

Jesus Preached to the Dead

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The adjoining “the dead” (1 Peter 4:5-6) can’t have different meanings, the first “the living and dead” of the entire earth; the second only “the spiritually dead” that Peter and church preached to; because “the dead” in v. 6 is linked to its predecessor in v. 5. “For this [same] cause was the gospel preached ALSO to them that are dead”.

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5:28-29; Rev. 20:13). In Hell they can repent and believe the Gospel and then live according to God's gospel in the Spirit (1 Pt. 4:6; 1 Cor. 5:5) eagerly waiting for Judgment Day (Heb. 9:27-28; Zech. 9:11). Their torment purges away both self-deception and bondage to sin so free will is absolutely free. Torment ends when the free will choice is made to "live according to God in the Spirit". Those rejecting Christ's ransom continue in torment keeping open their opportunity to repent before Judgment Day, and have their names written among the living in the Book of Life (Rev. 20:13-15; Ps. 69:28; 1 Cor. 5:5).

It's possible to repent and believe in Hades. That is proved by the "spirits in prison" who were saved when Christ preached to them. If they weren't, they couldn't be a "like figure" "antitype" to the Church. Just as the Church is saved by the Gospel when it gives the "answer of a good conscience toward God" through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, so were the "spirits in prison" saved Christ preached to after His crucifixion.

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

19 by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison,

20 who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.

21 There is also an antitype which now saves us— baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, (1 Pet. 3:18-21 NKJ)

Was this a "one off", one-time event? Evidently not, Jesus tells us to "marvel not", the dead (in the grave) hear His voice, and all "doing" (ποιήσαντες, aorist active)" good [living according to God in the Spirit] will rise unto resurrection of life; and they "continuing" (πράξαντες aorist active)" in evil [rejecting God's offer of salvation] rise unto a resurrection of damnation. The "doing" and "continuing" are active until the resurrection:

28 Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

29 And shall come forth; they that have done (ποιήσαντες, aorist active) good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done (πράξαντες aorist active) evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. (Jn. 5:28-29 KJV)

Some object the dead cannot "do good", but "doing (4160 ποιέω poieo) good (18 ἀγαθός agathos)" is a moral choice the dead can make (Luke 16:19-31).

Moreover, Paul says the "spirit may be saved" after the "destruction of the flesh" "in the day of the Lord Jesus", i.e., on Judgment Day. That

locates the saving event after he died:

5 To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus. (1 Cor. 5:5 KJV)

Compare:

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. (Rev. 20:13-15 KJV)

Only those “not found written in the book of life” are cast into the lake of fire after rising from Hades, which implies “some were found written in the book”. If they were saved before physical death, they already passed from death into life before Judgment Day (John 5:24-25) and wouldn’t be in Hades.

James L Boyer classifies “if anyone” (ei tis) a “first class conditional” and says:

(“if this”, then that is true) which may imply nothing beyond the logical connection.-“First Class Conditions: What Do They Mean,” Grace Theological Journal, Spring 1981.

However, John is observing and states factually what happened. That requires a reality beyond a logical connection.

I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes. (Hosea 13:14 KJV)

As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water. (Zec. 9:11 KJV)

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Why are there Elect in Hell on Judgment Day? Only those whose Names are not found written in the Book of Life are cast into the Lake of Fire. Therefore, some names of those in hell were written in the book. All written in the book of life are called "the Elect" in scripture. Therefore, Elect in Hell rise on Judgment Day, but are not cast into the Lake of Fire.

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That is consistent with Scripture:

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No one can leave Hell before Judgment Day (Luke 16:26; Rev. 20:13-14), but those living according to God in the Spirit now eagerly wait for the return of Christ for salvation (Heb. 9:27), the resurrection of life on Judgment Day (John 5:28-29; Rev. 20: 13-15).

27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation. (Heb. 9:27-28 NKJ)

It follows millions (if not billions Gen. 13:16; Rev. 7:9; Rom. 11:26-33) of those who died without Christ, were evangelized and saved in the afterlife. [It would be absurd Omniscient God delegate to a demonstrably incompetent Church the job of evangelizing all He foreknew and loved to be in His Creation. Then He would mourn the billions lost for all eternity. Then He would never have chosen to Create all things.]

All in the grave can choose to "do good" (John 5:28-29; Rev. 20:13-15)—"live according to God in the Spirit" (1 Pet. 4:6). God is impartial, all have equal chance to be saved. Its their free will choice.

Everyone has every opportunity to choose life and join the Elect. That is required by the presence of names in the Book of Life that are not "The Elect":

"He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels. (Rev. 3:5 NKJ)

The promise is a fraud if the overcomer's name cannot be blotted out from the Book of Life. Therefore, this is not spoken to the Elect whose names cannot be blotted out. Elected before they did good or bad (Rom. 9:11)

their names were written "before the foundation of the world" (Rev. 13:8; 17:8; Eph. 1:4). As they are predestined unto salvation (Rom. 8:29) they overcome.

Therefore, names exist in the Book of life that are not "Elect", they are "undetermined" and these names can be blotted out. They have free will choice and equal chance to be saved with the Elect. For example, the names of the wicked men chasing David were ALREADY in the Book of life. David asks God their names be blotted out, not recorded with the righteous:

May they be blotted out of the book of life, And may they not be recorded with the righteous. (Ps. 69:28 NAS)

The Book of Life has the names of both the Elect and the undetermined (who could choose to go either way), and the latter are judged according to their works (Rev. 20:13,15) which determined if their names were blotted out or not on Judgment Day.

God is "longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance" (2 Pet. 3:9 NKJ). If the "undetermined" do what is right, their names won't be blotted out from the Book of Life.

God's gift of free will is irrevocable (Rom. 11:29), God would never force anyone against their free will to live in His Kingdom. If someone is forced to be saved, that is evil tyranny. Moreover, their "free will would be a farce", their forced "robot love" an abomination.

Only those God foreknew would love to live with Him, were Elected and predestined unto salvation (Rom. 8:28-31). God did this to proceed with Creation. He could not bear permitting the Fall (so absolute Free Will exist) if it meant He would lose even one of those He foreknew loved Him in His Omniscience. Only by predestining them unto salvation, could He create all things. That is why all things work together for the good of the Elect, including Hades Hell (Rom. 8:28).

But God is just, He cannot allow the wicked go unpunished. Those who refuse salvation in Christ will be judged according to their works (Rev. 20:13) and rise to a resurrection of condemnation:

*28 "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which **all who are in the graves will hear His voice***

*29 "and come forth— **those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation.***
(Jn. 5:28-29 NKJ)

Death and Hades are emptied of souls on Judgment Day:

13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one

according to his works.

14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. (Rev. 20:13-15 NKJ)

God went the extra mile trying to save the non-elect. But they are children of the Devil, the torments of Hades could not dissuade their craving evil perversions. They willfully recoil from God's light:

16 "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.

17 "For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world through Him might be saved.

18 "He who believes in Him is not condemned; but he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

19 "And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.

20 "For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed.

21 "But he who does the truth comes to the light, that his deeds may be clearly seen, that they have been done in God." (Jn. 3:16-21 NKJ)

That "less than Eternal Torment" exists for MOST cast into the Lake of Fire (Gehenna) follows logically from the warning of Eternal Torment for accepting the Mark of the Beast (Rev. 14:9-11); stumbling one of Christ's children (Mark 9:42); blaspheming the Holy Spirit (Matt. 12:31-32). These threats are meaningless if everyone cast into the lake of fire receive eternal torment.

Again, as receiving the Mark of the Beast is *special meriting ETERNAL torment*, it follows lesser sin meriting LESS THAN ETERNAL torment is what MOST cast into the lake of fire will receive.

As Fire is also a symbol of total destruction (Jude 1:7; Rev. 20:14), "ashes" symbolize annihilation, "their souls burnt up" as some Talmudic Rabbis said:

You shall trample the wicked, For they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet On the day that I do this," Says the LORD of hosts. (Mal. 4:3 NKJ)

The "lake of fire" is the "second death" because it is the death from which there is no resurrection, their place before the "face of God" destroyed forever:

who shall suffer punishment, even eternal destruction from the face of

the Lord and from the glory of his might (2 Thess. 1:9 ERV)

HOWEVER, Jesus Christ our LORD warned about Gehenna far more than anything He said about Hades. Compared to Gehenna, Hades is a paradise. Hades a temporary (Rev. 20:14) place of reflection, the fire of God's inspection tormenting (931 βάσανος basanos); burning away all self-deception, then sorrow (3600 ὀδυνάω odunao) for sin (Luke 16:23-24).

Gehenna is exponentially worse, souls are not prompted to divulge the truth of themselves, souls are imprisoned in abhorrent resurrection bodies (Dan. 12:2; Isa. 66:24)—maggot infested carcasses burning in flames like garbage in heaps.

But someone will say, "How are the dead raised up? And with what body do they come?" (1 Cor. 15:35 NKJ)

Paul's described the resurrection body of believers. Organically connected to the body that died (John 20:25-27; Rom. 8:11, 23) as a seed is to the plant that springs from it (1 Cor. 15:36-38), it will be glorious like a celestial body (1 Cor. 15:40-41) infused with the principle of incorruption (1 Cor. 15:42). A powerful body whose animating principle is life giving spirit (1 Cor. 15:43-45) like Christ's resurrection Body (1 Cor. 15:46-50).

Only in Galatians does Paul allude to the resurrection body of the wicked who rise on Judgment Day (Dan. 12:2; Acts 24:15; Rev. 20:13–15):

It reeks of corruption:

For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. (Gal. 6:8 NKJ)

That implies an antithesis to the resurrection body of believers. This antithesis is manifest in Christ's words also:

28 "Do not marvel at this; for the hour is coming in which all who are in the graves will hear His voice "and come forth— those who have done good, to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil, to the resurrection of condemnation. (Jn. 5:28-29 NKJ)

The "resurrection to life" requires a body that is alive, having the spirit of life as its animating principle. The antithesis to that would be a resurrection body that is "dead", having the "spirit of death" as its animating principle. Logically, it would reek of corruption, be infested with maggots, an abomination that causes its wearer shame:

"And they shall go forth and look Upon the corpses of the men Who have transgressed against Me. For their worm does not die, And their fire is not quenched. They shall be an abhorrence to all flesh." (Isa. 66:24-1:1

NKJ)

And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, Some to shame and everlasting contempt. (Dan. 12:2 NKJ)

These aren't the "living dead zombies" seen on TV, these carcasses are blind, cannot walk to a less tormenting region of Gehenna, and can only weep and gnash teeth:

'And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' (Matt. 25:30 NKJ)

Therefore, Christ warns His disciples:

43 'And if thy hand may cause thee to stumble, cut it off; it is better for thee maimed to enter into the life, than having the two hands, to go away to the gehenna, to the fire – the unquenchable –

44 where their worm is not dying, and the fire is not being quenched.

45 'And if thy foot may cause thee to stumble, cut it off; it is better for thee to enter into the life lame, than having the two feet to be cast to the gehenna, to the fire – the unquenchable –

46 where their worm is not dying, and the fire is not being quenched.

47 And if thine eye may cause thee to stumble, cast it out; it is better for thee one-eyed to enter into the reign of God, than having two eyes, to be cast to the gehenna of the fire –

48 where their worm is not dying, and the fire is not being quenched; (Mk. 9:43-48 YLT)

The fire is not quenched, the maggot dies not. Each symbol implies a different "destiny" or "their part" (3313 μέρος meros, Rev. 21:8) First implies total destruction of the body and soul as "fire that consumes" is never quenched, all is burnt up (Mal. 4:3; Isa. 26:14). The second implies eternal torment, undying maggots require a body to continue forever, therefore the abominable resurrection body (Isa. 66:24; Dan. 12:2; Gal. 6:8) reeking of corruption continues forever, communicating the wrath of an offended Holy God for all eternity.

So "everyone" one cast into Gehenna has a different destiny according to their works (Rev. 20:11-15). All sacrificed in Gehenna either are consumed by unquenchable fire (Mk. 9:43, 44, 45, 46, 48) or their worm dies not (Mk. 9:43, 44, 45, 46, 48).

The different "part" or "destiny" of those cast into Gehenna (aka Lake of Fire, Furnace of Fire, Abyss) is implied by the threat of "eternal torment" for accepting the Mark (Rev. 14:9-11 cp. Mark 3:28-29). That requires "less than eternal torment" exist or the threat has no force.

