Seven Thunders of the Book of Revelation

I am fully aware of the fact that the title of this message will particularly attract people's attention and as soon as these lectures reach social media, many Internet users will certainly start listening to this year's message - beginning with this very last lecture. However, I hope that the title of the first lecture about the returning Bridegroom in 2027 will also attract a lot of people's attention. Therefore, I trust that the true truth seekers will start watching and listening from the first lecture to the last for only then will they receive the full blessing of the substance of the whole message, not just a part of it, which then will constitute only a partial blessing.

We must learn a very insightful, patient and precise approach to issues related to eternity, holiness and belonging to our Creator. But we will never achieve it if we do everything in our daily life at random, sloppily, carelessly, chaotically, in a cursory and disorderly manner. If we are easily distracted or if we suddenly withdraw our attention and if thousands of thoughts flow through our minds in an uncontrolled and disorderly manner, it will be difficult for us to focus, concentrate and scrupulously approach any issue in life. Moreover, we will be unable to understand the matters of the highest importance that concern the holy, the eternal and the infinite.

"For thus says the Lord God, the Holy One of Israel: In conversion שׁוּבָה [shûwbâh - H7729] and in keeping of peace is your salvation! In quieting [your souls] [in silence and in hope, BG] and in trust will be your strength! " (Isa. 30:15 EŚP). "You will be saved through peace and quiet" (NBG). "Your power will be in silence, (BB)

"in silence and trust you will be strength, KJV. " "But you do not want it" (Isa. 30:1, EŚP).

Why don't we want silence? Why can't we be silent? Why aren't we living in peace? Because we do not want to return to our Creator who is quiet, gentle like a light breeze, barely audible murmur (see: Matt. 11:29; 21:5; 1 Kings 19:12, BWP). Of course, in our consciousness everyone wants to be saved, but our subconsciousness refuses to return to our Saviour ...

The Hebrew word: שׁוּבָה [shûwbâh - H7729] does not mean the typical conversion that occurs in many parts of the Bible. This Hebrew word, which is translated "conversion" in this particular translation, means "return=comeback" and signifies the one who returns - the returning one. It only occurs once in the entire Bible, right here. So it is not about a typical conversion, but about the return, the real return to the true God, to the Creator. But the people of God do not want it. It is good for them to live without God in their own glow of religiousness because for them true life with God would mean and actually means - dependence. So although God says that only in returning to Him is our salvation, at the end He says: "but you do not want it".

Therefore as we read further:

"Therefore, Yahweh is still waiting to show you grace. Therefore He rises up to have mercy on you [for the Lord is the God of judgment, BB]" (Isa. 30:18,BP).

Both grace and God's mercy do not last forever - they have their end and we have just reached this very end; the limit that God has set for us due to the closed time period related to the nature of sin.

We find no solace in quietness nor in silence because in silence there are no stimuli, no impulses which allow us to somehow survive this life. Therefore we constantly look for stimuli and impulses thanks to which we pseudo live on the earth. Silence does not soothe us because we are afraid of what we might hear when we do not talk... we do not want to feel remorse therefore we constantly look for stimuli and impulses that allow us to survive our life seemingly painlessly with a bit numb attitude towards deeper inner thoughts that would explore our conscience and might rebuke us. And this is what we do not want. So we keep giving ourselves all kinds of stimuli that make us feel seemingly happy and careless about the coming judgement. These can also be all kinds of religious stimuli but in which unfortunately our God is not present. We are getting involved in all kinds of actions and we keep talking so we could live somehow instead of living with God's life in us so He could act in us and send His Word through us!

Do you know what it means to be a servant of God dependent on Him in everything? Let's read this wellknown text:

"But Yahweh-Lord does nothing without revealing His purpose [intention, BT; plan, BW; provisions, NBG; mystery, UBG] to his servants יֶכֶך [`ebed] the prophets " (Amos 3:7, BP). Do you know what the Hebrew word עֶבֶד ['ebed] translated into "servants" means? In correct translation it means a "slave".

The Greek word for this Hebrew word is $\delta ou \lambda oig$ [doulois] which also means a "slave." But in both the Old Testament and the New Testament this word is most often translated as a "servant." Do you know why? Because it sounds better. For *slavery* is associated with something monstrous, evil and wicked. Yet, only *"slaves*" of the Most High God can do His will and do His works. It is difficult to find any correct translation of this word in any versions of the Bible. Personally, I've found only one version where this word is translated correctly and it is quite strangely in the New World Bible.

In the following passage of God's Word, the word "doulois" is translated as a "servant" in all translations of the Bible and it should be translated as a "slave." Let's read:

"The kingdom of heaven has become like a man, a king, who made a wedding feast for his son. And he sent **his slaves** to call those invited to the wedding feast, but they would not come " (Matt. 22:2-3, BNŚ).

The New American Standard Bible (NASB) is the English translation where I've found this verse correctly translated.

I will quote now one more verse which is correctly translated in the New American Standard Bible (NASB) and actually it is also correctly translated in the Greek interlinear version.

But ...I will quote it from the UBG translation in which the word "doulois" is unfortunately incorrectly translated but other parts of the verse are. Therefore I will combine the two translations in one because I want to focus your attention on a very deep and powerful message therefore I will insert the correct word instead of the wrongly translated "doulois" into the verse from the UBG translation where other parts are correctly translated.

"Now, Lord, look at their threats and let your [slaves, PI] speak your word with all boldness; When you stretch out your hand to heal and perform signs and wonders through the name of your holy Son, Jesus" (Acts 4:29-30, UBG).

We are waiting for the latter rain to be poured out but we have no experience whatsoever and no participation in the early rain! This has to change immediately. Therefore, I am trying to pay your attention to the issue of being God's slave, which means voluntary surrendering to our Lord and even **asking Him** to let us become **His slave forever**. We should be striving to become God's slaves, His property fully subject to His will. Such a slave has no longer his/her own opinions nor plans. He does not say nor think in terms of what and when *he or she* wants because He/she is completely at the exclusive disposal of his/her Lord. The true prophets were such slaves, and it was this kind of attitude that set them apart from the false prophets. Apostle John at the beginning of Revelation 1: 1-2 is writing about himself and about the addressees of Revelation, and is using the same very term $\delta ou\lambda oig$ [doulois].

So, are we among the addressees of the Revelation of Jesus Christ? Can we talk about ourselves in the same way that, for example, Jude called himself? "Jude, a slave of Jesus Christ" (Jude 1:1, PI).

So first you have to become God's slaves, so God could extend His hand in order to heal, work miracles, fill us with the courage to proclaim His Word. All this - is done through the name of the holy Son of Jesus. That is why the Spirit of Jesus Christ revealed in the early rain was also called holy. The Holy Son Jesus not wanting to leave us orphans, comes to us in the form of his Holy Spirit to work in us and through us the works of His Father. Without recognizing Christ in the spirit of the early rain, we will not recognize Him in the spirit of the late rain. We are then left only with the religious spirit of the Trinitarian "god of the holy spirit" which envelops all of Babylon today.

So let's read the first three lines of the Apocalypse now. I tried to translate this beginning as reliably as possible:

"The revelation of Jesus Christ that God gave Him to show His slaves what must happen quickly / what must happen violently. And He sent His herald /His messenger and through Him presented in signs to His slave John, who had testified of the word given by God and the testimony given by Jesus Christ - all that he saw. Happy/blessed are those who read [the readers] and those who hear and hold fast/tight/keep those things KJV/ to the words of this prophecy, guard and observe what is written in it; for the appointed time [kairos] is near / ready " (Rev. 1:1-3, PI). So are you ready now for what you are going to hear? We would have to spend another week studying this truly amazing book of Revelation, moving slowly but steadily forward, word by word. But today we will only cover one chapter.

And before we begin, let us imagine that you are standing in a city street watching the passing by cars. How long will you see the car that has just passed by and drives on and on? Will you see it for a few hundred meters more, half a kilometre, a kilometre? And if the street turns left in a moment, you will no longer see what is behind the bend. Correct? But let us imagine that you step onto the roof of a building where you are standing then you will be able to see this car in further distance and your eyes will be able to observe the car much longer. Isn't it so? Even if the car takes the turn left, you will still see the road from the above. But still to a limited extent. So again let us imagine getting into a helicopter and lifting up to a great height, then you will be able to follow this car with your sight even farther and longer, won't you?

How far distances can you see with your eyes and what is the distance within which you can hear sounds or voice? Only a certain stretch of space. Even if you lift up quite high, your vision is still limited, although you can see farther then. It is similarly with hearing – you will hear sound only within a certain distance. The farther you are from the source of the sound, the more it fades away and the less you can hear it.

In spiritual reality, we must learn to see with spiritual eyesight. In fact, we must **regain** our spiritual sight, because we come into this world **blind**. We are blind from our birth unless someone was already filled with God's Spirit in his mother's womb just like John the Baptist or Christ Himself.

Do you remember the second lecture on "The Blessed Hope"? The words that were announced to us there, were to prepare us to receive what is invisible. They were to show us faith that is certainty. The certainty of what cannot be seen, what cannot be touched. Each subsequent lecture was to prepare us to receive the last Word at this year's Feast of Tabernacles.

It is through this "faith that we know that the worlds of aion [of all things, BWP] were created by the word of God, so that what we see did not arise from things seen" (Heb. 11:3, ESP).

Here we see the use of the Greek word "aión". Do you remember what it meant? Age, era, epoch - a certain period of time, even eternity. It is through faith that we know "aión" as a gateway to the past and the future, but in a closed time interval. For everything that has to do with any time **is temporary** for only God is beyond time. So in these words, God reveals to us what we can only see with the **eyes of faith** when we are in God's spirit. In this case, "aión" can mean an era, a historical epoch in a closed time interval. And this time interval does not extend beyond the Septimal Cycle where number 7 determines the full and finished work of the Creator. So we can know/recognize this all through faith only and only when we spiritually rise as high as possible in the Spirit of God to things that are invisible and do not come from this world.

