



TRIM
YOUR
LAMPS

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, **because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.**

Rev. 12:12





And that, *knowing
the time*, that now it
is high time to awake
out of sleep: *for now
is our salvation
nearer than when
we believed.*

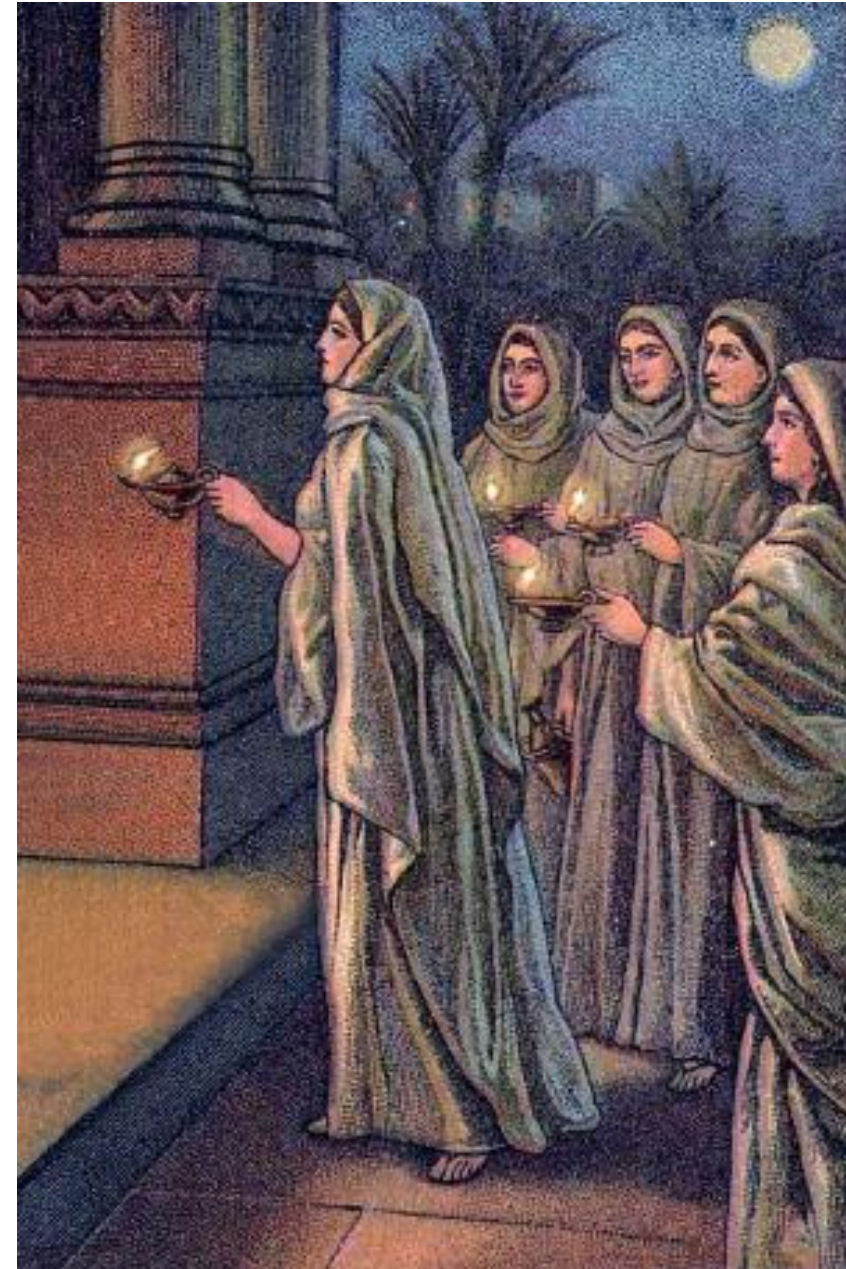
Rom. 13:11

Then all those virgins arose,
and ***trimmed their lamps.***

Matt. 25:7

Trim [trim] verb (*used with object*), trimmed, trim·ing
to put into a neat or orderly condition by
clipping, paring, pruning, etc.:

Proof [proof] noun
evidence sufficient to establish a thing as
true, or to produce belief in its truth.



