The True Midnight Cry

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In our last presentation we've gone over five points about what each of us should agree on as Seventh-day Adventists. People will want to know, "Well, how do you do these things?"

Each and every one of these topics, every one of these 5 points, could take some time and we have a very limited amount of time in which to answer these on this series, so what we're going to do in this presentation is give you an overview answer to each one of these, because you're going to have to study these things out on your own. We will be giving presentations out in the future where we will give you more in depth on each one of these questions. You need to have a simple explanation for each one of these questions. You can delve into each one of these things for hours, ok?

We're going to begin by giving a simple explanation to our first question; "Do you believe in the Prophetic ministry of EGW?" Then the follow up question is, "Point #1 Can you illustrate Ellen G. White's prophetic ministry from the Bible?"

Well, I believe you can and there lots of ways you can do it and I believe the simplest one is the prophetic ministry. We're going to turn to the book of Acts chapter 2 verse 17. And the Bible says:

Acts 2:17 "And it shall come to pass in the last days, (Peter is giving a prophecy here, he is referring to another prophecy that is found in the book of Joel) saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams:"

Notice in verse 16:

Acts 2:16 "But this is that which was spoken by the prophet Joel;" referring to what has happened in Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon them, but Peter is giving more information and saying, yes, this is given by the Prophet Joel, but it's going to happen again in the future. Look what it says here:

Acts 2:17, 18 "And it shall come to pass in the last days, saith God, I will pour out of my Spirit upon all flesh: and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams: 18 And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:"

What we have in the Bible is telling us that in the last days God will pour out the gift of Prophecy. Amen? And that he will specifically pour out the gift of prophecy not just on men but on women too, Amen? And look what it says here in verse 18:

Acts 2:18 "And on my servants and on my handmaidens I will pour out in those days of my Spirit; and they shall prophesy:"

Then Peter goes on to link it with something. See it would be one thing to say, "Well okay, at the end of time men and women are going to prophesy," but he links it to a series of events that are going to transpire here. Look what the Bible says in verse 19:

Acts 2:19-21 "And I will show wonders in heaven above, and signs in the earth beneath; blood, and fire, and vapour of smoke: 20 The sun shall be turned into darkness, and the moon into blood, before that great and notable day of the Lord come: 21 And it shall come to pass,

[that] whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved."

So what Peter is doing here is saying, "Hey, at the end of the world the Lord is going to pour out His Spirit and my servants and my handmaidens, my Spirit is going to pour out on them and they are going to prophesy and I'm going to illustrate it to you because I'm going to show you signs and wonders", Amen? I want you to notice something. He's going to pour out His Spirit and they shall prophesy...in verse 18..look at this again "...and on my servants and on my handmaidens, I will pour out in those days..." what days is he talking about?, "the last days, my Spirit and they shall prophesy." So what do you have to have poured out on you to be able to prophesy? The Spirit. So you have to have the Spirit of what? The Spirit of Prophecy...and the Lord has combined this prophecy of His Spirit being poured out in the last days with a set of signs and wonders. Let's talk about some of these signs and wonders:

"Blood and fire and vapor of smoke, the sun shall be turned into darkness and the moon into blood..." so here we have 2 supernatural, astronomical events that have to occur that are going to illustrate the time period in which He is going to pour out these things. The moon is going to be turned into blood, the sun shall be darkened. Turn with me to Revelation chapter 6. Did you know that the prophets are subject to the prophets and all the prophets have to agree? Amen? Turn to Revelation chapter 6 and verse 12 because Revelation chapter 6 is going to talk again about the moon turning into blood and the sun being darkened but it's going to give us additional information. Verse 12:

Revelation 6:12 "And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;"

Do you see that? This is a parallel with what's going on in Acts chapter 2, what Peter is talking about. But look at verse 13:

Revelation 6:13 "And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind."