49 for every one with fire shall be salted, and every sacrifice with

salt shall be salted. (Mk. 9:49 YLT)

Everyone sacrificed in Gehenna is salted with destruction by fire, or preservation as meat is preserved with salt.

That explains why both the Old and New Testament has the wicked suffering either “destruction” or “eternal torment”. It is not a “one size fits all” situation, God sentences the wicked according to their deeds. Those guilty of eternal sins receive eternal torment, those who are not, do not.

‘And be not afraid of those killing the body, and are not able to kill the soul, but fear rather Him who is able both soul and body to destroy (622 ἀπόλλυμι apollumi) in gehenna. (Matt. 10:28 YLT)

Jesus gravely warned about Gehenna (Matt. 5:22, 29-30; 10:28; 18:9; 23:15, 33; Mk. 9:43, 45, 47; Lk. 12:5), it is far worse than being killed. Therefore, the “destruction” (622 ἀπόλλυμι apollumi) must be worse and last longer than dying. In Matthew 9:17 it is translated as “ruined”. New wine “ruin” old wineskins but they continue to exist, destroyed because they no longer can be used.

The context in Mark is spoken TO HIS DISCIPLES: “If thy hand...foot...eye cause thee to stumble, cast it out; it is better for thee one-eyed to enter (Mk. 9:43, 45, 47). Mark 9:50 compared to Matthew 5:13 and Luke 14:34-35 confirms this. By extension it would apply to everyone (Matt. 5:27-30).

49 for every one with fire shall be salted, and every sacrifice with salt shall be salted.

50 The salt is good, but if the salt may become saltless, in what will ye season it? Have in yourselves salt, and have peace in one another.’ (Mk. 9:49-10:1 YLT)

Every disciple of Christ will be purified by Holy Spirit and fire (Lk. 3:16), salted with salt. But if the salt becomes saltless, its only fit to be cast outside (Lk. 14:34-35; Rev. 22:15).

Pedophiles and/or those who stumble Christ’s children spiritually, blasphemers of the Holy Spirit, accepting the Mark of the Beast, and similar eternal sins will not be pardoned, regardless any profession of faith. They only fooled themselves (Mat. 7:22-23).

Our LORD gravely warned Gehenna is far worse than anything men can do (Mat. 10:28). The symbols of unquenchable fire burning, maggots that don’t die, consuming carcasses piled high like garbage, imply conscious physical torment in a contemptible resurrection body (Dan. 12:2; Gal. 6:8) that imprisons the soul within, much longer than a moment in time. Possibly even forever. Gehenna as described is far worse than Hades (Lk. 16:23-24). It would be unwise we “water down” Christ’s warning and

suggest Gehenna is something less than what Christ taught.

END NOTES

In the Talmud some believed those not guilty of eternal sin would suffer for twelve months:

2. I:15: Said R. Kruspedai said R. Yohanan, "Three books are opened by God on the New Year: one for the thoroughly wicked, one for the thoroughly righteous, and one for middling people. The thoroughly righteous immediately are inscribed and sealed for continued life. The thoroughly wicked immediately are inscribed and sealed for death. Middling people are left hanging from New Year until the Day of Atonement."

3. I:16: It has been taught on Tannaite authority: The House of Shammai say, "There will be three groups on the Day of Judgment when the dead will rise: one comprised of the thoroughly righteous, one comprised of the thoroughly wicked, and one of middling people. The thoroughly righteous immediately are inscribed and sealed for eternal life. The thoroughly wicked immediately are inscribed and sealed for Gehenna."-Neusner, J. (2011). *The Babylonian Talmud: A Translation and Commentary* (Vol. 6b, p. 240). Peabody, MA: Hendrickson Publishers.

The School of Hillel quoted, "He is plenteous in mercy" (Exod. xxxiv. 6); He inclines towards mercy; and concerning them said David, "I love the Lord, because He hath heard my voice and my supplications" (Ps. cxvi. 1). The whole of that Psalm was composed by David about them: "I was brought low and He saved me" (ibid. 6). **The sinners of Israel with their bodies and the sinners of the Gentiles with their bodies descend to Gehinnom and are judged there for twelve months. After twelve months their bodies are destroyed, and their souls burnt and scattered by a wind under the soles of the feet of the righteous; as it is said, "Ye shall tread down the wicked, for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet" (Mal. iv. 3).** But the sectaries, informers, epicureans who denied the Torah 1 and denied the Resurrection, they who separated themselves from the ways of the community, they who set their dread in the land of the living,² and they who, like Jeroboam the son of Nebat and his associates, sinned and caused the multitude to sin (cf. 1 Kings xiv. 16), will descend to Gehinnom and be judged there generations on generations; as it is said, "They shall go forth and look upon the carcasses of the men that have transgressed against Me; for their worm shall not die, neither shall their fire be quenched" (Is. lxvi. 24). Gehinnom will cease but they will not cease (to suffer); as it is said, "Their form shall be for Sheol to consume that there be no habitation for it" (Ps. xlix. 14). Concerning them said Hannah, "They that strive with the Lord shall be broken to pieces" (I Sam. ii. 10). R. Isaac b. Abin said, Their faces will be black like the bottom of a pot' (R.H. 16b et seq.).

We gather from this extract that in the first century one of the

principal Schools, influenced by a verse from Daniel, assigned the utterly wicked to eternal punishment; but the other School found such a doctrine incompatible with Divine mercy. Sinners must be penalized. They undergo twelve months of pain and then suffer annihilation because they are unworthy of entrance into Gan Eden. They who have been exceptionally wicked stay in Gehinnom for 'generations on generations.' That this expression does not signify eternity is clear from the statement that Gehinnom will cease.' They will not, after their sufferings there, undergo extinction, but will continue in existence as conscious entities—how and where is not explained—in a perpetual state of remorse.-A. Cohen, Everyman's Talmud, (Schocken Books, NY 1995), p. 377-378.

Whether twelve months, or according to deeds, Christ said we should fear Him who can cast into Gehenna, "yes, I say to you, fear Him!" (Lk. 12:5 NKJ)

Why consider the Jewish Talmud on these things? Our LORD Jesus Christ valued learned discussion of scripture in His day, and He says so while discussing Gehenna with a Scribe:

49 "So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just,

50 "and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth."

51 Jesus said to them, "Have you understood all these things?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord."

52 Then He said to them, "Therefore every scribe instructed concerning the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure things new and old." (Matt. 13:49-52 NKJ)

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1122 γραμματεὺς grammateus {gram-mat-yooce'}

Meaning: 1) a clerk, scribe, esp. a public servant, secretary, recorder, whose office and influence differed in different states 2) **in the Bible, a man learned in the Mosaic law and in the sacred writings, an interpreter, teacher. Scribes examined the more difficult and subtle questions of the law; added to the Mosaic law decisions of various kinds thought to elucidate its meaning and scope, and did this to the detriment of religion. Since the advice of men skilled in the law was needed in the examination in the causes and the solution of the difficult questions, they were enrolled in the Sanhedrin; and are mentioned in connection with the priests and elders of the people. See a Bible Dictionary for more information on the scribes. 3) a religious teacher: so instructed that from his learning and ability to teach advantage may redound to the kingdom of heaven.-Strong's Exhaustive Concordance.**

The resurrection of condemnation (John 5:28-29) was prefigured by this event:

30 Jesus asked him, saying, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion," because many demons had entered him.

31 And they begged Him that He would not command them to go out into the abyss.

32 Now a herd of many swine was feeding there on the mountain. So they begged Him that He would permit them to enter them. And He permitted them.

33 Then the demons went out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the lake and drowned. (Lk. 8:30-33 NKJ)

To their horror the swine imprisoned the demon spirits, and against their will stampeded (3729 ὁρμάω hormao) into the lake "body and soul" (Mat. 10:28; Rev. 20:15).

No agreement was made they not end up in the Abyss, they assumed Jesus agreed when He permitted they enter the swine. But as the swine drowned, the Abyss swallowed the demons spirits whole. The Lake of Fire still awaits them.

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544 ἀπειθέω apeitheo {ap-i-theh'-o}

Meaning: 1) not to allow one's self to be persuaded 1a) to refuse or withhold belief 1b) to refuse belief and obedience 2) not to comply with. -Strong's Concordance

In the *Exegetical Summary of 1 Peter* appears a list of the different ways modern commentaries answer this question:

QUESTION—Who are the spirits he is referring to?

1. They are the spirits of the people of Noah's generation [Alf, ICC, TG, TNTC; NJB, TEV].

2. They are supernatural beings.

2.1 They are fallen angels [NTC].

2.2 They are the fallen angels of Genesis 6:1–4 who married human women and had offspring by them [BNTC, EGT, IVP, NCBC, NIBC, NIC, Sel].

2.3 They are evil spirit beings who are the spiritual offspring of the fallen angels of Genesis 6:1–4 who married human women and had offspring by them [WBC].

-Abernathy, D. (2008). *An Exegetical Summary of 1 Peter* (2nd ed., p. 137). SIL International.

Answer #1 is impossible because Scripture never refers to unregenerate humans as “spirits.” Only Believers who partake of the “divine nature of God” (2 Pet. 1:4) thereby regenerated (Tit. 3:5) have “spirits” that can be grouped with angelic spirits under the heading of what springs from God, the “sons of Elohim” (Gen. 6:2). For example, the “spirits of the prophets” (1 Cor. 14:32) or “spirits of just men made perfect” (Heb. 12:23) are children of God (Jn. 1:13; 1 Pt. 1:22). None of the humans Noah preached to could have been classed among this group for if they were they would not have ended up in a prison in hell (Gen. 25:8; Lk. 16:22).

Answer #2 is ruled out by context, Noah preached to these πνεύμασιν therefore they can't be “unclean spirits” (Mk. 1:27; Lk. 4:36; 1 Ti. 4:1),

Both Answer #2.1 and 2.2 are also ruled out by the context. Christ would not preach to fallen angels. The πνεύμασιν Christ preached to “gave the answer of a good conscience towards God” thus reversing their “disobedience brought on by disbelief (544 ἀπειθέω apeitheo) and so becoming an antitype to how belief manifested during baptism now “saves us”. Moreover, Peter locates the sinning angels of Genesis 6:1-4 as still in hell, in “chains of darkness in Tartarus” (2 Pt. 2:4) . Finally, the context of 1 Peter 3:18-22 implies these are the captives Christ led “in his train” (Eph. 4:8-10) when He “took captivity captive and gave gifts to men” in heaven and on earth. These spirits now having believed went with Christ when He had “gone into heaven” as all “angels and authorities and powers” were made subject to Him (1 Pt. 3:22).

Answer 2.3 is also impossible. Evil spirit beings would not suffer Noah's preaching.

The Commentaries missed another possibility, the “spirits in prison” are the “good spirit beings” the offspring of both the Nephilim (fallen Ones) and the “sons of God” who were blameless other than refusing to believe Noah's preaching God would forgive their angel-human nature which defiled the image of God in man, an abomination.

Theses spirits were a “special case” and therefore kept separate from

human dead and their angelic fathers and put in a separate “prison.” This is why Christ made a special trip proclaiming the truth of the gospel that God’s Mercy and Forgiveness also applied to them, that God would indeed forgive their nature, a sin they had no control over.

As for the angelic “Sons of God”, because they did not join Satan’s rebellion but sinned leaving their own habitation (Jude 1:6-7), they were separated from demons who were cast into the tormenting abyss (Lk. 8:31; Rev. 9:1-12); they went to Tartarus and chained in darkness (2 Pet. 2:4)

So the “spirits in prison” are the “men of renown” (Gen. 6:4) also called “Titans” in Greek mythology, who died physically in the Flood—Genesis 7:21-23 thrice emphasizes “all ...that was on dry land died”.

As they are unique Christ made a special trip to their prison (5438 φυλακή phulake) to proclaim God’s offer of salvation. This time they believed the preaching “giving the answer of a good conscience”. How do we know this? The context. Only obedience to Christ’s preaching could cause Peter associate His preaching with Noah’s preaching and the flood with Baptism, where “the like figure” of all who respond with belief are saved, having given the “answer of a good conscience to God”.

As we learned from the parable of “Dives and Lazarus” the righteous dead before the New Covenant were gathered to their people by angels and didn’t require relocation when Christ ascended into heaven (Gen. 25:8; Lk. 16:22). Therefore, only this special group of believers went to “paradise” when Christ ascended to heaven.