So the number seven symbolizes the relationship of time and space. It signifies planned and ordered by God whole entity. It reveals completeness and perfection. This is a seven-segment/part period of time referring to either seven days, years, or millennia. In number seven there is a certain longing for the seventh age/epoch. It contains the longed-for millennium of peace in which we will achieve the long-awaited rest after the hardships of six thousand years of trouble.

God finished the work of creation on the seventh day. Therefore, the day of rest, the Sabbath (rest), is the seventh day of the week (see: Gen. 2:1-2; Gen. 20:8-10).

The sabbatical year of forgiveness when the earth is at rest is also the seventh. (see: Lev. 25:3-7).

The jubilee year when not only the earth rests, but the full, complete, and definitive deliverance of God's people on that earth takes place, comes after seven Sabbath years (see: Lev. 25:8-17).

Whoever killed Cain would take vengeance seven times (see: Gen. 4:15).

Noah took seven of each clean animal species into the ark (see: Gen. 7:2).

Seven days after entering the ark, it would begin to rain (see: Gen. 7:4).

Based on Pharaoh's dream of seven fat cows and seven lean cows, Joseph foretold seven years of plenty and seven years of famine (see: Gen. 41:1-57).

Temple rituals and sacrifices were marked with number "seven" (see: Lev. 4:3-4).

The leper could not be examined until the seventh day had passed and he was found and declared clean (see: Gen. 13:5-6).

The Feast of Passover, The Feast of Unleavened Bread and the Feast of Tabernacles are each seven days long. So, either the first festival that begins the temple year and the last festival of that year lasted 7 days. And the temple year lasted seven months. And seven weeks were between the Passover and the Weeks' festival (see: Lev. 23:1-44).

Israel was to be punished seven times for her sins (see: Lev. 26:18-28).

Jericho fell when Israel circled the city seven times on the seventh day; and seven priests blew the seven trumpets / shofars (see Josh. 6:4-15).

It took Solomon seven years to build the first Temple (see 1 Kings 6:38).

It will take seven days to dedicate the altar in the last Temple as the sacrifice of God's people at the end time (see: Ezek. 43:25-26).

The ordination of priests as well as the cleansing the altar from sin and consecration of it to make it holy over holiness, was also to last seven days (see: Exod. 29:35,37). Only then the encounter and a conversation with Jehovah was allowed to happen (see: Exod. 29:42-44).

And getting now to Revelation, we also see the same septimal system in this book. Let's read:

Seven assemblies with seven heralds of these assemblies; Seven golden menorahs; Seven stars; Seven torches / lamps; Seven seals; A lamb with seven horns, seven eyes, seven spirits; Seven heralds with seven trumpets; Seven thunders; a dragon with seven heads and with seven crowns / diadems. Seven heads, seven mountains / hills and seven kings. Seven heralds of the last plagues in seven golden bowls.

Additionally, in Rev. 5:12 we see the seven attributes of the Lamb: power, wealth, wisdom, strength, honor, glory, blessing. In Rev. 7:12 we have seven attributes of God: blessing, glory, wisdom, thanksgiving, honor, power, strength. And in Rev. 6:15 we see seven classes of society: kings of the earth, lords, leaders, rich, mighty, slaves, free. And the seven spirits of the Lamb are: "The Spirit of Jehovah shall rest upon him: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and fortitude, the spirit of skill and the fear of Jehovah" (Isa. 11:2, BP).

Does it all appear accidentally or by a coincidence? It sounds quite unusual all these 7 stuff. If God is so precise then isn't His plan which was so carefully arranged by Him and His Son in order to bring our earth back under His rule, **based on** a very precise, thoughtful, accurate and wise foundation of a specific order in which its works **are** carried out ?

Let us read an amazing thought from the Testimonies:

"God counts the things that are not as though they were. He sees the end from the beginning, and beholds the result of His work as though it were now accomplished" (E. White, The Desire of Ages, p. 606).

Can you imagine how He sees us?

Therefore, He was able to reveal to us the end from the very beginning because He sees everything in an instant. Why so? Because He is not related to/with time. Perhaps it is difficult for us to understand it as we live in the passing flow of time called "chronos". Remember, the clock is ticking all the time and it doesn't stop. However, it will stop in the appointed time.

So now if we poor sinners are to see something from this plan - things that are not there as if they were, and if we are to see the invisible then we must become seers. How are we to see anything of what God sees in His omniscience and infinity? Let's read:

"And he lifted me up in the spirit ..." (Rev. 21:10, BWP). And then I will see.

"An angel carried me to the desert in spirit, and I saw ..." (Rev. 17:3, EŚP).

"And the spirit lifted me up and led me into vision, in the spirit of God ..." (Ezek. 11:24, BW).

How high can we be lifted up spiritually to see everything from God's perspective? How high? Certainly higher than climbing a roof or even taking a helicopter into the air. So, my Dear Ones let yourselves then, be "renewed by the Spirit in your thinking, and put on new man, created by God's plan in righteousness and true holiness" (Eph. 4:23, EŚP). True holiness – this expression implies that there must also be a false holiness. And then you will see what God sees in the scope and to the extent which He will consider appropriate for you and above all for His glory and for the blessing of those to whom He will send you or whom He will put on your path of life. Forget about the letter – the letter means death. The higher God can lift us in spirit, the more we will see, know, understand, comprehend and accept. But

"You are to become completely new in both your mind and heart." (BWP) Because

"So then, those who are in the flesh cannot please God. But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you." (Rom. 8:8-9, NKJV).

"Then we no longer think of what is carnal, but of what is spiritual, of the Spirit of God" (see: Rom. 8:5) Whoever with the eyes of faith, with this renewed mind, while being in the Spirit of God, sees something invisible, sees something from the new, glorious heavenly reality, then for such a person everything that the temporal world offers will cease to have any value. He will no longer be delighted with human achievements. He will also suffer from moral corruption in today's world. His whole soul will long for heavenly splendour and perfection.

This is what Christ prayed for to his Father. Let's read:

"Father, I want those whom you have entrusted to me to be with me always where I am; that they may see the glory that you surround me with [which you bestowed upon me, EŚP]" (John 17:24, BWP).

We must also be aware of the fact that if we see things while being uplifted in the Spirit of God, we do not necessarily need to speak of them for human language is not always able to express what comes from the Infinite.

"I know a believer in Christ who fourteen years ago - I don't know whether physically or spiritually, God knows - was taken up to the third heaven. I also know that this man - I do not know whether physically or in spirit, God knows it - was carried away in delight to paradise and there he heard the mysterious [inexpressible, EŚP; unspeakable, PI] words which man must not pronounce [repeat, SK] " (2 Cor. 12:2-4, BP).

Would you like to be lifted so high in God's spirit?

This man had to be lifted so high that what he saw and heard was inexpressible with human language.

And now I will tell you honestly that I personally haven't been lifted up in the spirit in a sense described above. All the time since the last Feast of Tabernacles I've been just working. And often I was so tired that on the Sabbath day I did not even feel strong enough to reach for the Bible and prepare the message for the coming Feast of Tabernacles. And as you remember, already in December 2019, in our *Philadelphia* journal, on the last page appeared an invitation to the Feast of Tabernacles 2020 and two topics were given there to be examined at this year's Feast of Tabernacles. The first topic was to be about preparing for the time of spiritual distress and tribulation based on the experience of Christ in Gethsemane. But I've barely highlighted/ introduced some basic information about this topic. I've rather emphasized the importance of the first period of Jesus' life which concerned the preparation for His great mission – as it refers to the time we are living now in the time of our preparation for our mission. From this year on - our ministry in favour of Adventists will be gaining its momentum until its end after 3,5 years. Similarly, the ministry of Jesus 'disciples' for their brethren also lasted 3.5 years. It had been even before the early rain was poured out. So we are currently living in the phase of preparation for our public service in favour of the world. This service is of course mixed with our service for our brothers and sisters in Adventism in the ever greater power of God's Spirit which will be given to us increasingly.

After each Feast of Tabernacles I always ask God for another message for the next Feast. I ask Him for the light of His truth in which He will lead us further. And already last year I was convinced that, among other things, at this year's Feast of Tabernacles, I am to talk about the seven thunders of the Apocalypse. Well, despite the fact that I did not know anything about these thunders, I took God's Word for granted -with all my faith to my heart and I mentioned the subject of this year's message in the invitation printed in the Philadelphia journal. I didn't see it but I believed. Time was passing by, and I could not even start with the preparations for this year's topic because God was giving me other messages which I was to share with you on a regular basis. Therefore during the year as many as eight messages were created which I recorded and published in subsequent editions of the Philadelphia journal. And the time was passing by and I was still with no message for this Feast of Tabernacles. Months passed. It was only somewhere at the beginning of summer that this year's message began to come to me. God began to guide me step by step in preparing this year's Word. Because of my job I could only devote my Sabbaths to it, and not even all of them because I was either too tired or I conducted our open to all people monthly services in our home. So it wasn't until the end of summer that this year's message began to become clearer. But there was nothing in it about the seven

thunders. Although the preparation of this message was a tremendous blessing for me and changed a lot in my life, God did not reveal anything to me about the thunders. There were already three months till the beginning of the Feast of Tabernacles, then two, and I still knew nothing about the thunders. There was only a month left and I still didn't know anything about the thunders. Besides, I had only four lectures prepared. So I saw that it was impossible to prepare the rest of this year's message in such a short time that was left to me. Of course, except for the thunders I had everything in my head but how could I put it on paper and find hundreds of quotations from the Bible and from the Spirit of Prophecy (the whole message contains over 800 quotations and we have read them all) to find all these quotes and at the same time have a job so timeconsuming as mine ... it seemed totally impossible. So I decided to stop working and use all the remaining time to prepare the message. And at that time in prayer I also received a vision in which I saw myself speaking at the Feast of Tabernacles, and my wife next to me who translated this message directly into English. Then I was told to start this year's message with the message of the returning Saviour in 2027 and only later to launch with the following lectures. I told my wife about it. She was glad that we would be able to preach this word together. But I don't think I realized at that time that we had so little time left. And my wife was aware of the scope of this undertaking and the unrelenting passage of time, so she also received a vision in which the Lord wanted to strengthen and support her.

