Abomination Anti Venom Series

2. The Original Abomination

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Tonight, I want to begin to address some of the material that is in this booklet called *Key to Empowering the Third Angel's Message*. It is something that has come out of some of the presentations that I did while in South Africa last year and in Europe and working with our brother, Deyan Delchev in Bulgaria. Between us, we have worked to put this together and still in its early stages but there is, I believe, some very exciting material in here. The subject of the character of God must have an effect on every other aspect of our understanding of the Bible. It must rewrite not redefine, but rewrite, how we've understood things in reference to the judgment, in reference to prophesy, in reference to so many other things. This is the beginning of an understanding of the Third Angel's Message and what leads to the fall of Babylon.

This is one key element in this book, is that until all the elements of the First Angel's Message have been put in place in the fullness of their understanding, Babylon cannot fall. This is because the everlasting gospel, "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth ...". Until all those ingredients are put together in the correct framework of the covenants that were given to us in 1888, Babylon will not fall in its fullness. We can preach against the tyranny of Rome as long as we like and she will laugh at us until we manifest righteousness by faith. When we manifest righteousness by faith, then the dragon will be raised to ire and will seek to stamp out those who keep the commandments of God which is the demonstration of His character, who keep the commandments of God by the faith of Jesus. This is what we are looking at and so since our brethren online have not been able to participate in a pray with us, I would like to pause once again and pray.

Father, I thank you for this opportunity to open Your word as we enter into the first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, a Holy Convocation. I thank You that You will give clarity of speech, that You will give quickening of thought to those that are listening, that Your angels will cause us to be attentive and we all will play our part in being part of those who follow the Lamb wherever He goes and we thank You in Jesus name. Amen.

In the beginning of this book, the first chapter is called The Original Abomination because in the book of Daniel and in the book of Matthew, we have reference to the "abomination that makes desolate", "the transgression of desolation". The pioneers of the Seventh Day Adventist movement had as a key component of their platform of developing and understanding of how they arrived at the date October 22nd 1844 was the sequential sequence of two powers, two desolating powers, the daily and the transgression of desolation back to back that would seek to desolate God's people.

One of the things that we are putting forward in this book is that, because the people of God, before their captivity in Babylon, refused to keep the commandments of God and His statutes and His judgments which are the only things that we have to lay out for us in the Law, in the Torah, what the character of God is because what Jesus was on earth is a manifestation of the Torah. He came to magnify the Law and to make it honourable. So what Jesus manifested is the Law unfolded (*Christ's Object Lessons*, page 128).

The opportunity was there for Israel to manifest this character if they had of walked in His statutes and in His judgments, if they had reverenced His Sabbaths and we will look at the what the elements were in Leviticus 26. Leviticus 26 tells us, and if you notice carefully, there is a correlation between the beginning of Leviticus 26 and the First Angel's Message. Very important. Verse 1, "You shall make you no idols" - fear God, that's the equivalent isn't it, it's the same thing - "you shall make you no idols nor graven image". Fear God, that's the First Angel's Message. "Neither raise you up a standing image, neither shall you set up any image of stone in your land, to bow down unto it: for I am the LORD your God." This is fear God.

"You shall keep my Sabbaths," [worship Him that made heaven and earth, that's what it's saying] "and reverence my sanctuary" [the hour of His judgment is come]. "I am the LORD. If you walk in my statutes, and keep my commandments, and do them;" [then I will do what] "I will give you rain in due season, and the land shall yield her increase, and the trees of the field shall yield their fruit."

Israel was designed to arise and shine for her light has come for the glory of the Lord has risen upon thee. This was what God designed for His people. You will notice that there is no extended time prophecy within scripture until Israel goes into captivity. It's after they go into captivity and the head becomes the tail, that Israel is placed in a position where it must endure 2,520 years of scattering. Does that make sense? Because of that refusal to manifest the character of God, it would take another 2,520 years from their captivity in 677 BC, from that time for the world to come back to a position where it could be in a state of mind to understand and have the opportunity to truly see the character of God in all its fullness. It would take 2,520 years.

It is true that the seed was planted by Christ when He came to earth. That seed when He would seal up the vision and to anoint the most holy as it says in Daniel 9 was critical but because of the flow of human events, what was the human response to when Christ came to this earth? Came unto His own and His own received Him not and the Gentiles, they picked up the gospel and there was a preaching of the gospel wasn't there. Christ in you, the hope of glory. But it was not in the sense to be able to produce the 144,000. God knew in the sequence of time that it would take until 1844 until the world would be ready once again to consider the possibility that God is nonviolent. The terrible shame isn't it to take that long and that is the hypothesis.