Recipe For Studying God's Word

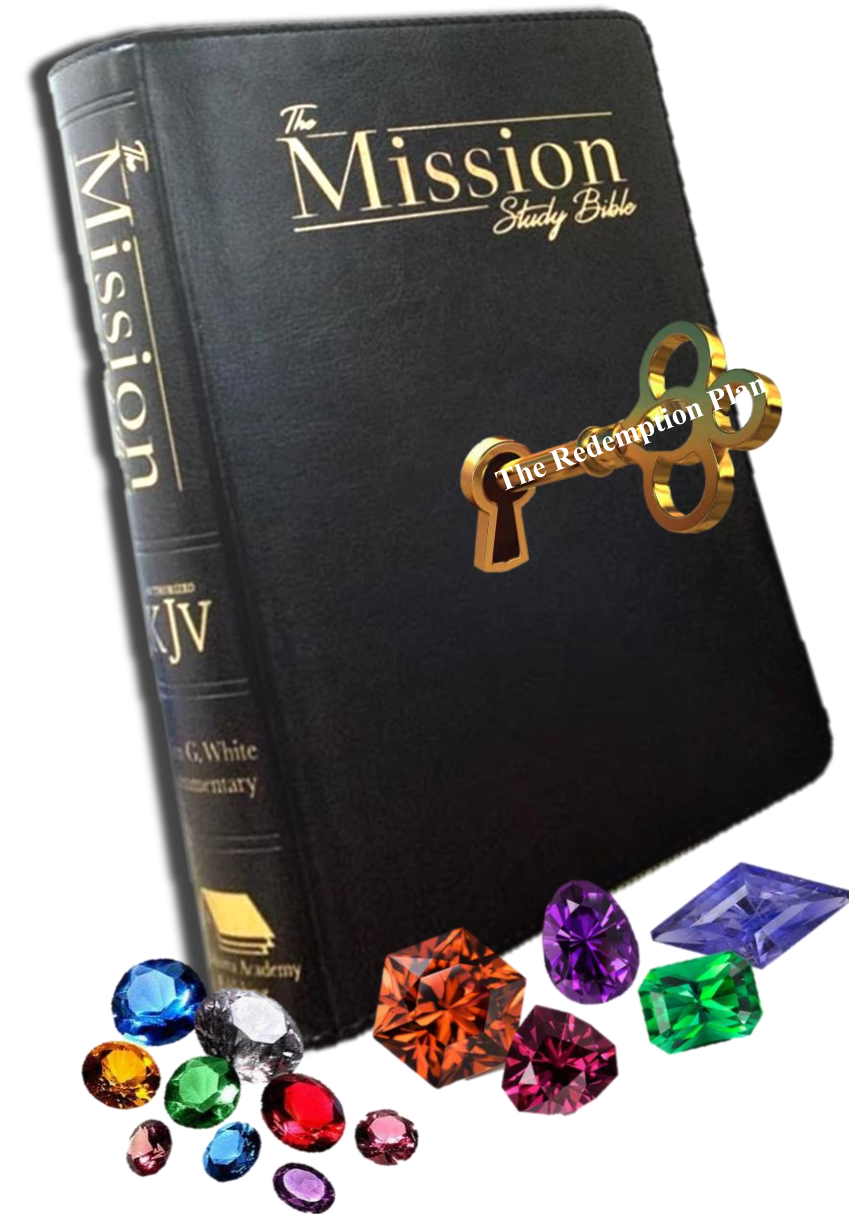


Isa. 28:9, 10, & 13

We must give this message quickly,
line upon line, precept upon precept.
Men will soon be forced to great
decisions, and it is our duty to see that
they are given an opportunity to
understand the truth, that they may
take their stand intelligently on the
right side. The Lord calls upon His
people to labor—labor earnestly and
wisely—while probation lingers.