She saw our pioneers calling us to the United States and asking us for this message. She heard them saying: "proclaim it to us, proclaim it to us ... we are waiting for you, we need this word". Of course, it was a very symbolic vision, but it strengthened my wife and she was full of confidence that we would succeed because God was behind it - she started to prepare the translation. God confirmed this vision in an extraordinary way, because shortly afterwards we received a telephone message from the States that one of the brothers wants to come to us this year for the Feast of Tabernacles. And he is with us today. He has shown remarkable courage and faith to fly from the United States during the pandemic and all these restrictions. He's come here from the USA to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ during this gathering! Let's praise the Lord!

In the meantime, I cut off some of my wife's duties in our company and hired a forwarder to replace her. So we both gained some more time. In September, I did not go "on tour in Europe" by our box van anymore, I parked it in the parking lot near my house and started to focus solely on the message. As some of you may not know, we translated directly the first two lectures into English but then we decided to quit this form of translation for the good of the Polish listeners so it wouldn't take so much time. My wife will simply put her voice over in English after we have finished. The first week passed, then the second, and the third ... but although I was writing the message there was still nothing about the Seven Thunders. So I started praying and basically I apologized God for maybe it was me for some ambitious motives who wanted to figure out what the seven thunders of the Apocalypse meant. But if on the other hand it was God who gave me this conviction because I 've found grace in His eyes and He wants to reveal to me what the seven thunders said, then **the slave** listens and let His Lord speak.

Dear friends, what I heard knocked me off my feet. I was disbelieving because...

I'll tell you about it at the end of this lecture. After my every morning prayer while walking with our dogs in our fields and forests, I sang songs to God, or in fact most often only the chorus of one particular song: *"Then* <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art."

I cried and rejoiced by turns and cried and rejoiced again. I trust that after this lecture, at the end of this year's message, you will also want to sing this song of praise to our Creator.

The hardest thing is to put it all into words in such a way that everyone could understand it. During the last two weeks before the Feast of Tabernacles, I was not able to break through my weakness and helplessness. I kept falling asleep while studying and writing. Everything distracted me easily and then I was unable to reenter this spiritual space where it was only possible to listen to God. Every day and night, sometimes till early morning hours my wife and I were writing and translating this message. I was moving slowly forward and she followed preparing the translation. We wanted to be prepared in the best possible way in order to present such a large amount of material efficiently.

Where God visits His people with grace, there is nothing difficult to understand because it is God who opens our minds. Everything has been done with His grace. We have no merit here. The only thing we can do is to open ourselves fully so God has full access to us and to be His own unconditionally forever. You will see that as soon as I guide you a little bit you will discover for yourselves what the seven thunders said. There is nothing complicated about it, but as long as it is a mystery, there is no man on this earth who is able to discover what is hidden. And in the case of the seven thunders, not only was it covered up, but it wasn't even recorded - though sealed.

Why did God allow the report of the seven thunders to be given to us when at the same time He would not let John write it down anyway. So why do we need this remark about the seven thunders? What the seven thunders said was not allowed to be heard by any generation before the last one who will live on the earth just before Jesus' return. Therefore, the message has not even been saved/written down. For if John had written it, even only in symbols, although it is so easy that it needs no symbols - someone might have discovered what the seven thunders had said. And God could not allow that to happen. Therefore it just wasn't written down. And what now? So far no one has ever found out what the seven thunders said. But seven years before Jesus' return, it is the time of revelation, the time of "kairos", the time of our visitation, the time of and for the last generation of God's people. So the time of those who will directly participate in **what the seven thunders said**. Therefore...

"Call on me [cry out, BW], and I will answer you and I will reveal to you great and secret things [unfathomable, BT; hidden, BWP; exalted, NBG] that you do not know " (Jer. 33:3, BP).

When we start to see in what kind of time we are living, then what are we to do? Cry out to God so He would reveal to us all that is needed to understand the time of our visitation, so we would not repeat the tragedy of ethnic Israel. For "woe to those who do not recognize the time of their visitation" (E. White, The Desire of Ages, p. 626). You know what kind of end met Israel.

Seeing the time of the end of his captivity Daniel also cried out to God. We've talked about it already. Let's read:

"In the first year of his reign, I, Daniel, inquired in the books about the number of years that the Lord had revealed to the prophet Jeremiah that would have passed since the desolation of Jerusalem. It was supposed to be seventy years. I turned to my Lord God to plead with Him. I prayed and wept before Him, fasting in sackcloth and ashes/dust. I prayed to the Lord my God, confessing..." (Dan. 9: 2-4, EŚP).

It is worthwhile that we study this full of penance prayer of Daniel as often as possible and identify ourselves with the words of this man of God.

So if we start to see the time in which we recognize our "kairos", then we should cry to God for the light of His truth which will lead and guide us in what we do not know yet, and what we can see from a distance with the eyes of faith. And God promises:

"From now on, I will announce to you new things and hidden things that you did not know about [let you hear new, secret things, EŚP]. Now they have become, and not long ago, and you have not heard of them before today, lest you say: I knew about them. You neither heard nor knew about it, nor was your ear open before..." (Isa. 48: 6-8, BW).

The following words of this fragment of the Bible describe my quite personal experience in which I realized the enormity of my sinfulness throughout my life and at the same time the incomprehensible grace of God. I also understood like never before that everything that God does in my life, in which He blesses me, revealing to me also things that have been hidden so far - He does it for the sake of Himself. For His name's sake, for His works. In all this I myself am a meaningless worm.

These two texts from the books of Jeremiah and Isaiah empower us to cry out to God so He wanted to reveal to us His secrets. Isn't it so? God tells us: "Cry out!" Even the Lord God Himself encourages us to cry out to Him, to call to Him and promises to answer us and reveal to us great, hidden, new things that has been a mystery until now because we did not know anything about them nor heard anything about them before.

These words from Isaiah 48:6-8 fit ideally the message of the seven thunders for so far these words have been hidden, not even written down by John. Yet John heard what all the seven thunders had said, for he was about to seal it and you cannot seal something that does not exist. So the message of the seven thunders exists only that it has been sealed.

There is only one way for what is hidden to be exposed. There is only one way to know God's mystery, and that surely includes the message of the seven thunders. God's promise is yes and amen, and it reads: *"Yahweh*-

Lord does nothing without revealing His purpose [intention, BT; plan, BW; provisions, NBG; secrets, UBG] to his servants, the prophets" (Amos 3:7, BP).

Another important issue is time. God reveals His secrets only on the basis of the time appointed by Him to these secrets. So if the time of revelation has come for something that has been a mystery so far, then He will reveal it to us because the time has come and He promised to do so.

So how will He do it?

"... By revelation a mystery was made known to me" (Eph. 3:3, BW).

"In a special revelation he showed me the secret of his plans" (BWP).

Revelation or discovery-this is the only way to grasp the knowledge of what has not yet been known nor revealed nor discovered. In both: revelation and discovery we are dependant solely on God's grace. There has never been any human factor involved in it; no human talents, none of our credits is exchangeable for God's knowledge which He wants to reveal; neither human intellect nor our cognitive skills can contribute to finding out the truth. It is the Lord God who is the Sovereign of His work and it is He who carries out His work, not any man.

On the other hand, satan is said to be deceiving the entire inhabited world. So the whole world is in his power. He misleads the whole world. That is why it is written, *woe to the earth and to the sea, because the devil is angry because he knows that he has little time left (see: Rev. 12:9,12).*

So, do you think that he does not know that he has already little time left because he has been given only 6000 years to show his ways. This is the reason of His anger because he knows that his time is coming to an end.

If **he** knows this so should God's people know it. I hope that you remember when I said that we must have an advantage over him in order to be able to always be overcomers and have power over the powers of darkness. We need God's power to such an extent that satan will run away from us. Christ has such power in us that He can do it, He is this hope of glory!

And now, on the earth and sea, a mighty Angel sets his feet, which means as in the case of the thrown out from Heaven devil, that the angel covers the whole world. On one hand, woe to the sea and the earth for someone who had been very angry was thrown down because of the short time he has left. And on the other hand, there comes someone who is so powerful that we need not fear the devil's wrath as long as we are anchored by faith in this mighty Angel. Moreover, as we shall see later in this message, this mighty Angel proclaims the end time of the usurper's hegemony. Let's read....

"Then I saw another mighty angel coming from heaven. He was clothed in a cloud, with a rainbow over his head, his face like the sun, his legs like pillars of fire, and he had a small scroll unfolded on his hand. He put his right foot in the sea and his left foot on the land [of the earth, PI], and cried out in a voice as loud as the roar of a lion, and when [he shouted, PI] there were seven thunders with voices that spoke "(Rev. 10: 1) -3, Jewish New Testament [JNT]).

Most often in this text we focus on the seven thunders and we do not take into account the fact that before the seven thunders could be heard, this mighty Angel had shouted - had screamed, which means that he said something. And only after what he had said, the thunders started to speak. We cannot begin our inquiry from what the seven thunders said, not knowing what the mighty Angel had shouted in a loud voice.

There is no doubt that this Angel is Jesus Christ. Let's read:

"The mighty Angel who instructed John was no less a personage than Jesus Christ. Setting His right foot on the sea, and His left upon the dry land, shows the part which He is acting in the closing scenes of the great controversy with Satan. This position denotes His supreme power and authority over the whole earth" (E. White, Manuscripts 59 - 1900.21).

This is our Saviour! Well, there is no other more powerful ruler than Jesus Christ. Therefore, despite the oppression we endure in this world we can live in complete rest and peace, because our Lord has already conquered the evil. He wants to give us the same victory every day and every moment of our lives, if only we let him reign in our hearts completely.

