

# REMNANT PROPHECY SEMINAR

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## *Self-Sacrificing Love*

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### 01: The Three Angel's Messages

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We are going to be studying the Three Angel's Messages from Revelation 12. Revelation 12 is not the chapter that we are familiar with when we go to the Three Angel's Messages, but I believe the Three Angel's Messages, the Everlasting Gospel, is found from Genesis to Revelation in every single book and every chapter from the Old to the New Testament; all contain the Three Angel's Messages in principle, in truth, in righteousness and doctrine; type as well as antitype.

Revelation 12:10 "And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night. 11 And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death."

The Bible speaks about the accuser of our brethren, Satan, being cast down from heaven, and they overcame him by three things and these we want to focus on in our Bible Study; connecting these three attributes to the First, Second and Third Angel's Messages.

The way that we overcome Satan is by:

Number one: the Blood of the Lamb; the Lamb is Jesus Christ that taketh away the sin of the world.

Number two: we overcome by the word of our testimony.

Number three: by not loving our lives unto the death.

We are going to see the Blood of the Lamb, is the First Angel's message; the word of our testimony is the Second Angel's message; and not loving our lives unto death, or Self-sacrificing love, is the Third Angel's message. It is through this three-fold message, *translated and experienced in our Christian walk and relationship with Christ*, that we are able to overcome even as Christ overcame.

### The Blood of the Lamb

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We want to begin in Revelation 1 to tie in overcoming by the Blood of the Lamb, before we get to the word of our testimony, as well as self-sacrificing love. Without the Blood of the Lamb it is impossible to be free from the thralldom and bondage of sin. The Blood is what gives us power to be justified, to be declared righteous from an unrighteous and ungodly state.

Revelation 1:5; the very introduction, as John is writing to the churches in Asia, from Ephesus to Laodicea; he addresses the Father and the Holy Spirit, then the second Member of the Godhead, or the third after the Father and the Holy Spirit in verse 5.

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Revelation 1:5 “And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood, 6 And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.”

To the glory of God, Jesus Christ loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood, and by this action He makes us kings and priests unto God and His Father. Let's continue to look at what the Blood of Christ actually accomplishes for us. He loves us and washes us from our sins in His own blood. If we have not been washed in the Lamb's blood then you and I are still in our sins. To be in our sins means to be living in a continued state of transgression of the Law and Will of God.

We overcome by the Blood of the Lamb because it is the Blood that looses us; it frees us from the condemnation of sin, the control of sin, the slavery of sin. When we look at the Blood of the Lamb, this takes us back to the Sanctuary services. In order for the Hebrews to receive remission of sin in type, we understand that every sin offering, every burnt offering, meat offering, every drink offering, every sacrifice pointed to Jesus Christ. All of these were types, they were as shadows of good things to come, but the body is of Christ.

As the Hebrews were saved by the blood of the sacrifice; even in leaving Egypt, the door had to be marked with the Blood of the slain Lamb in order for the Death Angel to pass-over, so we are also saved from death, the Second death and the Seven Last Plagues, because we have been washed in the Blood of the Lamb. This is exactly what we are talking about with the ancient Hebrew sanctuary and that system of the Plan of Salvation; the compacted prophecy of the Gospel illustrated in the sanctuary in the wilderness.

Hebrews 13:11 “For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned without the camp. 12 Wherefore Jesus also, that he might sanctify the people with his own blood, suffered without the gate.”

As Jesus Christ washes us from our sins in His own Blood, He did this so we would be sanctified; that we might be holy, harmless and undefiled and separate from sin. Notice in the same chapter as we look at the purpose of the Blood of the Lamb, how we overcome, and how this is a part of the Everlasting Gospel and the First Angel's Message.

Hebrews 13:20 “Now the God of peace, that brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, that great shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, 21 Make you perfect in every good work to do his will, working in you that which is wellpleasing in his sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.”

Again, notice that in Revelation 1:5 when it talks about how we are washed in the Blood of the Lamb and made kings and priests to God and His Father to His glory, notice that once again the Blood of the Everlasting Covenant was shed to make us perfect. The purpose of Jesus dying on the cross was so that you and I might be sanctified, that we might be perfect. The Bible describes that perfection as being perfect in every good work; doing His will; working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight to His glory. Giving glory to God is a command and message of the First Angel.

So through the Blood of Jesus, we overcome, we are washed from our sins, we are sanctified; the Blood of the Everlasting Covenant is to make us perfect in every good work. That's the power found in the Blood of the Lamb to work in us both to will and to do of His good pleasure according to and for the glory of God.

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Colossians 1:20 “And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.”

Notice that the Blood of the Lamb which makes peace, does not only reconcile all things on earth, but also things that are in heaven. Remember, there was war in heaven; Michael and His angels fought against the Dragon and his angels. So the Blood of the Lamb does not only reconcile and bring together all things as one concerning His people that are upon earth, but even in heaven there were things that needed to be reconciled. Peace was made by the Blood of His cross.

Colossians 1:21 “And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled 22 In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:”

In Hebrews, Paul is writing to the saints in Colossi that the Blood of Christ, the making of peace, the reconciling of all things in heaven and on earth was for the purpose that you and I might be reconciled and be holy, unblameable and unproveable in His sight. The Blood of the Lamb, the Blood of Calvary, is how we overcome. The Bible tells us that we who were enemies through our wicked works have been reconciled by the Blood of the Lamb. So the Blood is to affect our mind, our thoughts, our feelings, and our character.

Hebrews 9:11 “But Christ being come an high priest of good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle, not made with hands, that is to say, not of this building; 12 Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us. 13 For if the blood of bulls and of goats, and the ashes of an heifer sprinkling the unclean, sanctifieth to the purifying of the flesh: 14 How much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without spot to God, purge your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?”