7 But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ’s gift.

8 Therefore He says: “When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men.”

9 (Now this, “He ascended”— what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth?

10 He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) (Eph. 4:7-10 NKJ)

Corroborating is how foreign and antithetical to the context a “proclamation of doom to the damned” would be, especially when the entire event is seen as an antitype forerunner to how the church is saved by belief in God publicly declared during Baptism. Confirming this is correct is its 100% consistency with Peter’s teaching angels sinned in Noah’s day (2 Pet. 2:4) having sexually “gone after strange flesh” (Jude 1:6-7)

As for the “wicked men of renown” who died in the flood, and the spirits of Nephilim demons (cf, πνεύματα δαιμονίων (Rev. 16:14) who were denied re-entry into heaven when the flood came, and died physically in the flood but who were not cast into the Abyss—[likely because they did not sire children corrupting the image of God in man]—these became the

“unclean spirits” and “spirits of demons” (Rev. 16:14) who wander the earth desperately seeking a return to corporeality by possessing insects (2Kings 1:2) animals and men (Lk. 8:27-32; Compare “nakedness” 2 Cor. 5:2-4).

END NOTES

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Our LORD Jesus is fully God and fully man, The Eternal Son of God and Son of Man. His Person subsisting in two natures. Only Christ’s human nature is affected here, put to death in the flesh but made alive in the Spirit. Only the fleshly body died, not His human soul.

From the *Theology of the Old Testament*:

Body, Soul, Spirit

Man, like all beings endowed with life, originated from two elements,—namely, from earthly material (אֲדָמָה, אֶרֶץ), and from the Divine Spirit (רוּחַ), Gen. 2:7, comp. Ps. 104:29 f., 146:4. As in general אֲדָמָה, soul, originates in the אֲדָמָה, the flesh, by the union of spirit with matter, so in particular the human soul arises in the human body by the breathing of the divine breath (רוּחַ אֱלֹהִים אֲנִי־בֹרֵא) into the material frame of the human body. But although the life-spring of the אֲדָמָה, from which the soul arises, is common to man and beast, both do not originate from it in the same way. The souls of animals arise, like plants from the earth, as a consequence of the divine word of power, Gen. 1:24 (אֲדָמָה אֲנִי־בֹרֵא אֲדָמָה). Thus the creating spirit which entered in the beginning, 1:2, into matter, rules in them; their connection with the divine spring of life is through the medium of the common terrestrial creation. But the human soul does not spring from the earth; it is created by a special act of divine inbreathing; see 2:7 in connection with 1:26. The human body was formed from the earth before the soul; in it, therefore, those powers operate which are inherent to matter apart from the soul (a proposition which is of great importance, as Delitzsch rightly remarks). But the human body is still not an animated body; the powers existing in the material frame are not yet comprehended into a unity of life; the breath of life is communicated to this frame directly from God, and so the living man originates...

Thus the substance of the human soul is the divine spirit of life uniting itself with matter...

(4). But as the soul sprang from the spirit, the אֲדָמָה, and contains the substance of the spirit as the basis of its existence, the soul exists and lives also only by the power of the אֲדָמָה; in order to live, the soul which is called into existence must remain in connection with the source of its life. “God’s spirit made me” (אֲדָמָה אֲנִי־בֹרֵא אֲדָמָה), says Job. 33:4, “and the breath of the Almighty animates me” (רוּחַ אֱלֹהִים אֲנִי־בֹרֵא אֲדָמָה, with the imperfect). The first sentence expresses the way in which the human soul is called into being; the second, the continuing condition of its subsistence. By the withdrawing of the אֲדָמָה the soul

becomes wearied and weak, till at last in death it becomes a shadow, and enters the kingdom of the dead (comp. § 78); while by the אֲנִיִּים streaming in, it receives vital energy. With this explanation the Old Testament usage in connection with the terms אֲנִיִּים and אֲנִיִּים becomes intelligible. – Oehler, G. F., Day, G. E. (1883). Theology of the Old Testament (pp. 149–151). New York; London: Funk & Wagnalls.

Nephilim Fallen Angels and the Sons of God

Angels are cast out of Heaven Twice?

As in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man

Are the Ministering Spirits in Hebrew 1:14 spirits or angels?

The Coming False Christ and His Followers Revealed

Preaching to the Dead (Postmortem Evangelism)

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Postmortem Evangelism: Billions died without Christ. Has death separated them from the love of God?

“No”, says Paul the apostle:

*For I am persuaded that neither death nor life... shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.
(Rom. 8:38-39 NKJ)*

The Gospel must be preached to the dead because God “desires all men to be saved and come to the knowledge of the truth” (1 Tim. 2:4). What is that truth? Jesus is the only way to God (Jn. 14:6), the “only name” under heaven whereby men can be saved (Ac. 4:12). Therefore, the divine invitation to choose God’s love (Josh. 24:15) must be preached to the billions who died without Christ, lest God’s desire all men be saved have no opportunity. **Postmortem Evangelism** must exist lest Death separate billions from God’s love.

Moreover, God cannot judge the world for rejecting Christ (John 3:18, 36. Matthew 10:32-33. Mark 16:15,16. Romans 10:9-12. Ephesians 4:18. 2 Peter

2:3, 4. 1 John 4:3) if they never heard about Christ. Then they must go free, for God is Just. Therefore, it logically follows all must hear the Gospel of Christ, if not in this life then in the next.

Therefore, it is written:

For this reason the gospel was preached also to those who are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. (1 Pet. 4:6 NKJ)

Christ and His apostles taught Postmortem Evangelism:

24 *“Most assuredly, I say to you, he who hears My word and believes in Him who sent Me has everlasting life, and shall not come into judgment, but has passed from death into life.*

25 *“Most assuredly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear (ἀκούσαντες) will live. (Jn. 5:24-25 NKJ)*

He who hears and believes—lives (John 5:24). In John 5:25 “hearing” occurs twice, audible hearing then “the second implies audible hearing and responding.”- Trail, R. (2013). *An Exegetical Summary of John 1–9* (p. 235). Dallas, TX: SIL International.

“Now is” Jesus’ time, when those listening to Him could be spiritually born again, but they wouldn’t rise physically out of the graves until the Resurrection in the end time. So John 5:24-25 applies to all living before the Resurrection, beginning with Christ’s audience. Therefore, the “heeding/obeying” action (aorist participle) took place when they heard while living.

That is a different time than John 5:28-29. The dead (in the grave) hear His voice, and all “doing” (ποιήσαντες, aorist active)” good [living according to God in the Spirit] will rise unto resurrection of life; and they “continuing (πράξαντες aorist active)” in evil [rejecting God’s offer of salvation] rise unto a resurrection of damnation. The “doing” and “continuing” are active until the resurrection:

28 *Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,*

29 *And shall come forth; they that have done (ποιήσαντες, aorist active) good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done (πράξαντες aorist active) evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. (Jn. 5:28-29 KJV)*

Some object the dead cannot “do good”, but “doing (4160 ποιέω poieo) good (18 ἀγαθός agathos)” is a moral choice the dead can make (Luke 16:19-31).

Choosing to shrink away from the light results in condemnation for practicing evil:

19 *"And this is the condemnation, that the light has come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.*

20 *"For everyone practicing evil hates the light and does not come to the light, lest his deeds should be exposed. (Jn. 3:19-20 NKJ)*

Among those evangelized postmortem are the Elect (who died unbelievers), the rest are "Undetermined" (salvation is theirs to accept or reject if they did not commit eternal sins). Their bodies are "in the graves", they are "the dead in "hades".

The Elect who die believing in Christ in this life (John 5:24-25) are saved by grace through faith" (John 5:24-25; Eph. 2:5-9). Christ will bring them "with Him" (1Th. 4:13) at His second coming (1Th. 4:15-17. 1Cor. 15:51-54), and they reign with Christ as His Kings and Priests, participating in the "first resurrection" (Rev. 1:6; 20:6).

The Elect who died unbelieving must pay for their sins in Hades just like the "non-elect." God does not show partiality. They are among the dead who rise in the Resurrection at the Great White Throne Judgment after the 1,000-year reign of Christ (Rev. 20:4-6, 11-15).

Paul referred to these Elect specifically when he said "all Israel" will be saved, even though they had died enemies of the gospel of Christ:

1 I say then, has God cast away His people? Certainly not! For I also am an Israelite, of the seed of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin.

2 God has not cast away His people whom He foreknew.

...

26 And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;

27 For this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins."

28 Concerning the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but concerning the election they are beloved for the sake of the fathers.

29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable.

30 For as you were once disobedient to God, yet have now obtained mercy through their disobedience,

31 even so these also have now been disobedient, that through the mercy shown you they also may obtain mercy.

32 For God has committed them all to disobedience, that He might have mercy on all.

33 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

34 "For who has known the mind of the LORD? Or who has become His counselor?"

35 "Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?"

36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Judgment Day occurs after death and the resurrection, when Christ appears the second time to judge the living and the dead:

And as it is appointed unto men once to die, but after this the judgment: So Christ was once offered to bear the sins of many; and unto them that look (553 ἀπεκδέχομαι apekdechomai) for him shall he appear the second time without sin unto salvation. (Heb. 9:27-28 KJV)

“Judgment” occurs on the Day of Christ (Acts 17:31. 2Tim. 1:12; 4:8. 1Jn. 4:17. 1Cor. 5:5. Rev. 20:11-15). Those in Hades who “live according to the spirit” “eagerly wait” (553 ἀπεκδέχομαι apekdechomai) for His coming “unto salvation” (1 Cor. 5:5. Jn. 5:28-29. 1Pet. 4:6. Rev. 20:13-15). Therefore, this text implies **postmortem evangelism** as these “eagerly wait” for Christ while physically dead. Had they been saved in this life, they wouldn’t be judged (John 5:25); these are saved on Judgment Day, that is why they eagerly wait.

The plain reading of Peter teaches postmortem evangelization:

Preaching to the Dead

5 Who shall give account to him that is ready to judge the quick and the dead.

6 For for this cause was the gospel preached also to them that are dead, that they might be judged according to men in the flesh, but live according to God in the spirit. (1 Pet. 4:5-6 KJV)

The adjoining “the dead” (1 Peter 4:5-6) can’t have different meanings, the first “the living and dead” of the entire earth; the second only “the spiritually dead” Peter and church preached to; because “the dead” in v. 6 is linked to its predecessor in v. 5. “For this [same] cause was the gospel preached ALSO to them that are dead”.

A paraphrase emphasizing Peter’s point:

5 The [mockers 1 Pet. 4:4] will give an account for their rejection of the gospel to God who is ready to judge the living and the dead of mankind.

6. For this reason the gospel was preached ALSO to the dead [who never heard the gospel], so all are judged equally as men in the flesh [who died unbelieving], but [then repent and choose to] live according to God’s gospel in the Spirit.

All who die without Christ are judged according to the Gospel of God as unsaved men in the flesh (1 Pet. 4:6), they go to Hell (Lk. 16:23; Jn. 5:28-29; Rev. 20:13). In Hell the unsaved can repent and believe the Gospel and then live according to God in the Spirit (1 Pt. 4:6; 1 Cor. 5:5) eagerly waiting for Judgment Day (Heb. 9:27-28; Zech. 9:11). Their torment purges away both self-deception and bondage to sin so free will is absolutely free. Torment ends when the free will choice is made to

“live according to God in the Spirit”. Those rejecting Christ’s ransom continue in torment keeping open their opportunity to repent before Judgement Day, and have their names written among the living in the Book of Life (Rev. 20:13-15; Ps. 69:28; 1 Cor. 5:5).

The preaching and torment in Hades is a function of God’s perseverance, His Love:

For God is resolute, never giving up on getting the Word out. In this world God will give us the power to spread the gospel far and wide. But the Word will also be declared to those we can’t reach, even if it takes an eternity. I am convinced the poet Francis Thompson had it right- Christ is the “Hound of Heaven,” pursuing us to the end.-Gabriel Fackre in What About Those Who Have Never Heard?: Three Views on the Destiny of the Unevangelized (p. 73), Kindle Edition.

God goes the extra mile, because He truly desires all to come to repentance and be saved. The Elect are not permitted to remain in disbelief and rebellion, they will be brought to their senses by purging fire of God’s inspection.

If the “undetermined” have not committed eternal sins like accepting the mark of the Beast (Rev. 14:11), blaspheming the Holy Spirit (Matt. 12:31-32), stumbling one of God’s children (Mark 9:42-48), torment like fire will remove all self-deception. They will know the consequences of continued willful persistence in evil. They would be saved if they choose to repent and believe in Jesus.