So let's look at these three events here, actually there are four events. Two of the events are not spoken of in Acts, but we know that they all have to be together because they are in the same prophetic lines. Let's read it again. What is the first thing that has to happen? In verse 12 it says,

"And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake;"

Brothers and Sisters, let's talk about the greatest earthquake that's ever been recorded in the history of man. It has affected some four million square miles and affected people all the way from the horn of Africa to Scandinavia and as far west as Greenland. What was this? This was known as the Great Lisbon Earthquake. Did you hear that word "great"? It says here that there was a 'great earthquake', prophesying into the future. In 1755 this great earthquake happened off the port of Lisbon Portugal, that's why it was called the Lisbon earthquake. It affected more places than just Lisbon, Portugal, but the reason why it's called the great Lisbon earthquake is because it virtually wiped out the entire city of Lisbon.

Not only did the earth shake the very buildings apart, but it caused a tsunami that came ashore and killed tens of thousands of people. In fact because of the record keeping in 1755, we really don't even know how many people lost their lives in this earthquake; but none the less this was the great earthquake and this came after the great tribulation period of the Dark Ages, in the year 1755.

"And the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;" On May 19th 1780 was the inexplicable phenomenon that no scientist or individual has ever been able to explain. On that day in 1780 the sun refused to shine. Blackness came over the land in North America, blackness came over the land in the morning on that particular day and by noontime, the sky was as dark as midnight. The animals even went back to roost. They thought it was nighttime and it was unexplained. Have you ever been outside at midnight? Can you imagine it being that dark in the middle of the day at noon time? What happened on that day, all that day the sky was dark; everything was dark. Finally the darkness went away, the moon came out, and guess what it looked like? It was blood red. Amen? It was blood red, fulfilling this prophecy here in Revelation. What's the next thing that happens? Revelation chapter 13:

Revelation 6:13 "And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind."

Why am I talking about all these things? Because the Bible tells us in the book of Acts, that the Lord is going to pour out His Spirit of Prophecy and His handmaidens are going to what? They're going to prophesy. Amen? But it's going to happen when the Lord shows a series of supernatural events. Those events in the book of Acts chapter 2 are tied to the events in the Book of Revelation chapter 6; one of the events is a falling of the stars.

On the 13th of November, 1833 the greatest meteor shower ever recorded in human history took place. These meteors were coming down like, I don't even know the figures, but it was like they were falling down like rain everywhere all around, tens of thousands of them every minute, coming down.

This meteor shower happened November 13th, 1833, again fulfilling the prophecy. Why is this important? Because the Bible is telling us when the end of the world is; Peter is saying these things are important because I'm going to pour out my Spirit of Prophesy on all flesh. Amen?

During this 1833 time period and after, there are many people that claimed to have the gift of prophecy. There are many people, but how do we know who the Bible is talking about? How do

we know? Well, one of the things that we have to know is that it has to be poured out on his handmaidens too, not just exclusively on the men, but also on handmaidens. Okay?

Now, let's talk about something here; turn with me to Revelation chapter 12, verse 17 talks about a group of people and talks about a woman. A woman in the Bible refers to a church. And Revelation 12:17 is going to talk about those who have the testimony of Jesus and keep the commandments of God. Let's see what Revelation says. Many Seventh-day Adventist understand this, but they are not all connecting all the dots to reveal to their neighbors the prophetic ministry of Ellen G. White. What does the Bible say in verse 17?

Revelation 12:17 "And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ."

Now, what is this testimony of Jesus Christ? The Bible tells us. Turn me to Revelation Chapter 19 verse 10. And the Bible says;

Revelation 19:10 "And I fell at his feet to worship him." (This is John: He's falling at the feet of this angel) "And he said unto me, See [thou do it] not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy."

