





The Door Is Open
The Heavenly Sanctuary:
Open For Business



Do You Believe?

• We have the privilege this morning of looking through the open door in heaven in Rev. 4:1 with John. Are you interested in what Jesus is doing in the heavenly sanctuary for you? Do you have confidence that the "work which Jesus began in you, He will complete it by the Second Coming?" (Phil. 1:6) Do you believe Jesus has the grace to make you an overcomer?



Sanctuary in Heaven The Nerve Center

 The sanctuary in heaven is the very center of Christ's work in behalf of men. It concerns every soul living upon the earth. It opens to view the plan of redemption, bringing us down to the very close of time, and revealing the triumphant issue of the contest between righteousness and sin. It is of the utmost importance that all should thoroughly investigate these subjects, and be able to give to everyone that asketh them a reason for the hope that is in them. {RH, November 9, 1905 par. 11}



Is the Sanctuary Important?

- Exodus 25:1, 8. And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,...and let them make me a sanctuary that I may dwell among them."
- **Hebrews 8:1-2** Now of the things which we have spoken *this is* the sum: We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; ² A minister of the sanctuary, and of the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.
- Psalm 77:13 ¹³ Thy way, O God, is in the sanctuary: who is so great a God as our God?



Is the Sanctuary Important?

- Leviticus 26:1-2 Ye shall make you no idols nor graven image, neither rear you up a standing image, neither shall ye set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God. ² Ye shall keep my Sabbaths, and reverence my sanctuary: I am the LORD.
- Psalm 20:1, 2 the LORD hear thee in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend thee;
 ²Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of Zion.



 John views our High Priest and King, Jesus, take the scroll in chapter five, (5:7) sit down on the "sides of the north," the place of the table of shewbread, at the

right hand of the Father, and begin

his work for humankind in AD 31.

WHAT APARTMENT?





 John views this victorious and glorified Jesus in chapter 1, who has the wisdom, grace, and power through His Word, to make His people overcomers in this life and for eternity. He supplies every grace for

every need they will ever

have.

WHAT APARTMENT?





- He views this angel in chapter 8:3-5, which is Jesus, take the censor and begin his mediatorial work for humankind in the Holy Place at Pentecost AD 31.
- WHAT APARTMENT?





 He sees Jesus come down to earth, at the end of the 2300 year prophecy, announcing to the Old World and the New World that there is no more prophetic

time. (10:6)





- John hears a voice from heaven
- telling him to take the book of
- Daniel's prophecies and
- "eat them."
- Digest them and preach them.
- (10:8-10)





John is told by the angel (the same angel in chapter 10; Jesus) "...measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. (Rev 11:1) They are to measure with the Rod, the copper altar; the sacrifice of Christ, and the sanctuary; the ministry of Christ. The Rod of God, which is Jesus, begins his final judgment of those who have claimed His merits in the forgiveness of their sins.













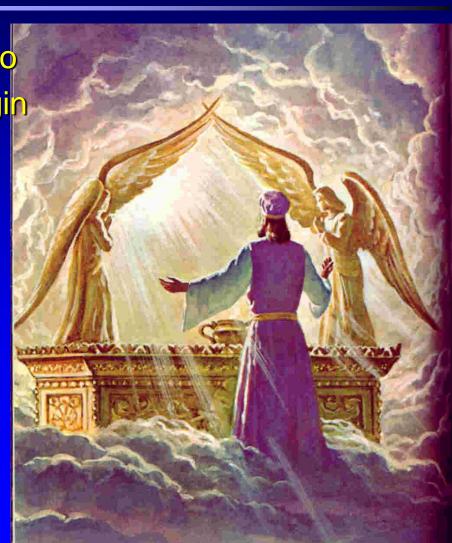


Measure The Temple, The Copper Altar, & The Worshippers





- Jesus follows His Father into
- The Most Holy Place to begin
- His ministry of judging who
- Is safe to save.
- WHAT APARTMENT?

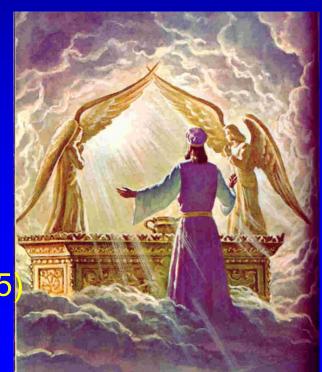




 This is the subject of this lecture. However, the point we are making is that Jesus is everywhere in the book of Revelation. Nothing was created without

Him! No one is saved without Him!