Notice that the Blood of Christ purges the conscience; remember it was through our mind we were alienated and became enemies through our wicked works. So that Blood has to purge the conscience because this is where sin begins; sin begins in the mind, as well as in the heart, then these things are demonstrated, they are brought forth. So the Blood purges the conscience from dead works so that we serve the Living God.

Why Living God? We know that God is Almighty; we know He is the God of gods, the Lord of lords and King of kings, He’s the God of Israel and Abraham, the God of David, but why the ‘Living God’, what comes to mind when we think about serving the Living God?

When we think of God as the Living God, we know that God is not the God of the dead; He is the God of the living. We don’t serve a dead Christ; we serve a Living Saviour. We think about things that are dead, things that have no life in themselves. We think about idols; they have no breath, they have no being, they have no living, they’re powerless, desolate, empty and void; but not so the Living God. There is a contrast between serving idols, graven images, what the Bible calls ‘vanity’ and the Living God.

When Paul and Barnabas were doing missionary work to the people of Lycaonia, the Bible tells us that because Paul was the chief speaker and God had wrought miracles through His apostles that these very heathenish, idolatrous and superstitious people actually wanted to worship Paul, who they called Mercurius, and Barnabas, who they called Jupiter. They said, “Listen, the gods have come down to us in the form of men!” They wanted to offer sacrifices and to worship them.

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Acts 14:14 “Which when the apostles, Barnabas and Paul, heard of, they rent their clothes, and ran in among the people, crying out, 15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:”

That language is talking about the Living God, and how do we know He is the Living God? It is because He made Heaven and the earth, the sea and all things that are therein. That sounds like a very familiar message, but we are talking about the Living God. Remember the Blood of Christ purges your conscience so you can serve the Living God. To serve the Living God, you have to serve the Creator. How do you serve the Creator? You have to ‘turn from these vanities’. Vanity is something that is nothing—it is empty, it’s ‘idol’. Turn from your vanities, your false system of worship, and worship the Living God who made the heaven and earth, the sea and all things that are therein.

Paul and Barnabas were preaching the First Angel’s Message to the heathen people of Lycaonia, this pagan nation of idolatrous people. He was preaching to them about the Everlasting Covenant.

1 Thessalonians 1:9 “For they themselves shew of us what manner of entering in we had unto you, and how ye turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God; 10 And to wait for his Son from heaven, whom he raised from the dead, even Jesus, which delivered us from the wrath to come.”

When you serve the true and Living God, you have to turn from idolatry. The message that Paul and Barnabas preached was a message of reform to turn them from idolatry, from worshipping graven images and idols. It was to turn them from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God. As you are serving the true and Living God, you are waiting for His Son to return from heaven, even Jesus who was raised again from the dead who delivered us from the wrath to come.

The wrath that is to come is of course when Michael stands up and the Seven Last Plagues fall upon the rejecters of God’s grace and mercy; those that have rejected the Third Angel’s Message and received the Mark of the Beast receive the wrath of God. They have to drink it from the cup of His indignation. If you reject the Third Angel, you have rejected the Second and the First as well.

They overcame him by the Blood of the Lamb; the Blood of the Lamb washes us from our sins, it frees us. The Blood of the Lamb sanctifies us and makes us perfect in every good work to do His will, working in us that which is well pleasing in His sight. [Hebrews 13:21]

The Blood of Christ, the Blood of Calvary, brings about peace and reconciliation. We who were enemies in our minds, who were alienated, wrought wicked works. The Blood of Christ comes and it reconciles us to make us unrepugnant, unrebukable and holy in His sight. It purges our conscience from dead works so that we can serve the Living God. Dead works are the works of darkness and idolatry, the works of confusion and error. The Blood of Christ saves us from that so that we are not worshipping man and exalting man to a position which only God should have. The Blood of Christ gives us power to turn from idols to serve the true and Living God.

Revelation 14:6 “And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,”

That message was to go to every nation including heathen Lycaonia who wanted to worship Paul and Barnabas as gods.

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7 “Saying with a loud voice, 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.”

That was Paul’s message; “Turn from these vanities and worship the Living God which made heaven and earth the sea and all that in them is;” this is the First Angel’s Message.

Where do we see the cross in the First Angel’s Message? Verse 6 says, “Having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them”. Paul was a very gifted man; he was very learned, very eloquent. He spoke many languages; he was a scholar. Paul knew prophecy; he knew history; but the one message that Paul was known for carrying as apostle to the gentiles, the message he always bore, was he said, “When I come around you I am determined not to make anything known unto you save one thing—Jesus Christ and Him crucified”. Paul indeed was a messenger of the cross.

The Cross of Christ is not only our science and song, it is the theme of our redemption; it is where the power of the Gospel is. The Cross of Calvary explains all other mysteries.

We are looking at the First Angel, the preaching of the Everlasting Gospel. We know that Paul indeed was a true messenger and watchman of the gospel and he always exalted and uplifted the cross. He made the cross prominent; the great center of attraction which all the other truths cluster around. He did this because that is where the victory comes from and where power comes into our lives. We cannot divorce truth, doctrine, revelation, prophecy, knowledge, science, health from the cross. Notice what Paul says as he is speaking to the people of Corinth:

1 Corinthians 1:17 “For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. 18 For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God.”

When the Cross of Christ is made of none effect, we take the very power, the very thunder, the very victory, the very energy, out of salvation. So “They overcame by the Blood of the Lamb,” this is the First Angel’s Message.