So the testimony of Jesus is the Spirit of Prophecy, right? So back to Revelation 12; what is it really saying in Revelation 12:17? "And the dragon," who is who? Satan. The Bible tells us the dragon is Satan. So let's read what the Bible says, And Satan "was wroth with the woman, or with the church, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed which keep the commandments of God and have" the Spirit of Prophecy. They have the capability of somebody or an individual who will prophesy. Brothers and Sisters, we're talking about the end of the world here and about God having a church at the end of the world; about a people who are going to have the gift of prophecy; Amen? How do we know if a person that claims to have the gift of prophecy is really a prophet? Turn with me to Isaiah. There are many ways to test a prophet in the Bible, but we're going to go to the book of Isaiah chapter 8 and we're going to start in verse 19 to 20. And the Bible says;

Isaiah 8:19 "And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? 20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, [it is] because [there is] no light in them."

We learned earlier in the book of Revelation that the testimony of Jesus is what? The Spirit of Prophecy; and the Bible says here, "To the law and to the testimony if they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them." So let's review here for a second. According to the Bible, God is telling us at the end of the world there is going to be some supernatural events. There would be an earthquake, there would be the sun turn to black, there would be the moon turn to blood and the stars would fall from the sky. Peter tells us that when these events happen that He is going to pour out His Spirit on his handmaidens and they shall prophesy. Not

only that, but the Bible tells us that if a spirit is speaking through an individual and if that individual doesn't believe and is not being lead into keeping the commandments of God, this is important; because the Lord does speak through people, but if they are not being led into keeping the commandments of God, "to the law and to the testimony if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Amen?

Now let's look at the story here. Sometime after the last supernatural event that was foretold in the book of Revelation, sometime after November 1833, is the time period when the Lord is going to pour out His Spirit on handmaidens and they are going to prophesy. Ten years later in December of 1844, five women were kneeling, hearts knit together, and when does the Lord pour out his Spirit? Well according to Acts chapter 2:1.

Acts 2:1 "And when the day of Pentecost was fully come, they were all with one accord in one place. 2 And suddenly there came a sound from heaven as of a rushing mighty wind, and it filled all the house where they were sitting."

What were they filled with Brothers and Sisters? The Holy Spirit. And what does Peter start doing here? Prophesying. You have to be in one accord and you have to be at a certain time. Brothers and sisters, did you know that Jesus Christ Himself prophesied this event? He prophesied that the Holy Spirit would come, and when it did come they had an understanding that the prophecy was fulfilled. Now Peter is saying yes, this is the fulfillment of that prophesy, but there's another prophesy at the end of the world that's going to be tied to supernatural events to illustrate when the time is, that it's going to be poured out in the last days. Amen?

So fast-forward to December 1844, ten years after the last supernatural fulfillment of the prophecies of Revelation chapter 6. Five women, five handmaidens in Portland Maine kneeling at the family altar; their hearts were knit together, looking for the soon coming of Jesus Christ, and the Holy Spirit descended on those five women and prophesied. Brothers and Sisters, that was a prophecy fulfilled.

But people could say, "Well, yeah, yeah, there are other people who prophesied at that same time period." But there's was only the one individual prophetic ministry of Ellen G. White that began in December of 1844, in whom God led in keeping the commandments of God, Amen? Not just nine of the commandments, but all ten of the commandments, including the 4th commandment: Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy. Amen? There's only one ministry that came about in that time period that meets all the credentials given by the heavenly prophets that prophesied of old. I'm not saying that the Lord won't raise up other prophets, but that the Lord raised up Ellen G. White as a prophet for this time, spoken of, not only in the Word of God, but testified by the supernatural events that occurred.

As Mrs. White would travel across the country, she would be given open visions for 40 years. From 1844 she had her first open vision in Portland Maine, and 40 years later had her last open vision in Portland Oregon. So for 40 years they would travel around and they would never know when she would go into vision. They never knew; but when they would go, they would, just in case, invite the towns' people like doctors and lawyers so they could testify in case Mrs. White went into vision. They would invite them to physically examine Mrs. White.

When she would go into some of these visions, they would be accompanied with supernatural phenomena; like she wouldn't breathe for long periods of time when she would be in vision. Her arms could not be moved. There were all these supernatural manifestations that would accompany her prophetic ministry. So Brothers and Sisters, we are not only a people of prophecy, but we are a people in prophecy. Mrs. White is in the prophecies of the Bible. I'm going to move on now to Point #2:

Point #2: Do you believe in a day for a year principle?

