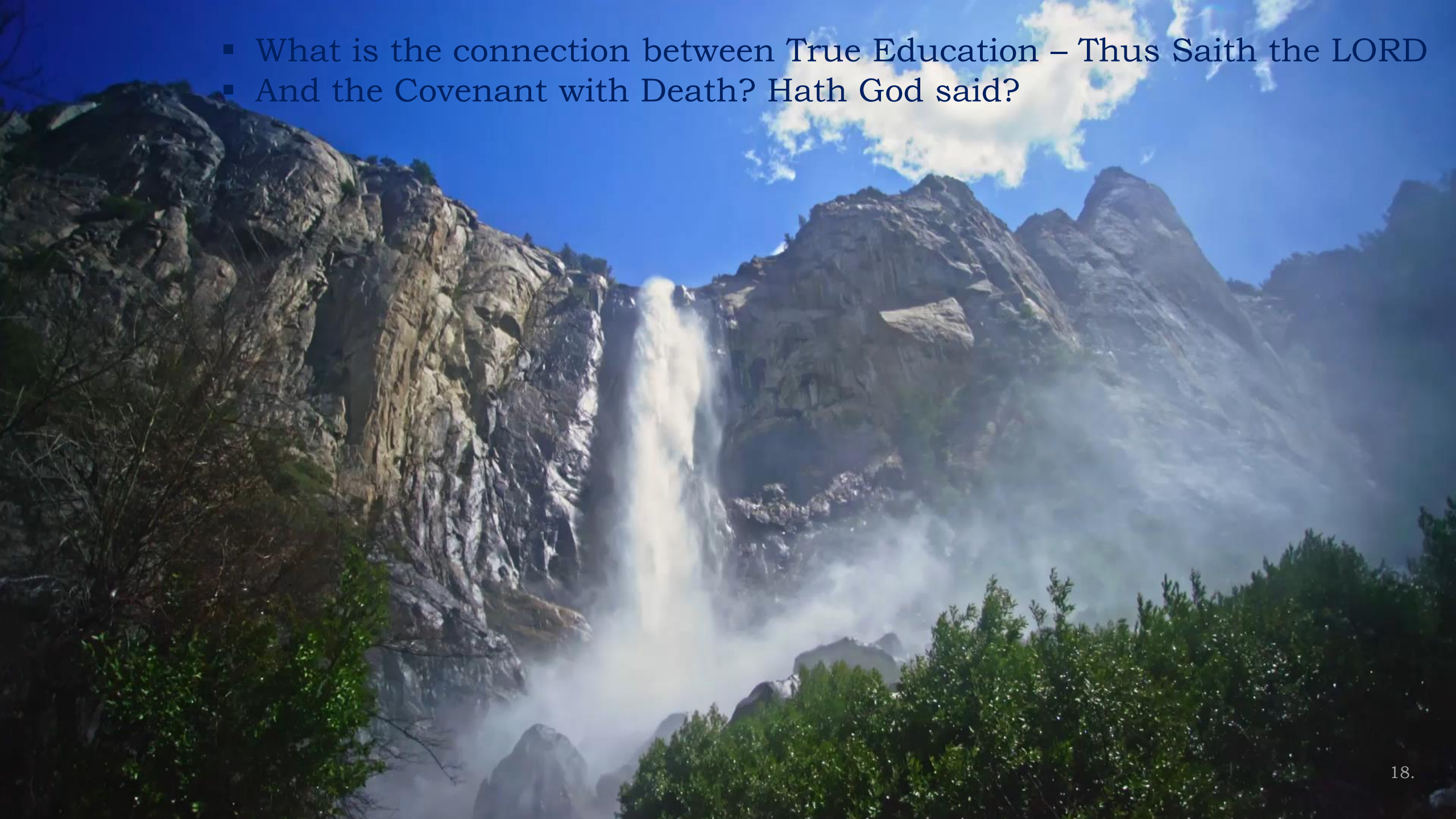


“During the opening evening program of the 2019 Oshkosh camporee, hosts Bree (left) and Chelsea interact with Ryan Bomgardner, Christian ventriloquist, and Lilly, his puppet, on the Chosen stage.”

<https://www.nadadventist.org/news/chosen-oshkosh-essay-photos>
- in front of 55, 000 Pathfinders
- 2019

- “And he made his son pass through the fire, and observed times, and used enchantments, and dealt with familiar spirits and wizards: he wrought much wickedness in the sight of the LORD, to provoke him to anger..” 2 Kings 21:6
- **Margin** – Pass through the fire: **Molech** – Familiar Spirits and Wizards: **Ventriloquist** – Observed Times: **Astrology**.
- “Now the **serpent** was more subtil than any beast of the field which the LORD God had made. And he said [**spoke**] unto the woman....And the **woman** said [**spoke**] unto the **serpent**.” Genesis 3:1,2.