{Testimonies for the Church 9:126, 127}

Gems of Truth

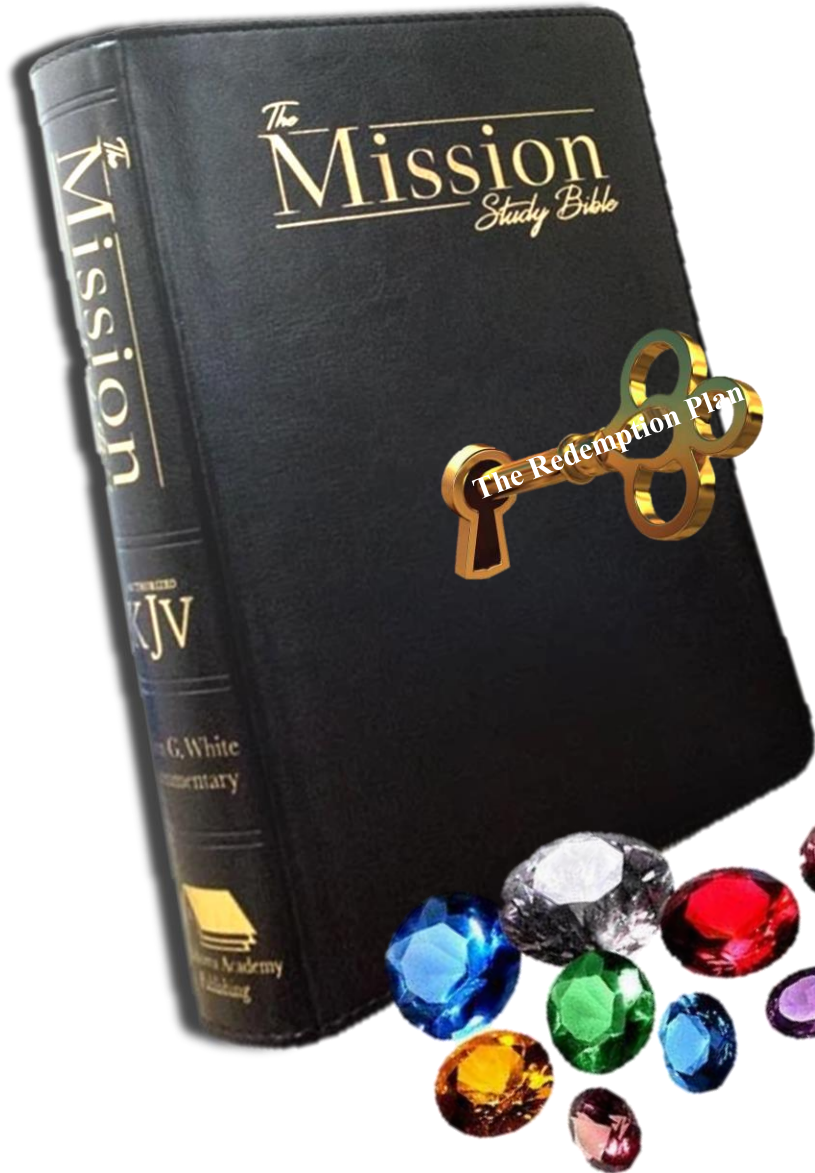


The **central theme of the Bible**, the theme about which every other in the whole book clusters, **is the redemption plan, the RESToration in the human soul of the image of God**. From the first intimation of hope in the sentence pronounced in Eden to that last glorious promise of the Revelation, “They shall see His face; and His name shall be in their foreheads” (Revelation 22:4), **the burden of every book and every passage of the Bible is the unfolding of this wondrous theme**,—man's uplifting,—the power of God, “which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 15:57.



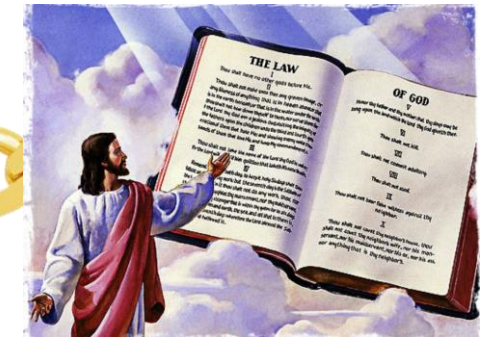
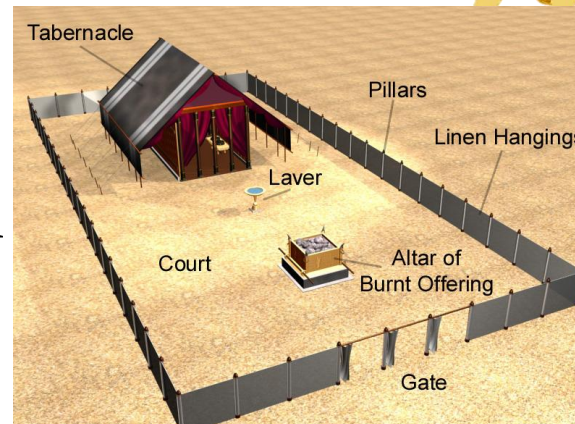
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He who grasps this thought has before him an infinite field for study. He has the key that will unlock to him the whole treasure house of God's word. {Ed, p. 126}