So of this booklet (*Key to Empowering the Third Angel's Message*), we go to the beginning and we look at the original abomination and of course in Isaiah 14:12-14, Satan speaks about his own throne. He says,

"I will exalt my throne above the stars of God". [He had an intent to rule.] "I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the Most High."

As we have been studying and as I spoke in my previous presentation, our concepts of justice. I have another quote here. I've spoken about this in some detail in the book, *Natural Justice and Atonement*, I might pull out some quotes here in reference to the work of Lucifer where it says on page 8 of this booklet. This is *Patriarchs and Prophets*, page 37,

"he began to insinuate doubts concerning the laws that governed heavenly beings, intimating that though laws might be necessary for inhabited worlds, angels, being more exalted, needed no such restraint, for their own wisdom was a sufficient guide."

So what Lucifer introduced to the universe was a concept of justice. A concept of justice. We read here in *Christ Triumphant*, page 11, we read it this morning,

"the condemning power of Satan would lead him to institute a theory of justice inconsistent with mercy. He claims to be officiating as the voice and power of God, claims that his decisions are justice, are pure and without fault. Thus he takes his position on" [which seat?] "the judgment seat".

Where is the judgment seat? The throne of God. This is the throne that Satan would establish for himself, is a throne based upon a justice system where every sin must be punished. This is the establishment of the throne of Satan himself.

So we see in the very, very beginning, that Lucifer begins to insinuate doubts concerning the government of God. But what is it that led Lucifer to start to insinuate this doubt? So we step back a little bit further and again this is *Patriarchs and Prophets*, page 37, "The high honours conferred upon Lucifer were not appreciated as God's special gift, and therefore, called forth no gratitude to his Creator." This lack of putting forth gratitude to his Creator, no longer acknowledging that he had received an inheritance, why did this come about?

Why did Lucifer come to the point where he no longer was willing to show gratitude for what he had received. The reason is, and I'm looking for the quote which is on page 8 of this book here (*Key to Empowering the Third Angel's Message*),

"They had come to exalt themselves, and they forgot that their beauty of person and of character came from the Lord Jesus. This fact the [fallen] angels would obscure, that Christ was the only begotten Son of God."

Here is the original abomination. The original abomination finds its seed in the refusal to worship the only begotten Son who has inherited all things from His Father. Does that make sense?

The worship of the only begotten Son is a worship of someone who hath received all things and by beholding we become changed. As we behold the image of the Son of God, we are continually reminded that we have received all things in our sphere as Christ had received all things in His sphere. Therefore, in Christ, all things hold together. The entire universe is held together in a principle of inheritance. Does that make sense?

So the moment you reject the inheritance of the Son of God, you are stepping into the abomination that makes desolate. Does that make sense? So they begin to obscure that Jesus was the only begotten Son and this then led Satan and those who were with him to no longer show gratitude to God for their inheritance which led him to set up a justice system. He then begins to insinuate doubts about why they needed to keep law.

This is why it says in *Great Controversy*, page 562,

"Satan has long been preparing for his final effort to deceive the world. The foundation of his work was laid by the assurance given to Eve" [and we're stepping forward to the application of his principle] "Ye shall not surely die."

How do you come to this idea of "you shall not surely die"? You reject the only begotten Son as one who inherits all things, you obscure this reality, you believe that the life that you have has come from yourself and then you are able to come up with the doctrine of immortality. So the doctrine of immortality comes directly in opposition to the worship of the only begotten Son of God. It is very important that we follow this through step by step.

"In the day you eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and you shall be as gods, knowing good and evil. Little by little he has prepared the way for his masterpiece of deception in the development of spiritualism. He has not yet reached the full accomplishment of his designs; but it will be reached in the last remnant of time."

So the development of spiritualism as in a system that claims to be worshipping God but is actually the complete opposite of that, this masterpiece of deception, is based upon a rejection of the worship of one who inherits and therefore should have gratitude. This is the point that we are seeking to establish.

Congregation: That's why God tells us to constantly praise Him so we never forget otherwise we fall into the same trap that Lucifer did, ungrateful.

But if you don't have the begotten Son and you worship the Father directly, one who has inherited nothing from anybody, you behold this image and become changed. It's only the begotten the Son that holds us all together. That's what keeps us focused on Him.