### Word of our Testimony

The second thing we overcome by is the ‘Word of our Testimony’; what does this mean? Well brethren, if you have been washed in the Blood of the Lamb; if you’ve been sanctified by the Blood of the Lamb; if you’ve experienced peace through the Blood of the Lamb and you’ve been reconciled; if the Blood of the Lamb has purged your conscience from dead works, idolatry, to serve the Living God; and you’ve experienced that—you’ve experienced the love of God, where God in love to your soul has delivered it from the pit of corruption and cast your sins behind His back; if God has done all that for you—then you should have a testimony! You overcome by the Blood of the Lamb and that experience gives you the Word of your Testimony; a word in due season; the personal experience of power, because you’ve experienced the power of the Gospel as found in the Cross of Christ. Remove the Cross of Christ and you take away the power of the Gospel to change us, convert us, and conform us to the image of Christ.

Revelation 11:3 “And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. 4 These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. 5 And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. 6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the

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earth with all plagues, as often as they will. 7 And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.”

In Revelation 11 we see the Two Witnesses, the Two Candlesticks, the Two Olive Trees, the Prophecy concerning the Old and the New Testament—the Law and the Prophets. It’s actually describing the work of the Huguenots, the Albigenses and the Waldenses who actually prophesied and did missionary work during the Dark Ages, the 42 months. However, all I want you to focus on right now is verse 3, where the two olive trees, the two candlesticks, are called ‘Witnesses’. The Bible says God gave them power to prophesy clothed in sack-cloth.

This is talking about the Word of God, specifically the two prophets Moses and Elijah, because when you look at verse 5 where it is talking about anyone hurting them and fire comes out of their mouth, that’s the story of Elijah. These have power to shut heaven that it rain not in the days of their prophecy—that is again Elijah. They have power over waters to turn them to blood and to smite the earth with plagues, this is Moses. Understand that these Two Witnesses, these Two Prophets, they are prophesying—they have power; they are prophesying and preaching the Word of God—the Law and the Prophets, the Law and the Gospel. Then verse 7 says, “And when they shall have finished their testimony.”

So when we are giving the Word of our Testimony, not only are we prophesying and teaching, but we are giving our testimony, we are testifying as it were, because we are Witnesses. ‘By the Word of their Testimony’ is talking about those that give Witness.

Give Witness to what? You give Witness to the Power of God. You give Witness to the ability to be changed and transformed by the renewing of your mind. The Word of our Testimony, is not only connected with prophesying and preaching; and sometimes when you testify, sometimes when you are teaching and preaching, that itself can be a testimony. We are focussing on the word ‘Witness’; Testimony and Witness. Does anybody have a testimony to share? And when you share your testimony, you are witnessing to the Power of Christ.

You overcome not just by the Blood of the Lamb, but by your testimony, your witness, you share your experience. This is what makes the Gospel real. Some people may not accept Jesus Christ for whatever reason; they might think He is a false prophet, a false Messiah; they might think that He is just some historical, mythical, or legendary person—maybe He never lived before.

Some people may not believe the doctrines of the Bible. They might think that the Bible has been changed, re-written, or is man’s word and you can’t trust it. But there is one thing that they cannot controvert; when they see a person that has been changed. You know how you lived before; you might have been an atheist, a blasphemer; you might have been a prostitute, you might have been someone that was on drugs; you might have been styled as the wickedest man or woman that ever lived—then when they see your life is changed and you testify and give witness that it was this Book—it was the Power of Christ that did it. Then that’s something they can’t really argue about. This is why we have to testify; we have to bear witness and that is how the Gospel is to be preached. In fact, we are told it is to be preached in all the world for a ‘Witness’. Somebody is going to be giving their Testimony concerning how they have overcome by the Blood of the Lamb.

The Word of our Testimony is the Second Angel’s Message. Truly, what is the Second Angel’s Message? It is that Babylon is fallen and you need to come out of her. How do we come out of Babylon; out of sin; out of the world; out of darkness; how do we come out of the service of Satan? By the Blood of the

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Lamb, and our testimony; we give our witness about being called out of darkness into His marvelous light. We are no longer children of darkness; we become children of light.

Isaiah 43:8 “Bring forth the blind people that have eyes, and the deaf that have ears. 9 Let all the nations be gathered together, [the entire world] and let the people be assembled: who among them can declare this, and shew us former things? let them bring forth their witnesses, that they may be justified: or let them hear, and say, It is truth.”

In other words let the blind and the people that are deaf, let them have eyes and ears, let them be able to see and hear; let all the nations be gathered. Who can show the former things? The purpose of all this is so we can understand what is truth, because it says, ‘let them show the former things, let them bring forth their witnesses, let them hear and say, ‘it is truth.’” So how do we know that something is true? God here is going to have witnesses for Him.

How do we know that God is the true God? How do we know that God can show the former things? How do we know that He declares the end from the beginning and from ancient times showing the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure? How do we know the Bible is true? The Bible says let all the blind that have eyes and the deaf that have ears, let them all come—let the world come. How do we know? Let them bring their witnesses.

10 “Ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, and my servant whom I have chosen: that ye may know and believe me, and understand that I am he: before me there was no God formed, neither shall there be after me.”

How are people supposed to know and believe what is truth if not by our witness; if not by the Word of our Testimony? If we never have a testimony to share; if we never give witness, some people are never going to know and believe in Jesus Christ. God wants us to know Him, to believe Him and understand ‘that I am He.’

Isaiah 43:11 “I, even I, am the LORD; and beside me there is no saviour. [This is Christ speaking] 12 I have declared, and have saved, and I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you: therefore ye are my witnesses, saith the LORD, that I am God. 13 Yea, before the day was I am he; and there is none that can deliver out of my hand: I will work, and who shall let it? [Who shall allow or stop it?]