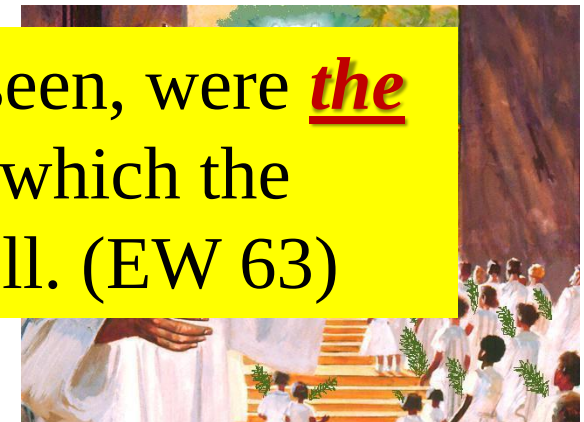
But such subjects as the sanctuary, in connection with the 2300 days, the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, are perfectly calculated to

- (1) explain the past Advent movement
- (2) show what our present position is,
- (3) establish the faith of the doubting,
- (4) give certainty to the glorious future.



These, I have frequently seen, were the principal subjects on which the messengers should dwell. (EW 63)

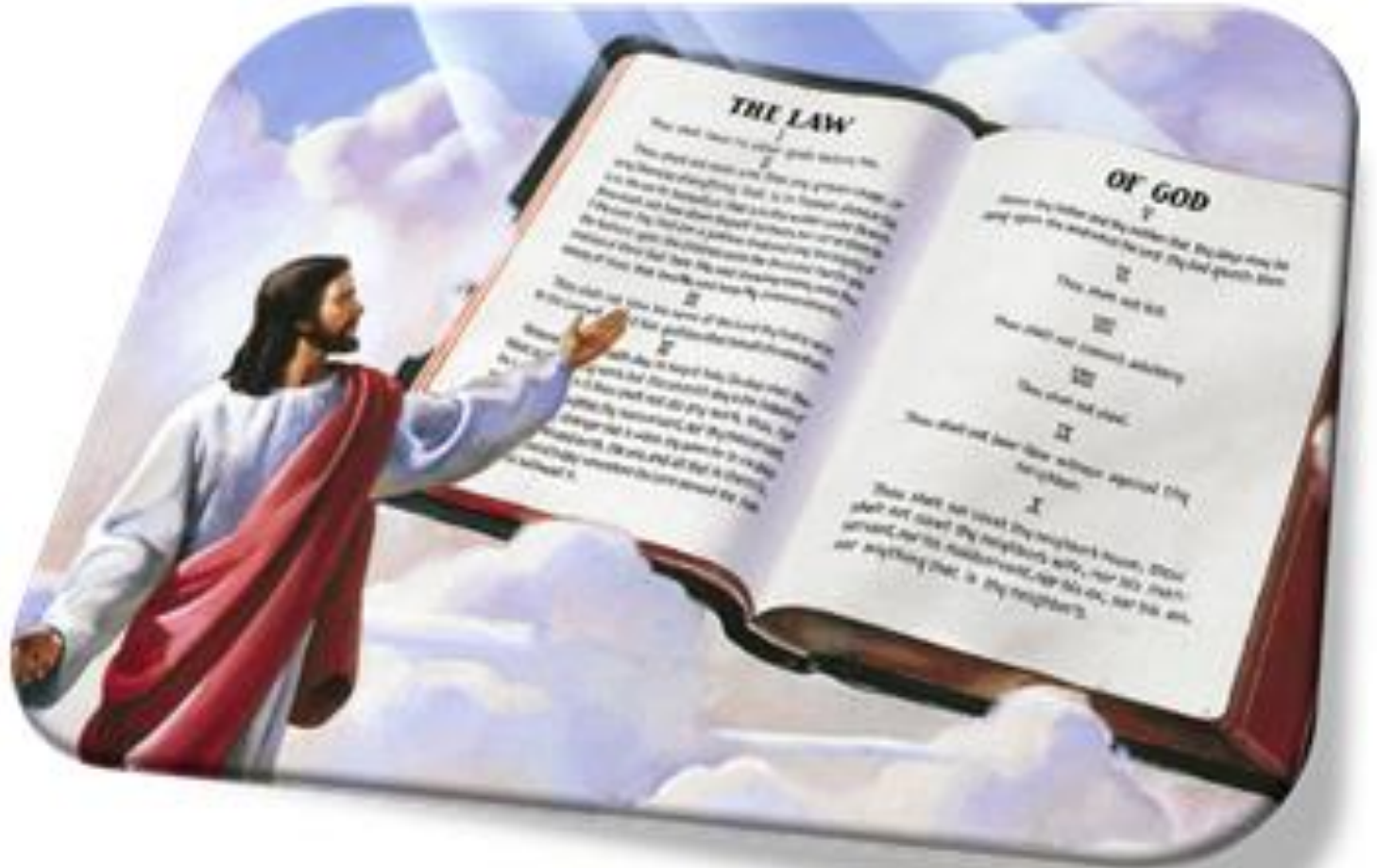
principal: first in order of importance; main