- No one is transformed without Him!
- No one will be taken to heaven
- without Him! No one will live in
- heaven without Him! I say,
- Hallelujah!! Jesus "...ever lives to
- make intercession for us." (Heb. 7:25)





Revelation Reveals Jesus as:

The Great Covenant-Maker Ch. 1-3



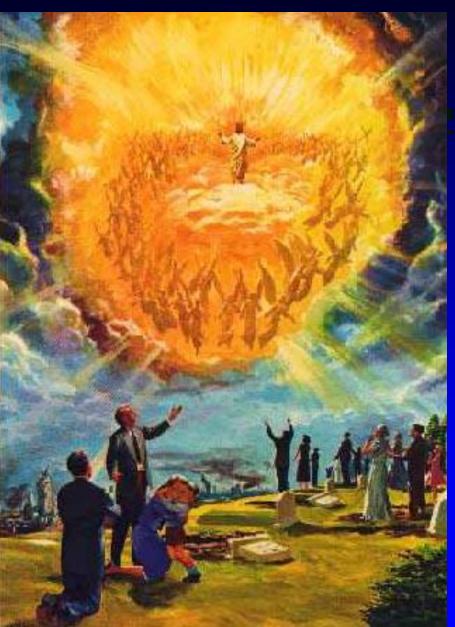
Revelation Reveals Jesus as:

The Great Covenant-Ratifier Ch. 4-14





The Great
Covenant-Consummator
Ch. 15-22

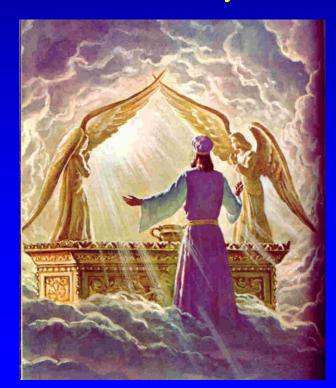




"And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write;
 These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; 8 I know thy

works: behold, I have set before thee

- an open door, and no man can shut it:
- for thou hast a little strength, and hast
- kept my word, and hast not denied my
- name. Revelation 3:7-8.





- The timing is right. The church time period of Philadelphia is 1833-1844. They preach the 1st and 2nd angel's message and are privileged to see through the door Jesus has opened and see the
- ark of the testament and the work
- Jesus is about to do in the
- Most Holy Place.





 Thank God today that there is an open door which Satan and his agents may seek in vain to close. The arm of Almighty Power has opened this door, and no other power can close it. John in holy vision saw a door opened in heaven. "And the

temple of God was opened

- in heaven, and there was
- seen in his temple the
- ark of his testament."





 Looking down the stream of time, the prophet sees a people whose attention is directed to that open door, and then to the ark within, which contains the commandments of God. The third angel of Revelation 14 is represented as flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Here are they

that keep the commandments

of God, and the faith of Jesus."





 This angel presents a message that is to be proclaimed to the world just before Christ comes in the clouds of heaven to take his elect to himself. Just prior to this event, then, the

attention of the people

- is to be called to the
- trampled-down
- law of God.
- {PrT, November 3, 1885
- par. 2}





Rainbow of the Covenant Mercy & Justice

- Rainbow in Genesis after the worldwide flood.
- Noah looks into the heavens and sees a wonderful sight!
- God establishes a covenant with Noah and all flesh.





Rainbow of the Covenant Mercy & Justice

- John looks into the Holy Place in the heavenly sanctuary and sees a wonderful sight also!
- John sees a rainbow of emerald round the throne.
- Green is a combination of blue and yellow.
- Blue for commandments/justice.
- Yellow for love/faith
- Green stands for hope!





Jeremiah 17:8

- A green leaf is a sign of a healthy tree. The "he" here symbolizes a man whose hope is in the Lord. Green signifies the eventuality of fruit or nuts on the tree.
- The color of spring-time; the color of the buds after the sleep of winter—fresh, vibrant, and full of life—all signify the hope of the summer and the promise of the coming harvest.
- The emerald rainbow around the throne gives us hope. More specifically, there is hope in the Lord!