Most Seventh Day Adventist say, "Yes, we believe in a day for a year principle." Let's turn to the book of Numbers. We're going to look at a quote here in the Book of Numbers. We're going to read a story about when the children of Israel were in the wilderness, and they disobeyed God, and what happened when they disobeyed God. Numbers 14:33. And the Bible says:

Numbers 14:33, 34 "And your children shall wander in the wilderness forty years, and bear your whoredoms, until your carcases be wasted in the wilderness. 34 After the number of the days in which ye searched the land, [even] forty days, each day for a year, shall ye bear your iniquities, [even] forty years, and ye shall know my breach of promise."

So what happens here is that the Lord is saying, "Hey, I'm going to make you accountable here, each day for a year. Each day that you went in and search the land, I'm going to make you accountable for a year." So one person can say, "Yeah, ya, that's kind of a little bit of a stretch to say that there's a day for a year principle here." But there's a second witness for this. Turn with me to the book of Ezekiel chapter 4 and we're going to see this principle illustrated again, and it's being illustrated in a prophecy. Ezekiel 4:6. The Lord is talking to Ezekiel here, He says:

Ezekiel 4:6 "And when thou hast accomplished them, lie again on thy right side, and thou shalt bear the iniquity of the house of Judah forty days: I have appointed thee each day for a year."

So we have it again here, a second witness for this day for a year principle, illustrated in the

Bible. But there are other ways to illustrate it. For instance, how many people have heard of the

Sabbath rest of the land that the Jews used to keep? Right? So you have the seventh day Sabbath; seven days of the week, then the seventh day is the Sabbath. Then there's the six years' work. In creation week you work for 6 days and you rest on the seventh day right? There's a day for a year principle embedded in the Sabbath because you are to sow and reap the land for 6 years and then on the seventh year you are to rest the land.

So there are a number of ways to illustrate this day for a year principle. I want to give you an illustration. Turn with me to the book of Daniel. Now, as Protestants—and what's a Protestant? They are protesting Rome right? All true Protestants are protesting Rome; and all true

Protestant consider that the Papacy, the office of the Papacy, is the man of sin spoken of in 2

Thessalonians chapter 2. They also identify the little horn in Daniel chapter 7 as the Papacy. Now I'm going to give you Daniel chapter 7:25.

Daniel 7:25 "And he shall speak [great] words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time."

Amen? Now that amount of time, we believe as Seventh Day Adventists, to be 1260 days. Ok? So if you take a 360 day year and multiply it times 3, plus add 180 days, which is a half a year, it equals 1260 days. Now let me illustrate this again in another way; because this same power is in power for exactly 1260 prophetic days which are years. This is illustrated again in Revelation chapter 13, speaking about the beast which has been identified as the Papacy. Verse 5 "And it was given unto him power to speak great things. . ." Same thing as that little horn power back in Daniel chapter 7:25, "and blasphemies and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months."

Okay; so here's the thing, what does 40 and 2 months equal? Are they 28 day months? Are they 31 day months? Are they 30 day months? We have all this confusion in our calendar today. I'll be honest with you, I can't remember all the months that have 30, all the months that have 31; but I do know that February has 28, that's the easy one. It's consistent, except on leap years it has 29. Isn't it confusing? But we don't have a confusing God, brothers and sisters; the God of the Bible has a 30 day month and every month is 30 days; every year is 360 days.

Okay, we have in Revelation chapter 13 these 42 months, and we say these 42 months equal

1260 days. But you can only make it 1260 days if each month is 30 days, and we have to let the Bible interpret itself. Right? We're letting the Bible interpret itself. We're saying a time, times and half a time equals 1260 days, and we're saying 42 months equals 1260 days, but that's only predicated if a year is only 360 days and a month is 30 days. Why is that? Because there's 12 months in a year, so 12 x 30 equals 360, Amen? So where does the Bible tell us that a month is 30 days?