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STUDY

The Precepts of the Decalogue





The ten commandments, Thou shalt, and Thou shalt not, are ten promises, assured to us if we render obedience to the law governing the universe. “If ye love me, keep my commandments.” Here is the sum and substance of the law of God. The terms of salvation for every son and daughter of Adam are here outlined (Manuscript 41, 1896).

The Lord has given His holy commandments to be a wall of protection around His created beings, and those who will keep themselves from the defilement of appetite and passion may become partakers of the divine nature.

The ten holy precepts spoken by Christ upon Sinai's mount were the revelation of the character of God, and made known to the world the fact that He had jurisdiction over the whole human heritage. That law of ten precepts of the greatest love that can be presented to man is the voice of God from heaven speaking to the soul in promise, "This do, and you will not come under the dominion and control of Satan." There is not a negative in that law, although it may appear thus. It is DO, and Live (Letter 89, 1898).



The first four are pertaining to man's
relationship to God



and the last six are pertaining to man's relationship
with each other. (John 14:15 & 21; John 15:14)

The precepts of the Decalogue
are adapted to all mankind,
and they were given for the
instruction and government of
all. Ten precepts, brief,
comprehensive, and
authoritative, cover the duty of
man to God and to his
fellowman; and all [are] based
upon the great fundamental
principle of love. {1MCP 248}



There is not a moral precept enjoined in any part of the Bible which is not engraved with the finger of God in His holy law on the two tables of stone. A copy was given to Moses on Mount Sinai. The first four commandments enjoined upon man his duty to serve the Lord our God with all the heart, and with all the soul, and with all the mind, and with all the strength. This takes the whole man. This requires a love so fervent, so intense, that man can cherish nothing in his mind or affections in rivalry with God; and his works will bear the signature of heaven. Everything is secondary to the glory of God. Our heavenly Father is to be ever cherished as the first, the joy and prosperity, the light and sufficiency of our life, and our portion forever.

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Commandment

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Let men worship and serve the Lord God,
and Him only. Let not selfish pride be
lifted up and served as a god. Let not
money be made a god. If sensuality is not
kept under the control of the higher
powers of the mind, base passion will rule
the being. Anything that is made the
subject of undue thought and admiration,
absorbing the mind, is a God chosen
before the Lord.



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Jehovah, the eternal, self-existent, uncreated One, Himself the source and sustainer of all, is alone entitled to supreme reverence and worship.