However, if they would repent, then God would have elected them unto salvation with the Elect.

They have absolute Free Will, and they will choose evil. They are children of the Devil. The torments of hell will not sway those determined to love evil. Evil people, children of the devil WILL NOT repent and live in righteousness with a Holy God. It will be their own free will choice they are lost forever, despite God’s best efforts to save them.

What about that scripture that says God is the Potter who forms us and no one has resisted His will? (Rom. 9:19-23)

*13 As it is written, “Jacob I have loved, but Esau I have hated.”
14 What shall we say then? Is there unrighteousness with God? Certainly not! (Rom. 9:13-14 NKJ)*

Unfortunately, Paul only affirms there is no unrighteousness with God (Rom. 9:14), he assumed readers will deduce it from Pharaoh’s example. But many have not, they missed the elegant fact God never subverted Pharaoh’s free will even though God gets the “credit” for raising him up to accomplish His will.

God hardened Pharaoh's heart (Ex. 7:3) by permitting Satan work deceiving wonders (Ex. 7:11-13) that strengthened Pharaoh's free will choice to resist God. No "hardening energy" went from God to Pharaoh to make him choose evil. That was entirely Pharaoh's choice, but orchestrated events led to Pharaoh being ruler over God's people and his choice to resist God be actualized. This tension between God's working out His will in His creation as He decides, and not causing the choice to do evil, is clear in the following verses:

15 If any nation comes to fight you, it is not because I sent them. Whoever attacks you will go down in defeat.

16 "I have created the blacksmith who fans the coals beneath the forge and makes the weapons of destruction. And I have created the armies that destroy. (Isa. 54:15-16 NLT)

The non-Elect are given every opportunity to choose eternal life with God in Holiness, but they will not. They prefer evil. It would be an evil act of tyranny God force them to choose light over darkness.

God's gift of free will is just as irrevocable (Rom. 11:29) as His Election.

It is for the Elect's sake God permits these vessels of wrath continue to the end (Rom. 9:22-23). Analogous to the Millennial Kingdom permitting the unsaved survivors of Armageddon enter the Kingdom, only to reject it after a thousand years of utopia (Rev. 20:7-9). They desire evil, period. But if God didn't give them every opportunity to repent, the Elect would question for all eternity if God might have saved some. Therefore, it is for our sake God endures them (Rom. 8:28), He already knew before the foundation of the world who were His (Eph. 1:4), and who were not.

Who shall not fear You, O Lord, and glorify Your name? For You alone are holy. For all nations shall come and worship before You, For Your judgments have been manifested." (Rev. 15:4 NKJ)

Other texts that imply postmortem evangelization

His spirit many be saved

Paul says the "spirit may be saved" after the "destruction of the flesh" "in the day of the Lord Jesus", i.e., on Judgment Day. That locates the saving event after he died:

5 To deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus. (1 Cor. 5:5 KJV)

Preached to the spirits in prison

We know the "spirits in prison" were saved when Christ preached to them

because they are a “like figure” “antitype” to the Church. Just as the Church is saved by the Gospel when it gives the “answer of a good conscience toward God” through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, so were the “spirits in prison” Christ preached to after His crucifixion.

If the “spirits in prison” were not saved, then neither was the church as they are a “like figure” “antitype” to it:

18 For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,

19 by whom also He went and preached to the spirits in prison, 20 who formerly were disobedient, when once the Divine longsuffering waited in the days of Noah, while the ark was being prepared, in which a few, that is, eight souls, were saved through water.

21 There is also an antitype which now saves us— baptism (not the removal of the filth of the flesh, but the answer of a good conscience toward God), through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, (1 Pet. 3:18-21 NKJ)

Some interpret Christ proclaimed doom to these spirits, but they never explain why doomed spirits in prison wouldn't know they were doomed without Christ preaching to them.

Therefore, it is possible to repent in Hades and live according to God in the spirit. *These spirits in prison illustrate postmortem evangelism perfectly.*

They are a “special case” which is why they are in a special place and Christ makes a special trip just to them. These are the hybrid human-angel “men of renown” who refused to believe God would forgive their “Frankenstein hybrid nature” when Noah preached, and they died in the flood.

Other relevant scriptures

Jonah could not liken his experience to being saved from Hades if he didn't believe it happens:

2 And said, I cried by reason of mine affliction unto the LORD, and he heard me; out of the belly of hell cried I, and thou heardest my voice.

...

6 I went down to the bottoms of the mountains; the earth with her bars was about me for ever: yet hast thou brought up my life from corruption, O LORD my God. (Jon. 2:2-6 KJV)

The following texts either imply or poetically use the idea of salvation from hell sometimes translated as “the grave”;

Deut. 32:39. 1Sam. 2:4-10; 22:5-7. 2Kgs. 5:7. Job 14:13-22; 19:25-27. Ps. 9:13; 16:10-11; 24:7-10; 30:3; 49:15; 56:14; 71:19-24; 73:23-28; 86:13;

88:1-18; 107:10-15; 116:3-9; 118:17-18; 142:1-7. Pr. 5:22. Isa. 4:4; 14:9-10; 24:22; 26:19-21; 38:17. Lam. 3:25. Ez. 31:16-18. Dan. 12:2. Hos. 13:14; Jon. 2:2-9; Mic. 7:7-9; Zec. 9:11; Rom. 4:17. 2Cor. 1:9.

For great is thy mercy toward me: and thou hast delivered my soul from the lowest hell. (Psa 86:13 KJV)

I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes. (Hosea 13:14 KJV)

As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water. (Zec. 9:11 KJV)

Christ's appearance in the "Galilee of the nations" (=unsaved pagans) is like preaching in the abode of the dead the "Shadow of Death" (Job 10:21-22; 38:17) alluding to deliverance from death (cf. "gates of hell" Job 38:7, 17. Isa. 38:10 = "gates of bronze", bars of iron Ps. 107:10-16) by the preaching of Christ:

15 Land of Zebulun, and land of Naphtali, the lake-way across the Jordan,—Galilee of the nations,

16 The people that was sitting in darkness, a great light, beheld,—and, on them who were sitting in land and shade of death, Light rose on them.

17 From that time, began Jesus to be making proclamation, and saying,—Repent ye, for the kingdom of the heavens hath drawn near. (Matt. 4:15-17 ROT)

Some Elect of Israel die enemies of the Gospel (Rom. 11:28) and go to hell for failing to believe in Jesus (Ac. 4:12. Mk. 16:16. Jn. 3:18; 14:6). They remain in Hades until their Deliverer comes forth from Zion, at His Second coming (Rom. 11:26-32).

Those who lived according to God in the Spirit confessing Christ as LORD in Hades are now eagerly looking for His coming:

27 And as it is appointed for men to die once, but after this the judgment,

28 so Christ was offered once to bear the sins of many. To those who eagerly wait for Him He will appear a second time, apart from sin, for salvation. (Heb. 9:27-28 NKJ)

All Israel will be saved

26 And so all Israel will be saved, as it is written: "The Deliverer will come out of Zion, And He will turn away ungodliness from Jacob;

27 For this is My covenant with them, When I take away their sins."

28 Concerning the gospel they are enemies for your sake, but concerning the election they are beloved for the sake of the fathers.

29 For the gifts and the calling of God are irrevocable. (Rom. 11:26-29)

NKJ)

Note that Paul cites as a warrant for all this biblical passages in which God promises to “banish ungodliness from Jacob” and “take away their sins” (Isa. 59:20 and Isa. 27:9, cited in Rom. 11:26-27). What is Jacob’s sin at the present moment, according to Paul? Disobedience and lack of belief in Jesus. Since Paul obviously knows of unbelieving Jews and Gentiles who have died, he can only have in mind here some type of posthumous change of heart and salvation for the “fullness of the Gentiles” and all Israel.” It is possible that the “fullness of the Gentiles” means only the “full number” of the Gentiles, and not all of them. But a posthumous salvation is still clearly in view with regard to unbelieving Jews. and Paul does assert that God will show mercy to “all” (Rom. 11:32).-Jeffrey A. Trumbower. Rescue for the Dead: The Posthumous Salvation of Non-Christians in Early Christianity (Oxford Studies in Historical Theology) (Kindle Locations 684-689). Kindle Edition.

“Not written” implies some “were written”

13 And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

14 And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire. (Rev. 20:13-15 KJV)

Only those “not found written in the book of life” are cast into the lake of fire after rising from Hades, which implies “some were found written in the book”. If they were saved before physical death, they already passed from death into life before Judgment Day (John 5:24-25) and wouldn’t be in Hades.

James L Boyer classifies “if anyone” (ei tis) a “first class conditional” and says:

(“if this”, then that is true) which may imply nothing beyond the logical connection.-“First Class Conditions: What Do They Mean,” Grace Theological Journal, Spring 1981.

However, John is observing and states factually what happened. That requires a reality beyond a logical connection.

I will ransom them from the power of the grave; I will redeem them from death: O death, I will be thy plagues; O grave, I will be thy destruction: repentance shall be hid from mine eyes. (Hosea 13:14 KJV)

As for thee also, by the blood of thy covenant I have sent forth thy prisoners out of the pit wherein is no water. (Zec. 9:11 KJV)

Jesus Preached to the Dead

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Test The Spirits in Dreams Visions Abductions

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1 John 4:1

Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world.

*Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but **test the spirits**, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. (1 Jn. 4:1 NKJ)*

I had an "out of body" experience where the illusion I had traveled to heaven was very real, but Scripture implies Demons can "download" a "virtual reality" (false vision) where traveling to heaven [the equivalent of an abduction by "aliens" to other planets], can telepathically deceive humans:

Your prophets have seen (02372 חזאם chazah) for you False and deceptive visions; They have not uncovered your iniquity, To bring back your captives, But have envisioned (02372 חזאם chazah) for you false prophecies and delusions. (Lam. 2:14 NKJ)

02372 חָזָה chazah

Meaning: 1) to see, perceive, look, behold, prophesy, provide 1a) (Qal) 1a1) to see, behold 1a2) to see as a seer in the ecstatic state 1a3) to see, perceive 1a3a) with the intelligence 1a3b) **to see (by experience)** 1a3c) to provide.-Strong's Concordance

Compare "Vision (02377 חָזוֹן chazown) in Jer. 14:14; "Angel of light" 2 Cor. 11:14; Telepathic delivery (Lk. 8:12; 1 Tim. 4:1; Inwardly working "energy of delusion" 1753 ἐνέργεια energeia 2 Thess. 2:9, 11)

Notice the difference between Paul's trip to third heaven, and those reported today. Unlike Paul, modern "visionaries" know they are "out of the body":

2 I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago— whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows— such a one was caught up to the third heaven.

3 And I know such a man— whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows— (2 Cor. 12:2-3 NKJ)

Counterfeits are identified by their dissimilarity with the genuine. Paul didn't know if he was "out of the body," that means his experience was different than modern "visionaries" or "abductees".

The following is a False Vision I experienced. [I publicly thank God the Holy Spirit who brought to my remembrance the Scripture we MUST "test the spirits" to objectively learn if they are from God, for many false prophets have been thus inspired to go forth into the world 1 John 4:1]:

More than forty years ago, having publicly confessed Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God (Mt. 10:32) I knew I was saved (Rom. 10:9-13), born again (John 3:3-4; 20:31).

One night while wondering what to do next, I was suddenly out of my body and went to what I thought was third heaven.

Everywhere brilliant light, furnishings all gold and crystal jeweled, beautiful. Telepathically I heard a glorious angel saying, "prophet to the nations I have made you."

Then a book I could not read appeared, written in symbols strange characters.

"Drink from this cup so your eyes will be opened." But the gold goblet was filled with dark liquid, the blackest black.

I recoiled in fear, I sensed it was evil.

The angel became stern, foreboding. A feeling I was "blaspheming the Spirit" became so strong I could barely think.

But it was the real Holy Spirit who brought to my remembrance the

scripture, God's command we "test the spirits".

At that time I was paralyzed by the fear I was about to blaspheme the Spirit, that almost stopped me.

But I thought to myself, "Scripture says I must test, therefore I must obey God and do as Scripture commands!" So I asked the angel:

"Can you confess Jesus Christ is your LORD? (1 Cor. 12:3). Do you confess Jesus Christ came in the flesh?" (1 Jn 4:3)

Suddenly the angel became hideous, its disguise dropped (2 Cor. 11:14) and I sensed demonic hate and evil directed at me.