Go with me to the book of Genesis. The Lord will tell us in His written word how to keep time. The Bible says in Genesis 7:11. "In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened." So on the 2nd month; on the 17th day of the month what happened? All the fountains of the great deep were broken up. Now turn with me to Genesis 8:2 because we saw when it was broken up and now we're going to see when it stopped, okay? "

The fountains also of the deep and the windows of heaven were stopped and the rain from the heaven was restrained. "Verse 3, "and the waters returned from off the earth continually after the end of 150 days the waters were abated."

So starting from the 17th day of the 2nd month, we have 150 days; and what does the Bible say? It says it a different way...verse 4 "and the ark rested the 7th month on the 17th day of the month

on the mountains of Ararat." So here's what we have; we have a mathematical equation here that has 5 months, because the rains came and the deep was broken up on the 2nd month and it stopped or rested on the 7th month right? So how many months is that? You have a 5 months difference. The Bible says this was 150 days. So if you take 150 and you divided it by 5, it tells you there was 30 days in each month. Amen? That's the Bible telling us that there's a 30 day Biblical month. Bible time, by the way, is based on the moon, and the moon has a cycle that equals to 30 day months. Now, if we don't know how to illustrate that a year equals 360 days and that a month is 30 days, we can't make any of our prophecies in regard to the Papacy; we can't prove that the Pope is the man of sin! We all said that this was extremely important, Amen?

Okay, we're going to move to the next one; we're trying to give as many answers as we can in the short amount of time we have:

Point # 3: Do you believe that October 22, 1844 is important?

Where do we get October 22 1844? What does it have to do with? Well this has to do with the great prophecies of the Bible that terminate on 22nd of October 1844. I'm going to give you a simple explanation of this; turn to Daniel chapter 8. Since we've gone over the day for year principle; when we get over to Daniel the 8th chapter, we're able to apply it to our conversation. Daniel 8:14. And the Bible says, "And he said unto me, unto 2300 days then shall the sanctuary be cleansed..." We understand that we have this day for a year principle. So this is not talking about 2300 literal days but it's talking about 2300 prophetic days or years. So unto 2300 years then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. Again we are just going to do an outline; I encourage everyone, here and listening to this, to completely study these things out on their own.

"Unto 2300 years shall the sanctuary be cleansed..." This prophecy left Daniel perplexed because he wanted to know, when the 2300 years began? We turn to Daniel chapter 9, where the angel Gabriel gives Daniel the starting point to the 2300 year prophecy but by the 70 weeks which total to 490 years.

Daniel 9:25. "Know therefore and understand that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and build Jerusalem..." so we're going to stop right there; this is when the time prophecy is going to take place. What we need to know in order to understand the 2300 day prophecy, is when the decree goes forth. Then we can tabulate when the sanctuary is going to be cleansed.

Brothers and Sisters, what does it mean to cleanse the sanctuary? What and where is the sanctuary? We believe the sanctuary it is talking about is the heavenly sanctuary, and we're even starting to get into a little bit about Jesus in the Most Holy Place as our heavenly high priest. There were some people who, when trying to decipher these prophecies, believed the sanctuary was the earth. They had misinterpreted what the Sanctuary was.

So how was it that we get into the October 22 time period? Let's turn to the book of Ezra. Daniel is told by the Angel Gabriel that from the going forth of the decree to restore and rebuild Jerusalem shall be 2300 prophetic days which are years. Ezra 7:13. Now there are 3 decrees, 3 different kings, Cyrus, Darius and Artaxerxes made decrees for the rebuilding of Jerusalem, but

only the 3rd decree given by Artaxerxes, actually finishes and completes the work. Okay? This is found in Ezra chapter 7:12; and the Bible says "Artaxerxes, king of kings unto Ezra the priest a scribe of the law of the God of heaven perfect peace and at such a time..." verse 13. "I make a decree that all they of the people of Israel and of the priest the Levites in my realm which are minded of their own free will to go up to Jerusalem and to go with thee for as much as thou art sent of the king and of the 7 counselors to enquire of Judah and Jerusalem according to the law of thy God, which is in thine hand to carry the silver and the gold which the king of his counselors have freely offered unto the God of Israel whose habitation is in Jerusalem."

