

TWO GLORIES ON EXHIBITION IN EARTH'S FINAL CRISIS. PART 6

ONLY THE SON OF GOD CAN REVEAL THE FATHER'S GLORY.

INTRODUCTION

The glory of God will be revealed by Christ through the end-time remnant of the **woman's seed** during the proclamation of the final warning. Read Rev.18: 1 to 4 and 12: 17.

In opposition to the glory of God will be Babylon's glory. Read Rev.18: 7.

God's glory is His character of unselfish, self-sacrificing **Agape Love**. 1 John 4:8 and 1 Cor.13:1-4. This **Agape Love** produces heart-obedience to God's law.

Babylon's glory will be the ultimate manifestation of Satan's character of selfishness and self-exaltation. Isaiah 14: 12 to 14.

At that time Satan will have established a church-state union, which will have been spearheaded by a Protestantism that would have apostatized from the **true** principles of the **Protestant Reformation**. It will be a highly sophisticated and highly technological confederacy of apostate religion, civil government and all the various human secular organizations driven by, what will be considered, the most advanced religious, political, educational, economic, scientific, sociological and problem-solving expertise in Christendom. The prophet Isaiah, in a prolepsis written in Isaiah chapter 8: 9-12, forewarned of the coming end-time confederacy. Satan's global confederacy is called the *Image and Mark of the Beast* in Rev. 13 : 11 to 18 and Rev.14: 9 to 12 and its warfare against the remnant will be the *last* battle in the great Cosmic Controversy before the Second Coming of Christ.

COSMIC CONFLICT

The Cosmic Conflict or Great Controversy started long ago in heaven when Satan openly opposed God's Government. The principle Satan opposed was, and is, the principle of **self-sacrificing Agape Love, and the Person** he specifically opposed and hated was the **Son of God, who was the One who revealed God's Agape Love**. These two facts are vitally important and are clearly shown in Revelation 12:7 to 9.

Satan established his government on our planet when our human first-parents accepted his deceptive overtures and disobeyed God. By inducing them to doubt God's goodness and trustworthiness he got them to "sell out" the world and all mankind to his government of self-centeredness and sin. But, praise Jehovah, all that has been sold out has been **legally bought back** through the plan of salvation by the Son of God!

In the fullness of time. the Son of God took on our fallen human flesh and became man and dwelt in our world in order to fully reveal God's character by confronting and overcoming every Satanic temptation and every Satanic nefarious strategy, including suffering and experiencing the unimaginable agony of the full extent of sin's separation from God, in other words He tasted eternal death for all mankind. In so

doing He *glorified* His Father and utterly defeated Satan and his government of sin with a victory called *TETELESTAI* at Calvary's cross. *TETELESTAI* means it is finished and it will continue to be finished. In the final battle, before the end of our present world system, Satan will again be defeated by Christ through the remnant of the woman's seed. It will be *TETELESTAI* again! In each victory the *glory or character* of God is fully revealed by Christ!

ONLY THE SON OF GOD.

Words (bible or otherwise) could not ,in fact cannot, reveal God's character. Only One Person in all the Universe could fully reveal God's character and fully expose Satan's falsehoods and character. That Person is the Son of God.(John 1:9,17,18;and John14 :8 -10 ;1John 1:5). That is one of the reasons Satan hates the Son of God. The other reason is that he coveted the *position* of God's Son and felt that he (Satan) should not be in a lesser position than that of Christ.

Little by little Lucifer came to indulge the desire for self-exaltation. The Scripture says, "Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness." [Ezekiel 28:17](#). "Thou hast said in thine heart, ...I will exalt my throne above the stars of God.... I will be like the Most High." [Isaiah 14:13, 14](#). Though all his glory was from God, this mighty angel came to regard it as pertaining to himself. Not content with his position, though honored above the heavenly host, he ventured to covet homage due alone to the Creator. Instead of seeking to make God supreme in the affections and allegiance of all created beings, it was his endeavor to secure their service and loyalty to himself. And coveting the glory with which the infinite Father had invested His Son, this prince of angels aspired to power that was the prerogative of Christ alone. PP 35.2

To dispute the supremacy of the Son of God, thus impeaching the wisdom and love of the Creator, had become the purpose of this prince of angels.PP36.1

