

First and Second Peter Lesson 3 2Q 2017 A Royal Priesthood

SABBATH

Read memory text: "But you *are* a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, His own special people, that you may proclaim the praises of Him who called you out of darkness into His marvelous light" 1Pet 2:9 NKJV

What does it mean? Are "chosen generation," "royal priesthood," "holy nation," "special people" different groups, or descriptions of the same group?

Is this group of people determined by:

- genetics?
- geography?
- ethnicity?
- national citizenry?
- denomination?
- dress code?
- dietary habit?
- day of worship?
- a certain combination of the above?

What determines the makeup of this special people? Character—and what kind of character? Like Jesus and how do people obtain such character?

Consider this quote:

"But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light." Christ has called you to be His followers, to imitate His life of self-sacrifice and self-denial, to be interested in the great work of the redemption of the fallen race... Christ is your pattern. That in which you are deficient is love. *This pure and holy principle* distinguishes the character and conduct of Christians from those of worldlings. Divine love has a powerful, purifying influence. It is to be found only in renewed hearts, and naturally flows out to their fellow men. {2T 169.2}

"Love one another," says our Saviour, "as I have loved you. Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends." **Christ has given us an example of pure, disinterested love...** Without the spirit of love, no one can be like Christ. With this <u>living principle</u> in the soul, no one can be like the world. {2T 169.3}



Who is it that makes up this group? Those who are like Christ in character. And are there any end-time Bible texts that reference these same people?

Then the dragon was enraged at the woman and went off to make war against the rest of her offspring—those who obey God's commandments and hold to the testimony of Jesus. Rev 12:17

What are the distinguishing features?

- Hold to the commandments—which means what?
 - o That they worship on a certain day?
 - o Can persons worship on a certain day and still not keep the commandments of God?
 - o What is the requirement to be a commandment keeper? To keep the law of love, to have the law of love written on the heart!
 - o Thus those who keep the commandments of God are those that live in harmony with God's design principles of love!
- Hold to the testimony of Jesus—which means what?
 - o They accept and share the same testimony Jesus gave about His Father—"if you've seen me you've seen the Father."

What does it mean to be called out of darkness into His marvelous light?

What is the darkness? How would you describe it? What is the light?

Here is a powerful quote I came across preparing for this week's lesson, from 5 Testimonies 738, see if you agree or disagree. This touches on what darkness is, what the light is:

From the beginning it has been Satan's studied plan to cause men to forget God, that he might secure them to himself. Hence he has sought to misrepresent the character of God, to lead men to cherish a false conception of Him. The Creator has been presented to their minds as clothed with the attributes of the prince of evil himself,--as arbitrary, severe, and unforgiving,--that He might be feared, shunned, and even hated by men. [What is Satan's agenda? What method does he use? What does it mean to be arbitrary? What kind of law is arbitrary? So what teaching today represents God like this? Penal substitution theology is the theology based on arbitrary law and represents God as all of these.] Satan hoped to so confuse the minds of those whom he had deceived that they would put God out of their knowledge. [Has this happened? Has the arbitrary imposed law construct which infected Christianity resulted in philosophies that now dominate the world which teach there is no God? And then, when Satan gets people to reject God, what is his ultimate goal?] Then he would obliterate the divine image in man and impress his own likeness upon the soul; he would imbue men with his own spirit and make them captives according to his will. [Is this happening in the



world? Is it happening in the lives of those who still claim a belief in God, but who, having rejected the truth about God, worship the dictator god?] {5T 738.1}

It was by falsifying the character of God and exciting distrust of Him that Satan tempted Eve to transgress. By sin the minds of our first parents were darkened, their natures were degraded, and their conceptions of God were molded by their own narrowness and selfishness. [How many religious people today still have a god molded after their own selfishness?] And as men became bolder in sin, the knowledge and the love of God faded from their minds and hearts. "Because that, when they knew God, they glorified Him not as God," they "became vain in their imaginations, and their foolish heart was darkened." {5T 738.2}

At times Satan's contest for the control of the human family appeared to be crowned with success. During the ages preceding the first advent of Christ the world seemed almost wholly under the sway of the prince of darkness, and he ruled with a terrible power as though through the sin of our first parents the kingdoms of the world had become his by right. [Sadly those who still hold to the imposed law concept within Christianity teach the earth did become Satan's legally, by right when Adam sinned. But this is not true. The earth is Christ's and Satan is a thief and usurper and claims that which is not his.] Even the covenant people, whom God had chosen to preserve in the world the knowledge of Himself, had so far departed from Him that they had lost all true conception of His character. {5T 738.3} [What were the covenant people to do? Preserve a knowledge of God—has that mission changed today, or is it the same?]