As you go on to read this, you see this decree is to finish building the temple of Jerusalem; this is the 3rd decree; the decree that finishes the work. So this has to be the decree referred to in Daniel 9. "From the going forth of the commandment to rebuild and restore Jerusalem." Amen? So all we have to do is find out when this took place and then add 2300 years to that date and that will tell us when the sanctuary will be cleansed. That will bring us to understand what this October 22, 1844 is all about.

In order to find out about that date, we have to go back to Ezra 7:7. "And there went up some of the children of Israel and of the priests, and of the Levites, and of the singers, and of the porters, and the Nethinims, unto Jerusalem, in the 7th year of Artaxerxes the king."

Now, this is very important here because this is the decree year. It's in the 7th year of Artaxerxes the king. He came to Jerusalem in the 5th month which was in the 7th year of the king. It's repeated 2 times; so in order to know when the 2300 year prophecy of Daniel 8:14 begins, Daniel 9:25 tells us it is when the decree comes to rebuild and restore Jerusalem and Ezra 7 tells us when that decree was given. It was given in the 7th year of king Artaxerxes. Now this is an important thing. We find out from chronologists and historians that the 7th year of King Artaxerxes, king of Persia was in the year 457 BC. If you go from the year 457 BC, it brings you to 1843, not 1844; because we're not looking to the rest of the story. Turn back to Ezra chapter 7:9; Ezra is going to leave Babylon and the Bible tells us when he does it.

"For upon the first day of the first month began he to go up from Babylon, and on the first day of the fifth month came he to Jerusalem, according to the good hand of his God upon him." So what happen is Ezra leaves Babylon, he has this decree in his hand...and by the way, this decree is super powerful; if you keep reading the rest of the story in Ezra it involves a death decree. This

decree and the power that was given to Ezra was so powerful that if people didn't follow what Ezra told him to do; the king gave Ezra the authority to put people to death. Okay?

So, lets read this again, "For upon the first day of the first month began he to go up to Babylon, and on the first day of the 5th month came he to Jerusalem..."

Okay now here's the question...what is the first month of the Bible? Is it January? Is it old Roman time where the first month was March? What is the Bible year? When does the Bible year begin? You see, because you do a mathematical equation, you go from 457 BC and you add 2300 years; it brings you to 1843, but a year is not complete until that year is finished. Amen? If

you're born on a certain day you won't be one year old until you reach that day again at the end of the year, right? The other thing is we find that this decree didn't even reach Jerusalem until the 5th month. On another presentation, I go into the whole thing and about how the Bible tells us what the first month of the year is; but in the Bible, the first month of the year is April. So it was April of 457 BC that Ezra left Babylon with the decree to rebuild and restore Jerusalem; it took him 5 months to get there. He arrived on the 5th month, which on our calendar is August.

So he arrived in Jerusalem in the middle of August and I believe that it will be specifically found out it was on the 15th of August; 457 BC Ezra arrived. We're talking about the sanctuary that needs to be cleansed right? This leads into our next point. What was it that was referred to as the sanctuary being cleansed every year in the sanctuary service? That was the Day of Atonement. So the Day of Atonement is the time that the sanctuary needs to be cleansed, but it's not talking about the earthly sanctuary, it's talking about the heavenly sanctuary.

So what is it that tells us about October 22, 1844? It's this; according to Bible time the first month of the year is April. According to the book of Leviticus chapter 23:27, the Bible tells us: "And on the tenth day of the 7th month there shall be a day of atonement. It shall be a holy convocation unto you and ye shall afflict your souls and offer an offering made by fire unto the Lord." So this is the Day of Atonement. The Day of Atonement was once a year; it was the cleansing of the sanctuary and it was on the tenth day of the seventh month.