We'll get back to the Angel's cry in a moment, but now tell me, what does thunder mean in the Bible? Let's read some passages from God's Word:

"Hear, hear God's voice [Pay attention to the thunder of His voice, BP], which comes like thunder from His mouth. He causes this voice to go to the heavens, and the lightning to the ends of the earth. Then comes a terrible bang, He gives out His great voice. Nothing will stop the lightning when the thunder rages out. God thunders with his mighty voice and creates things that no one can comprehend " (Job 37:2-5, BWP).

"And you will prophesy all these words to them and say: [Yahweh, BP] thunders from above, He speaks from His holy abode ... His voice comes to the ends of the world. He puts the nations to judgment and will judge all living things ... This is what the Lord of hosts says: Already misfortunes are falling upon one nation after another, a great storm is drawing near and extends far to the ends of the earth" (Jer. 25:31-32, ESP, BWP).

"Yahweh thundered from the heavens, and the voice of the Most High was heard" (2 Sam. 22:14, BWP).

"His coming is announced by thunder, when He is burning with anger against the wicked" (Job 36:33, BW). "His thunder proclaims Him, when He is angry against wickedness" (BW).

"The thunder announces His coming, and His anger is kindled on the wicked" (BP).

What do these words tell us? That thunder means God's voice. And how else can we define God's voice? With His Word! Did John know the above texts of God's Word? Of course he did, so he knew immediately what they meant and in what context the Old Testament prophets used this comparison of God's voice to thunder. So he was perfectly aware of the importance of this message uttered by thunders. Please, Focus your attention now

Now imagine someone telling you that he/she knows what the seven thunders said because it has been revealed to him/her and begins to tell you these precious things. What evidence can you have that what you'll hear from this person actually means what the seven thunders said? Anyone can say that he/she already knows what the seven thunders said, for if it was not recorded by John, therefore we cannot check whether what this person tells us agrees with what John heard. This cannot be verified.

But if we accept that the seven thunders are the voice of God revealed to us in His Word, then God's Word will verify the truth of this message. The content of the message of the seven thunders cannot be something that we could describe as extra-biblical truth as it is the Word of God which is the only safe protection for us against deception. God would not allow anyone speculate on this subject.

Thus, the seven thunders is the complete / full message which is contained in the Bible. The number seven symbolizes a well-organized entity; it reveals fullness and perfection. The proof is the small, unfolded scroll held in the Angel's hand which means that the scroll/the message was opened. Something had been discovered, exposed, and it was something so serious and important that the Angel, having this scroll in his hand, announced it to John with a scream/shout. The little scroll signified only a part of the Word of God that contained the message brought by the mighty Angel and which was completed or presented fully and explained by the seven thunders. The seven thunders develop what the Angel's scream said.

Certainly, time is still an important factor here, and therefore we need to know at what point in the history of this earth will the cry of a mighty Angel be heard and the message of seven thunders will begin to be proclaimed. Certainly what John heard was so important that he decided to write it down quickly. But suddenly he heard the voice from heaven saying, "Seal what the seven thunders said, don't write it down" (Rev. 10:4, JNT)

Since John was forbidden to write down what the seven thunders had said, it can only mean one thing, that it is the end-time message. And it will be revealed only to the last generation of God's people on this earth. What could be God's most heavily guarded secret that even John was forbidden to write this message down? This is the only place in the Bible where God says directly that: *"although you heard it, John, you cannot write it down.*" Notice that this message was not based on seeing or a vision, but on declaring its contents to John simply by voice / by word. So there was no symbolism there, but John was told directly and explained what Christ had announced with His shouting voice, because it was at this shout that the thunders began to speak, a kind of echo phenomenon.

In next chapters of Revelation comes the answer, which only multiplies the importance of this message. For Christ is about to announce something so serious to John that He does it under oath. Do you remember when we talked about the oath from the Daniel's book? Either this and that – they are the same oath! Let's read:

"And the angel I saw standing in the sea and on earth raised his hand to heaven; And he **swore** by him who lives for ever and ever, who made heaven and what is in it, and the earth and the things in it, and the sea and the things in it, **that there isn't' any time (more)**." (Rev. 10:5-6, UBG).

And even more faithfully to the original, these last words are translated by Jakub Wujek Bible: "There will be **no more** time" (BJW).

Are you aware of the seriousness of this message, this oath? Let us now consider *what time* there will be no more? Do you understand now why we devoted so much time to examining the three conceptions of the notion time in the Bible? What do you think which word is used in the original text? "chronos" or "kairos"? Do you remember the meaning of these two terms meaning time in Greek?

Let us recall briefly:

Chronos [χρόνος] - chronological time, clock time, sequential order of events. Chronos is still ticking, passing by. We cannot slow it down nor stop it.

Kairos $[k\alpha_i\rho_i c_j]$ - It is the right moment, the right time, eg the time of visitation, this one moment in time. "Kairos" is an opportunity in time rather than an extension of time. So it is the time of some event, something important, an emerging possibility, an opportunity to get something, achieve something, show something. "Kairos" is a term for the right time. So it is not time in the context of the passage of time, but time in the context of the event defined by "kairos".

So, what kind of time there is going to be no more? Chronos! The history of this earth ends. The clocks will stop ticking. The end will come. It is the Creator Himself who will stop this time which had been assigned for the existence of the sinful humanity. This is the time appointed by God in His plan which only He can reveal at the appropriate time in the history of this sinful earth. SO, JESUS CHRIST TOOK AN OATH THAT THIS IS THE END! There will be No More Chronos!

Well, it's over, there won't be any more time. Humanity will not receive any more time of grace because this time has been appointed beforehand in a perfect and precise way as God Himself is precise and perfect.

And now the proof and confirmation that what the seven thunders said is revealing of the time of the end of this world namely the return of Jesus Christ and that the whole message is contained in the Bible are the following words in this very chapter.

Let's read:

"But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets" (Rev. 10:7, KJV).

And let's read in another translation:

"In the days when the seventh angel's sound is heard, when he blows his shofar, God's hidden plan will be fulfilled, the Good News that He has announced to His servants, the prophets" (Rev. 10:7, JNT).

And what's the good news about? The kingdom of God. So, when the seventh trumpet sounds, the good news of God's Kingdom will be fulfilled. What is the content of the seventh trumpet?

Let me get straight to Rev. 11:15 and on:

"The seventh angel blew his trumpet. And in heaven there were loud voices saying: The reign of our Lord and of his Anointed One has come over the world, and He will reign for ever and ever. ... Your wrath has come and it is time to judge the dead... and to destroy those who destroy the earth " (Rev. 11:15,18, BP).

This good news begins to unfold and with the return of Jesus Christ all the ungodly, including those who have destroyed the earth, perish in the fire of His glory. The seventh millennium of the saved in Heaven begins, and thus the judgment over the wicked who are dead begins. The seventh trumpet-the last one makes the seventh thunders' message fulfil. The symbolic Jericho collapses and turns into rubble and debris in the last seventh year of the prophetic week. The seventh trumpet in the seventh year ends the existence of Babylon. God's hidden plan is being fulfilled because the end time has come. And this time was foretold by God's slaves and prophets. The message that was uttered/echoed by the seven thunders can be found in the Word of the everlasting God. The Word which He sent to His people through His slaves and prophets.

The cry of the mighty Angel foreshadows this final event which is set in the prophetic time and the seven thunders explain or give the knowledge of this time revealing it to us in the Word of God, for the thunder is God's voice, His Word, His prophecy, a warning and a message.

It is the coming of Christ that "the thunders announces His coming and His anger is kindled over the wicked" (Job 36:33, BP).

And the knowledge of it comes from a revealed prophetic word.

"And you will prophesy to them all these words and say: [Yahweh, BP] thunders from above, speaks from his holy abode ..."

If Jesus Christ is that mighty Angel, what can He announce with such a loud voice that turns into a scream? He announces His message to the whole world.

"Here I come! In the scroll of the book it is written about Me: I want to do Your will, O God " (Heb. 10:7, EŚP).

He was fulfilling God's will and fulfilled it and will continue to fulfil it until the very end. Why do I think that the shout will announce the return of Jesus? And where else in the Bible do we have information about the message that is proclaimed by the loud cry?

"At midnight there was a shout/cry: The bridegroom is coming, go out to meet him!" (Matt. 25:6, UBG). Do you remember who announces this information with the loud cry?

"At midnight the cry is heard, "Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him. The sleepers, suddenly awaking, spring to their feet. They see the procession moving on, bright with torches and glad with music. They hear the voice of the bridegroom and the voice of the bride. (E. White, Christ's Object Lessons, 1900, 405-406).

When this cry of the mighty Angel who is Jesus Christ was uttered, then the seven thunders make a loud noise and sound like an echo to the words of Jesus- the Mighty Angel. Christ announces that He is coming, then His bride must find out about it for **together with the Bridegroom**, they will be waking up the sleeping virgins, the wedding procession/retinue with a loud cry. To be able to make the midnight cry the bride must know this message - this mystery. The bridegroom announces to the bride: "Here I am coming!" And the bride repeats after him like an echo: "behold, the Bridegroom is coming, come out to meet him", announcing to the inhabitants of the earth the time of His return, the time of the end. Her Bridegroom must reveal to her the time of His return and this revelation is made by the seven thunders. God reveals what has been hidden so far. Reveals His secret which has been/ had been a secret carefully hidden to such an extent that John was not allowed to write down what the seven thunders had told him.

However, we have been promised that God will "in due time [kairos] reveal" (1 Tim. 6:15, BW) the time of His Son's return for "The Lord – Yahveh does nothing without revealing His purpose [intention, BT; plan, BW; provisions, NBG; secrets, UBG] to his servants, the prophets " (Amos 3:7, BP).