Christ came to reveal God to the world as a God of love, full of mercy, tenderness, and compassion. The thick darkness with which Satan had endeavored to enshroud the throne of Deity was swept away by the world's Redeemer, and the Father was again manifest to men as the light of life. {5T 738.4}

When Philip came to Jesus with the request, "Show us the Father, and it sufficeth us," the Saviour answered him: "Have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known Me, Philip? he that hath seen Me hath seen the Father; and how sayest thou then, Show us the Father?" Christ declares Himself to be sent into the world as a representative of the Father. In His nobility of character, in His mercy and tender pity, in His love and goodness, He stands before us as the embodiment of divine perfection, the image of the **invisible God**. {5T 739.1}

What is the darkness? The lies about God, that God is like Satan in character and God's law is imposed making God the inflictor of punishments upon the disobedient.

And what is the light? That God is love, the source of life. God is not the source of death. God's law is design law, the protocols He built life to operate upon and death comes from breaking that design and

God through Christ has been working to dispel the lies and restore His creation back into His design—unity, at-one-ment with Him.

SUNDAY

What does it mean to live as a Christian?

Read second and third paragraph, "Peter uses two separate..." So is Peter suggesting that when we become Christian we stop criticizing, faultfinding, gossiping, etc.?

Will we avoid making statements that deliberately damage another's reputation? What about if it is true? If it is true then is it okay to say it?

Did Jesus reveal the sins of the people who brought the woman caught in adultery—or did He protect their reputation? Why? Because Jesus loved them and wanted them to love Him and let Him heal them.

Do we love others? If we love others, even if they are doing wrong do we want to broadcast it?

Consider this quote from 2 Testimonies 109, while it is specific to SDA denomination, think more broadly, could this occur in any denominational group:

I was shown that those who are trying to obey God and purify their souls through obedience to the truth are God's chosen people, His modern Israel. [What does this mean? Who can be part of this group?] God says of them, through Peter: "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ye should show forth the praises of Him who hath called you out of darkness into His marvelous light." As it was a crime for Amalek to take advantage of the children of Israel in their weakness and weariness, to annoy, perplex, and discourage them, so it was no small sin for you to be closely watching to discover the weakness, the haltings, the errors and sins of God's afflicted people, and expose the same to their enemies. You were doing Satan's work, not the work of God. Many of the Sabbathkeeping Adventists in ----- have been very weak. They have been miserable representatives of the truth. They have not been an honor to the cause of present truth, and the cause would have been better off without them. You have taken the unconsecrated lives of Sabbathkeepers as an excuse for your occupying a position of doubt and unbelief. It has also strengthened your unbelief to see that some of these unconsecrated ones were professing strong faith in the visions, vindicating them when opposed, and defending them with warmth, while, at the same time that they professed so much zeal, they were disregarding the teachings given through vision and were going directly contrary to them. In this respect they were stumbling blocks to Brother U, and were bringing the visions into disrepute by their course of action. {2T 109.1}

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What do you hear is going on here? Can people join a denomination and not be converted? Can people claim to represent Christ in any church organization yet fail to apply Christ's principles to their lives and thus misrepresent Him?

Is it acceptable to look at the failings of people in the church as a cause for out lack of trust in God i.e. our unbelief? Why or why not?

Our trust is not to be in people, but in God. The only person we are to look to in order to establish our trust in God is Jesus!

If we see people in the church failing to live as Christ would live, is it okay to broadcast to others their personal shortcomings?

Is the fact we are not to hurt others reputations by pointing out their sins, the same as presenting the truth about God, which might conflict with someone else's teachings about God? What is the difference?