How do we become witnesses for God? We see how He has delivered us; we know that before Him there was no god formed, with Him was no strange god, there was nobody who could save or deliver us from darkness or from the world; could deliver us from Babylon. Nobody could do that—we are His witnesses that everything He says from Genesis to Revelation; everything in the Gospels; everything in the more sure Word of Prophecy, everything concerning the life of Christ, is true—why? We are His witnesses that through us people might know and believe and understand. But it is based upon an experience that you have gone through. I like where He says in verse 12, “I have declared, I have saved, I have shewed, when there was no strange god among you.” What comes to mind when you think about the fact He says, “Look, I’ve declared, I’ve saved, and I have showed you, and there was no strange god among you.” Think about how God delivered His people from Egypt.

The Bible says when He brought them out of the house of bondage, out of Egypt, there was no strange gods among them. In fact He destroyed and executed judgement on all the gods of Egypt. All the strange gods; if you wanted to worship a strange god, believe me, Egypt was the place. They had hundreds and thousands of strange gods and not any of those gods were able to deliver Israel from Egypt, neither

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were those gods able to stop the deliverance and the redemption of Israel out of Egypt. The most powerful nation on earth, the greatest military, educational system, they had everything. Yet it was no match for the God of Israel. He was able to take His people out of Egypt through signs, wonders and miracles. It was a glorious manifestation of the Power of God.

Here God is about to give His testimony.

Psalm 81:8 “Hear, O my people, and I will testify unto thee: O Israel, if thou wilt hearken unto me; 9 There shall no strange god be in thee; neither shalt thou worship any strange god.”

I find that interesting; if we are worshipping strange gods it is because that strange god is in us. Something is possessing us; something is controlling us; there is a spirit that now worketh in the children of disobedience. Whoever you worship, that spirit is in you. It is the spirit of God or it's the spirit of a strange god. We worship gods that are for the god that is in us.

Psalm 81:10 “I am the LORD thy God, which brought thee out of the land of Egypt: open thy mouth wide, and I will fill it.”

God says there should be no strange god in you, no worshipping a strange god, because I brought you out of Egypt; that is the first commandment.

Exodus 20:2 “I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of bondage. 3 Thou shalt have no other gods before me.”

We know we can make a god out of just about anything. Our ideas, our opinions, certain doctrines, we can make gods out of them. We can make family a god, or an idol. It can be entertainment; in fact we are told that for some people, their god is their belly. So even appetite and passion, what we eat and drink can be a god. But He says, “I brought you out of Egypt.”

Psalm 81:11 “But my people would not hearken to my voice; and Israel would none of me. 12 So I gave them up unto their own hearts' lust: and they walked in their own counsels. 13 Oh that my people had hearkened unto me, and Israel had walked in my ways! 14 I should soon have subdued their enemies, and turned my hand against their adversaries.”

So how do we become witnesses? When we give the word of our testimony we are witnesses. In order for us to be witnesses there is something we have experienced, something that we have seen and handled, something personal. A witness is when you give testimony because you were there at the scene; you saw it, and you can give testimony.

We talk about being victorious over sin by the Blood of the Lamb, and coming out of the world and being transformed into a new creature in Christ. Now we can give testimony; we know that God brought us out of Egypt, and He says there is no strange god and you are My witnesses. We see the connection between Isaiah 43 and Psalm 81.

How does the Word of your Testimony tie in with the Second Angel's Message? We are His witnesses that people might know, believe and understand that He is God; because of what He has done for us, how He has brought us out of Egypt. He has brought us out of bondage, out of darkness and there was no strange god. There is no other god, no other saviour, there is no other power on earth that can do what He has done in my life!

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Jeremiah 16:11 “Then shalt thou say unto them, Because your fathers have forsaken me, saith the LORD, and have walked after other gods, and have served them, and have worshipped them, and have forsaken me, and have not kept my law; 12 And ye have done worse than your fathers; for, behold, ye walk every one after the imagination of his evil heart, that they may not hearken unto me: 13 Therefore will I cast you out of this land into a land that ye know not, neither ye nor your fathers; and there shall ye serve other gods day and night; where I will not shew you favour.”

So if God’s people in the land of Canaan, the land of milk and honey, the glory of all lands; if you can’t serve the God of heaven in that land that He gave to you, then He will cast you out of this land and scatter you in a land where you can serve gods day and night. God says, “You are not going to serve these strange gods in the land I have given unto you! I’ll put you in that land where you can serve them day and night; I’ll give you what you want. I will give you your heart’s desire.”

So here we are seeing the reason why God scattered His people among the nations in the lands of the heathen and among the kingdoms of the world.

Jeremiah 16:14 “Therefore, behold, the days come, saith the LORD, that it shall no more be said, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel out of the land of Egypt; 15 But, The LORD liveth, that brought up the children of Israel from the land of the north, and from all the lands whither he had driven them: and I will bring them again into their land that I gave unto their fathers.”

Wait a minute; the Bible says here that the time is coming it is not going to be said any more that this is the God that brought you out of Egypt, but that this is the God that brought you out of the land of the North. What was the ‘Land of the North’? It was Babylon. Being delivered from Egypt that you might be His witness is the same as being delivered from Babylon. Coming out of Egypt and coming out of Babylon is the same act of mighty power, the same deliverance, so that you can be His witness. It is important to see that coming out of Egypt is coming out of Babylon according to the scripture. Where does the Second Angel’s Message come in?

Isaiah 21:9 “And, behold, here cometh a chariot of men, with a couple of horsemen. And he answered and said, Babylon is fallen, is fallen; and all the graven images of her gods he hath broken unto the ground.”

That should sound familiar; what is “Babylon is fallen, is fallen?” That is the Second Angel’s Message prophesied and preached by Isaiah; it’s the Everlasting Gospel. The Three Angel’s Messages are not stuck in one chapter of the Bible; the whole Bible is a revelation of Christ and also an unfolding of the principles and messages of the Three Angels.