Let us notice that this is the "kairos" time. The special time in the chronology of history devoted to the revelation of the time of Christ's return. God does everything according to the appointed time which is "kairos". When it passes by – it takes away the opportunity to recognize and participate in what the "kairos" has brought. We already talked about it. Everything has its appointed time, everything related to the first coming of Jesus and to the second coming of Jesus. The Latter rain is also poured over the people at the appointed "kairos" time. Before it rains heavily, first the rumble of thunder is heard.

When Jesus Christ in the symbol of the seven thunders reveals to John the exact time of His return, John immediately begins to write what he has heard but then he is stopped and asked not to write these words, but to seal them. Why? For in due time God will unseal what was sealed and will repeat once again what He told John. But in what way? By His Word, for then *"God's hidden plan will be fulfilled, this Good News which He announced to His servants, the prophets" (Rev. 10:7, JNT)*. Hidden yet announced to God's servants/ slaves and prophets. So where is this God's secret plan hidden? In the Word of God! Let us remember that thunder means the voice that utters words. Then we can verify it.

And the proof that the message of the seven thunders very accurately announces the date of the end of the world is the oath Christ swore/uttered to John in which he says that "there will be no more time [chronos]" (Rev.10: 5-6, BJW). So the time that has been ticking and passing chronologically - suddenly ends. For the six thousand years that have been assigned in the plan of redemption for the existence of sin are now coming to an end. It is the time cut off or cut out of the total redemption plan that is seven thousand years in total. We read about this in Romans 9:28. This text is translated in many ways, but the closest to the original is the translation of the New Gdańsk Bible and the Brest Bible:

"For by the Word he brings to an end [for he will make a number, BB], and cuts in righteousness. Indeed, the Lord will cause the Word to be truncated/cut on the earth [fulfill His promise, BP]" (Rom. 9:28, NBG).

The point is that the end time is fixed (number of years), so Jesus takes the oath that the chronological "chronos" time that continues to expire will no longer exist. God cuts this time, ends it in His justice. Mankind has received 120 jubilees of grace and longer "my spirit shall not strive with man for ever, for he is body [carnal nature, NBG]; and his days shall be one hundred and twenty years" (Gen. 6:3, BG), says the Lord God. So 120 jubilees times 50 years makes six thousand years of a closed period for a sin nature.

Let's sum up what we already know.

Christ announces His return with a loud cry. At His cry, seven thunders sound like an echo, announcing to John the full message of Jesus' return, including the date of his return, i.e. the date of the end of time. In view of the fact that John heard when the end of times and the return of Jesus will happen, now Christ swears//takes an oath , and thus confirms that there will be no more *chronos* in the chronological sense of time. So that this is the real end of the appointed time for our earth. It must be written somewhere in the Bible as God does nothing if He doesn't reveal it to His prophets. Then, he confirms to John that when the seventh angel begins to blow the trumpet, then everything that he has heard will come true. So, let's read again: "God's hidden plan will be fulfilled" (JNT); "The mystery of God will be completed" (BJW); "The mystery of God will be realized because he announced it [handed over, BWP] to his servants, the prophets" (NBG); "Will come true" (EŚP), and it will certainly come true, because Christ declared it under oath.

Please, notice that John does not yet know what the seventh trumpet means, for his previous vision ended at the sixth trumpet. You can read about it in the Book of revelation. We will not consider the trumpets at the moment, as we have no time for it. But gradually we will be sharing all of this with you, either during the year or at the next Feast of Tabernacles. We will see how God will lead us. EG White wrote such words:

"When the books of Daniel and Revelation are better understood, believers will have an entirely different religious experience" (E. White, Testimonies to Ministers, p. 113).

We have just entered **this experience** and let us thank God for the privilege of participating in this last awakening, in this entirely different religious experience, for whoever awakens now will never fall asleep again for all eternity. I am talking about the spiritual meaning of falling asleep.

How will God make this awakening?

"But the Lord will use in the accomplishment of His work means that we do not now see. He will raise up from among the common people, men and women to do His work, even as of old He called fishermen to be His disciples. There will soon be an awakening that will surprise many" (E. White, Loma Linda Messages, p. 83).

We are just on the threshold of this awakening which will amaze many because God brings it about with such simple means and in such a simple way that in fact for many people it will all be too simple to be true and to be believed. Unfortunately, most will not recognize our Saviour who is leading this last awakening movement in the growing power of the latter rain, which is His presence and guidance in His Spirit.

So, this awakening is brought about by understanding of the book of Daniel and Revelation and identification of the means and tools i.e. simple people whom God will use for this purpose and by whom He will make His plan come true. Let us Praise God!

There has been no awakening in Adventism so far, though the books of Daniel and Revelation are believed to be known and it is believed that almost all of these prophecies have already been fulfilled. And it is partly true if we interpret Revelation according to the method of historicism. But as I mentioned in the lecture entitled "The Time of Revelation", the Lord God does not act according to human interpretation criteria, but sends His Spirit which is the key in revealing to each generation the truth for their present time. For His Word is alive, is effective and always up to date to each and every generation to which it is actually sent.

Let's read from the Testimonies:

"The Lord is soon coming. The watchmen on the walls of Zion are called upon to awake to their God-given responsibilities. God calls for watchmen who, in the power of the Spirit, will give to the world the last warning message; who will proclaim the time of night. [the midnight hour which refers to the coming of the Son of God]He calls for watchmen who will arouse men and women from their lethargy, lest they sleep the sleep of Heath" (E. White, "Testimonies for the Church", vol. 8, p. 304.3). Those who will wake up must join the watchmen that is to those who already walk in the revealed light. In the time of the end these guardians are the Lamb's bride to whom Christ revealed the time of his return so she could together with Him call people for the wedding. This is the only group of people who have not fallen asleep, therefore they noticed/got the knowledge of the time of Jesus return. Let's read again:

"The truth should have been proclaimed by the ten virgins, but only five had made the provision essential to join that company **who walked in the light that had come to them**" (E. White, Manuscript Releases, vol. 16, p. 269.3).

Dear Brothers and Sisters. Let us recognize those who already walk in the revealed light and let us join this wedding procession to meet the Bridegroom.

Before we go any further in studying Revelation, let me get back for a moment to the words from the Letter to Hebrews 10: 7, in which Christ announces that He is coming.

"Here I come! In the scroll of the book it is written about Me: I want to do Your will, O God " (Heb. 10:7, EŚP).

There is one small worth considering thing in these words. I will give these words in yet another translation: "Then I said: Here I come, in the head κεφαλίς [kephalis] of the scroll it is written of me, that I may, O God, do Your will" (NBG).

I was puzzled by the Greek word that actually means "head", and which only in this translation of the Bible was faithfully translated. I have also wondered about the difference between this head of scroll and the little scroll that Christ holds unfolded in his hand and therefore open when He makes the loud cry.

From the larger context of apostle Paul's statement in Hebrews 10: 7, it can be inferred that this is only about the first coming of Christ. But it is precisely this Greek word "head" that allows us to accept the thesis that in these words the Lord Jesus speaks both about the first coming and immediately about the second coming. About the beginning of His service and about the end of His service, that is, about doing His Father's *will* in the aspect of both His comings.

This Greek word Kephalis commonly translated as volume means actually a small head, a knob and it undoubtedly refers here to the knob or tip of the roller/wooden stick on which the Hebrew manuscripts/parchments were wound rolled. At that time books were written in such a way that it was possible to roll them and while reading they were unrolled from one stick to the other as soon as they were read. At both sides of the stick there were knobs=heads to keep the parchments from falling and for decoration as well as for the comfort of holding the volume. Therefore the name head is purely metaphoric and means one whole volume consisting of the rollers and parchments. What is significant is the fact that this very word **head** in connection with the word scroll was used only once in this very verse in the whole New Testament despite the fact that the expression: the volume of scroll was used so many times before and after it was used in the Hebrew 10:7. As if the author strongly wanted us to associate the word head with the same word from Psalm 40 from which he is actually citing these words and to think of it as of one and the same volume in this case called head which is to make an indelible mark on our minds that it was one piece of volume, one volume, one whole. This piece of information implies and is to suggest to us that in this one volume both events are described. In Psalm 40 Jesus is talking about both His comings that constitute His whole mission. And in the book of Revelation Jesus is holding only one part of the volume from Psalm 40 and is talking only about His second coming because the first coming has already been fulfilled and we are to focus now only on His second coming. What is important here is the hidden promise informing us about something that has not been uttered with words but becomes evident because it is written in one volume of the scroll what apostle Paul willingly emphasizes in his epistle to Hebrews 10:7. Namely in Psalm 40 in the words: "I, Lo, I come", Jesus is talking both about His first and second coming, which was written in the head of the scroll as a symbol of His complete mission therefore it was written in one scroll (as one head of scroll, one volume symbolizes completeness) It all means that from the very beginning Jesus fulfilled His Father's will. And later on in the book of Revelation the Son of God informs with the loud cry about His second coming holding in His hand a fragment of the scroll where it is written about His whole mission, and which we are to focus now in reference to His second coming. And since His first coming was fulfilled then His second coming will be also true as both pieces of information come from the same volume/head of scroll. "These words are true and faithful" and found in one volume of scroll.

So this word Kephalis/ head means some kind of implication, repercussion or consequence. The implication satisfies the equivalence. The implication can also be taken as a promise. So in the words "I come" [see; Ps. 40:7-9] is the promise of Christ's first coming and Jesus' second coming, for these words were originally recorded in Psalm 40: 7-9. And now it is very important to understand that if the activity preceding or conditioning the fulfillment of the promise takes place, then the subsequent activity will be performed as the fulfillment of that promise. Simply put, if the One who says "I come" does indeed come, it means that His second coming will be as certain as the first time when He came.

The synonyms for the word implication are: effect; succession; fruit; aftermath; result; effect; impact; score; arising; echo.

As a result, as a effect or fruit of Jesus' first coming and His life, His sacrifice and Resurrection and His inconceivable work during His first coming ----is His second coming! And taking us to His Father, which means restoring us for the eternal life.