The second point Peter makes is the metaphor of a baby hungry for milk, meaning the true Christian not only avoids the negative but hungers for spiritual milk?

He tells them like newborn babes to crave spiritual milk—but why would Peter say this and Paul say that people should get off milk and onto meat, and those on milk are not acquainted with righteousness?

If you see what Peter is saying in verse 1 of chapter 2, he is dealing with people who have just been converted, thus they are newborn babes in Christ, so it is timely and appropriate for them to crave milk. However, it would be expected as they grow and mature to move past milk.

What is the core issue that will result in maturation, and continued spiritual growth? The true Christian develops a heart/mind attitude of loving truth and eager to grow in truth at the earliest possible moment.

In fact the wicked are lost because they did not love the truth and thus be saved or healed. We are not saved by right cognitive knowledge, but by a right trust relationship with God, which is based on the truth of who He is as revealed in Jesus.

And God is the God of truth and those who have come to know Him have developed character traits like His, one of which is a desire for truth. We also have a humility about ourselves and know that we are not all knowing and that we can and do have some things wrong, but are willing to give up our wrong ideas when the truth is persuasive.



MONDAY

The lesson asks us to read 1Peter 2:4-8 and asks what crucial truth is Peter referring to here?

As you come to him, the living Stone—rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him— ⁵ you also, like living stones, are being built into a spiritual house to be a holy priesthood, offering spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. ⁶ For in Scripture it says: "See, I lay a stone in Zion, a chosen and precious cornerstone, and the one who trusts in him will never be put to shame." ⁷ Now to you who believe, this stone is precious. But to those who do not believe, "The stone the builders rejected has become the capstone," ⁸ and, "A stone that causes men to stumble and a rock that makes them fall." They stumble because they disobey the message—which is also what they were destined for.

What is Peter teaching?

An easy one—who is the cornerstone? Jesus, of course.

But what is being referred to as living stones? What is being suggested?

What is the house for the Lord?

Read second paragraph, "Pete's point is that even..." Is this spiritual house the same thing as the heavenly sanctuary or something different?

When you think of the cleansing of the sanctuary—what comes to mind?

Does history need to be cleansed from the facts of what transpired, the record of Satan's rebellion in heaven, the lies told, the sins human beings have committed, or do sinners need to have their hearts and minds cleansed from sin—from lies and selfishness and restored to truth and love?

What is the danger of concluding the heavenly sanctuary is built out of inanimate matter rather than being built out of living beings?

What kind of theology does one teach if one believes the heavenly sanctuary is built of gold, silver, stone etc.?

How could such substances be contaminated? Can gold and silver and stone sin? Then, what might be taught if people thought concretely? Might some think up an idea that what contaminates the heavenly sanctuary is a record, written deeds of sins committed by people stored in archives? And if this is what contaminates then what is needed to cleanse? To remove the records of history from the books in the building in heaven, which leads to what kind of theology?

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A legal theology, in which the problem is the broken rules, which get recorded in the books, and God, in such a theology, is the one keeping track, spying on our every move to keep an accurate record and God becomes the one who inflicts the punishment for those who haven't had their legal status changed.

And thus we create theologies to get legal pardon in order to get the record of the bad deed erased from the record books in heaven, so the building in heaven can be cleansed.

Does any of this sound just ridiculous? Well it is—it is all based on Satan's lie about God and God's law and built on a failure to see past metaphor to the reality which the metaphor was designed to teach.

Can anyone give a more accurate understanding of cleansing the sanctuary?

First, what is the heavenly sanctuary constructed out of? As Peter is telling us, living souls, we are the building blocks.

And what has contaminated the building blocks of this sanctuary? Sin in us. What needs to be cleansed? Our hearts and minds, our characters need to be renewed to be like Jesus.

When we experience conversion, get a new heart and right spirit, have the law written on the tablets of our hearts—does the history of our lives get changed? No! We get changed. Will the recorded history of the universe reveal the circumstances of our birth—that we were born in sin conceived in iniquity? The reality of our childhood, youth and adulthood—including all our sins and shortcomings? But will history also reveal, for the righteous, the acceptance of Jesus and the actual renewal of heart, mind and character to be like Christ—i.e. that we have been cleansed?