Then I felt yanked out as if grabbed by the collar of my jacket. I awoke in my room. I couldn't sleep at all after that.[1]

Spirits can telepathically download a virtual reality as real as the Matrix was to Neo, and collaborate with corporeal angels to produce a mass delusion as they did during the Fatima and "Dancing of the Sun" prefiguring modern UFO contactee events. Everything experienced is as real as it gets. There is no essential difference between an immersive "out of body trip to heaven" or "abduction experience often with sadistic surgical procedures". **BOTH can be halted by those who have faith Jesus Christ is LORD.** God commands we "test the spirits" and He will honor all who obey His Word.

As John and Paul insist the test works on prophets while under control of the spirit, the test also works on the spirits when they appear by themselves in dreams, visions, or voices.

Spirits can disguise themselves as angels of light, extraterrestrial beings, departed loved ones, respected Bible personalities, in dreams visions and voices. Demand everyone who appears to you in a "vivid dream" or "vision" they confess "Jesus Christ is LORD", or "Jesus Christ is come in the flesh". Spirits cannot lie about these things or God wouldn't have put these objective tests in the Scripture for us to use. Regardless the disguise, spirits must reply to the demand they confess Jesus and if they can't they will be exposed. The vision or "abduction in progress" will immediately end.

Back to abductions, while most seem to be "visionary" and not actual movement into another dimension, we cannot rule out an abductee could be taken into "heavenly places" where Satan and Nephilim fallen angels are (Rev. 12:7-9). That humans might be taken physically into the TELEIOS just like Elijah was (2 Kings 2:11):

Then it happened, as they continued on and talked, that suddenly a chariot of fire appeared with horses of fire, and separated the two of them; and Elijah went up by a whirlwind into heaven. (2 Ki. 2:11 NKJ)

In Ephesians 6:12 Paul's division has "the principalities...world rulers"

referring to Satan and Nephilim still corporeal, and the "powers...spiritual hosts" to the now incorporeal demons who possess insects, animals and men craving a return to the corporeality they lost when they died physically in the Flood of Noah's day.

The Revised Standard version translates the "definite article THE" revealing Paul's grouping by two [compare Paul's grouping by three in 1 Cor. 13:8-13), the corporeal demons still in heaven (principalities; world rulers) and the incorporeal demons on earth inspiring lawlessness (the powers; spiritual hosts of wickedness):

For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. (Eph. 6:12 RSV)

If God will permit abductions by Satan and Demons into the TELEIOS the data of Scripture overwhelmingly implies if said abductee confess faith in Jesus as LORD, God's angels would rescue them. Whether they would be returned to our MEROS then or come with Christ at His second coming (1 Thess. 4:14) would be sheer speculation on my part.

Demons cannot harm believers during alleged "Alien abduction" because "the evil one cannot touch them" (1 Jn. 5:18 NLT). Many report their often repeated abduction experiences ended when they became born again believers (Piercing the Cosmic Veil, J. Jordan & J. Oezember, Kindle Part 3) .

Alien abduction stopped by the name of Jesus

To stand against all the Devil's strategies be clothed with the whole armor of God:

10 Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might.

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

13 Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

15 and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace;

16 besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one.

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

18 Pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.

(Eph. 6:10-18 RSV)

We are commanded to test the spirits so we are not deceived by spirits speaking through false prophets or when they appear in vision, dream or voice:

Beloved, do not believe every spirit, but test the spirits, whether they are of God; because many false prophets have gone out into the world. (1 Jn. 4:1 NKJ)

When the test is applied to human spirits, it only works while they are prophesying under the influence of the spirit. It will not work if the "prophet" is not under the influence or control of a spirit because humans can lie and confess falsely anything they want. Demon spirits cannot, God does not allow it.

So these objective tests work ONLY while the demon spirit is influencing or controlling, during a dream, vision, or "abduction experience in progress"; or while the spirit is speaking through a medium, UFO contactee or channeler prophet.

There are Three Ways to Test the Spirits, use them all.

1) Demon spirits cannot confess Jesus Christ came in the flesh:

*2 By this you know the Spirit of God: **Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God,**
3 and every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world. (1 Jn. 4:2-3) NKJ*

When asked if they confess "Jesus Christ came in the flesh" their disguise will vanish and their demonic identity will be revealed.

2) Demon spirits cannot say Jesus is LORD.

Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, **and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit.** (1 Cor. 12:3) NKJ

Regardless whether the evil spirit is speaking through a medium (prophet, necromancer, channeler) or directly in a vision or dream, when asked to confess Jesus is LORD, its disguise will vanish and its evil identity will be revealed. Jesus is LORD over everything, its not subject to debate. Any and all "aliens" must comply, their disguise will fail, and you will see them for who they are.

3) *The Holy Spirit of God cannot say Jesus is accursed*

Therefore I make known to you that no one speaking by the Spirit of God calls Jesus accursed, and no one can say that Jesus is Lord except by the Holy Spirit. (1 Cor. 12:3) NKJ

God the Holy Spirit cannot speak of the LORD JESUS in anything but loving, admiring, honoring terms. Anything negative about the Person or character of Christ or His Work or Sacrifice, its not the "Spirit of God" who is speaking.

These three objective tests work when faithfully done (John 17:17).

If the "prophet" lies about speaking by a spirit, the tests will not work. Humans can lie and say anything they want. Indeed, a con artist knowing this verse might add it to his act knowing it would make his lies convincing.

Spirits can appear in voices, dreams, visions, which Satan has modernized as "alien abductions".

Everyone on earth has been victimized by evil spirits to some degree (1 John 5:19). Telepathic suggestion (Mark 4:15. 2 Cor. 4:3-4. Jam. 1:13) and dreams tempt to evil. You can test those who appear in your dreams precisely as John suggested. Ask anyone who approaches in a dream to confess "Jesus came in the flesh." If you think about doing this, its likely you will when asleep. Friends, loved ones, recently departed, Bible personalities, beautiful women" whoever appears, ask them if Jesus came in the flesh. If it is "the spirit of error" in disguise, that disguise will vanish and their evil will appear. Sometimes they attack the tester after being discovered. See End Note [2] if that happens to you.

Let him who has ears, let them hear:

I almost failed to Obey God. The feeling I dared not test was powerful, I almost heeded it rather than the command of God in Holy Scripture. Therefore, it was a test of me also (1 Jn. 4:6) whether I truly was of God (Dt. 8:2; Ps. 17:3; 66:10; Job 23:10-12).

Don't fail the test.

After the demon's identity was revealed, it felt like God snatched me out of there and I woke up still in my room, the "virtual reality being downloaded telepathically" was stopped.

It's not optional, we are commanded to test the spirits.

What Happens If We Do Not Test the Spirits?

Failure to test is not loving the truth, and then one falls under the “energy of Satan” (2 Thess. 2:9) the “energy creating the delusion” (2 Thess. 2:11) that supernatural experiences can modify, change or overrule the Holy Scripture, God’s Word of Truth.

Paul reminds the Corinthians they were once led astray by this “energy of error”, when they experienced the effects of evil spirits that led them into idolatry:

1 Now concerning spiritual gifts, brethren, I do not want you to be ignorant:

2 You know that you were Gentiles, **carried away to these dumb idols, however you were led.** (ὡς ἂν ἤγεσθε ἀπαγόμενοι) (1 Cor. 12:1-2) NKJ

In saying that they had been “led astray to dumb idols,” Paul implies that the Corinthians had experienced the effects of evil spirits in their former pagan worship.-Mare, W. H. (1976). 1 Corinthians. In F. E. Gaebelin (Ed.), The Expositor’s Bible Commentary: Romans through Galatians (Vol. 10, p. 261). Grand Rapids, MI: Zondervan Publishing House.

The effects of evil spirits dulled their ability to discern truth so completely they even believed voiceless idols could speak (cp. Ps. 135:16-18):

QUESTION—What is the function of the clause ὡς ἂν ἤγεσθε ‘however you were led’ appended to ἀπαγόμενοι ‘being led away’?

It functions to emphasize the notion that the act of following was rather senseless and almost unconscious [ICC]. It carries the idea that they are being controlled by something that they could neither understand nor resist [Ho]. The idea of being helplessly led by others at any time is expressed [Lns].”-Trail, R. (2008). An Exegetical Summary of 1 Corinthians 10–16 (2nd ed., pp. 117–118). Dallas, TX: SIL International.

The “energy of error” “led them” wherever the evil spirits wanted them to go. The precise experience they mistook for “God’s leading” wasn’t revealed, likely because its different for different people. A survey of the occult reveals a variety of “fleshly experiences” ranging from heat or coldness or electrical shock to euphoria, a feeling of well-being or of a spiritual presence. It can mimic a person’s own “inner voice” and convince them the lie is true (Mt. 13:19. 2 Cor. 11:3-4).

9 Whose, presence, [shall be] according to an inworking of Satan, with all manner of mighty work and signs and wonders of falsehood,

10 And with all manner of deceit of unrighteousness, in them who are destroying themselves, because, the love of the truth, they did not welcome, that they might be saved;—

11 And, for this cause, God sendeth them an inworking of error, to the end they should believe in the falsehood,—

12 In order that should be judged who would not believe in the truth, but were well-pleased with the unrighteousness. (2 Thess. 2:9-12 ROT)

“Signs and wonders of falsehood” meaning “signs and wonders that serve the lie” (2 Th. 2:9 NIV). Its a deluding influence that subverts critical discernment.

Telepathically streaming words and images (Mat. 4:3. Luke 8:12. 2 Cor. 4:4. 1 Thess. 3:5. 1 Tim. 4:1. 1 John 4:1-3) incites bodily lusts and desires (James 1:13-15):

Satan still deceives as he did Eve, taking her eyes off the command of God to something he suggested:

And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat. (Gen. 3:6 KJV)

END NOTES

[1]

Yes, this really happened, once.

During another “vision” while awake while following the (very bad) advice of my Foursquare pastor, who said new believers should “prompt the gift of tongues” by babbling mindlessly, Satan appeared and just as Peter said, began circling me as a lion does its prey.

Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil walks about like a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. (1 Pet. 5:8 NKJ)

In the “vision” he appeared cylindrical in shape, about 18 inches tall one foot in diameter, rounded on top. At the bottom of the form a swirling band of dark energy folding in upon itself. His color was darkness mixed in with cloudy white, a swirling mass of white and dark energy.

I could “feel in my spirit” the Holy Spirit pushing him away as he circled:

We know that whosoever is born of God...that wicked one toucheth him not. (1 Jn. 5:18 KJV)

He left. Never again revealing himself that way.

I pray you believe my testimony, Satan can telepathically deceive humans

to reject the Gospel of Christ:

11 "Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

12 "Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. (Lk. 8:11-12 NKJ)

3 But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,

4 whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them. (2 Cor. 4:3-4 NKJ)

Satan knows he can only hurt God by destroying you, so God to mourn your absence in His kingdom for all eternity.

Sola Scriptura. The only reliable revelation about Satan is found in the Word of God, not my (or anyone's) personal experience.

All scripture was inspired so it fulfills that purpose (2Tim. 3:16-17), to render the man of God fully complete for every good work. Never does scripture says Feelings Dreams or Voices do the same.

I urge everyone learn sound principles of interpretation, as scripture is the ultimate authority (Acts 5:29. Isaiah 8:19-20. Jeremiah 23:28). Also, always consult Bible Believing teachers God has gifted to the church (1 Cor. 12:28) because it is written "in the multitude of counselors there is safety" (Prov. 11:14) as they bring to your attention additional possibilities that exist in the context you may have missed.

This is how we overcome the wiles of the devil:

10 Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.

11 Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil.

12 For we do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

13 Therefore take up the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand.

14 Stand therefore, having girded your waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness,

15 and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace;

16 above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

17 And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God. (Eph. 6:10-17 NKJ)

Demonic suggestion is subtle, can be disguised as one's own "inner voice" as is the case with those "who hear" and then the Devil comes and "takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved" (Lk. 8:12). Satanic telepathic temptation can masquerade as "light" (2 Cor. 11:14) and some believed it was God's leading (James 1:13). It is impossible darkness come from God (James 1:16-17). Such temptation can inflame our bodies to desire what is evil (James 1:13-15) and the entire world is being led into sin just that way (Eph. 2:2-3. 1 John 5:19). Some believing God was leading them by such means, perish from the delusion (Isaiah 8:19-22).