In the head of the scroll the entire content of the will of the Father is written regarding the role of his Son in restoring order in His Father's kingdom. So, Christ with his Word announces the implementation of this plan, the fulfillment of the promise that the Father made not only to fallen man, but to the whole universe, that in his love and justice he will restore harmony, peace and order in the entire Kingdom. The whole service offered to man is to make the saved ones take place of the fallen angels. Among other things, this is what the restoration of the harmony and order in God's Kingdom is all about. And only the group of 144,000 firstborn (first fruits) will settle on the new earth and will continue the divine originally intended plan. These are going to be the ones who will *"have been redeemed from mankind as the first fruits to God and the Lamb ... are without blemish" (Rev. 14:4-5, JNT).*

They are to be the only ones who will restore/recreate the original image of God's Creation, into which Adam was created i.e the image of Elohim reflected in marriage. So, there will be exactly the same number of the saved ones as there was the number of the fallen angels - one third (*see: Zech. 13:8; Rev. 12:4*). In contrast, of all these saved human beings, only 144,000 will be redeemed, designated, chosen from "mankind" to carry on God's original plan that He had for the creatures created in the image of Elohim.

While in the head of the scroll $\kappa\epsilon\phi\alpha\lambda$ (c [kephalis] B $i\beta\lambda$ (iov [biblion] it is written about the two comings of Christ, then in *the small scroll* β $i\beta\lambda$ $i\alpha\rho$ (δ iov [bibliarídion] which was unfolded in Christ's hand there is only a message about His second coming which ends the six thousand years of satan's bondage and His earthly supremacy as a usurper. The unrolled scroll shows us where to seek for this truth or discover this secret. This is a clue for the bride, and she is the only one whom Christ reveals the time of His return and later it is she who invites guests to the wedding on His behalf. In other words, Christ announces with his cry that he is coming, the Bridegroom is coming, and then the seven thunders announce the time. It was not directly written, but Christ in his hand shows us where to look for what the seven thunders said. It is a small scroll because, unlike the head of the scroll in which He announces His two comings, now His message is only about His Second Coming.

Now, that you have found out what the seven thunders said and what had been written in the little scroll - eat it. [see: Rev. 10:8]. You have to digest this "food"/meat in due time to become the embodiment of this message. Like Noah, who by faith in the thunder of God's Word began to obediently build the ark with which he saved *his family*. Though "nothing could be seen, yet" still by faith in God's Word he worshiped God and saved mankind from extinction.

Although the taste of this message is wonderful, it will be a bitter experience once it is consumed for someone who embodies the message, for in the next seven years the most tragic events in the history of this earth will come. I will give you some quotes in a moment.

You must know that when you become the message yourself it means that you've started building the ark. By doing so you will prove that you are making your hope and faith real. You'll prove that the message is becoming your practical life in its every aspect; that it is becoming a testimony, a letter that everyone can read and for the majority of people you will be a haunted fanatic. They won't like what they will hear from you and see in you.

Others will feel *"offended because the principles of truth cut directly across their practice… Christ has warned us of this, that we may not be surprised at the unnatural, cruel course of those who reject the light. (E. White, The Desire of Ages, p. 630).*

My dear Brothers and Sisters, you will experience this on each and every step of your way. And from whom will you suffer ?

They will be our brothers and sisters, our beloved ones, our mothers and fathers, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, our children, and only later the whole world in its full cruelty. You can proclaim any doctrinal truths, but if you touch a flesh and blood human being with the truth that concerns him or her in his/her practical life, you will feel the venom of the serpent. This is what it looks like, my Dear Ones. Do you remember when I asked you if you wanted to proclaim Jesus' coming, usually the answer is YES. So, you must know the consequences which will be the same as John's the Baptist. Let's read:

"The best thing for us is to come into close connection with God, and, if He would have us be martyrs for the truth's sake, it may be the means of bringing many more into the truth" (E. White, Manuscript 83, 3SM, p. 420.3, 1886).

"There will be men who will seek to be revenged, who will become apostates and betray Christ in the person of His saints" (E. White, Selected Messages Book 3, p. 397.2).

"...many will flee for their lives from cities and towns, and many will be martyrs for Christ's sake in standing in defense of the truth" (E. White, Selected Messages Book 3, p. 397.4, 1889).

"There is a prospect before us of a continued struggle, at the risk of imprisonment, loss of property, and even of life itself, to defend the law of God..." (E. White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 5, 712, 1889).

"Men will be required to render obedience to human edicts in violation of the divine law. Those who are true to God will be menaced, denounced, proscribed. They will be "betrayed both by parents, and brethren, and kinsfolks, and friends," even unto death" (E. White, Prophets and Kings, p. 587.2-588.1).

Here is the bitterness of this message. As in any God's truth for it has never been popular in the world of sin and is always met with hostility. Therefore, in the lecture entitled "The Final testimony" at the very beginning I asked you if you wanted to be the heralds of the returning Christ. If so, then you must know that the powers of the darkness will unleash the heaviest weapons of hostility, vengeance, hatred, accusation, cruelty, betrayal, lies, just to break you. But remember that in God's anointing, about which we have also studied, we are given the authority over these powers, so whatever they do, they will never break us, because no one and nothing will separate us from our love for our Creator.

Therefore, our Saviour not only promises under oath that the time of satan's oppression is limited / shortened to six thousand years, but also announces to us under oath the duration of the most tragic time in the history of mankind during which the last message of grace will be announced to the last generation of mankind.

Do You remember that two witnesses testify for 3.5 years? In the book of Dan. in chapter 12 we read that Daniel asks:

"... when will these strange things end? And I heard the man, dressed in linen, standing by the waters of the river. He raised his right and left hands to heaven and swore by the Living One that [it would be for the appointed time [kairos], BW] it would be for a time, times and a half time. And when the power of the holy people is completely scattered [and when the hand of the holy people is scattered, BJW; when the strength of the holy people is used up, NBG], then it will all be fulfilled [all these things will end, BP]" (Dan. 12:6-7, UBG).

I hope all these translations explain explicitly the message.

The End of the two witnesses. Their preaching will last 3.5 years after which they will be successfully eliminated. But, as we know, not all of them, because knowing the time so precisely, the bride will know when the time of grace ends and when in the scattering she will start to run away to secluded places.

There are three prophetic periods given in Daniel 12. In ascending order these are: *three and a half times, or 1,260 days (see: Dan. 12:7), 1,290 days (see: Dan. 12:11), and 1,335 days (see: Dan. 12:12)*. This is quite similar to the prophecy of 2,300 days in which we also have three periods - 7 weeks, 69 weeks, and one week. All three periods began with the same date - the edict of King Artaxerxes delivering God's people from Babylonian captivity.

In the following words, we also see a common beginning for these three prophetic periods in Daniel chapter 12. Let's read:

"And from/since that time, when the daily [the continuing, BG] is taken away, and the abomination of desolation is set forth, twelve hundred and ninety days shall pass" (Dan. 12:11 BW).

I omit the word "sacrifice" because there is no such word in the original. We can now see a very specific clue in these two events. So we must apply it, as we apply the other words of Daniel: "Therefore know and understand: since the word of the restoration of Jerusalem appeared ..." (Dan. 9:25, BW).

And here we also have: from/since that time

So, as with the 2,300-day prophecy, also in this case all the periods given will begin at the same time - either with an edict or by law that will make people obey the false Sabbath. But also the taking away of Christ's daily/ continual intercessory service from the people of God. That is why the prophet Zephaniah [see: Zeph. 2:1-3, BG] warns God's people to come to their senses and seek righteousness, to unite with their Creator before the decree comes, and perhaps then they will stand safe in the day of God's wrath. It is correctly translated into Polish only in Gdańska Bible, in other translations there is nothing about the decree.

The beginning of this period is the same, and it is marked by the abolition of Christ's intercessory service from the people of God and the establishment of Sunday Laws in their global scope. As a result of the judgment of the nominal people of God, they are sealed and it begins the time of their separation for 3.5 years so they can proclaim the message of Jesus coming in the power of the latter rain. After 3.5 years of preaching and increasing persecution done by on one hand Adventists by name, and on the other by Babylon and the world - there comes the end of testifying to the whole world which also ends the time of grace for the world. Then Jesus leaves the temple and the last seven plagues begin and God's people who survive are sealed with the eternal seal of the living God. The final period of 75 days of great tribulation that the world has never seen before begins, and God's people are scattered to the farthest and most forgotten places, knowing that in 30 days the death decree will come into force which by global ordinance will allow everybody to kill the bride's lamb. God's Spirit will be completely withdrawn from the earth, so there will no longer be any brakes in people, who will then be fully controlled by the antichrist.

This initial time will mark the beginning of the increasing tribulation time, which will be directly proportional to the extent of proclaimed in the power of the latter rain message about Jesus coming. During the first 1,260 days we will face the time of little tribulation in which there will be financial restrictions, deprivation of property, incitement of public opinions against Sabbath-keepers, social disapproval, imprisonment, but also martyrdom. Let us remember Daniel's announcement: in which he tells us that the king of the north having heard the news from the east which concerns the end time message proclaimed in the power of the latter rain:

"will go out in great anger to kill [eliminate, BT; destroy [BWP] and exterminate [murder, EŚP] many "(Dan. 11:44, BW).

Therefore, about the last, the third period we read: "Blessed is he who perseveres and lives [will wait, BT; will come, BG] to one thousand three hundred and thirty-five days "(Dan. 12:12, BW).

The one who perseveres and lives to the end of the entire period of persecution, that is until day 1335, will be called blessed. Why? For the 1,335 days include the time of the little tribulation and the great tribulation, as well as the time of Jacob's tribulation as well as the time of final deliverance through the power of Christ's returning in the clouds of heaven. They are blessed as they will not experience death. Likewise, blessed are those who will participate in the first resurrection [*See: Rev. 20:6*] as the second death will not have any claims to them .

