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In closing this little series, I want to review with you three great facts, and then present to you three great choices.

The first fact is, Christ the Creator. By Him were all things made. What does that mean? That means that Jesus made you. He made you because He loves you. He made you in His image, in His likeness, so that you and He could have fellowship. It is a wonderful thing to think that the great God that made the universe wants you to have fellowship with Him. He wants you to be His friend. He is your friend. That's the first great fact that I want us to review in our thinking this morning.

The second fact is: to see Christ as Creator hanging on the cross. Yes, that hand that's nailed to the tree is the hand that hung the world in space. What for? Oh you can say, if you know this wonderful message from God's Book you can say, as Paul said in Galatians 2:20, as you stand there at the cross, He loved me and gave Himself for me. That's it, friends.

That One that made you died for you. He died for you because He loves you. He died so that you might have fellowship with Him. That fellowship which had been broken by sin is to be restored by getting rid of the sin. Thank God.

“There is a fountain filled with blood,  
Drawn from Immanuel's veins;  
And sinners plunged beneath that flood  
Lose all their guilty stains.”

And the third fact is that Christ that made the world and that gave His life upon the cross is coming soon in glory to put an end to all the trouble and the war and the sorrow and the sickness and the death, and usher in the everlasting kingdom of peace and joy and eternal life.

As you see, in the language of scripture is presented coming with clouds, surrounded by the myriads of the angel bands. As you see Him remember, He is coming for you. Oh yes, He's coming for you; He's coming because He loves you. He's coming because He wants you to have fellowship with Him. A closer fellowship than this world can ever know, an eternal fellowship—oh yes.

“Jesus, my Savior, shall come from on high,  
Sweet is the promise as weary years fly;  
Oh, I shall see Him descending the sky,  
Coming for me, for me.”

Can you sing it? Is He your Creator? Is He your Savior? Is He your coming King? Is He coming for you? Ah, that can be. It is true if you know it. It is true if you believe the Word of God.

You remember those wonderful scriptures in Revelation 14 that we’ve been studying. Let’s just look at one or two of those beautiful, gleaming pearls again this morning.

“And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with Him...” Revelation 14:1.

Who? These redeemed ones from this world..

“...These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goes...”

See, He wants them with Him in close fellowship.

“These were redeemed from among men...” Revelation 14:4.

“Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus”  
Revelation 14:12.

I think it’s wonderful, don’t you, friends? These three great facts and all that hangs from these three great facts: Christ the Creator, Christ on the cross, Christ the coming King in glory. And all of it telling us He loves you, He wants you to have fellowship with Him. How can you make sure of it? I mean, how can you make sure that you will share in it? Oh, the facts are clear. We’ve proved them beyond any question from God’s Book. But how can *you* make sure that it will all come true for *you*?

You can, my friends. There are three great choices that God either has led you or will lead you to make—1, 2, 3, and I want you to think of them as we look into God’s Book.

First, the decision—the choice to accept Christ as your Savior; to give up your way and take His way; to give up your sins and accept His blood to wash those sins away.

“...as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God, even to them that believe on His name” John 1:12.

Do you believe Him? Do you believe what you’ve heard from God's Book? Will you receive Him? This says as many as received Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God.

Put your weakness with His strength. Put your ignorance with His wisdom. Put all that you are and aren’t, your needs, your inadequacies, your failures, lay it all down at the feet of Jesus. As many as receive Him, to them gave He power to become the sons of God. It’s a wonderful promise, isn’t it?

You remember in Revelation, and you’ve seen many times, the artist's picture of Jesus at the door. Listen:

“Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door...” Revelation 3:20.

To open the door means to give up the thing that stands between you and Him. To open the door means to invite Him in as the ruler of your life. To invite Him in means to share with Him in fellowship, for He says, I’ll come in and sup with him, and He with me.

Have you made that decision, that choice? Will you make it right now? Will you say, "Yes my Lord You who made me, You who died for me, You who are coming for me; I *will* open the door and let You in. I will give my heart, my life to You, You who have given all for me."?

Now, there’s another decision that God wants to bring to those who have been studying what you and I have been studying. There is a sign of Christ as Creator. There is a great flag being flung out to the breeze in this last great warfare between Christ and Satan. And that Sabbath that you and I know, that seventh-day Sabbath that we have been studying from God’s book is that sign.

“And hallow My Sabbaths; and they shall be a sign between me and you, that ye may know that I am the LORD your God” Ezekiel 20:20.

It means so much to accept the Sabbath as the sign of Christ's creative power, the mark of His redeeming love. Linked with creation, linked with the cross, linked with the coming kingdom, as we have studied, this Sabbath stands forth from Eden to Eden as God's great sign, His mark, His seal.

Revelation 7:1–3 shows, that the angel of God is now putting that seal in the foreheads of God's servants. If you've accepted Jesus as your Savior, will you not want to receive His Sabbath as the sign of His creative power, His redeeming love?

Have you made that choice? Oh, that choice makes your Lord so happy. Then you and He think alike. You work with Him during the six working days, as the Bible calls them. You rest with Him on the day that He rested. You are blessed with Him in the blessing He put into that seventh day. And you share the sanctifying power of His holy presence.

If you've made that decision, I know you've made Him glad. If you haven't, won't you make it right now? Won't you say, "Yes, right now, right now, dear Jesus, I will accept Thy Sabbath as the sign of Thy creative power and Thy redeeming love? I will keep the Sabbath Jesus kept."