We are talking about the Word of our Testimony; that which bears witness to the fact that we are born again Christians; we’re washed in the Blood of the Lamb; we’re new creatures; we’ve come out of darkness; out of the World; out of Egypt. We’ve come out of Babylon and now we give our testimony. What is the purpose of our testimony? Not so that we can get glory but so people may know, believe, and understand that He is God. That the nations might know this is truth; how do I know, because these are the people of the truth. These are the people who reflect Him who is the way, the truth and the life.

How do you know their God is true? I see their God in them. I see how they act; I see how they behave; I see how they are in their marriages; in their families; in their homes; I see how they are—they reflect the character of their God.

What is the greatest argument in behalf of Christianity; the greatest sermon that could ever be preached in favor of Christianity? There are two things; a well ordered and well-disciplined family; and also a loving and lovable Christian. That is the greatest sermon that could ever be preached; it's your witness, your testimony. When words fail and doctrine, knowledge, prophecy, and argument are not enough to convince the sinner, God turns to you and says, "Here are My witnesses. They demonstrate that I am God; I have power to save; I can bring you out of Egypt; I can bring you out of Babylon, out of darkness, I can bring you out of the worse slavery of your life. I can resurrect you and bring you out of the lowest hell. I am God; My people bear witness of Me."

### What Kind of Testimony?

What kind of witness and testimony are we giving for Christ? Is it a testimony that we've been delivered from the world, or that we are still in bondage to the world? Is it a testimony that we are now the servants of righteousness, or is it a testimony and witness that we are still servants of sin? What testimony do we give?

Isaiah 48:20 "Go ye forth of Babylon, flee ye from the Chaldeans, with a voice of singing declare ye, tell this, utter it even to the end of the earth; say ye, The LORD hath redeemed his servant Jacob."

The Bible says when you are coming out of Babylon, (the Second Angel) you are going forth with the voice of singing. What is that song? That is the song of your experience; that's the song of your testimony. What a beautiful testimony, to know that before, the songs that used to be on your lips were the songs of fools. You used to be into Rap music; you used to be into Hip-Hop; you used to be into Jazz; into country-western; all this secular music that glorified and exalts Satan, and now you find yourself singing the precious songs of Zion. You love the hymns of Zion and scripture songs. What a testimony that those are the songs you are singing now, instead of singing the songs of fools, as the Bible says.

This song is your testimony and you declare it, you utter it to the ends of the earth and say, the Lord hath redeemed His servant Jacob. It is the song of redemption. "This is my story; this is my song; Praising my Saviour all the day long." "This is my story; this is my song"; what's your story? Everybody has a story; everybody has a testimony; everybody has a witness to bear that you have come out of Babylon; and this is the Second Angel's Message.

So don't ever think that your testimony is not important; I know that sometimes in church or study groups when it is time to give a testimony we just get quiet; we don't want to share our testimony because it is not so grand; it's not so glorious, or maybe it might just be the same testimony that we have, so we are a little embarrassed. But never be ashamed of your testimony and your witness. That might be the determining factor that might convert someone. It might save someone; it might help to encourage someone. "I know what you are going through; I've been there before. I've experienced it."

That's why the Bible says that Christ Himself was tempted in all points like as we are, without sin. He Himself suffered being tempted; He is able to succor us; He is able to help those who are tempted. Do you think that Jesus could be our High Priest and our Saviour if He wasn't touched with the feelings of our infirmity? Jesus on earth earned the right to be our High Priest. We can go to Him and He understands us. He understands how to have compassion on the ignorant and those who are out of the way. We don't serve a God or Saviour that is not acquainted with real problems and real challenges and real issues of life. Those He understands.

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Hebrews 11:5 “By faith Enoch was translated that he should not see death; and was not found, because God had translated him: for before his translation he had this testimony, that he pleased God.”

What is your testimony? Are you pleasing God?

The Bible does not say much about Enoch; he is mentioned in just three places; Genesis, Hebrews, and Jude. And yet what the Bible does say about this man, who is a type of the 144,000, is that he pleased God. That is really what it is all about; he pleased God. He had the same testimony that Christ said; “Listen, My Father is with Me. He hath not left me alone, for I always do those things that please Him.”

I wish that could be my testimony by grace, that I always please Him in whatever I do. I love Him; I keep His commandments; I do those things pleasing in His sight. That’s the testimony we leave behind; that is the testimony that Enoch left to the world, that he pleased God and that he was taken from this earth to Heaven and is still there, walking with God.

If Enoch, his life, his testimony, was that he pleased God in all things, well, what are some of the things we can do that God is not pleased with? We are still looking at the Second Angel’s Message and we are soon coming to the Third.

1 Corinthians 10 speaks about the Children of Israel’s experience; how they came out of Egypt and passed through the Red Sea and were all baptized under the cloud, baptized unto Moses. They ate the same spiritual meat; they drank the same spiritual drink. They drank of that spiritual Rock which followed them, which was Christ. They had this experience of eating and drinking Christ; eating the Little Book as it were, and being baptized.

1 Corinthians 10:5 “But with many of them God was not well pleased: for they were overthrown in the wilderness. 6 Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.”

One of the things that we can do that would not be pleasing to God is to lust after evil things.

1 Corinthians 10:7 “Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.”

Notice the connection with diet and also worship, [as well as entertainment and sports]. What they ate is what led them to worship the golden calf. The Bible says you eat things sacrificed unto idols, you commit fornication. So they were idolaters; God is not pleased with these things.

1 Corinthians 10:8 “Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.”

Again what they were eating and drinking and worshipping that is what caused them to fornicate. Babylon is guilty because she has caused the world to commit fornication by drinking the wine of her fornication; these are attributes of Babylon.

1 Corinthians 10:9 “Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents. 10 Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.”

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So, tempting Christ, [presumption] murmuring and complaining, fornication, idolatry, this testimony is not pleasing to God. The Bible says that Enoch had the testimony that he pleased God; so you know that Enoch was not a fornicator, an idolater; he didn't tempt Christ, he didn't murmur and he didn't complain. Yet we know that before Enoch left this world to go to Heaven, he bore a testimony. Enoch was also a preacher of righteousness; he was a prophet and also preached about the end of the world. He gave witness; notice his testimony in Jude.