The earth was dark through misapprehension of God. That the gloomy shadows might be lightened, that the world might be brought back to God, Satan's deceptive power was to be broken. This could not be done by force. The exercise of force is contrary to the principles of God's government; He desires only the service of love; and love cannot be commanded; it cannot be won by force or authority. Only by love is love awakened. To know God is to love Him; His character must be manifested in contrast to the character of Satan. This work only one Being in all the universe could do. Only He who knew the height and depth of the love of God could make it known. Upon the world's dark night the Sun of Righteousness must rise, "with healing in His wings." [Malachi 4:2](#). DA 22.1

Christ alone was able to represent the Deity. He who had been in the presence of the Father from the beginning, He who was the express image of the invisible God, was sufficient to accomplish this work. No verbal description could reveal

God to the world. Through a life of purity, a life of perfect trust and submission to the will of God, a life of humiliation such as even the highest seraph in heaven would have shrunk from, God himself must be revealed to humanity. In order to do this, our Saviour clothed his divinity with humanity. He employed the human faculties, for only adopting these could he be comprehended by humanity. Only humanity could reach humanity. He lived out the character of God through the human body which God had prepared for him. He blessed the world by living out in human flesh the life of God, thus showing that he had the power to unite humanity to divinity. RH June 25, 1895.

That *only* the Son of God could reveal His Father's character and glorify Him begs the question *why only the Son?* What is so unique about the Son of God that He could be the *only* Person in the universe and in the Godhead to reveal God's character of infinite, unconditional, *selfless* Agape Love ?

The Bible speaks about the *knowledge of the Son of God*. We are invited to attain to this knowledge. As a matter of fact in order for the remnant to glorify God in the final crisis they must attain to two advanced spiritual realities: one is unity of the faith, the other is *the knowledge of the Son of God*. Let us read Ephesians 4:11 to 13. There is so much to know concerning the Son of God! And, of course we are not just to know of Him, we are to know Him experientially !(John 17: 3). But back to the question: *why is it that only the Son of God could reveal the Father's character?* This question *must* be answered by the Bible and by the Son of God Himself so that we may understand and experience as much of the knowledge of the Son of God as is possible this side of eternity in order that we may glorify God as He did on earth. The Son of God is the central focus of Satan's attacks in the Cosmic Conflict, the reasons for this are of critical importance. Who really is the Son of God? What is His relation to God The Father? Why is it that only the Son of God could have redeemed humanity? We must go beyond the usual basic elementary doctrine of the Godhead and dig deep into the word of God for the answers. And this we shall do by God's grace.

CLOSING GEM(RH MARCH10,1891)

Christ, the Way, the Truth, and the Life, gave himself for a fallen world, and in him are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. No greater gift can be bestowed upon man than that which is comprehended in Christ. And yet men wait, refusing to give to God the allegiance of the heart. But let the impenitent look to the plan of redemption, and ask themselves, "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?" It is perilous to neglect to render to God the full consecration of all our powers, for he has given them to man in trust. Will you not ask yourself, "How is it with my soul?" The great gift of salvation has been placed within our reach at an infinite cost to the Father and the Son. To neglect salvation is to neglect the knowledge of the Father, and of the Son, whom God hath sent in order that man might become a partaker of the divine nature, and thus, with Christ, an heir of all things. A neglect to lay hold of the priceless treasure of salvation, means the

eternal ruin of your soul. The peril of indifference to God and neglect of his gift, is measured by the greatness of salvation. God has done to the uttermost of his almighty power. The resources of infinite love have been exhausted in devising and executing the plan of redemption for man. God has revealed his character in the goodness, the mercy, compassion, and love manifested to save a race of guilty rebels. What could be done that has not been done in the provisions of the plan of salvation? If the sinner remains indifferent to the manifestation of the goodness of God, if he neglects so great a salvation, rejects the overtures of divine mercy, refuses the gift of life purchased by the precious blood of Christ, what can be done to touch his hard heart? If the wonderful achievement wrought out by our Creator and Redeemer, into which he threw all his power and love, does not move the proud human heart, when man sees that his soul was thought of such value that the Son of the infinite God, the Majesty of heaven, was willing to lay down his life in order that he might be saved, then there is nothing that will move that man. Christ left the royal courts, and accepted a life of shame, reproach, and suffering, and did not shrink even from the death of the cross, in order that he might unite humanity with divinity. Are you so infatuated with the love of self, with the suggestions of Satan, that these considerations do not move you to a life of humility, and of submission to God? Will not the love and compassion of him who gave in one gift all that heaven afforded, awaken a response in your heart? "How shall we escape, if we neglect so great a salvation?" RH March 10, 1891.