Are you comfortable with this conclusion, based on Scripture and sound reason, or do you struggle because of statements like this on in the book *The Great Controversy:*

As anciently the sins of the people were by faith placed upon the sin offering and through its blood transferred, in figure, to the earthly sanctuary, so in the new covenant the sins of the repentant are by faith placed upon Christ and transferred, in fact, to the heavenly sanctuary. And as the typical cleansing of the earthly was accomplished by the removal of the sins by which it had been polluted, so the actual cleansing of the heavenly is to be accomplished by the removal, or blotting out, of the sins which are there recorded. But before this can be accomplished, there must be an examination of the books of record to determine who, through repentance of sin and faith in Christ, are entitled to the benefits of His atonement. The cleansing of the sanctuary therefore involves a work of investigation--a work of judgment. This work must be performed prior to the coming of Christ to redeem His people; for when He comes, His reward is with Him to give to every man according to his works. Revelation 22:12. {GC 421.3}

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Is this clear language or still symbolic language? Who doesn't know something that they need to investigate to discover—God and Jesus, or us sinful humans?

What do we believe the sanctuary is constructed out of? Living stones—people. Then what is the medium upon which the sins are recorded, and from which they need to be removed? Would it not be the individuality, the characters of the people who make up the sanctuary?

Do you hear that in this statement above, or does the statement above tempt you to think concretely and think in human imposed law trails with judges and pronouncements?

Sin is not primarily about deeds; it is about motive and character—what is actually stored in the sanctuary in heaven? The individualities/characters of all the saved. And what needs to be removed from all the saved? The infection of selfishness, the carnal propensities, the lies and distortions that we have believed.

Who removes this? How is it removed? So where is Christ working during this time before His second coming? In the hearts of His believers preparing them for His return. So, from the same author consider this in regard to what is recorded in heaven:

Remember, your character is being daguerreotyped [photographed] by the great Master Artist in the record books of heaven, as minutely as the face is reproduced upon the polished plate of the artist. What do the books of heaven say in your case? Are you conforming your character to the Pattern, Jesus Christ? Are you washing your robes of character and making them white in the blood of the Lamb? "Behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be" [Revelation 22:12].... {TSB 62.1}

Every passing hour of the present is shaping our future life. These moments spent in carelessness, in self-pleasing, as if of no value, are deciding our everlasting destinies. The words we utter today will go on echoing when time shall be no more. The deeds done today are transferred to the books of heaven, just as the features are transferred by the artist onto the polished plate. They will determine our destiny for eternity, for bliss or eternal loss and agonizing remorse. Character cannot be changed when Christ comes, nor just as a man is about to die. Character building must be done in this life. We fear that repentance will come to the self-indulgent, tainted soul all too late. A few resolves, a few tears, will never reverse a guilty past life nor blot out of the books of heaven the transgressions, the willful, knowing sins of those who have had the precious light of truth, and can explain the Scriptures to others, while sin and iniquity are drunk up like stolen waters. As though written with an iron pen, they may be found lead in the rock forever. {TM 429.3}

Do you recognize when you read about cleansing the records in heaven, you are actually reading about cleansing the characters of the saved?

If those quotes are not enough then from the same author:



The first tabernacle, built according to God's directions, was indeed blessed of Him. The people thus were preparing themselves to worship in the temple not made with hands--a temple in the heavens. The stones of the Temple built by Solomon were all prepared at the quarry and then brought to the Temple site. They came together without the sound of ax or hammer. The timbers were also fitted in the forest. The furniture was likewise brought to this house all prepared for use. {3MR 231.3}

Even so, the mighty cleaver of truth has taken out a people from the quarry of the world and is fitting this people, who profess to be the children of God, for a place in His heavenly temple. We want the cleaver of truth to do its work for us. We are taken from the quarry of the world. The material must not be a dead substance but living souls, and these souls must be brought out of the quarry of the world, where the hand of God can fit them for the temple in heaven. We are here as probationers, and we must pass under the hand of God. All rough edges and rough surfaces must be removed and we must be stones fitted for the building. We are brought into church capacity with defects of character, but we must not retain them. We must be fitted and squared for the building. We must be "laborers together with God," for we are "God's husbandry," we are "God's building." In view of this we must see that our temple is not defiled with sin. We should be lively stones, not dead ones, but live ones that will reflect the image of Christ. We must be worshipers in spirit and in truth. {3MR 231.4}

The bottom pink section asks, "What does it mean to offer spiritual sacrifices?"