Remember those two witnesses? They prophesied; the Law and the Prophets; and 'when they finished their testimony'—even as the Bible and Christians were prophesying, they were giving testimony. Let's see the testimony of Enoch; it was his life that gave power to his witness. Sometimes our witness and our testimony doesn't have power because our life makes our testimony of none effect. We might try to preach to people, but if people see that you are a hypocrite and don't practice what you preach, what good is your message?

"You better practice what you preach; don't preach to me. You are guilty of doing the same things that you are condemning me of." Enoch's preaching had power because he had the testimony that he pleased God. He was separate, and had come out from all those things. He was not contaminated with those sins of Babylon.

Jude 1:14 "And Enoch also, the seventh from Adam, prophesied of these, . . .

The Two Witnesses prophesied, but were giving their testimony as well. When Enoch preached it was a testimony, it was a witness.

" .saying, Behold, the Lord cometh with ten thousands of his saints, 15 To execute judgment upon all, and to convince all that are ungodly among them of all their ungodly deeds which they have ungodly committed, and of all their hard speeches which ungodly sinners have spoken against him."

We see a word mentioned over and over, "Ungodly"; his prophesying was a testimony that condemned the ungodly; condemned those who were in Babylon, in the world, in darkness. Who were these ungodly sinners?

Jude 1:16 "These are murmurers, complainers, walking after their own lusts; and their mouth speaketh great swelling words, having men's persons in admiration because of advantage."

There is another mouth that speaks great swelling words—this is the spirit of Antichrist, the spirit of the Little Horn, the King of the North. We need to be careful of our admiration of men, especially men in leadership positions among God's people. That can be a snare to the people of God. What we are actually doing by having men's persons in admiration is developing the formula and recreating the 'man of sin'; self-exaltation and the bringing forth of the antichrist.

This was Enoch's testimony; this was what he preached; this was his witness. What gave his witness and testimony power was because he was separate from sinners. If he was doing all these ungodly things, his prophesying would have been in vain. God has given us a message to preach, but could it be that at times our preaching and prophesying is in vain because we are guilty of the very things we condemn in others?

That was Isaiah's experience; he said, "I am a man of unclean lips and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips"; and yet he was denouncing sin, rebuking hypocrisy and iniquity while his own life was cold

and formal. The first 5 chapters of Isaiah are powerful; but after the experience in chapter 6, he was never the same.

Isaiah is called the Gospel Prophet because he prophesies about Christ so much; and he is the prophet that Christ quoted from the most. He would not have been able to write about the life of Christ in Isaiah 53; and 40, 41, and 42 and 43—to prophesy of Christ, if he had not seen the Lord in all His glory, if he had not seen the King in His beauty, if he didn't see Jesus and be purged of his iniquity and have his sin taken away.

We overcome by the Blood of the Lamb; First Angel. Then by the Word of our Testimony, that's our witness that we have come out of Babylon, out of Egypt, out of the world. God makes you His witness so that people can know, believe, and understand that He is God; that is the greatest witness to the Gospel.

### The loved not their Lives unto the Death

“They loved not their Lives unto the Death”; this is self-sacrificing love. How is self-sacrificing love connected with the Third Angel's Message? In our minds it almost doesn't seem to fit. Self-sacrificing love and the Third Angel's Message, do they go together?

I want you to see very clearly that if you and I would not receive the Mark of the Beast or worship his Image, we have to have self-sacrificing love. We have to have the experience to be so faithful to God, that though He slay me, yet will I trust Him. I will not love my life unto the death; I will lay it down. I would rather die, than to sin against God. That's true love; self-sacrificing love. [It is the 'first love'.] It is the same love as Christ had, it's of heavenly origin.

Revelation 20:4 “And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, . .

Here are people who were beheaded for the witness or testimony of Jesus. How did they get their testimony? They had an experience in the Blood of the Lamb, in being an overcomer. They came out of the world—out of Babylon; they separated from its abominations, pollutions and corruptions.

“ .and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a thousand years.”

There are going to be witnesses, people giving the Word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ who will be martyrs. Why will they be martyrs? They are going to be forced to worship the Beast and his image and receive his Mark and they won't do it; they would rather lay down their lives—they love not their lives unto the death. The greatest witness you can have; one of the most effective witnesses, even in the times of the Dark Ages was the blood of martyrs.

The blood of martyrs was seed. Their enemies said, “Every time we kill one Christian, ten others take their place. The more we cut them down, the more the church is flourishing.” “You can't stop us. The blood of martyrs is seed!” God's people would die giving their testimony; not loving their lives unto the death.

People, as they beheld these sufferers for Jesus, said, “This can't be delusion, there has to be a Power here that changes people's hearts and lives”. In the book, 'Sketches from the Life of Paul', I've read where they did not even want to behead Paul in front of anyone. Often they liked to make it a public

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special, like going to a football game or other sports; you get entertained—gladiators. But they wanted to behead Paul in secret. They said, “No, no! If we behead him in front of people there’s going to be too many people that will become Christians.”

That’s real power. People did not love their lives unto the death because they knew, “My life doesn’t mean anything; I am not fearing him that can kill the body but can’t destroy my soul. I am not fearing that!” They understood the promise, “He that overcometh will not be hurt of the Second death.” They might kill you in the first death but you will be saved from the Second death. “He that loses his life for My sake shall gain it.”