These people that put together this 1844 thing, they all understood that every part of Christ's ministry had to be fulfilled to the very day. He was crucified on the Passover. He was resurrected on the wave sheaf offering day; the first fruits right? He was the first fruits of the dead and when He resurrected, there was a special resurrection and a small amount of people went back to heaven with Christ. Okay? Fifty days from the day of the Passover the Holy Spirit was given at Pentecost which was to parallel the Lord giving the commandments way back in Moses' day. So everything that the Lord did was on the very day.

So what happens here? The Bible tells us that the Day of Atonement, the cleansing of the sanctuary, takes place on the 10th day of the 7th month. The first day of the first month was in the 19th of April 1844 according to the Jewish Karaite reckoning of time, and if you add 7 months and 10 days it brings you to the 22nd of October 1844. October 22, 1844 is the 10th day of the 7th month. Amen? And Ezra tells us when that decree went forth in the summer of 457 BC and if you go from 457 BC, 2300 years; it brings you to the message coming to Adventism in the summer of 1844 that told Adventism that the Day of Atonement that year was going to be on the 22nd of October 1844.

I hope that is simple; we could go more into it, but I want to keep moving along, amen? Now the Bible illustrates to us in the typology when the sanctuary would be cleansed and it tied it to a time prophecy.

Point # 4: Do you believe Jesus is our High Priest in the Most Holy Place "Now"?

Turn to the book of Hebrews chapter 4, verses 14, 15. "Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our profession. 15

For we have not an high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin."

The Bible tells us in no uncertain words; let no one be unclear about this; there are false doctrines that have come into Adventism, but brothers and sisters if you have just read it what I read, we have a heavenly high Priest Amen? And that he's passed into the heavens. And if you've studied these things out you will see that the sanctuary on earth;, the priest will go into once a year. Let's turn there; Exodus chapter 30:10. "And Aaron..." Who was Aaron? He was the High Priest. "And Aaron shall make an atonement upon the horns of it once in a year with the blood of the sin offering of atonements: once in the year shall he make atonement upon it throughout your generations: it is most holy unto the LORD."

So here it is, the Day of Atonement; this one time a year he would enter into the Most Holy Place only took place once a year. Leviticus chapter 16 will illustrate the same thing. We know these things were types; all these things illustrated the ministry of Jesus Christ. Leviticus 16:32-34. "And the priest whom he shall anoint who he shall consecrate to minister in the Priest office in his father's stead shall make the atonement.

In other words, in the first place, the Lord told Aaron to do it, but inevitably Aaron was going to die. So what it is telling here is ...

Leviticus 16:32-34 "And the priest, whom he shall anoint, and whom he shall consecrate to minister in the priest's office in his father's stead, shall make the atonement, and shall put on the linen clothes, even the holy garments: 33 And he shall make an atonement for the holy sanctuary, and he shall make an atonement for the tabernacle of the congregation, and for the altar, and he shall make an atonement for the priests, and for all the people of the congregation. 34 And this shall be an everlasting statute unto you, to make an atonement for the children of Israel for all their sins once a year. And he did as the LORD commanded Moses."

How many times a year? Once a year, as the Lord commanded Moses. So we see here that there was this atonement that took place upon the earth, only took place once a year. But we have a heavenly High Priest who has gone into heaven and He will enter one time into the Most Holy Place in heaven on our behalf as our heavenly high priest. He has gone through all of our temptations and trials just as we have and so we have a High Priest who knows all of our infirmities, and when we confess our sins before him, He is just to forgive us, amen?

We don't have a God that hasn't been there; He walks the walk and talks the talk. We have a Lord there that is ministering on our behalf.

He is even there now, and when His work is done in the Most Holy Place, He will come out and get us, amen? When this work is finished; it's only one time; it's a one time deal. There's not going to be a second chance, brothers and sisters. We can have the assurance that the prophecy is pointing to the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary that happens just once and that it happened and began on October 22, 1844. This is how we can have the assurance right now that Jesus Christ is our Heavenly Intercessor in the Most Holy