What do you think of this quote?

Ye also, as lively stones, are built up a spiritual house, an holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices, acceptable to God by Jesus Christ. 1 Peter 2:5. {HP 281.1}

The church on earth is God's temple, and it is to assume divine proportions before the world. This building is to be the light of the world. It is to be composed of living stones laid close together, stone fitting to stone, making a solid building. All these stones are not of the same shape or dimension. Some are large and some are small, but each one has its own place to fill. In the whole building there is not to be one misshapen stone. Each one is perfect. And each stone is a living stone, a stone that emits light. The value of the stones is determined by the light they reflect to the world. {HP 281.2}

Now is the time for the stones to be taken from the quarry of the world and brought into God's workshop, to be hewed, squared, and polished, that they may shine. This is God's plan, and He desires all who profess to believe the truth to fill their respective places in the great, grand work for this time... {HP 281.3}

In this world we are to shine in good works. The Lord requires His people . . . to reflect the light of God's character, God's love, as Christ reflected it. As we look unto Jesus, all our lives will be aglow with that wondrous light. Every part of us is to be light; then whichever way we turn, light will be reflected from us to others. Christ is the way, the truth, and the life. In Him is no darkness at all; therefore, if we are in Christ, there will be no darkness in us. {HP 281.5}

The church on earth is to become the court of holy love. . . . Christian fellowship is one means by which character is formed. Thus selfishness is purged from the life, and men and women are drawn to Christ, the great center. Thus is answered His prayer that His followers may be one as He is one with the Father. {HP 281.6}

What is the plan? For renewal of Christlike love, character, God's original design, God's law into each and every one of us!

TUESDAY

Read first two paragraphs, "Peter is writing..." What is the covenant? Who are the covenant people?

Covenant is an agreement between two parties—how would you describe the covenant between God and man?

Are there many covenants that God has with man, or is there one overriding covenant, and under the umbrella of that overriding covenant God has made other situational covenants in the fulfillment of that one overriding covenant?

What is the overriding covenant and when was it made and with whom?

Overriding Covenant is God's promise to be true to Himself: God is love—and God will always be love, and He will never deviate from His methods of love—ever.

This covenant was given to all creation, but in the Bible we find it given in Eden when Adam and Eve were created and God gave them: Life, Liberty, Procreative Ability, Dominion, access to the Tree of Life, which means eternal life as long as they remain in harmony with Him and His design for life.

What are the lesser covenants?

Covenant of Grace: When man fell into sin, God being true to Himself and His methods of love, stepped in to provide remedy and rescue humankind from eternal death. This covenant was given to all humanity after the fall, when the seed of the woman was promised to crush the serpent's head.

Covenant to the post flood world: Covenant to never again destroy the entire world with a flood. Articulated to Noah, but given to all humanity post-flood.

Abrahamic Covenant: God's promise to fulfill His covenant of grace specifically through the family of Abraham, which was accomplished in Christ, and was the same covenant given to Adam of the seed crushing the serpent's head.

Mosaic Covenant: God's promise to be true to Himself and His design law and thus promised the people if they live in harmony with His design laws they will reap benefits, but if they don't they will reap suffering. And, if they choose to keep Him first in their hearts He will stay with them, but if they choose to reject Him, He will be true to Himself and give them what they have chosen.

Davidic Covenant: God's promise to fulfill His covenant of grace through a descendant of David, same promise given to Adam and later to Abraham, but now specifically a descendant of David.

New Covenant: which is the restating of what has been the same covenant of grace all along, that God, through Christ will eradicate the infection of sin and restore His perfect design (character of love) back into the hearts of all who trust Him.