Man is forbidden to give to any other object the first place in his affections or his service - And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all might. (Deut. 6:5) Whatever we cherish that tends to lessen our love for God or to interfere with the service due Him, of that do we make a god. {Sons and Daughters of God, p. 56}

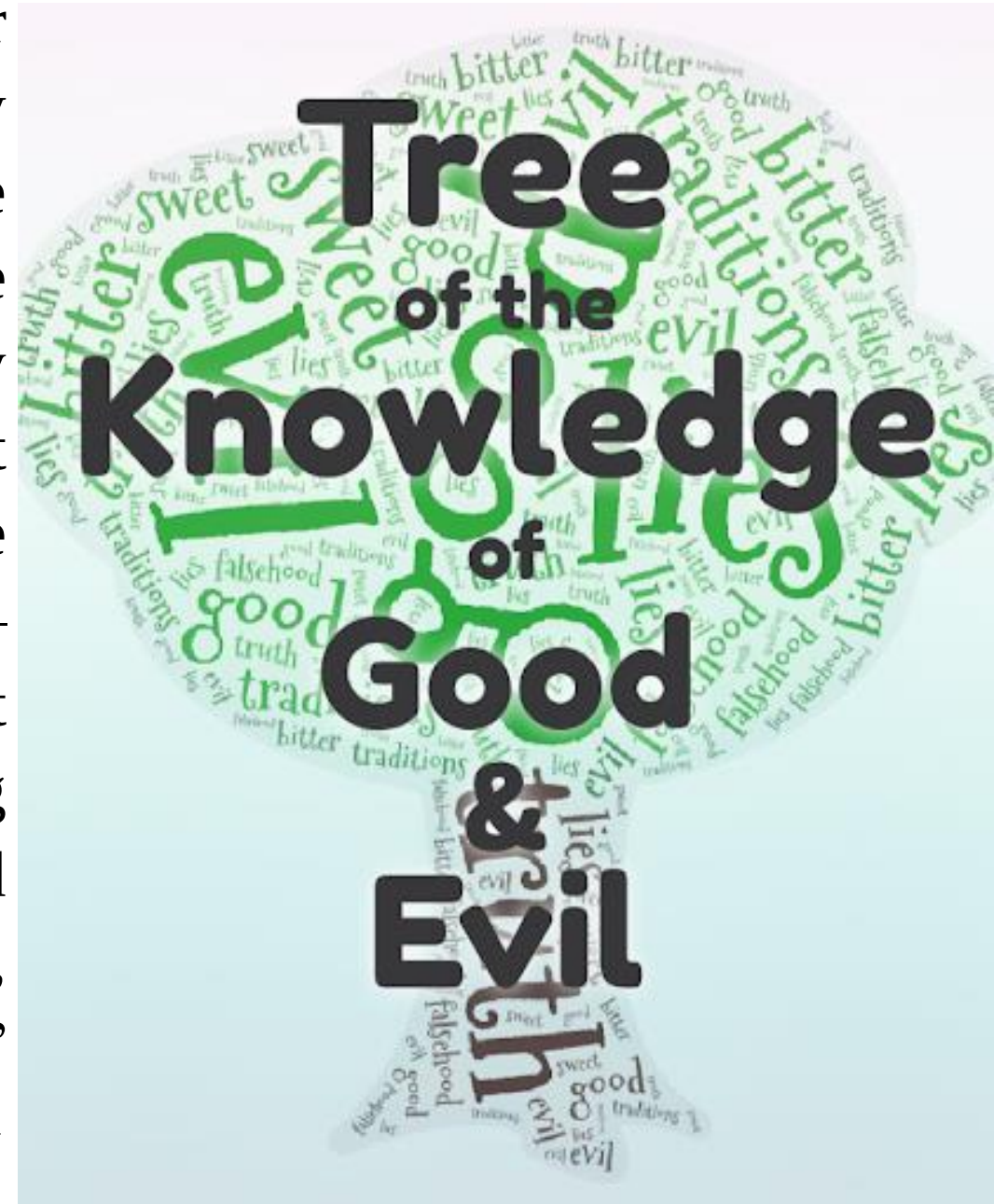
When and where was false god worship introduced to mankind? Satan would convey the idea that by eating of the forbidden tree they would receive a new and more noble kind of knowledge than they had hitherto attained. This has been his special work, with great success, ever since his fall—to lead men to pry into the secrets of the Almighty and not to be satisfied with what God has revealed, and not careful to obey that which He has commanded.