We would not be able to locate these three periods in time if we did not know the exact time of Jesus return in 2027. John tells us at the beginning of Revelation: "I was in the delight of the Spirit on the Lord's day" (Rev. 1:10, UBG). This is a very important clue as it means that John was transported in spirit to the last day, that is the day of Jesus' return. Even though Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath (see: Matt. 12:8) this verse does not refer neither to Sabbath nor to the false Sabbath - Sunday, but to the Lord's Day which in the Bible always means the final day of Jesus' return. And it was from that day/ point in the chronology of the history of the world that John was shown in the form of flashbacks/retrospect the events related to God's guidance of God's people by Christ until the day of His return. The same is true of Daniel 12, which can also be read

retrospectively only from the end point of this earth's history. Otherwise, it would be in the middle of nowhere. There would be no reference. Therefore, first the Lord God revealed to us the content of the message of the seven thunders, and then He gave us in details the meaning of these three periods located in the time of the end. So this is the period of the last 3.5 years that are ending the time of trial for the world. After this period there are still 75 days, but the time of grace for the world is already over. And it is the time as we read of revealing and showing the Bride and her trial. So it is not difficult to calculate that the time of grace for God's nominal people ends in 2024, and for the world just before Jesus' return in 2027. Let's read the thought:

As God's people, and in fact the last generation of God's people, we must understand what it means to live our remaining days on the earth with appropriate awareness.

We have entered the "seven times period" which means the time of punishment. It is also called a sevenlean year period. Only those whose lamps have got oil left in them will be able to pass the last seven years victoriously, for their lamps will be refilled with latter rain oil. If so far you have lived religion only in form without oil i.e. God's spirit, it may be too late for you to refill your oil supply. The character-shaping work is not the work of the moment, but of the whole life. And in the time of the end, only those who have **no blemish** in their character will be sealed.

Therefore, "Be silent [Be quiet, NBG] before the Lord, for the day of Yahweh is near, because Yahweh has prepared a sacrificial feast and has already appointed his guests [blessed, BW; separated / sanctified / prepared, PI]!" (Zeph. 1:7, BP).

"Son of man, prophesy and say: Thus says the Lord Almighty: Woe! Ah! What a day it is! For the day is near, the Lord's day is near, it will be a gloomy day for the nations" (Ezek. 30:2-3, BW).

"Blow the horn in Zion! Shout on my holy mountain! Let all the inhabitants of the earth tremble, for the day of the Lord is coming, for it is near! The day of darkness and gloom, a cloudy and foggy day " (Joel 2:1-2, BW). After receiving / consuming the message of the seven thunders, John heard:

"You must prophesy again before many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings" (Rev. 10:11, UBG).

But for two witnesses to be sent in that purpose, they must first be endowed and equipped with power from the Temple in Heaven. So, their measuring begins. The measurement of the temple, the altar and those who pray in it must be corresponding. The image of holiness resulting from the presence of God as well as those who are standing in front of the altar must be balanced because Christ's intercessory service for His people will end in a moment. So how important it is that by faith we were constantly present in the Temple, because as you remember, it is from there that the water of the Spirit flows out. And this water is to reach our ankles next year.

"Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod, and it was said: Get up and measure the temple of God and the altar and those who worship [pray to, BW] God in it. Omit the outer court of the Temple altogether and measure it not, for it has been given to the Gentiles, and they will trample the Holy City for forty-two months" (Rev. 11:1-2, BT).

Notice that the courtyard is excluded from the measurements, it was given to all those who did not want to know the truth about the Temple nor did they want to find Christ in it as their shelter, sanctification and rest. And in the time of the end, they did not choose to be filled with the power of His Spirit.

And why is the courtyard excluded from measurements? For **in heaven** there is only the Holy and Most Holy place, there is no courtyard. The court yard is the earth where our Redeemer gave His life. So only those who have benefited from Christ's sacrifice, assembling now by faith in the heavenly Sanctuary, are being measured according to the pattern from above.

Only worship in His Temple is recognized at this time, and only prayers that reach the heavenly altar are accepted. The rest of mankind is resisting and opposing the preaching of the two witnesses, and testifies against them during the time of increasing persecution.

"Come, let's go up the mountain [Yahweh, PI] and into the temple of [Elohim, PI] Jacob! He will teach us how to proceed, he will show us the way we should go. For out of Zion will come the instruction and the word [Yahweh, PI] - out of Jerusalem " (Mic. 4:2, EŚP).

Jerusalem as you know is a symbol of the Bride!

At the moment we should basically read the entire book of Prophet Joel, but we don't have time for that anymore, so read it for yourselves.

As a result of the positive verification of the judgment i.e. measurement of the last generation of God's people, they are sealed and given power to complete God's work on this earth. "*And I will give my two witnesses strength ..." (Rev. 11:3, BW).* And then we are given exactly the same period of their prophesying / preaching as the period of persecution by "the Gentiles."

"they will prophesy clothed with sackcloth for one thousand two hundred and sixty days" (Rev. 11:2, BT). The inhabitants of the earth who did not enter the Temple by faith and did not come to the altar of intercession where Christ ministered, bringing our prayers to the throne of God the Father - did not receive purification, forgiveness and renewal in God's image. They also could not see the open Covenant Ark in the Most Holy Place, in which since 1844 has been shown: the only moral legal norm on the basis of which every man has been judged (see: Heb. 9:1-12; 10:19-22; Rev. 11:19).

This is all we managed to convey to you this year. The Feast of Tabernacles is over, but our *kairos*, i.e. the time of our visitation, has begun. We only have a year left to finally make order in our lives and kill everything that does not bring glory to God. Then the water flowing from the Temple in Heaven will reach our ankles.

Let us therefore beg God for new hearts filled with His love. Let us beg Him for His Spirit, for the Spirit of His Son, crying out "Abba, Father". Let us accept all admonitions and reproofs with humility and gratitude. Let us have equal care for one another, serving one another with the Word of Truth. Let us not feel offended, let us not argue, let us not live in body but in spirit. Even if any reproof made by a brother or sister is wrong, accept it humbly with thanks. I hope you remember that the crowns will not fall down from our heads because we haven't got them yet. Let's stop surfing the Internet looking for sensational news, let's stop bothering our minds with all this. This is all garbage. God sends us the Word of Truth directly from heaven, so let us only look in one direction. Let our eyes look only at Him who is our Life, the Way and the Truth, because He alone is reality. We will not be transformed from glory to glory if we look at anything and at anyone except for Christ. So turn your eyes to Jesus, only to Him, look and live for your God's glory.

"Awake, you who sleep, and arise from the dead, and Christ will shine his light on you" (Eph. 5:14, BWP).

Let God's Word become the living Word in your life. Let women cover their heads that angels may carry their prayers before the throne of the Most High - to the altar there. Be, Dear Sisters, submissive to your husbands. These are very powerful words and I want to read them:

"You carefree women, arise, listen to my voice, you confident daughters, open your ears to my word! You will tremble no more than a year from now, you too confident ones! For the harvest is over, and there will be no more harvesting. Tremble, you carefree, fear, you self-righteous ones!" (Isa. 32:9-11, BW).

Children, be obedient to your parents. Husbands, love your wives as Christ loved the assembly of the elect, for which He sacrificed His life. Let God's Word allow to do in us this what God sends it to us with. Finally, let the power of His Word be revealed in every aspect of our practical life. Let His Spirit pierce every particle of our being. Let it fish out whatever needs to be fished out. Let it burn in the fire of experience all that must be burned and ceased to exist once and for all. Let only the glory of our Creator on our faces illuminate the darkness of this world and give direction to those who seek the way home, to the Father.

"Rise, Lord, in your strength, and we will sing and praise your strength!" (Ps. 21:14, BW).

"Arise therefore, O Lord my God, come to your place of rest, you and the ark of your strength. Let Your priests, O Lord my God, clothe themselves in salvation, let your saints rejoice in happiness" (2 Chron. 6:41, BWP).

May Christ in us, the only hope of His glory, brighten every tormented heart on this earth. Let the people anguished in darkness see the great light.

So, Dear Brother and Sister:

"Rise up, shine on, for your light has come and the glory [of Yahweh PI] has shone on you. For, behold, darkness covers the earth and darkness to the peoples, but it shall shine upon you [Yahweh, PI; the Eternal will illuminate you, IC], and His glory will appear on you. And nations will come to your light, and kings to the splendour that shines on you " (Isa. 60:1-3, BW).

"God of vengeance, Yahweh, God of vengeance, reveal yourself! Rise up, Judge of the world, pay back to the proud what they deserve! How long will the wicked, Yahweh, how long will the wicked exult/triumph? How long will they utter bold and arrogant words, and how long will all wicked ones boast? They oppress Your people, Yahweh, and they oppress Your inheritance" (Ps. 94:1-5, BP). Let us not be deceived with the wrong assumption that God's voice will announce the day and the hour of Jesus' return in thunder at the time of the plagues. That experience will only be a confirmation of the message of the seven thunders and the making of an everlasting covenant with God's people.

"The voice of God is heard from heaven, declaring the day and hour of Jesus' coming, and delivering the everlasting covenant to His people. Like peals of loudest thunder His words roll through the earth" (E. White, The Great Controversy, p. 640.2).

Taking into account the words recorded in Matt. 24:36, we can say that: If this time was to be known to God's people only at that time, it would mean that also the angels and even the Son of God wouldn't know it until then. [see: Matt. 24:36]

John the Baptist proclaimed Jesus' first coming and he knew exactly when Jesus would come. And he learned about this time from/in the prophecies written in the Old Testament. But nevertheless, this preaching was also confirmed by God with His own voice.

"From the open heavens a voice was heard saying, "This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased." These words of confirmation were given to inspire faith in those who witnessed the scene, and to strengthen the Saviour for His mission" (E. White, The Desire of Ages, p. 112).