Here is a quote from EGW:

As the Bible presents two laws, one changeless and eternal, the other provisional and temporary, so there are two covenants. The covenant of grace was first made with man in Eden, when after the Fall, there was given a divine promise that the seed of the woman should bruise the serpent's head. To all men this covenant offered pardon, and the assisting grace of God for future obedience through faith in Christ. It also promised them eternal life on condition of fidelity to God's law. Thus the patriarchs received the hope of salvation. {FLB 77.2}

This same covenant was renewed to Abraham in the promise, "In thy seed shall all the nations of the earth be blessed." Genesis 22:18. This promise pointed to Christ. So Abraham understood it, and he trusted in Christ for the forgiveness of sins. It was this faith that was accounted unto him for righteousness..... {FLB 77.3}

The Abrahamic covenant was ratified by the blood of Christ, and it is called the "second," or "new," covenant, because the blood by which it was sealed was shed after the blood of the first covenant. {FLB 77.4}

The covenant of grace is not a new truth, for it existed in the mind of God from all eternity. This is why it is called the everlasting covenant. {FLB 77.5}



WEDNESDAY

What was the role of the priest in the OT sanctuary service?

What was symbolized?

How does it apply to reality?

Who are the priests today and what is our responsibility?

Read third paragraph, "Spiritual house, chosen generation..." Who are the descendants of Abraham?

Were the promises to Abraham ever promises made based on genetics, or were they based on something else?

What were they based upon? Character, those who trust like Abraham trusted are heirs to the promises.

Any Biblical evidence that it was based on character, those who, in a trust relationship with God overcome sinfulness in their life?

Jacob and Esau—what is the genetic inheritance? Esau, but why was Jacob chosen for the promises? What happened in his life?

He was a deceiver, driven by selfishness, always seeking to get ahead for himself, which is a right representation of the carnal heart, at enmity to God. Yet, he wrestled with the angel, which was Christ, and it wasn't that he wrestled against the angel, Jacob was wrestling against self, against his fear, insecurity, own need to be in control, on self-sufficiency; he was wrestling to surrender all of it to God. And he finally did, and when he finally overcame the drive to survive and surrendered his life to God, his name was changed from Jacob/deceiver to Israel, one who with God overcomes.

This is evidence of who is Abraham's true descendant, not based on genetics, but based on trusting God sufficiently to overcome self and receive a new heart and right spirit within.

THURSDAY

Read third paragraph, "Ancient Israel..." What obstructed ancient Israel from fulfilling its mission?

- Egocentrism?
- Nationalism?
- Prejudice and racism?
- Baal worship—which is what? Accepting the lie that God's law is imposed and God functions as the imposer of penalties and must be appeared.

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Sensualism and hedonism

Do we struggle with any of these issues today as Christians?

The Bible calls us to be separate from the world—what does this mean? Does it mean live in monasteries? Or become like the Stylites? How are we to be in the world but not of it?

What about pledging allegiance to a national flag? Do you think early Christians pledged allegiance to Rome? Is it because the Roman emperors claimed to be a god? Or did they have other reasons?

FRIDAY

Read and discuss questions

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

April 27-29: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the AACC Event The Struggle Is Real at the Thomas Road Baptist Church at Liberty University at Lynchburg, VA. For more info visit http://lynchburg.cmhcsummit.com/

May 6, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at Summit Northwest Ministries, Post Falls, Idaho: for more info visit: http://www.summitnorthwest.org/

June 8-10, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the AACC Event The Struggle is Real in Naperville, IL.

June 23,24, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be doing a seminar for the Samaritan Counseling Service in Sarasota FL. For more information www.samaritangulfcoast.com
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July 14,15, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at Lakeport SDA church, in Lakeport CA.

August 18,19, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the Celebration SDA church in Celebration, Florida.

September 15,16 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the Church in the Valley, Aldergrove, British Columbia, Canada.

September 26-Oct 1, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at the AACC World Conference, Nashville TN, and our ministry will have a booth in the exhibit hall.

October 12-16, 2017: Dr. Jennings will be speaking at Garden Grove SDA church in Garden Grove, CA. This will be a multi-speaker event focusing on the atonement. For more information contact:

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