Early in my Christian walk I learned Satanic threats are a bluff, "greater is He who is in us than he who is in the world" (1 John 4:4). There is no divination against God's People Israel (Num. 23:23). Satan cannot harm us, only lack of faith in God gives him any opportunity to deceive. A juju man learned that lesson when his curse upon me returned to plague him. He fled in fear the next time I saw him, but not fear of me. Fear of Christ in me.

There is nothing new under the sun. Satan's deception always involves misdirection, distracting attention from the Word of God, to something he suggests just as he did to Eve (Gen. 3:1-6). For more on the "mystery of lawlessness" [click here](#).

Although I have no first-hand experience on abductions, scripture convinces me testing them will end the abduction. Neither can they confess "Jesus came in the flesh" (1 John 4:3) or that "Jesus is their LORD" (1 Corinthians 12:3). Their true identity would become known.

I don't know how these tests will affect Satan's Nephilim when they are physically among us in the end time "week".

[2]

These tests work whether the Tester believes in Jesus or not. Satan and demons may react violently when discovered.

If you are born of God, remember "greater is He who is in you, than he who is in the world" (1Jn. 4:4), "and that wicked one toucheth him not". (1 Jn. 5:18 KJV) See End Note 1 above.

If you aren't a believer, demons can destroy you (1Cor. 5:5. Heb. 2:14. Rev. 9:4). They do not want their activity revealed (Eph. 2:2-3. 1Jn. 5:19). Repent and be converted (Ac. 3:19) before its too late.

There is no divination spell that protects from evil spirits. That is a delusion they create for their own purposes.

A non-Christian friend asked me how to stop the nightmares that plagued him, after he asked people he saw in his dreams if they could confess Jesus is their Lord. But he was unwilling to go to Christ for salvation. I warned him there is no other name under heaven that saves (Acts 4:12.

Rom. 10:9-13; 14:11. Phil. 2:10). That only God could protect him. Never saw him again after that.

This “test” is NOT a tool for evangelism, Christ our LORD does NOT want their testimony:

33 Now in the synagogue there was a man who had a spirit of an unclean demon. And he cried out with a loud voice,

34 saying, “Let us alone! What have we to do with You, Jesus of Nazareth? Did You come to destroy us? I know who You are— the Holy One of God!”

*35 But Jesus rebuked him, saying, “**Be quiet**, and come out of him!” And when the demon had thrown him in their midst, it came out of him and did not hurt him. (Lk. 4:33-35) NKJ*

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The Image of the Beast will be an Artificial Intelligence

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Many nations make the image to the beast; therefore it cannot be a low tech idol. It is a “living” Artificial Intelligence able to defend itself, killing anyone who tries to disconnect.

14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed. (Rev. 13:14-15 KJV)

An image for the monster. The dative is used, not the genitive, “an image for the monster” rather than “of the monster.”- (2008). Revelation: introduction, translation, and commentary (Vol. 38, p. 214). New Haven; London: Yale University Press.

The nations are deceived into making this image, “deception” (4105 πλανῶ planao) required to overcome fear of tyranny an AI Network controlling the global economy made possible. Interfaced with the AI, Adonikam the Beast can see and hear everything near a connected device in real time as though he were God Himself. Like an artificial life-form, the Network can defend itself successfully against attacks.

[Christian Hacker-Warriors of the LORD (Dan. 11:32-33); Holy Messenger (32 ἄγγελος aggelos) in the cloud! (Rev. 14:6-7) Be vigilant! Your death is its top priority.]

The AI is patterned in the image of the Beast, his evil personality governs it. Its Icon (1504 εἰκὼν eikon) is the image of the Beastly Empire or Beast Emperor or both. Likely it doubles as “the Mark of the Beast” or is part of it.

Like the Swastika was in Nazi Germany, it will be everywhere. Everyone will know it proclaims rebellion against Yahweh God, no one was deceived into receiving the mark. They rejoice in the delusion they can defeat Yahweh! Like the Days of Noah (Mt. 24:37-39), Nephilim Fallen Angels and Man conspire against Yahweh hoping to seduce His sons and daughters (Gen. 6:1-5; Mk. 9:42-49). Therefore, the worst punishment is reserved for them:

9 Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, “If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand,

10 “he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation. He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb.

11 “And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name.”

12 Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. (Rev. 14:9-12 NKJ)

Under the guise of fairly distributing earth’s scarce resources, nations were deceived in creating this monster and now all must worship Adonikam or they cannot buy or sell.

16 He causes all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and slave, to receive a mark on their right hand or on their foreheads,

17 and that no one may buy or sell except one who has the mark or the name of the beast, or the number of his name. (Rev. 13:16-17 NKJ)

If it were not for the economic collapse that occurred when rebuilt Babylon was destroyed (Rev. 18:11), its unlikely even the signs and wonders accomplished by the Anglo-American False Prophet could have convinced the nations give control of their economies to Emperor Adonikam. But during times of great crisis such radical changes can occur.

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Where is the judgment of fallen angels?

The Judgment of fallen angels will certainly take place (Jude 6; 2 Pet. 2:4; Matt. 25:41) and saints will play a role judging them (1 Cor. 6:3), but scholars cannot agree where the judgment occurs in the Bible.

I believe their methodology is flawed, that if we use Sherlock Holmes-like deduction the precise time and place of the judgment of fallen angels can be found in the Bible. Scripture provides the clues; we need only connect the dots:

Fallen angels are judged on the “great day” of God Almighty:

And the angels who did not keep their proper domain, but left their own abode, He has reserved in everlasting chains under darkness for the judgment of the great day; (Jude 1:6 NKJ) See also 2 Pet. 2:4

The Church will participate in their judgment:

2 Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters?

3 Do you not know that we shall judge angels? How much more, things that pertain to this life? (1 Cor. 6:2-3 NKJ)

The “great day” of God Almighty spans the time before the coming of Christ (Mal. 4:5; Rev. 6:17; 16:14) and End Time Judgment.

Accordingly, there seems to be a judgment prior to Christ’s return (Dan. 7:9-12; Rev. 20:4-5) and another after the Millennial reign of Christ, the Great White Throne Judgment (Rev. 13:11-15):

9 “I watched till thrones were put in place, And the Ancient of Days was seated; His garment was white as snow, And the hair of His head was like pure wool. His throne was a fiery flame, Its wheels a burning fire;

10 A fiery stream issued And came forth from before Him. A thousand thousands ministered to Him; Ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him. The court was seated, And the books were opened.

11 “I watched then because of the sound of the pompous words which the horn was speaking; I watched till the beast was slain, and its body destroyed and given to the burning flame.

12 “As for the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away, yet their lives were prolonged for a season and a time. (Dan. 7:9-12 NKJ)

The Church “received authority to Judge” (CJB) in Revelation 20:4 and this implies they continue to play a role in the Great White Throne Judgment in Revelation 20:11-12.

4 And I saw thrones, and they sat on them, and **judgment was committed to them**. Then I saw the souls of those who had been beheaded for their witness to Jesus and for the word of God, who had not worshiped the beast or his image, and had not received his mark on their foreheads or on their hands. And they lived and reigned with Christ for a thousand years.

5 But the rest of the dead did not live again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection. (Rev. 20:4-5 NKJ)

Although the angels are not explicitly said to be judged by what’s written in the books, it follows from the existence of “elect angels” (1 Tim. 5:21) that their names also appear in the “book of life” just like human elect (Phil. 4:3).

That this judgment includes more than the human “dead” is implied in Revelation 20:13. It is impossible to personify “Sea...Death...Hades” in this verse, therefore listing “sea” alongside “death” –which contains all human dead who died in the sea; *is tautological UNLESS the intent is to imply angels leaving their prison Tartarus* (5020 ταρταρώ tartaroo, 2 Pet. 2:4), whose entrance was believed to be in the sea (Compare Job

26:4-5).

Corroborating this, the *Sea of Chaos* (Prov. 8:29) is associated with angels and demons (Job 26:13; Isa. 27:1; 51:9; Ps. 74:13-14; Dan. 7:2; Rev. 7:1; 13:1). Moreover, the sea is “the realm of the Devil” (Isa. 27:1; Dan. 7:2-3; Rev. 20:13). That would explain why the “sea” does not exist in the New Heavens and New Earth (Rev. 21:1).

11 Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them.

12 And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is the Book of Life. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books.

13 The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works.

14 Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

15 And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire. (Rev. 20:11-15 NKJ)

Both angels and men will be judged together.

The punishment of God must fall at the same time both upon the princes of heaven and upon the princes of earth...Verse 22a announces the preliminary punishment of both angelic and human princes.-Keil, C. F., & Delitzsch, F. (1996). Commentary on the Old Testament (Vol. 7, p. 282). Peabody, MA: Hendrickson

21 It shall come to pass in that day That the LORD will punish on high the host of exalted ones, And on the earth the kings of the earth.

22 They will be gathered together, As prisoners are gathered in the pit, And will be shut up in the prison; After many days they will be punished.

23 Then the moon will be disgraced And the sun ashamed; For the LORD of hosts will reign On Mount Zion and in Jerusalem And before His elders, gloriously. (Isa. 24:21-23 NKJ)

At Armageddon Satan’s “angels” (= “stars” Rev. 1:20; 9:1) his angelic UFO armada fall from the heavens like “untimely figs” while the Beast’s armies are bombarded on earth (Isa. 34:4-8; Rev. 6:13-17). Then the “mighty” (2478 ἰσχυρός *ischuros*) Nephilim “Kings of the sunrising” (395 ἀνατολή *Anatole*) (Rev. 16:12; 19:18) are slain alongside the Beast’s human army by the King of Kings Jesus Christ our LORD (Rev. 19:11-21). Imprisoned in their appropriate places in Hell they wait for the resurrection of condemnation (John 5:28-29; Rev. 20:11-15) on Judgment Day.

The Beast and False prophet are cast body and soul into the Lake of fire (Rev. 19:20; Mt. 10:28), perhaps in a “twinkling of an eye” their bodies changed (Contrast 1 Cor. 15:52) into abominable bodies reeking of corruption (Dan. 12:2; Isa. 14:11; 66:24; Mk. 9:42-48; Gal. 6:8). Satan is bound and imprisoned in a separate place to be unleashed once again on the earth (Rev. 20:1-3, 7-9) and will join the Beast and False prophet in the lake of fire later (Rev. 20:10).

The judgment of fallen angels was prefigured when a legion of demons, imprisoned in “unclean flesh” (which could symbolize the abominable resurrection bodies of the damned), were driven into the Lake where they died physically, their spirits ending up in the very abyss they feared. Gehenna, Lake of Fire, Furnace of Fire, the Depths, Destruction, and Abyss refer essentially to the same place:

30 And Jesus questioned him, saying, ‘What is thy name?’ and he said, ‘Legion,’ (because many demons were entered into him,)

31 and he was calling on him, that he may not command them to go away to the abyss,

32 and there was there a herd of many swine feeding in the mountain, and they were calling on him, that he might suffer them to enter into these, and he suffered them,

33 and the demons having gone forth from the man, did enter into the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep to the lake, and were choked. (Lk. 8:30-33 YLT)

END NOTES:

[1] Contrary to the “ruling” of the Fourth Lateran Council in 1215, angels are corporeal (1 Cor. 15:40). The theory angels materialize physical bodies to appear physical in our realm is a *hasty generalization fallacy* confusing “spirits” with “angels”. They are distinguished from each other in Acts 23:8-9. The lying spirit who fools the prophets (1Kings 22:21-22) is nothing like the angels who ate and drank with Abraham (Gen. 18:1-8) or sat under a tree speaking to Gideon (Judges 6:11-12). Rather than conjure up physical forms to be seen, it appears they have cloaking technology (2Kings 6:17) and appear in our matrix without walking through doors or walls just as Jesus did in his physical resurrection body (John 20:19-20). Jesus eats a fish to contradict any suggestion He is a spirit (Luke 24:36-43).

Angels are always represented as physical and the theory they have God like power to create living bodies contradicts the declaration God alone has that power (Dt. 32:39). Rather, scripture reveals there are portals that can connect earthly and heavenly realms. Jacob saw angels walking through a portal on a ladder through the “gate of heaven” (Gen. 28:12, 17). John went through a similar door to enter heaven (Rev. 4:1). So did the chariots of fire that took Elijah away, a swirling energy vortex (2 Kings 2:11). Christ and His heavenly army will enter our Matrix through an opening in the sky (Rev. 19:11) perhaps similar to when the clouds

concealed His departure during his Ascension (Acts. 1:9).