And then, this third great choice—As we have seen in all ages, God has had a special message for men, peculiar to the needs, the problems, and the crisis of that generation. In Noah's day, the message was to come into the Ark. It mattered not what church men belonged to, or what ideas they might have. The great thing was to accept God's message for that hour and come into the Ark.

In Lot's day, the angels brought the message to Sodom and said to those who would listen, Leave this doomed city, for God is going to destroy it. Men might have all kinds of theological ideas, but you can see that salvation depended upon their accepting and acting upon the message for that hour.

Jesus sets forth the days of Noah and the days of Lot as types and symbols and examples of this last generation. Today God has a message for the world—this wonderful threefold message of Revelation 14. That message is being carried by a movement, an organized body of men and women that God has called out and is calling out from every nation, kindred, tongue, and people.

As fast as a soul accepts that message, he wants to share it with others. As fast as he separates from the law-breaking world and enters into the fold of Christ, he wants to draw others into the circle of Christ's loving presence.

I ask you friends, as you have heard the wonderful story about how God has given this last-day movement (which we call the Seventh-day Adventist church) not only the Sabbath sign—His flag—but in these latter days He has given them the testimony of Jesus, which is the spirit of prophecy, thus giving evidence that this movement is that remnant of Revelation 12:17, as you've heard that evidence, I want to ask you: Has not your heart thrilled with joy that you have found the message for this hour? God's message, the wonderful message that is drawing God's sheep from every fold into the one true fold which, as one fold, will soon welcome the great Shepherd?

I ask you: If that has been made clear to your heart, then what is the call of Christ to your soul? It is this: Come out from everything that is against the law of God, and come into the fold of Christ that keeps the commandments of God and has the testimony of Jesus [Revelation 12:17]. God is calling you to come out [Revelation 18:4]. He's asking you to come into the movement that is carrying this message all around the world.

To many, that means a sacrifice, a cross. But to share the cross with Him is to enter into fellowship with Him. He says:

"If any man come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily, and follow Me" Matthew 16:24.

Do you see hear that call? Do you see that choice? Will you make it for Jesus' sake? You bring joy to His heart as you do.

I bring you in closing three great reasons for making those three choices.

The first is given in Matthew. Oh listen:

"...flee from the wrath to come?" Matthew 3:7.

This world is rushing toward its doom. It is going pell-mell for hell, my friends, and the angels of God are seeking to call us back. As they warned Lot and his loved ones in Sodom, they are warning us today, flee from the wrath to come.

Think of the doom of this world, like Jerusalem of old it is marked for destruction. But do you know not one of those who listened to the warning of Jesus, and followed it, perished in the destruction of Jerusalem? Why? They accepted the warning, and they fled when Jesus said to flee.

Will you, seeing this world going on in its sin rushing toward destruction of all kinds, as you see the world about to plunge over the precipice into eternal ruin, will you tarry with sin? Will you my friends? Oh, flee from the wrath to come. And remember, beyond the doom of this present world lies the final judgment, and there you must meet a just God over His broken law. There you must meet the terrors of hell. And there if you continue in sin, you must finally be blotted out in those cleansing flames which will purify this world and make a clean universe. Will you chose that death? Oh, flee from the wrath to come.

I bring a greater reason. Ah, friend, it is presented in Hebrews:

"... had respect unto the recompense of the reward"  
Hebrews 11:26.

What you escape as you turn from sin is wonderful, but that which you get here and hereafter is more wonderful, for it is eternal—the recompense of the reward. Are there rewards for doing? Verily.

“... behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be” Revelation 22:12.

Think of the rewards here. Think of the health that comes to those who come into harmony with God's plan of living. Think of the peace that fills the heart, relief from the worries the strain, the strife that sin hardened know. Think of the rewards here. Think of fellowship with Christ, right now, walking with Him the way of life. Think of sharing with Him this trip through space we've been taking about, these countless journeys through the universe of God. Think of a home in a world without sin or sickness or sorrow or death. Think of the glories of eternity. All can be yours. Is this not a wonderful reason, a weighty reason, a compelling reason, to make these three choices we've been studying about? Is it not, my friend?

But I bring you to something greater than the fear of hell. I bring you to something stronger than the hope of Heaven. I bring you to the cross of Calvary. There you see One hanging who gave up Heaven and took the pains of hell. What for? Because He loved you.

Oh, my friends, can it be that love is stronger than the fear of death? Can it be that love is greater than the desire for life? Yes. God's love for you is that. And if you see that, it will break your heart, and you'd rather be with Him in death than to live without Him. That love is greater than any hope of reward. It is greater than any fear of punishment. It led Him to give everything for you. Will it not lead you to give everything for Him?

Is there somebody who says Christ is talking to my heart? Is there one or more of these three decisions that I need to make, and make right now? And by God's grace, as I hear Jesus knocking at the door of my heart, I open it and let Him in. Won't you raise your hand right where you are? Just keep them raised, my friend. Let that hand that was nailed to the cross for you reach down and take that uplifted hand this morning as you yield everything to Him. Praise the name of the Lord.

Let us bow our heads. Precious Lord, take our hands in Thine. We lay these little hands in Thy wounded hand. We thank Thee for the strong, loving clasp that we feel. Thou art ours, and we are Thine. Just now take us and make us all that Thou dost want us to be. And walking with Thee the Heaven-ward road, may earth be left behind, and may we bring Thee joy day by day in an ever closer fellowship. We ask it in Thine own dear name, amen.

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