So they stopped killing Christians. They said, “We better corrupt them from within; if you can’t beat them, join them.” So they put away the sword, the axe, and the faggot—all the weapons of destruction, and did something more sinister—they infiltrated and corrupted the church. Professed Christians came in, pretending to be converted but weren’t. Actually the axe, sword, and tools of inquisition were a blessing compared to what happened when this infiltration came in. Paganism and worldliness clothed with the cloak of Christianity walked right into the church and brought all their abominations in and converted everyone to their side. What could not be gained through persecution, was gained through worldly infiltration and compromise.

Here we see the testimony of Martyrs:

Hebrews 11:35 “Women received their dead raised to life again: and others were tortured, not accepting deliverance; that they might obtain a better resurrection: 36 And others had trial of cruel mockings and scourgings, yea, moreover of bonds and imprisonment: 37 They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, were tempted, were slain with the sword: they wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins; being destitute, afflicted, tormented; 38 (Of whom the world was not worthy:) they wandered in deserts, and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.”

They loved not their lives unto the death. This is what sealed their experience; they overcame by the Blood of the Lamb; the word of their testimony; their witness was with power and they would seal that testimony by not loving their life unto the death; self-sacrificing love. What does this have to do with the Third Angel’s Message?

Are you ready for the Sunday Law? Don’t say like Peter, “Yah, I am ready to go to Jail. I am ready to die for You, I am ready to take up arms for You, Lord!” Then end up denying your Saviour by getting the Mark of the Beast. Peter thought he believed that Jesus was the Saviour. He believed the truth that came from his Master’s lips. He really did; he really was sincere, he was earnest—“I’m ready Lord! I am ready for this crisis!” Why wasn’t he ready? What was Peter lacking? What caused Peter to deny Jesus three times? There was a vital element lacking in his Christian experience and discipleship and because he did not have it at that time, he failed.

In times of trouble and persecution, our intellectual knowledge of doctrine and prophecy is not going to keep us from walking away and stepping aside, saying, “I never knew that; I was never associated with that; I didn’t believe that.” It’s not going to keep you when you have death staring you in the face. There is only one thing that will give you the strength and the moral fortitude and courage to stand tall, firm and true, faithful, unyielding and uncompromising. Only one thing can do it—‘They loved not their life unto the death’. You have to have self-sacrificing love. What didn’t Peter have for Jesus? He didn’t have self-sacrificing love. Self-sacrificing love is not just emotion, it is not just a feeling that you have; it is an abiding principle!

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Daniel 3:15 “Now if ye be ready that at what time ye hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, ye fall down and worship the image which I have made; well: but if ye worship not, ye shall be cast the same hour into the midst of a burning fiery furnace; and who is that God that shall deliver you out of my hands? 16 Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, answered and said to the king, O Nebuchadnezzar, we are not careful to answer thee in this matter. 17 If it be so, our God whom we serve is able to deliver us from the burning fiery furnace, and he will deliver us out of thine hand, O king. 18 But if not, be it known unto thee, O king, that we will not serve thy gods, nor worship the golden image which thou hast set up.”

They saw the image being built; they heard the music; they heard the decree; but they didn't bow down. “Let me play the music for you again; maybe you didn't hear it?”

“No King, we heard it. You don't need to repeat it. We are not bowing down. Yes, we know that you said that you are going to throw us in that fiery furnace and it is heated up seven times more but we're not worshipping. Our God will deliver us, but even if He doesn't, we are still not worshipping your gods.”

They loved not their life unto the death; they had self-sacrificing love. When Jesus and all heaven saw that they were willing to put their neck on the line, and allow their bodies to be given to the burning flame, it touched the heart of God and Jesus to come down, the Fourth among the Three. They represent the Three Angels, and Jesus represented the Fourth that joined them and empowered their testimony; they loved not their life unto the death.

What kind of love would cause one to say, “Listen, even if my God does not deliver me, I am still not worshipping.” In other words, “Just throw me in the flames. It doesn't matter; my life doesn't mean anything.” Who enabled them to have that kind of faith and loyalty?

Hebrews 12:1 “Wherefore seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, 2 Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God. 3 For consider him that endured such contradiction of sinners against himself, lest ye be wearied and faint in your minds.”

Jesus was not a sinner; He did not sin even in thought or action, but He was hanged on the cross as a malefactor. He was hung between two thieves, between two rebels; imagine that contradiction of sinners. What allowed Him to endure the cross and despise the shame? It was the joy that was set before Him. That was the only thing that kept Christ on the cross. What was that joy?

When He felt forsaken by heaven and earth, He was on the cross and it was almost as though earth says, “We don't want You!” and heaven says, “We can't take You!” The Father was there beside His Son but He enshrouded Himself with clouds and darkness; He turned away His face from His Son. He couldn't endure the suffering and the angels also likewise. The sun itself refused to look upon Him. Nature was appalled. There was no one there; He was all by Himself, experiencing the wrath of God; experiencing what every sinner will go through if they reject the grace of God.

There was nothing else that could keep Him; not even prophecy at that time. He understood the prophecies, but at that point when He cried, “My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?” there was no hope for Him ever coming forth from the portals of the tomb.

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So what was it that kept Him by faith? Well, He relied on the evidences of His Father before, but it was joy—the joy of seeing souls saved. It was the joy of knowing, “If I do this somebody is going to be saved; somebody is going to be in heaven; somebody is going to be an overcomer; somebody is going to give a witness; somebody might have the same self-sacrificing love that I have.” That was what kept Him at that dark hour.

Hebrews 12:4 “Ye have not yet resisted unto blood, striving against sin.”

That’s the deeper experience. We all know that we need to overcome sin, but have you ever had the experience where you were resisting unto blood, striving against sin? What does that mean? In other words, you don’t want to sin at all. You know what sin means, you know what it costs, you know what it feels like, you know what it does; you know it cost the life of Jesus. What does it mean to strive against sin unto blood, resisting unto blood; What does it mean? It means you love not your life unto the death.