So I think we read the thing that Satan began to infer doubts and we read that statement he began to insinuate doubts concerning the laws that governed heavenly beings. Because if you have life in yourself, you are autonomous then this lie of inherent life source makes the laws of God appear arbitrary. We want to make this point very clearly, that the doctrine of the immortality of the soul forces the law of God into a legal framework. Does that make sense?

It's imposed upon you. It is something that is arbitrary and imposed upon you because if you have life in yourself and you have wisdom sufficient to guide yourself, why do you need somebody outside of you to guide and govern you. Does it make sense?

So the doctrine of the immortality of the soul, or the doctrine of inherent life source, makes the law of God legal in its framework. This is the sequence that we are following and this is why Satan begins to insinuate doubts concerning the law of God. This is where he then begins to set up his oppositional framework where justice and mercy are opposed and we get the statement in *Desire of Ages*, page 761, in the opening of the great controversy, Satan stated every sin must be punished urged Satan. That mercy and justice were opposition to each other and this is as we said again the condemning power of Satan would lead him to institute a theory of justice inconsistent with mercy.

The only way that mercy can become inconsistent with justice is through a legal framework system but as we read in Psalms 89, God's justice, the habitation of His throne, is justice and judgment: truth and mercy are definitions of justice. To do justice is to be merciful, is to be gracious. This is God's justice. But in Satan's system, mercy and justice oppose each other.

Congregation: Satan's system makes God's government to be a government of force. It forces it to be that way.

It forces it because of the lie of inherent life source. As soon as you take in the lie, the only way that God can rule you once you believe that lie, is by force. This has been very clearly laid out by Dr Tim Jennings in the concept of design law as opposed to imposed law, but it is the lie of inherent life that creates the imposed law system because if you have your own life source, you don't need anything unless you want to place yourself in bondage. Unless you want to live under the system and sadly most people actually want to live in bondage. This is the sadness that has occurred in this great controversy.

So we're looking at the beginning elements of this controversy. We see here, it says,

"In secret he whispered his disaffection to the angels. There was at first no pronounced feeling against God; but the seed had been sown, and the love and confidence of the angels was marred. The sweet communion between them and their God was broken. Every move was watched." [Who's doing the judging? The angels.] "Every action was viewed in the light in which Satan had made them see things." Review and Herald, September 7 1897.

That's a very, very big quote.

Congregation: In the New Testament, if I understand rightly, justice is not in the New Testament because it's righteousness. Justice in the Old Testament, in the New Testament, flip it into righteousness because it's the same thing.

Righteousness, and God's righteousness, is manifested in mercy and grace and long suffering.

Congregation: Justice is doing what's right. Feeding the poor, liberating the oppressed. Do justice is what Jesus did. Yeshua, Messiah did justice.

It's not as different to Satan's counterfeit justice.

"Every move of God was watched; every action viewed in the light in which Satan had made them see things."

So how many of the angels were affected? Let's read Reflecting Christ, page 58,

"Before Christ's first advent, the sin of refusing to conform to God's law had become widespread."

Now when we read "refusing to conform to God's law", you can read that as imposed or refusing to conform to God's character.

"Apparently Satan's power was growing; his warfare against heaven was becoming more and more determined. A crisis had been reached. With an intense interest God's movements were watched by the heavenly angels."

Could that be related to this other quote? What are they watching?

"Would He come forth from His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity? Would He send fire or flood to destroy them? All heaven waited the bidding of their Commander to pour out the vials of wrath upon a rebellious world."

When we understand the pouring out of the vials of wrath, what are we actually understanding? Are the angels actually doing the killing or are the angels releasing the protection? This is an interesting question in terms of a correct understanding of they would never kill anybody but their own sense of justice says we need to end this now. Bring forward the justice. Bring it forward and let them reap their consequences now.

Congregation: That's just like the four angels holding back the four winds of strife.

That's the point, isn't it. So it says here,

"One word from Him, one sign, and the world would have been destroyed. The world's unfallen would have said, 'Amen. Thou art righteous, O God, because Thou hast exterminated rebellion."

All of the unfallen worlds, all of the angels, all of them are on board. Why? Because of Satan's justice system. Because he had won the hearts of all the men of Israel, as Absalom did. That's why this justice system, that's why this great controversy was going to take a lot longer to unravel because this justice system had in permeated the entire universe because it makes sense to created beings. You break the law, you pay.