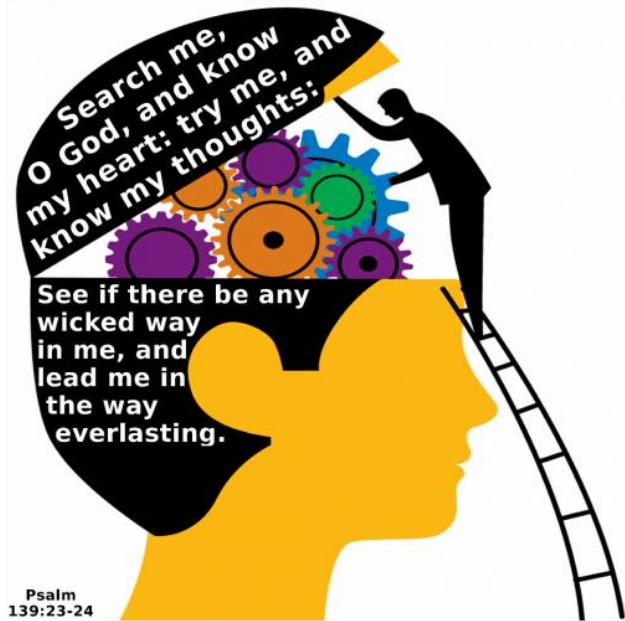
He would lead them to disobey God's commands, and then make them believe that they are entering a wonderful field of knowledge. This is purely supposition, and a miserable deception. They fail to understand what God has revealed, and disregard His explicit commandments and aspire after wisdom, *independent of God*, and seek to understand that which He has been pleased to withhold from mortals. They are elated with their ideas of progression and charmed with their own vain philosophy, but grope in midnight darkness relative to true knowledge. They are ever learning and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.

It was not the will of God that this sinless pair should have any knowledge of evil. He had freely given them the good but withheld the evil. Eve thought the words of the serpent wise, and she received the broad assertion, “Ye shall not surely die: for God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil”—**making God a liar**. Satan boldly insinuated that God had deceived them to keep them from being exalted in knowledge equal with Himself. God said: If ye eat ye shall surely die. The serpent said, If ye eat, “ye shall not surely die.” {The Story of Redemption, p. 34}