When the “complete” (5046 τέλειος teleios) and “partial” (3313 μέρος meros) (1 Cor. 13:10) touched each other [“kingdom of God came in power (Mk. 9:1)] during the Transfiguration, Moses and Elijah step into our Matrix still physical as Peter confirms by wanting to build tents for them (Mk. 9:4-5). [Satan had tried to prevent the resurrection of Moses (Jude 1:9)]. It is a massive violation of Occam’s razor sola scripturists ignore these scriptures to perpetuate the error proposed by the Fourth Lateran Council in 1215.

“Spirits of demons” implies angelic bodies contain within them an immaterial spirit (Rev. 16:14). Spirits and angels are distinguished from each other (Ac. 23:8-9). The hapax legomen λειτουργικά πνεύματα “ministering spirits” in Hebrews 1:14 notwithstanding. This is not a reference to angelic nature, but to their function as ministers of the spirit. If these were immaterial spirits, then God wouldn’t have to make them spirits after creation (Ps. 104:4. Heb. 1:7).

Nothing about New Jerusalem coming down from heaven implies an “immaterial city”, it follows neither would their likely builders be immaterial (Rev. 21:10-27). If one cannot be physical in heaven, why didn’t Paul realize he wasn’t still in his own body while in third heaven? (1 Cor. 12:2, 4). The description of this matrix as a “partial” requires it is less substantial as “the complete”. The “teleios” contains dimensions of revelation of God we lack (1 Cor. 13:8-12). If anything is “immaterial”, it be us ghostly photons consisting in the Infinite Mind of God the Eternal Son held together by His thought (Col. 1:17. Ac. 17:28). As the “Word of God” Jesus makes concrete what Triune YHWH God conceives (2Cor. 4:6. Gen. 1:1).

Let’s not confuse the “spirits of demons” (Rev. 16:14) with angels still having “celestial bodies” (1Cor. 15:40).

Unclean spirits and demons wandering tombs etc. craving corporeality, are the spirits of Nephilim Fallen Angels who did not corrupt the image of God in man; but not permitted to reenter the dimension of heaven as the flood waters killed all flesh alive on the earth (Gen. 7:21-23). Included among these are the evil hybrid offspring of the angels (Gen. 6:4). Desperately craving corporeality, they pathetically roam the wastelands possessing anything they can, insects (2Kings 1:2), animals (Lk. 8:33) or men (Lk. 8:30-32).

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Satan's Angels are cast out of Heaven Twice?

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Satan's angels are cast out twice: Angels are cast out by Satan (Rev. 12:4), Satan and his angels are cast out by Michael (Rev. 12:9-11). The prophecy is "telescoped" skipping over the time separating the Flood of Noah's Day and the End Time Seven Year "Week" revealed in the Apocalypse. As the Days of Noah were, so also the Days of Christs return (Luk. 17:26). Angels appeared physically on the earth both times.

During Satan's war against the Woman's Seed (Gen. 3:15) which he waged by corrupting the human genome with Nephilim DNA, hoping to prevent the incarnation of the Son of God in truly human flesh (John 1:14; 1 John 4:2-3), Noah's generation joined the conspiracy, tempting the sons of God sent to minister to them with their beautiful daughters, seducing them to sin (Gen. 6:1-4). All Nephilim and God's angelic sons guilty of corrupting the human genome were not permitted to return to heaven when the Flood came killing them all (Gen. 7:21-23).

When these angels died physically their spirits (cf. πνεύματα δαιμονων

Rev. 16:14 compare Acts 23:9) were bound in chains in Tartarus (2 Pet. 2:4; Jude 1:6). Demon spirits were segregated from them and cast into the fiery "Abyss" (Rev. 9:1-2). Their hybrid children who refused to believe God would forgive their Frankenstein human-Elohim nature, and so refused to believe Noah and be saved, were cast into a separate prison (1 Pet. 3:19-20) after they died physically in the flood. Christ preached salvation to these after His Crucifixion and they believed His preaching and were led back into paradise to wait with righteous dead (1 Pet. 3:21-22; Eph. 4:8). Those disembodied spirits God judged not worthy of any of these fates, remained on the earth wandering as unclean demon spirits desperately seeking to be "clothed" again (cf. 2 Cor. 5:4) by possessing insects animals and men (Luke 8:29-30). The swine drowning in the lake prefigures their being driven into the Lake of Fire when Christ sets up His Reign, before the Great White Throne (Rev. 20:11) Judgment Day (Jude 1:6 "Judgment of the Great Day" is the day of Jesus' return Acts 2:20; Rev. 6:17; 16:14).

After Michael casts them out "woe to the earth" because they walk again among mankind as they did in the Days of Noah to deceive mankind again to fight against God (Gen. 6:1-4; 2 Thess. 2:11; 1 Tim. 4:1; Rev. 16:13-14).

That this prophecy is telescoped showing what happened in the Days of Noah and the Days of the coming of the Son of Man, is confirmed by the appearance of transcendent Lady Zion in heaven, at the dawn of human history when the war against the woman's seed began. (Gen. 3:15; 37:9-10; Gal. 4:26).

It was in Genesis Satan first tried to destroy her seed by defiling the image of God in man with that of angels (Gen. 6:1-4). Therefore, its deducible the Dragon cast his angels down to earth in Genesis before the flood of Noah's Day.. [They were called the Nephilim (fallen ones), and these conspired with humanity enticing their contemporaries the "sons of God" to partake of forbidden relationships with the daughters of men. Their role in enticing the sons of God is why they are mentioned first Genesis 6:4, its looking backward to what they did. The fallen angels on earth who had not taken wives were allowed to return to heaven].

So this apocalyptic scene is telescoped from Genesis to the end time week when Michael and his angels cast Satan and his angels out of heaven. That is how they can be cast down to the earth twice.

It follows that Satan and his angels are literally cast out and come down from heaven when Michael and his angels cast them out. They will be visible, Satan the Dragon will appear (Rev. 16:13) and so will the demon Kings of the East (Rev. 16:12). Unlike the "spirits of demons" (Rev. 16:14) they retain their corporeal.

It wasn't until the Fourth Lateran Council that the corporeality of angels was seriously rejected. Most Protestants faithfully retain this Catholic tradition. However, that dogma is a massive violation of Occam's razor as not one scripture implies a creative act occurs whenever angels

enter our realm. Rather, Scripture implies an "opening" connects the realms (Gen. 28:12-13, 17; Mat. 3:16; Lk. 3:21; Ac. 7:56; 10:11; Jo. 1:51; Rev. 4:1; 19:11). Jesus did not materialize physical forms to prove He had risen from the dead (Lk 24:39). He did not walk through locked doors or a wall, He suddenly "stood in their midst" (Lk. 24:36; Jo. 20:26). At Jesus' ascension a cloud received him out of their sight (Ac. 1:9).

At the transfiguration the "kingdom of God come with power" (Mk. 9:1) implying a point of connection was made linking the heaven and earthly realms, an opening into heavenly TELEIOS ("complete") and the earthly MEROS ("incomplete") 1 Cor. 13:10. This point of connection is where Elijah, Moses and Jesus stand and converse in radiant light. That all three were physically standing together and not spirits is confirmed by Peter's reaction, he wanted to build tents for them (Mk. 9:23-5).

Enoch was translated (3331 μετάθεσις), a transfer not a dematerialization (Gen. 5:22; Heb. 11:5). Paul did not know if he went to third heaven in the body or out (2 Cor. 12:3) which could not be the case if he couldn't enter heaven physically. Elijah was taken up into heaven in a chariot ascending into heaven through a vortex opening said described as a "whirlwind".

New Jerusalem descends from heaven, it does not materialize on earth and its clear mankind will physically walk its streets (Rev. 21:2-3).

A study of 1 Cor. 13:10 indicates within the meta-universe two parallel universes consist. The more substantial reality is the TELEIOS "kingdom of God", not our MEROS "that which is in part" because it lacks the dimension of the revelation of God (1 Cor. 13:10-12). In the infinite mind of Christ the Multiverse (meta-universe) consists and has its being (Col. 1:17), in Him both human and angel exist and have their being (Ac. 17:28).

This does not deny spirits (whatever their nature) exist in heaven (1 Ki. 22:21), only that they are another form of life within it. Evil spirits and demons wandering the earth longing for the corporeality they lost in the flood (Gen. 7:21-23) cannot be confused with Satan and the rest of his angels who retain their physical form (Dan. 10:13; Rev. 12:7-8; 16;13). Only God's restraining decree (2 Thess. 2:7; Rev. 9:1, 14-16) prevents these from appearing physically now on the planet. Any time after God lifts that restraint is when they can appear, no doubt disguised as an extraterrestrial race.

So the angels Michael kicks out of heaven will appear on earth physically, in effect the Nephilim will have returned just as it was in the Days of Noah.

Its not symbolic, its literal. They will walk among us, deceiving mankind they offer immortality, a "workaround" to God's denying humanity this casting them out of the garden of Eden (Gen. 3:22-24), just as they

deceived men in the Days of Noah (Gen. 6:1-4).

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Words are closed up and sealed

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In Daniel 12:4 the angel commands the preservation of the words of the

vision by closing and sealing the book. Once the original is preserved from changes, unclosed and unsealed copies are made for study (Jer. 32:9-12). "Many will go here and there [throughout the earth looking for answers (compare Amos 8:12; 2 Chron. 16:9; Zech. 4:10), and "the knowledge" shall increase.

4 "But you, Daniel, shut up (05640 חָתַם catham) the words, and seal (02856 חָתַם chatham) the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro (07751 שָׁוַת shuwt), and knowledge shall increase."

So "the knowledge" shall increase as interpreters go "to and fro" in the "the time of the end" to discover the new meaning old words have. Prior to the End Time Generation, some of the words remain "closed up and sealed."

8 Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, "My lord, what shall be the end of these things?"

9 And he said, "Go your way, Daniel, **for the words are closed up (05640 חָתַם catham) and sealed (02856 חָתַם chatham) till the time (06256 אֶתְּ `eth) of the end (07093 קֵצִים gets).**

10 "Many shall be purified, made white, and refined, but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise (07919 סָכָל sakal) shall understand. (Dan. 12:4, 8-10 NKJ)

"Closed up" and "sealed" reappear in Daniel 12:9 with a change in meaning, now words in the vision are "obscure" and "mysterious" and there is no reference to literally "shutting up" and "sealing" the book to preserve its words from harm.

End time events "open up" and "unseal" what is "obscure" and "mysterious", not "special revelation by God's Holy Spirit." "The wise (prudent, circumspect) shall understand". Everyone "critically thinking" on the text and looking "to and fro" in End Time events will discern the meaning of the prophecy.

Until End Time events uncover the new meaning of old words, they remain obscure and mysterious. The prophet Daniel illustrates this perfectly. Daniel and his associates were experts in Jewish customs, its Temple and sacrifices including past interruptions of its Daily Sacrifices. Yet in prophecies which today's interpreters so confidently apply to Antiochus and Antichrist and a third Temple yet to be rebuilt, Daniel and his contemporaries don't understand the vision at all.

27 And I, Daniel, fainted and was sick for days; afterward I arose and went about the king's business. I was astonished by the vision, but no one understood it. (Dan. 8:27 NKJ)

The events giving new meaning to old terminology had not yet happened in Daniel's time. It was not until the New Covenant in Christ's blood we see

a new application for old terms like “Temple of God” and “Daily Sacrifice”. The “saints” now include the greater “Israel of God” (Gal. 6:15-16), Jew and Gentile descendants of Abraham’s seed (Gal. 3:27-29). The Temple priesthood and Daily Sacrifice are in the Christian Church. The Church is the Temple of God (1 Cor. 3:16-17; 6:19; 2 Cor. 6:16; Eph. 2:21), Christians its priests (1 Pet. 2:5). We offer up “the Daily Sacrifice” (1 Pet. 2:5; Rom. 12:1; Lk. 9:23; Heb. 13:15).

It was impossible Daniel understand his own prophecy even though he was expert in Jewish custom and law and specially gifted by Holy Spirit to interpret visions and enigmas (Dan. 4:8-9, 18; 5:11-12). Without knowledge of these new events, the words remained “closed up” and “sealed.”