This is the loophole that God is in because if you do the crime and God's Spirit is withdrawn and the person falls to the ground, what is everyone going to assume? God killed them, when God simply withdrew. This is the dilemma that God is in. This is the loophole that Satan made use of to flip this around to be able to establish his kingdom. The fact that, if you do transgress God's law you will die and so Satan was able to flip this around into a forced death and to create a fear of God and this is how he established his throne and he placed this throne in the hearts of the angels.

Thank God that two-thirds of the angels resisted and, even though they weren't fully understanding or sure, they chose to follow God even though there was unanswered questions until the time that Lucifer destroyed Christ on the cross. Then he was unseated. Then he fell as lightning from heaven, and heaven then was fully resolved as it says in Colossians 1:20 when he died on the cross to reconcile things in heaven as well as on earth. Heaven was then fully reconciled at the death of Christ at that particular time.

I have just got to read you this next part because it's just so beautiful.

"Thou art righteous, O God, because Thou has exterminated rebellion."

Our termination is right there. You know, God could have terminated us and He would have taken everyone with Him but then there's this beautiful word.

"But 'God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.' God might have sent His Son to condemn, but He sent Him to save. Christ came as a Redeemer. No words can describe the effect of this movement on the heavenly angels."

They needed to see the cross. They needed to see the cross. He refused to let us go because even though the whole universe on were supposedly his side, they were still all in Satan's hand.

Congregation: This is the son of perdition must be revealed.

This is the abomination that makes desolate that must be revealed. So deeply laid with the plots of Satan that it would take a long time for these seeds to be fully played out, to understand the things that were taking place.

So we see then that after this, that God is offering answers and we see in *Great Controversy*, page 476, that Satan was offered forgiveness on condition of repentance, offered pardon on condition of repentance. There was no death threat that God made to Lucifer. He was offered pardon on condition of repentance and it was at this point that "many of Satan's sympathizers were inclined to heed the counsel of the loyal angels, and repent of their dissatisfaction, and be again received to the confidence of the Father and His dear Son. The mighty revolter then declared," and this is the next step in the original abomination that took place, a rejection of the Son of God, an institution of the inherent life source, a rejection of the laws of God, the institution of a counterfeit justice system and now we take the next step.

"The mighty revolter then declared that he was acquainted with God's law and ... that himself and they also had now gone too far to go back, and he would have to brave the consequences; for to bow in ... worship to the Son of God he never would; that God would not forgive, [this is the next piece in the puzzle] now they must assert their liberty and gain by force [is the force element of his throne] the position and authority which was not willingly accorded to them." *Spirit of Prophecy*, Vol 1, Page 20, Paragraph 2.

He now introduces this idea that God will not forgive.

Congregation: Do you think that Lucifer believes his own lie that much that's why he is so convincing? My sin is too big for God to forgive. He refused to believe it and he convinced everybody because he believed that lie himself. Was he deceived so much that he believed his own lie. If I believe a lie so much that I can be so convincing that others would believe it too.

Well, that's a really hard question to answer. Exactly what he was thinking and what he knew. If you read *Desire of Ages*, page 761, where it says that there was a difference between man and Lucifer. Lucifer understood God's character. So when we understand that he knew God's character, what does that mean that he knew? He knew that God was merciful and then he categorically stated that which he knew to be false. To state categorically that which you know to be false and portray it as the truth is the mystery of iniquity. As to why he would do that, as to why he would go directly against his own conscience to say something that he knew was patently false.

He knew that God was forgiving, he knew that God was love, but I would suggest to you at the heart of this, was the slow unwinding of his deep-seated plot to destroy the Son of God. To institute a concept of substitutionary atonement knowing the mercy of God and then seek to pull Christ from His throne to kill and destroy Him. This was all part of his plot to take his inheritance.

So what we see here is, and again I come back to the quote in *Christ Triumphant*, page 11, where it says "Thus he takes his position on the judgement seat" or the throne and, when he said I will ascend into heaven I'll be like the Most High, I would suggest to you, that he achieved his objective through his false justice system. He inserted himself in the minds of every created being and instituted upon them a justice system that was false and he ruled from that position. Not everyone was convinced, many were undecided but there were questions.

It says, "Here his merciless this comes in, a counterfeit of justice, abhorrent to God." In the Webster's dictionary, one of the meanings of the word abhorrent, to abhor is to hate extremely or with contempt, to loathe, detest or abominate and there you have in the justice system, in this counterfeit justice system, you have the kernel of the abomination that makes desolate. Do you see the connection. It's in this justice system.

When we are following, we are going piece by piece, we're laying it down piece by piece. How this abomination was set up and how Satan would institute an appearement based system for justice to be satisfied. This was all part of his plan to bring Christ down from the throne and to steal his inheritance. This is what he would plan to do.