It is the same with us God will also confirm to us with His voice the day and the hour of His Son's return in the darkest moment of our experience of proclaiming the time of Jesus' return. In addition, He will make an everlasting covenant with us. Who else will hear this voice? Those ones who will resurrect in the partial resurrection. They are not here with us studying about this time but they will hear the thunder.

Both God's people and the world need to know beforehand when the end will come so that we have time to prepare and make decisions. After the end of the time of grace, it is useless for anyone to know the exact time of Jesus' return. God's voice will only confirm what we already know today. This is how it was with the seven thunders whose message will also be confirmed by the thunder, but this time with the audible voice of God himself. Today, mankind must accept with faith the revealed Word of God. And when God's people hear God's voice, faith will no longer be needed.

Noah did not build the ark for future generations, but he knew the Flood would come during his lifetime. And as we read:

"And with the coming of the Son of man it will be as in the days of Noah" (Matt. 24:37, BP). This means that the last generation of God's people will also know about it soon enough.

Moses was sent with the message of deliverance for his generation who were just about to come out from the Egyptian bondage and go to the promised land.

The generation that entered the promised land knew 40 years earlier when it would be.

Did the Jews know when Jerusalem was to be destroyed and they were to be taken captive to Babylon? Did they know when? Jeremiah made this known to his generation, not to the next (see: Jer. 16:1-9).

"For this is what the LORD of Heaven's Armies, the God of Israel, says: In your own lifetime, before your very eyes, I will put an end to the happy singing and laughter in this land. The joyful voices of bridegrooms and brides will no longer be heard" (Jer. 16:9, NLT).

Today this voice is still heard but in your days it will be silent. For we are the last generation about whom Jesus said that it would not pass away because it will be the witness to all that He foretold. There are fewer and fewer of those who still remember the Second World War when the nation turned against the nation and the kingdom against the kingdom. The increasing persecution is before us as well as announcing to the whole world the everlasting good news of Christ's returning in order to testify the truth.

The prophet Ezekiel also exhorted, warned, and foreshadowed the work of destruction *to his generation* that experienced the Babylonian captivity (see: Ezek. 12:21-28). God definitely said that it would happen in their generation and it would not be delayed.

Did the Israelites know when they would be liberated from Babylon? 70 years earlier they knew about it! *(see: Jer. 25:10-12; 29:10).* By studying the prophecies, Daniel set the precise time of deliverance for his generation (see: Dan. 9:1-5).

Did the Jews know when the destruction of Jerusalem and the Temple would be? If we understand correctly what Jesus said about the last generation in Luke 21:32 (see: Luke 21:32), then we'll clearly see that they knew it very well. Already forty years earlier, when Jesus had foretold this to them. He also foretold us that the

destruction of this world would take place forty jubilees after His Messianic ministry began. And the day of vengeance will come about which He did not mention then.

God has never in history passed a judgment, or even a partial judgment over His people, if He had not previously warned a given generation. Why would He change this rule in the final judgment of His people and the whole world? His Word does not teach anything like that that He would change his mind - on the contrary. Therefore the time of revelation has come, the time of the seven thunders of the Apocalypse, seven years before this ungodly world would be destroyed.

"Give Yahweh, sons of heaven, give Yahweh honour and glory. Worship the name of Yahweh, fall on your face before Yahweh in his temple! The voice of Yahweh rises over the waters, it thundered Yahweh's glory. Yahweh thunders over great waters. Yahweh's voice resounds, Yahweh's voice's full of majesty ... Yahweh reigns over the vastness, Yahweh sits on the throne like an eternal Lord. O Yahweh, give strength to your people, O Yahweh, send them the blessing of peace" (Ps. 29:1-11, BWP).

Glory be to our God the Father and to His Son!

Finally, I will get back to my experience which I started telling you at the very beginning. But first, let's read an excerpt from the Testimonies:

"My mind was carried to the future, when the signal will be given. "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him." But some will have delayed to obtain the oil for replenishing their lamps, and too late they will find that character, which is represented by the oil, is not transferable" (E. White, The Review and Herald, February 11, 1896, par. 7).

It is already too late... it is already too late for the foolish virgins, for even if this message wakes them up, they will not change their position. Please, listen to the lecture titled "It's too late ...". It very clearly explains to us why it happened so.

So, do you see this sign? I personally received it in 2007 which marks equal 20 years before Jesus return/the end of times. And five years later, I shared the midnight cry message publicly. Back then we still had 15 years to go. Today we have only seven years left, and until the end of the time of grace for God's people there is only 3.5 years. With this year's message and the light emanating from the book of the prophet Ezekiel, we only have a year left till the first streams of God's Spirit will reach our ankles.

Well, at 3am at night, the Spirit of God enveloped my soul (I am talking about the experience from 2007) in the great longing for Jesus' return. I was just finishing my work and when I left the printing press, I looked up at the starry sky. The longing for it all to end was piercing my soul to the point where I was out of breath. And then I started to pray and ask God for a sign. Father, if Jesus is to come back within my lifetime, please let a falling comet / star pierce the sky at this very moment. When I finished praying, I looked up at the sky and I didn't notice anything, but then I turned around and at that moment, above my head and quite low, I saw a powerful streak of fire. The fire was so low that I heard the whistle of a comet passing by. I was shocked, my whole body started shaking and I couldn't stop the trembling. On one hand, I was terrified, and on the other hand, I started crying out of happiness. My soul was seized with a great fear and awareness of my unworthiness in comparison to what had just happened. I immediately started calling out to God and asking what He wanted to convey to me through this experience. The first thought I received was related to the jubilee year, and the next one was about my personal life in which I was to proceed with the reform in every aspect of my existence on this earth. I began frantically studying and searching for God's will about the scope of preparation for what was to come as at that time I knew I will live up to this moment of Jesus' return. It all took another five years until I decided that I had to share all that God had discovered to me in His grace. There were 12 people at our first meeting. While I was sharing the message of the midnight cry, we felt the presence of angels, and God's Spirit joined our hearts in unity and praise to our Creator. These were the beginnings ...

Coming back to my prayer from three weeks ago about which I was talking at the very beginning. While I was basically apologizing to God for my daring attitude in the subject of the seven thunders and my announcing of it as the theme of this year's Feast of Tabernacles, thinking that I was doing it showing deep faith, I heard something that knocked me down as well. There were two weeks left till the Feast of Tabernacles and I still knew nothing about the seven thunders.

And in this prayer God asked me a question: "do you know what I have done to you?" Tears immediately came to my eyes because I associated the question with the one Jesus asked to his disciples when He washed

their feet. Do you remember? He asked them: do you know what I have done to you? I am unable to express in words the feeling that accompanied me then. But I saw Jesus washing my feet. In a split of a second I understood everything, although it was difficult for me to believe in the enormity of grace I was given. In fact, I understood everything in an instant. But then I heard these words: "Just as to Moses I appeared in the flaming bush, so to you in the fire of a falling comet, and at your request. From that moment on, I began to send you My Word which, under the symbol of the seven thunders, was the message hidden in My Word. "I was blown away and I still can't believe it today. But I cannot deny this experience, as well as any other experience in which God has led me since my childhood. And although my whole life can only be described as the abomination of desolation and constant attempts to free myself from the devil's fetters, the grace and forgiveness shown me won my heart for God forever and unconditionally.

I was so eager to get to know what 7 thunders had said, and it turned out that for so many years God has already been sending this message to me.

And now, I want to say goodbye to you with God's promise: "I will make it rain at the appointed time" (*ifth*]" (*Ezek. 34:26, BWP*). Do you know what kind of time it is all about and what it means? For me it means that this is the Time of Life! For this is what an answer I received personally! Let's read:

"And he said, I will surely return to you according to the time [בְּעֵה] - kāʿēt] of life; and behold, Sarah thy wife will bear a son" (Gen. 18:10, KJV).

"Is something impossible for Yahweh? Next year at the same time I will come to you again [according to the time [בָּעָת] - kātēt] of your life, KJV], and then Sarah will bear a son for you "(Gen. 18:14, BWP).

This is how Christ said goodbye to me at the end of the wonderful time I spent with Him in preparing this message. I spent this time at His feet and learned to listen to His Word. At the same time next year, Christ will return to us again as our Life, and we will experience the first drops of latter rain, and as we read "*it will be the rain of my blessing*," says God. It will come out from His Temple and it will reach our ankles at this time of next year. And we will receive this blessing through faith which is certainty, through faith which sees what cannot yet be seen.

For it was "by faith that Noah was miraculously instructed in what could not yet be seen, in holy fear - built an ark to save his family. By faith he also condemned the world and became an heir of the righteousness which is received by faith "(Heb. 11:7, BT).

Therefore, Dear Father, breathe in us, into this dead body, Your Spirit, in which Your Life is, so that we may live for your glory only to the end of our days and for all eternity! Amen.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, let us finally sing to God the song: "How Great Thou Art."

O Lord my God, When I in <u>awesome</u> wonder,

Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;

I see the stars, I hear the <u>rolling</u> thunder,

Thy <u>power</u> throughout the <u>universe</u> displayed.

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,

How great Thou art, How great Thou art.

Then sings my soul, My Saviour God, to Thee,

How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

When <u>through</u> the woods, and <u>forest</u> glades I wander, And hear the <u>birds</u> sing <u>sweetly</u> in the trees. When I look down, from <u>lofty</u> mountain grandeur And see the brook, and feel the <u>gentle</u> breeze.

Then <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art. Then <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art!

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing; Sent Him to die, I <u>scarce</u> can take it in; That on the Cross, my <u>burden</u> gladly bearing, He bled and died to take away my sin.

Then <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art. Then <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art!

When <u>Christ</u> shall come, with <u>shout</u> of acclamation, And take me home, what joy <u>shall</u> fill my heart. Then I <u>shall</u> bow, in <u>humble</u> adoration, And then proclaim: "My God, how <u>great</u> Thou art!

Then <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art. Then <u>sings</u> my soul, My <u>Saviour</u> God, to Thee, How <u>great</u> Thou art, How <u>great</u> Thou art!

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