Rainbow of the Covenant Mercy & Justice

 As the bow in the cloud is formed by the union of the sunlight and the shower, so the rainbow encircling the throne represents the combined power of mercy and justice. It is not justice alone that is to be maintained; for this would eclipse the glory of the rainbow of promise above the throne; man could see only the penalty of the law. Were there no justice, no penalty, there would be no stability to the government of God. {AG 70.3}



Rainbow of the Covenant Mercy & Justice

It is the mingling of judgment and mercy that makes salvation full and complete. It is the blending of the two that leads us, as we view the world's Redeemer and the law of Jehovah, to exclaim, "Thy gentleness hath made me great" (2) Samuel 22:36). We know that the gospel is a perfect and complete system, revealing the immutability of the law of God. ... Mercy invites us to enter through the gates into the city of God, and justice is sacrificed to accord to every obedient soul full privileges as a member of the royal family, a child of the heavenly King. {AG 70.4}



End-Time Message

• God has a people on this earth in the end-time. They have a message just like Noah. It is found in Rev. 14:6-12. The message is to be given with a loud voice in the spirit and power of Elijah, "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." There is a time of probation, just like in Noah's time. But God, in His mercy, lengthens it to give every soul a chance to choose salvation.



When Does The Antitypical Day of Atonement Begin?

Clues

- 1. The Open Door in the Philadelphia Church Rev. 3:7-10
- 2. After the Great Disappointment, they were to? 11:1
 - Measure the copper altar
 - Measure the Temple of God
 - Measure the worshippers
- 3. Jesus follows the Father into the Most Holy Place Daniel 7:13 cf Rev. 11:15-19



Rev. 11:15-19

- 15 And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.
- ¹⁶ And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,
- ¹⁷ Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned.



Rev. 11:15-19

- 18 And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which destroy the earth.
- ¹⁹ And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail.



Three Questions on Rev. 11:15-19

- 1. When did the kingdoms of this world become the Lord's?
- 2. When do the nations become angry?
- 3. When does the veil open into the Most Holy Place and the Ark of His Testament is seen?



1. When did the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord?

- The Seventh Angel Sounded:
- Rev. 11:15. The kingdoms of this world are become (Εγένετο) (indicative aorist middle 3rd person singular) *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.
- **Daniel 7:14** And there was given (literally, "is given," (Hebrew htpe: *peil* "to be given" perfect tense 3rd person singular) him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion *is* an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom *that* which shall not be destroyed.



When did the kingdoms of this world become the kingdoms of our Lord?

- After quoting Daniel 7:13, 14, she makes this statement.
- The coming of Christ here described is not His second coming to the earth. He comes to the Ancient of Days in heaven to receive dominion and glory and a kingdom, which will be given Him at the close of His work as a mediator. It is this coming, and not His second advent to the earth, that was foretold in prophecy to take place at the termination of the 2300 days in 1844. Attended by heavenly angels, our great High Priest enters the holy of holies and there appears in the presence of God to engage in the last acts of His ministration in behalf of man--to perform the work of investigative judgment and to make an atonement for all who are shown to be entitled to its benefits." Ellen G. White. The Great Controversy (1911) chapter 28, page 480.



Jesus Begins the Pre-Advent Judgment- Oct. 22, 1844 Daniel 7:13-14 --- Rev. 11:15-19





2. When did the nations become angry?

- Vision in 1849, F. E. Belden's Home
- "....Then I saw that Jesus would not leave the most holy place until every case was decided either for salvation or destruction, and that the wrath of God could not come until Jesus had finished His work in the most holy place, laid off His priestly attire, and clothed Himself with the garments of vengeance. Then Jesus will step out from between the Father and man, and God will keep silence no longer, but pour out His wrath on those who have rejected His truth.



2. When did the nations become angry?

• I saw that the anger of the nations, the wrath of God, and the time to judge the dead were separate and distinct, one following the other, also that Michael had not stood up, and that the time of trouble, such as never was, had not yet commenced. The nations are now getting angry, but when our High Priest has finished His work in the sanctuary, He will stand up, put on the garments of vengeance, and then the seven last plagues will be poured out.

EW pg. 36.