We need an example of what it means to resist unto blood, striving against sin. It is in our nature not to even strive against sin. We just yield to it, we just do it, we give in, but here you are resisting unto blood, striving against sin. You would rather die than sin. You would rather shed your blood than to crucify the Son of God afresh and put Him to open shame. You say, “Lord, I am not going to crucify You, I am crucifying myself.” Do I crucify my Saviour or do I crucify the sin?

Luke 22:41 “And he was withdrawn from them about a stone's cast, and kneeled down, and prayed, 42 Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless not my will, but thine, be done. 43 And there appeared an angel unto him from heaven, strengthening him. 44 And being in an agony he prayed more earnestly: and his sweat was as it were great drops of blood falling down to the ground.”

What was Jesus doing? He was resisting unto blood, striving against sin. His pain was so deep, His agony was so great, that He was shedding blood. Jesus did not begin to shed His blood on Calvary; He began to shed His blood in the Garden. He started dying for us in the garden not on the tree. Why do you think the angel Gabriel had to come and strengthen Him? If the angel did not strengthen Him, He would not have made it to Calvary! He would have been dead. Self-sacrificing love; why does He do this? Who is He doing this for? He is doing this for me; He is doing this for you!

What was in that cup? That was the cup of God’s indignation. He drank that for you and in exchange He gives us the cup of blessing, the cup of salvation. Jesus tasted death for every man; He began to taste death for every man right here. He was experiencing what all those that will receive the Mark of the Beast, because they rejected the Third Angel and receive the plagues, experience. He’s the type in tasting the Second death for you and me, so that we don’t have to die the Second Death. That is why He died for us, that we may not suffer the Second Death. You may have the first death, but you don’t have to have the Second Death. Jesus loved not His life unto the death.

I am so thankful that He decided to go through with drinking the cup. In ‘Desire of Ages’ in the chapter on Gethsemane we see there was a real struggle going on. It was a real struggle going on in the mind of Christ. Satan was there; it was worse than the temptation in the wilderness for forty days when Satan came tempting Him. Satan tempted Him in the garden, trying to get Him not to go through with it.

Satan says, “Look the disciples are sleeping, they’re not even praying for You. One of Your disciples that is most earnest and zealous; he is going to deny You. Your other disciple, he’s out getting ready to betray You; he’s betraying You to the priests even now! Nobody is going to care what You do. Why are You going through all this? You don’t have to; just wipe the death-dew off Your face and go back to

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heaven.” That was the strongest temptation that Christ went through in that garden; to just say, “Nobody’s going to care; nobody notices; nobody appreciates what I am doing anyway!” But I am so glad that at that moment He did not give in to self. I am so glad that at that time He had self-sacrificing love, because if He would have exalted Himself, He could have wiped the death dew off His face and went back to heaven.

Who would be saved? Who would overcome? If He didn’t go through with that sacrifice, Satan would have had legal and rightful control of the world. We would have all been his subjects. We’re talking about the power of self-sacrificing love.

Hebrews 5:7 “Who in the days of his flesh, when he had offered up prayers and supplications with strong crying and tears unto him that was able to save him from death, and was heard in that he feared; . .

We saw the strong crying and tears in the Garden of Gethsemane; Jesus was resisting unto blood striving against sin.

8 “Though he were a Son, yet learned he obedience by the things which he suffered; 9 And being made perfect, he became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him;”

How did Jesus learn obedience? It was by what He suffered. How are we going to learn obedience to God vs. obedience to man when the law of church and state, the laws of Roman Catholicism are backed by the United States and also the United Nations? What’s going to cause us to obey God rather than man when they say; “Listen, you can’t buy or sell. You are going to be put to death. Get the mark or else!” What are we going to do?

Self-sacrificing love; you remember what Jesus did; you remember that you learn obedience by what you suffer. Ever wonder why God allows suffering? People say, “If God is a God of love, why does He allow people to suffer?” Someone should ask, “Why did He allow His Son to suffer?” He allows suffering because sometimes the only way we learn how to obey is by suffering. Jesus learned obedience by the things He suffered.

They loved not their life unto the death; you count it a privilege and an honor to suffer for your Master. “You laid down Your life for me; I am going to lay down my life for You.” “You can put me to death, I am not receiving the Mark of the Beast.” “Put me to death, I am not worshipping the image.” “Put me to death, I am not going to sell out my Master for 30 pieces of silver—I am not doing it.”

1 Peter 4:1 “Forasmuch then as Christ hath suffered for us in the flesh, arm yourselves likewise with the same mind: for he that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin;. .”

We learn obedience by the things we suffer; what are we suffering? We are suffering in the flesh, self-sacrificing love, crucifying the flesh with the affections and the lusts.

How do you stop sinning? How do you cease from sin? It is by suffering.

God allowed His Son to suffer for us—He had our sins upon Him; He had to suffer for that. The cross that was made for Barabbas; Jesus had to hang on that cross—it wasn’t His cross; He died even for Barabbas. Through suffering is how we gain the experience of not wanting to sin any more. He that hath suffered in the flesh hath ceased from sin.

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1 Peter 4:2 “That he no longer should live the rest of his time in the flesh to the lusts of men, but to the will of God.”

That is how you suffer—you can do the works of the flesh if you want or you can live to the will of God. Is it natural and normal for the flesh to want to do the will of God? No, that is why we suffer.

3 “For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries:”

The Third Angel’s Message; self-sacrificing love; that is what we need to have, where we would not love our lives unto the death. Those that love their lives unto death will get the Mark of the Beast; they’ll betray Christ; they’ll deny Christ; they’ll do it because they don’t have genuine self-sacrificing love.

They overcame by the Blood of the Lamb—First Angel; by the Word of their testimony—Second Angel; and they loved not their life unto the death—Third Angel. This is how we overcome the world, the flesh and the devil.

Amen