- What is the connection between True Education – Thus Saith the LORD
- And the Covenant with Death? Hath God said?



■ What is the connection between True Education

“For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell, to the sides of the pit.” Isaiah 14:12-15.

“Satan has long been preparing for his final effort to deceive the world. The foundation of his work was laid by the assurance given to Eve in Eden, “**Ye shall not surely die.**” “In the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as **gods**, knowing good and evil.” [Genesis 3:4, 5.]

Little by little he has prepared the way for his master-piece of deception in the development of Spiritualism. He has not yet reached the full accomplishment of his designs; but it will be reached in the last remnant of time.

■ And the Covenant with Death?

Says the prophet: “I saw **three unclean spirits like frogs**; ... they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.” [Revelation 16:13, 14.]

Except those who are kept by the power of God, through faith in his Word, the whole world will be **swept** into the ranks of this **delusion**. The people are fast being lulled to a fatal security, to be awakened only by the **outpouring of the wrath of God**.

Saith the Lord God: “**Judgment** also will I lay to the line, and **righteousness** to the plummet; and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of **lies**, and the waters shall overflow the hiding-place. And your **covenant with death shall be disannulled**, and your **agreement with hell shall not stand**; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, then ye shall be trodden down by it.” [Isaiah 28:17, 18.]” Ibid., 561, 562.

■ What is the connection between True Education

“Woe to the **crown of pride**, to the **drunkards of Ephraim**, whose glorious beauty is a fading flower, which are on the head of the fat valleys of them that are overcome with **wine**! Behold, the Lord hath a mighty and strong one, which as a tempest of hail and a destroying storm, as a flood of mighty waters overflowing, shall cast down to the earth with the hand.

“Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone.” Hosea 4:17 – **false gods** – lost his **birthright** – **civil government** – pride – **false doctrines** destroyed him forever

The **crown of pride**, the **drunkards of Ephraim**, shall be trodden under feet: And the glorious beauty, which is on the head of the fat valley, shall be a fading flower, and as the hasty fruit before the summer; which when he that looketh upon it seeth, while it is yet in his hand he eateth it up.

In that day [of false gods] shall the LORD of hosts be for a **crown of glory**, and for a **diadem of beauty**, unto the **residue of his people**, And for a spirit of **judgment** to him that **sitteth in judgment**, [Daniel 7:10] and for strength to them that turn the battle to the gate.

Glory – God’s Character – Part of Birthright – Most Holy Place Experience under **Judgment Hour** – Residue are the 144000 – **Living Saints** Vindicate the Father

■ And the Covenant with Death?

But they also have erred through **wine**, and through **strong drink** are out of the way; the **priest and the prophet** have erred through **strong drink**, they are swallowed up of **wine**, they are out of the way through **strong drink**; they **err in vision**, they **stumble in judgment**. For all tables are full of **vomit and filthiness**, so that there is no place clean.

Priest and Prophet – Religious **Leadership** – **drunk with false doctrines of Babylon** – **sold their souls to Lucifer their god** – made a **covenant with eternal death**

Whom shall he teach **knowledge**? and whom shall he make to understand doctrine? them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts. For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.” Isaiah 28:1-11.

Contrast between **True Education** and God’s people in the Most Holy Place and the Civil Governments, **Protestant and SDA churches and leadership** trusting the false gods of United Nations – Rome – Saturn-day – Sun-day Calendar – Compact Education – Climate Agreement – Mark of the Beast – Laudato Si’ – Counting on the false gods of Egypt to save them from the wrath of the Living God as Pharaoh and Israel did. Amazing connection shown between True Education and Covenant of Death with Lucifer in Isaiah 28.

■ What is the connection between True Education

“To whom he said, This is the rest wherewith ye may cause the weary to **rest**; and this is the refreshing: yet they would not hear. But the word of the LORD was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little; that they might go, and **fall backward**, and **be broken**, and **snared**, and **taken**.

Wherefore hear the word of the LORD, ye **scornful men**, that **rule this people** which is **in Jerusalem**.

Because ye have said, We have made a **covenant with death**, and **with hell are we at agreement**; when the overflowing scourge shall pass through, it shall not come unto us: for we have made **lies our refuge**, and under **falsehood** have we hid ourselves:

True Education is the test which identifies the Creator's followers and those who are to be destroyed – the leadership and church members who believe a lie and follow false gods made up by Lucifer. Who refuse the true Rest of submission and obedience to the Law of the Creator and His Calendar!