2. When did the nations become angry?

AN AMAZING TEXT (11:18)

- And the nations were angry, 1844-Close of Probation
- and thy wrath is come,
 Seven Last Plagues
- and the time of the dead,
- that they should be judged, Millennial Judgment by the Saints
- and that thou shouldest give
- reward unto thy servants the
- prophets, and to the saints,
- and them that fear thy name, Executive Judgment
- small and great;
- and shouldest destroy them
- which destroy the earth.
 Executive Judgment



3. When does the vail open into the Most Holy Place 11:19

- No. 1 The typology requires a Day of Atonement in the Old Testament Sanctuary, where the sins of the penitent are removed from the Sanctuary and placed on the Scape Goat. The blowing of the seventh trumpet heralds the antitypical Day of Atonement from October 22, 1844 to the Close of Probation.
- No. 2 The mystery of God should be finished (10:7)
- No. 3 Believers measure the altar, the temple of God, and the worshippers and prophesy or preach again. (11:1-2)
- No. 4 What are they to preach/prophesy again? The "hour of His judgment is come."



3. When does the vail open into the Most Holy Place 11:19

- No. 5 The judgment was set and the books were opened (Dan. 9:10)
- No. 6 The Philadelphia church looks through the open door into the Most Holy Place (3:7, 8)
- No. 7 This same group of people look into the opening when the temple of God is open in heaven and see the ark of His testament. (11:19)



Explanation of Rev. 11:19 Great Controversy (1911) Pg. 433

"Therefore the announcement that the temple of God was opened in heaven and the ark of His testament was seen points to the opening of the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary in 1844 as Christ entered there to perform the closing work of the atonement. Those who by faith followed their great High Priest as He entered upon His ministry in the most holy place, beheld the ark of His testament. As they had studied the subject of the sanctuary they had come to understand the Saviour's change of ministration, and they saw that He was now officiating before the ark of God, pleading His blood in behalf of sinners.



Summary of Revelation 11:15-19

- 1. The 7th trumpet begins blowing on October 22, 1844, &
- John looks down through time to the Second Coming when Jesus puts on his royal robes, takes His kingdom and reigns forever and ever.
- 3. He returns to the throne room where he sees the 24 elders worship God after the sounding of the 7th trumpet,
- 4. The 24 elders worship Him who has the right to reign and take great power in the judgment.
- 5. John continues onward, seeing the anger of the nations at the end of time.



Summary of Revelation 11:15-19

- 6. He views the wrath of God poured out in the seven last plagues
- 7. He views the millennial reign of the saints where they judge the dead.
- 8. He views the great white throne judgment and the rewards given to the saints and the wicked.
- 9. He looks back to the temple and sees the door to the Most Holy Place opened and sees the ark of His testament. The rumblings in nature of the "...lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail" signal a great change in heavenly activity.



When are the sins of the Righteous placed on the Scape Goat

Since Satan is the originator of sin, the direct instigator of all the sins that caused the death of the Son of God, justice demands that Satan shall suffer the final punishment. Christ's work for the redemption of men and the purification of the universe from sin will be closed by the removal of sin from the heavenly sanctuary and the placing of these sins upon Satan, who will bear the final penalty. So in the typical service, the yearly round of ministration closed with the purification of the sanctuary, and the confessing of the sins on the head of the scapegoat. {PP 358.2}



When are the sins of the Righteous placed on the Scape Goat

WHAT IS THE SETTING IN THIS PARAGRAPH?

The whole earth appears like a desolate wilderness. The ruins of cities and villages destroyed by the earthquake, uprooted trees, ragged rocks thrown out by the sea or torn out of the earth itself, are scattered over its surface, while vast caverns mark the spot where the mountains have been rent from their foundations. {Mar 306.3} Also GC (1888) 658, 659.



Sins placed on the Scape Goat

"...In like manner when the work of atonement in the heavenly sanctuary has been completed then in the presence of God and heavenly angels and the host of the redeemed the sins of God's people will be placed upon Satan; he will be declared guilty of all the evil which he has caused them to commit. {Mar 306.4} Also GC (1888) 658, 659.



DO YOU NEED HELP FROM THE SANCTUARY?

Psalm 20:1, 2 the LORD hear thee in the day of trouble, the name of the God of Jacob defend thee; ²Send thee help from the sanctuary, and strengthen thee out of

Zion.





The End