As it is “end time events” that “open up and unseal” what is “obscure and mysterious”, special revelation by God is not required for the critical thinker studying the text to know what it predicts. Only those living in the End Time will have all the necessary information to know what Daniel’s prophecy predicts.

In Him All Things Hold Together: The TELEIOS MEROS Multiverse

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What is the “wing of abominations” in Daniel 9:27?

A literal rendering of the Hebrew text is, “And on the wing of abominations one who causes desolation [will come].”-Miller, S. R. (1994). Daniel (Vol. 18, pp. 272–273). Nashville: Broadman & Holman Publishers.

“Abominations” usually refers to idols (Dt. 29:16; Jer. 7:30; 16:18; 32:34; Ezek. 5:11; 7:20; 11:21; 20:7, 8, 30; 37:23), hence “wing of idols” doesn’t make sense. How can [plural] idols have just one

[singular] wing? Hence interpreters ancient and modern remove the conflict, changing “wing” into “wings” or “abominations” into “abomination”, then interpret the verse.

However, when an explanation does not conform to fact it is no longer “true”. Rather than change God’s Word to fit a preferred interpretation, why not change the assumptions of the Interpreters and see if that “opens up” and “unseals” the words in this time of the End (Dan. 12:9)?

19 What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything?

20 Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons. (1 Cor. 10:19-20 NKJ)

The plural šiqqûšîm, ‘abominations’, refers to unspecified deities other than the LORD and their respective cult statues in Deut 29:16; Jer 7:30; 16:18; 32:34; Ezek 5:11; 7:20; 11:21; 20:7, 8, 30; 37:23.-Gruber, M. I. (1999). Abomination. In K. van der Toorn, B. Becking, & P. W. van der Horst (Eds.), Dictionary of Deities and Demons in the Bible (2nd extensively rev. ed., p. 3). Leiden; Boston; Köln; Grand Rapids, MI; Cambridge: Brill; Eerdmans.

A “wing” infested with demons would fit the description of a “wing of abominations”. In Luke 8:30 A “Legion” of demons control a single man.

What did Daniel mean by “wing of abominations”? Recall he is seeing the future End Time when things exist that would “astonish” him” (Dan. 8:27), such as flying vehicles:

But from such passages as Deut. 32:11, Ex. 19:4, and Ps. 18:11, we perceive the sense in which wings are attributed to the אֱלֹהִים, the idolatrous objects. In the first of these passages (Deut. 32:11), wings, the wings of an eagle, are attributed to God, because He is the power which raises up Israel, and lifting it up, and carrying it throughout its history, guides it over the earth. In P. 18 wings are attributed to the wind, because the wind is contemplated as the power which carries out the will of God throughout the kingdom of nature. “Thus in this passage wings are attributed to the אֱלֹהִים, idol-objects, and to idolatry with its abominations, because that shall be the power which lifts upwards the destroyer and desolater, carries him, and moves with him over the earth to lay waste” (Klief.)-Keil, C. F., & Delitzsch, F. (1996). Commentary on the Old Testament (Vol. 9, pp. 739–740). Peabody, MA: Hendrickson.

Although Keil did change “wing” to “wings”, he ably connects the dots between the demons energizing idols and the “wing of abominations.”

Many reports of UFO/UAP craft comment on the lack of any visible means of

propulsion. These reports do not necessarily conflict with Bob Lazar's testimony of an "antimatter propulsion reactor" powering the ship he worked on. The facts surrounding UAP events imply the existence of both purely demonic entities (which violate all known laws of physics and appear and disappear with ease); and the deployment of physical objects that leave physical evidence and show up on radar etc., These transit into our Matrix through a "trans dimensional portal" (cp. 2 Ki. 2:11) into the TELEIOS ("heavenly places") Satan and his corporeal angels inhabit (Eph. 6:12; Rev. 12:7-9).

The Desolator (Beast) commands this "flying abomination of desolation" to terrorize the earth desolating all who oppose him.

2 Now the beast which I saw was like a leopard, his feet were like the feet of a bear, and his mouth like the mouth of a lion. The dragon gave him his power, his throne, and great authority.

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*4 So they worshiped the dragon who gave authority to the beast; and they worshiped the beast, saying, "Who is like the beast? **Who is able to make war with him?**"*

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13 He performs great signs, so that he even makes fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men. (Rev. 13:2-13 NKJ)

*His power shall be mighty, but not by his own power; **He shall destroy fearfully**, And shall prosper and thrive; He shall destroy the mighty, and also the holy people. (Dan. 8:24 NKJ)*

*Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to sacrifice and offering. And on the **wing of abominations** shall be one who makes desolate, Even until the consummation, which is determined, Is poured out on the desolate." (Dan. 9:27 NKJ)*

The False Christ (Man of Sin) will reign for seven years. He will promise to respect the world's religions. But after 3 ½ years "Chancellor" Adonikam morphs into the Son of Satan Antichrist and he will destroy the Great Harlot Babylon world Empire of false religion, demanding all worship him. And on flying wings of fallen angel technology Satan the Destroyer will rain down destruction upon all who oppose his Seed the Son of Destruction Adonikam, This continues for 3 ½ years until Adonikim's prophesied end at Armageddon, and he is cast in the lake of fire.

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END NOTES

The False Christ (Man of Sin) will reign for seven years

The prophecy telescopes to the end time "week" because Christ died in the

Seventieth Week. AFTER the “seven and sixty two weeks Messiah shall be cut off” (Dan. 9:25-26).

Therefore Dan. 9:26b should begin a new verse:

26 “And after the sixty-two weeks Messiah shall be cut off, but not for Himself;

26b And the people of the prince who is to come Shall destroy the city and the sanctuary. The end of it shall be with a flood, And till the end of the war desolations are determined.

The “Seventy Weeks” end when Christ ushers in the New Covenant in His Blood. Everything listed in Daniel 9:24 is fulfilled. See Seventy Weeks Explained

What happens thereafter is not part of the Seventy weeks. The Destruction of the Temple by Titus in 70 A.D., then in 136 A.D. Hadrian drives the Jews out of Jerusalem to become a pagan city.

Christ’s prophecy covers the time from the end of the Seventy weeks, “the times of the Gentiles” go from 70 AD to the End Time when Christ sets up His Kingdom. The last seven-year period is not part of the Seventy Weeks.

22 “For these are the days of vengeance, that all things which are written may be fulfilled.

23 “But woe to those who are pregnant and to those who are nursing babies in those days! For there will be great distress in the land and wrath upon this people.

24 “And they will fall by the edge of the sword, and be led away captive into all nations. And Jerusalem will be trampled by Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled. (Lk. 21:22-24 NKJ)

Daniel 9:27 telescopes to the end time, from the people who destroyed Jerusalem to the rise of the Grecian Roman Empire the Elohim insist be created, that lasts seven years (Rev. 13:1-2). Because Adonikam the False Christ hailed Satan’s arrival as the “kingdom of God” he is made its “Chancellor” and for 3.5 years the “man of sin” conquers the earth with the false gospel of scientific Atheism. After 42 months he reveals he is the “seed of Satan” Son of Destruction (2 Thess. 2:3-4; Rev. 13:5). Harlot Babylon is then destroyed, only the 666 religion permitted. Without the political protection of Babylon the church is persecuted into near extinction.

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*Then he shall confirm a covenant with many for one week; But in the middle of the week He shall bring an end to **sacrifice (02077 זָבַח zebach) and offering (04503 מִנְחָה minchah).***

*“And from the time that the **daily (08548 תָּמִיד tamiyd) sacrifice is***

taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days. (Dan. 12:11 NKJ)

There is no contradiction, the "Sacrifice and offering" in Dan. 9:27 refers to any sacrifice and offering (Num 25:2; Isa. 66:3) unlike the "daily" sacrifice of the lamb in the Temple. Therefore, in Daniel 9:27 the Man of Sin breaks his covenant with the world's religions at mid-week, when he declares himself God. In Daniel 12:11 the "end time clock" begins when Christendom's "daily sacrifice" to God ends, and they worship the false Christ man of sin, at the beginning of the seven-year end time "week".

Christ is our "continual" [08548 ἡ θυσία δι παντος tamiyd] sacrifice (ἡ θυσία δι παντος, LXX) . Confirming this, the apostles apply Old Testament Temple imagery to the Church, calling it "the Temple of God" (1 Cor. 3:16-17; 6:19; 2 Cor. 6:16; 2 Thess. 2:4; Eph. 2:21). Its members Temple priests (1 Pet. 2:5).

you also, as living stones, are being built up a spiritual house, a holy priesthood, to offer up spiritual sacrifices acceptable to God through Jesus Christ. (1 Pet. 2:5) NKJ

As we take up Christ's cross daily (Lk. 9:23) our sacrifice and service is continual:

Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. (Heb. 13:15) NKJ

I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service. (Rom. 12:1) NKJ

The End Time "clock" starts when the fallen away Church receives the Antichrist as Christ. The Antichrist breaks his covenant with the world's religions when he declares himself God and outlaws all other worship than to him.

11 "And from the time that the daily sacrifice is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set up, there shall be one thousand two hundred and ninety days.

12 "Blessed is he who waits, and comes to the one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days. (Dan. 12:11-12 NKJ)

The "man of sin" false Christ morphs into the "Son of Perdition" (2 Thess. 2:3) at "mid-week" or 1,260 days (42 months, 3 1/2 years) (Dan. 9:27; Rev. 13:5). The beast with two horns like a lamb Britain and America convinced the world to build a global network to manage the earth's dwindling resources as famine, pestilence, civil unrest and war

overwhelmed the earth's ability to manage the crises. When Russia Turkey and allies nuke the rebuilt city of Babylon, Britain and America rise unite to form two-horned beast under an individual called the "False Prophet" (Rev. 16:13; 19:20; 20:10) and rise to support of the wounded Grecian Empire Beast (Rev. 13:11-2). Formerly Christian free market nations, they now speak like a Devil. For decades Satan seeded their black-operations with fallen-angel technology through the ruse (Roswell etc.) of crashed spaceships, piloted by plant-based drones (Exod. 7:11-12). Their military capability enhanced far above all other military power on earth. That advanced technology causes Russia and allies to cease attacking the Beast's empire. The Anglo-American false prophet deceives the nations into networking their economies with the Beast, to manage resources against the global depression the destruction of the city of Babylon caused. Then the earth's economies are commandeered by that very network (Rev. 13:14-17).

End Time events timeline

When Adonikam declares himself God his interface with the AI enhanced network truly affords him godlike abilities such as seeing and hearing in real time everywhere a device is connected. The AI programmed in his image, is an "abomination that causes desolation" able to kill anyone who tries to disconnect. It required 30 days to fully set up, or 1,290 days counting from the beginning of the end time week. Blessed are Christians who are still alive after the intense persecution that follows, for at 1,335 days they will be raptured:

12 Here is the patience of the saints; here are those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus.

13 Then I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Write: 'Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord from now on.'" "Yes," says the Spirit, "that they may rest from their labors, and their works follow them."

14 Then I looked, and behold, a white cloud, and on the cloud sat One like the Son of Man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.

15 And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him who sat on the cloud, "Thrust in Your sickle and reap, for the time has come for You to reap, for the harvest of the earth is ripe."

(Rev. 14:12-15 NKJ)

And on the wing of abominations shall be one who makes desolate

and a destroyer comes on a wing (on the wings) of the monster (monsters)-Koehler, L., Baumgartner, W., Richardson, M. E. J., & Stamm, J. J. (1994–2000). The Hebrew and Aramaic lexicon of the Old Testament (electronic ed., p. 1640). Leiden: E.J. Brill.

"Thus in this passage wings are attributed to the אַבְדָּן, idol-

objects, and to idolatry with its abominations, because that shall be the power which lifts upwards the destroyer and desolater, carries him, and moves with him over the earth to lay waste” (Kliefoth, T.). -Keil, C. F., & Delitzsch, F. (2002). Commentary on the Old Testament [1866 first edition]. (Da 9:27). Peabody, MA: Hendrickson.

Demons supply the Satanic “working” (1753 ἐνέργεια *energeia*), abominations energizing idols (2 Thess. 2:9; 1 Cor. 10:19-20; 1 Ki. 11:5; 2 Ki. 23:24; Ez. 20:7-8; Dt. 32:17; Lev. 17:7). No doubt multiple demons are in each fallen angel craft, “abominations”.

38 But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

39 Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain. (Dan. 11:38-39 KJV)

And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? (Rev. 13:4 KJV)

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