Amazing connection shown between **True Education and the Covenant of Death with Lucifer the author of sin and eternal death** in Isaiah 28.

■ And the Covenant with Death?

Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a **foundation a stone**, a **tried stone**, a precious **corner stone**, a **sure foundation**: he that believeth shall not make haste. **Judgment** also will I lay to the line, and **righteousness** to the plummet: and the hail shall sweep away the refuge of lies, and the waters shall overflow the hiding place. And your **covenant with death shall be disannulled**, and your **agreement with hell shall not stand**; when the **overflowing scourge** shall pass through, then ye shall be **trodden down by it**.

From the time that it goeth forth it shall take you: for morning by morning shall it pass over, by day and by night: and it shall be a **vexation** only to understand the report. For the **bed** is **shorter** than that a man can stretch himself on it: and the **covering narrower** than that he **can wrap** himself in it.” Isaiah 28:12-20.

Christ the **Cornerstone** is performing the Judgment of the Living in the MHP while floods and tempests are coming upon the earth. [Daniel 2:43-44] It is too late for the apostate churches who followed Rome. Their covenant with death – Lucifer will not save them. Their **false gods come short of their promises**.

Too late they realize **Lucifer is powerless to save** them against God's wrath. Lucifer himself and his fallen angels are **without covering** under the overflowing scourge and shall be trodden down by it.

■ What is the connection between True Education

For the LORD shall rise up as in mount Perazim [**possessor of Breaches**], he shall **be wroth** as in the valley of Gibeon [**cup, thing lifted up**], that he may do his work, his **strange work**; and bring to pass his act, his **strange act**.

Now therefore be ye not mockers, lest your bands be made strong: for I have heard from the Lord GOD of hosts a **consumption** [depletion – destruction], even **determined upon the whole earth**. Give ye ear, and hear my voice; hearken, and hear my speech. Doth the plowman plow all day to sow? doth he open and break the clods of his ground?

When he hath made plain the face thereof, doth he not cast abroad the fitches, and scatter the cummin, and cast in the principal **wheat** and the **appointed barley** and **the rie** in their place?

The strange work and act of the LORD are a **direct consequence** of the wrong choice of the wicked churches and leadership who have gone after the **false gods of Egypt**, Babylon, **Pagan and Papal Rome**. As in the time of Noah, Pharaoh, Sodom, Gomorrah!

“The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.” Jeremiah 8:20 will be the cry of the people who once knew the Creator. But it is now too late! A direct mention is made of the WHEAT – Great multitude – BARLEY – 144000 and the **Appointed Barley** – Biblical Calendar which identifies the True God – the **Creator of heaven and earth!** Exodus 9:31, 32; Revelation 14:13-20; Revelation 7:1-17.

■ And the Covenant with Death?

For his God doth **instruct** him to discretion, and doth **teach** him. For the fitches are not threshed with a threshing instrument, neither is a cart wheel turned about upon the cummin; but the fitches are beaten out with a staff, and the cummin with a rod. Bread corn [barley] is bruised; because he will not ever be threshing it, nor break it with the wheel of his cart, nor bruise it with his horsemen.

This also cometh forth from the LORD of hosts, which is wonderful in counsel, and excellent in working.” Isaiah 28:21-29

Isaiah Chapter 28 is a delineation of events for these last days! It describes without a doubt the last great conflict between the True Education Principles based on a **Thus Saith the LORD** and the falsehoods and false gods invented by Lucifer and his wicked spirit of unbelief questioning impudently – **Hath God said?**

The right and wrong methods of **agriculture** are used to demonstrate True and False Education and should serve as an object lesson to all those who face daily choices which have become a matter of life or death at this time of earth’s history! **Thus saith the LORD** who is wonderful in counsel and excellent in working!

Seventh Decree: Ye Shall Surely Die

“But if thine heart turn away, so that thou wilt not hear, but shalt be drawn away, and worship other gods, and serve them; I denounce unto you this day, that ye shall surely perish, and that ye shall not prolong your days upon the land, whither thou passest over Jordan to go to possess it.

I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live: That thou mayest love the LORD thy God, and that thou mayest obey his voice, and that thou mayest cleave unto him: for he is thy life, and the length of thy days: that thou mayest dwell in the land which the LORD sware unto thy fathers, to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob, to give them.

I call heaven and earth to record this day against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing: therefore choose life, that both thou and thy seed may live.” Deuteronomy 30:17-20.

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