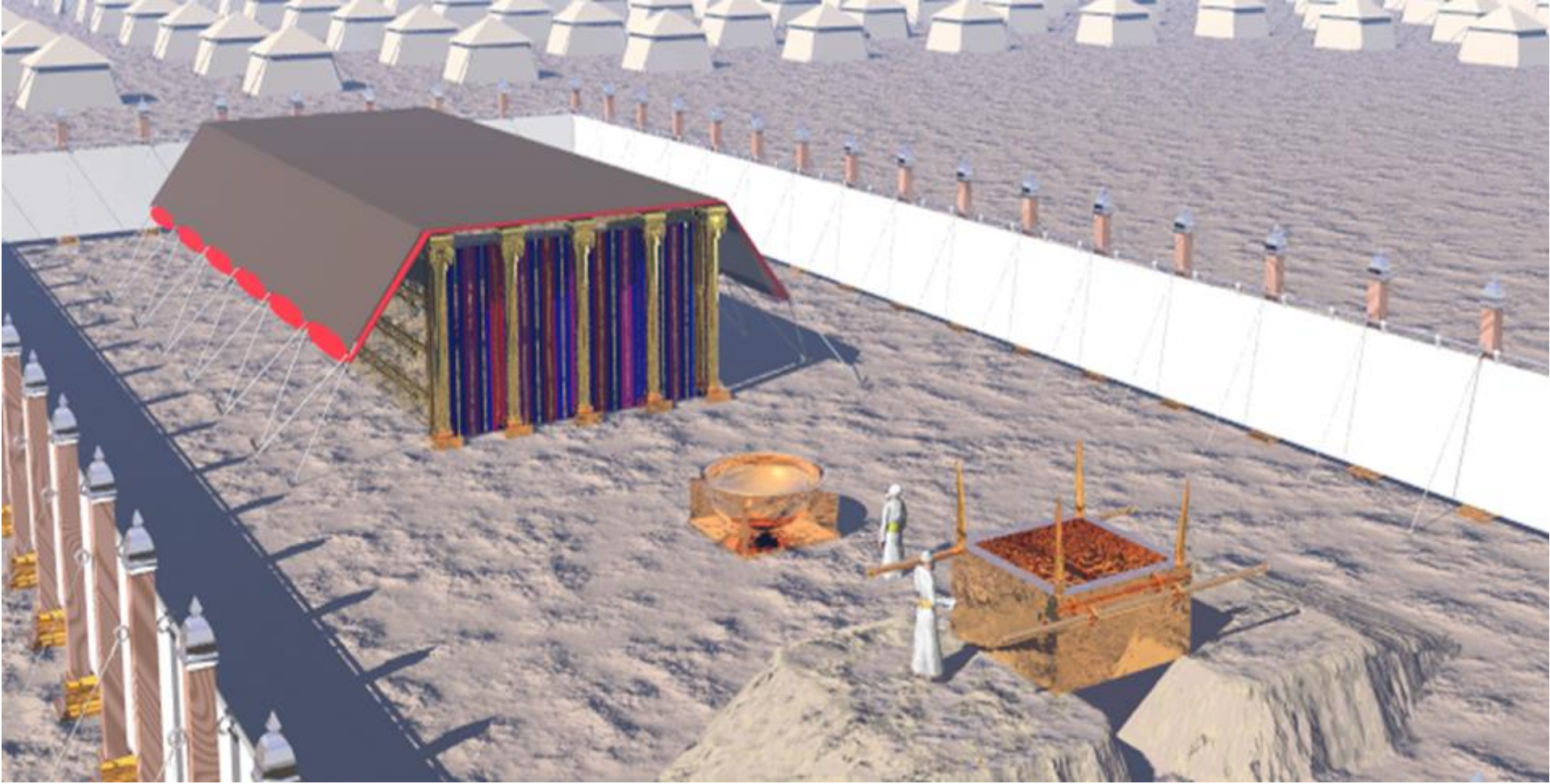


I saw that whatever divides the affections, or takes away from the heart supreme love for God, or prevents unlimited confidence and entire trust in Him, assumes the character and takes the form of an idol. I was pointed to the first great commandment: “Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.” There is allowed no separation of our affections from God. Nothing is to divide our supreme love for Him or our delight in Him. Your will, wishes, plans, desires, and pleasures must all be in subjection. You have something to learn, to exalt the Lord God in your heart, in your conversation, in all your acts; and then Jesus can teach you, and help you, as you cast your net on the right side of the ship, to bring it to shore full of fishes.



May our thoughts be fixed on you, Lord God.

But without the help of Christ in casting your net, you may toil, weeks, months, and years without seeing much fruit of your labor.... Study yourself. Try every motive.... Seek to exhibit Christ. When one is fully emptied of self, when every false god is cast out of the soul, the vacuum is filled by the inflowing of the Spirit of Christ. Such a one has the faith that purifies the soul from defilement. He is conformed to the Spirit, and he minds the things of the Spirit. He has no confidence in self. Christ is all and in all. He receives with meekness the truth that is constantly being unfolded, and gives the Lord all the glory, saying, "God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit." "Now we have received, not the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God; that we might know the things that are freely given to us of God" {LHU 142.}







High Priest
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Most Holy Place

Rev 20:12

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Righteous Dead being Judged



Probationary Time

Rev. 20:12

Lamb's Book
of Life

Mal. 3:16

God's Book of
Remembrance

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Dan. 7:10

- **Identifies** the Creator
- **Identifies** the Judgment
- **Identifies** True Worship
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Rev 14:7 & 12

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Publishing
Houses



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Messages

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Wheat & Tares Growing Together – Matt. 13:24-30

5 Wise & 5 Foolish Virgins – Matt. 25:2

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God's purpose in giving the third angel's message to the world is to prepare a people to stand true to Him during the investigative judgment. This is the purpose for which we establish and maintain (1) our publishing houses, (2) our schools, (3) our sanitariums, (4) hygienic restaurants, (5) treatment rooms, and (6) food factories. This is our purpose in carrying forward every line of work in the cause.—Manuscript 154, 1902, 4. 1MR 228.2

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This command promises to protect us from “false god worship/Idolatry” in our hearts. God vows to be our God as long as we are obedient to His commands, statutes, and judgments.



Homework

Read the
Exodus 20:4 - 6