Now the book goes on and we've talked about this in the penalty of sin, how up to half of the angels, *Spirit of Prophecy*, Vol 1, page 22, Satan pointed to nearly half of the angels and said these are with me. So nearly half of the angels had sided with Lucifer but only one-third of the angels fell. The difference between nearly 50% and 33% went back to God and the penalty for their transgression of his character was what? Forgiveness. That's justice, isn't it? Right doing. Restoring through mercy. God's justice restored the 16% of the angels without any death penalty. That I find very encouraging.

We see here, and I just want to lay these points out for you to establish this original abomination, it's built upon and I've got here 11 points on page 11. So let's follow the sequence through carefully. This is how it begins:

- 1. A rejection of the begotten son who inherited all things. This is the first component in this abomination.
- 2. Which led to a rejection of life as a gift.

- 3. Which led to the theory of an inherent immortality.
- 4. Which led to the theory that angels did not need laws to govern them.
- 5. Which made God's law appear arbitrary.
- 6. Which caused Satan to declare that mercy was inconsistent with justice because beings of inherent wisdom do not need mercy they have sufficient wisdom to guide them. Did you follow that point? They don't need mercy because they don't make mistakes, they are infallible. This is part of the abomination. And if they make mistakes, they must die because they should have known their sin is inexcusable and they must die. This is how it's being set up which he made justice inconsistent with mercy. This is how he set it up.
- 7. Which made God appear that He could not be just and forgiving. This is what the lie creates.
- 8. Which led Satan to tell the angels that God would not forgive.
- 9. Which led Satan to state that every sin must be punished.
- 10. Which led to the idea that justice demands death.
- 11. Which opened the door for the principle of sacrificial atonement or penal substitution for transgression.

Were you able to follow that sequence. This is the origin of the abomination that makes desolate and it starts with the rejection of the only begotten Son of God and it goes from there into a false justice system, into a belief and as we've studied elsewhere, why is it the death exists, why is it that Satan has the power of death? Because once you believe that God cannot forgive, then you cannot be forgiven because you're the one that says that God cannot forgive and that's what gives God the power of death.

Congregation: So we have him the keys in our own minds, in our own beliefs.

So we handed over the keys to the car. If you believe you can't be forgiven, then you can't be forgiven. No matter how much God holds out to you forgiveness and says "I forgive you", if you don't believe that God can forgive you, He is wasting His time. So hopefully we've just laid this out there and you can go over this in the booklet, the points of the original abomination which will lead to an appearement based system of worship.

Then we want to go into the story of Adam and why was there an institution of a sacrificial system. Why was this system set up and we need to go into those points to look at this because the sacrificial system is one of the key components that keeps Christianity locked into a dispensational understanding of the covenants. Oh, that's a mouthful. The reason why most Christians believe that the New Covenant begins when Jesus came to earth is because God set up this sacrificial system and then he ended it when Christ died which locks off the Old Testament as a system of law because God demanded the death of animals and once that was gone, now we have the New Testament of grace.

So we have to be able to penetrate the true reason for the institution of the sacrificial system, why it was set up, how it relates to this abomination that makes desolate, why is there an appeasement based process that is operating in men's minds. Because the pagan nations that were offering their children, who are offering all kinds of animals, whatever, is only a perversion of the original of which Adam gave. And as some of us have looked at the first offering that was made, glibly though it were, was when Adam said "the woman whom You gave to be with me". That's sacrificial atonement isn't

it? No wonder marriages are having trouble. So God is simply manifesting what is in the heart of Adam and the abomination that makes desolate.

This is the war that God has been engaged in with Satan in terms of unmasking this abomination and I hope as we continue over each evening, as we look at these particular subjects, that we'll begin to see how the Third Angel's Message will unmask the abomination that makes desolate. And of course, the ability to unmask it was established at the end of the final week at the 490 year period where he would seal up the vision, anoint the most holy, bring in everlasting righteousness, all those things would be established at the time of Christ but would not be manifested until the gathering time in October 1844 when a doorway would be open into heaven for us to reclaim our understanding of the character of God. I think that's enough for now.

Congregation: Can I ask a question? Jesus refers in Matthew 24 to when we see the abomination of desolation stand in the sanctuary, then you have to think about how this and how starts all the prophecies.

Can I just make a comment on that so those thoughts come through. About three years ago I was studying the abomination of desolation, quite a broad topic, and looking at a different playouts of it and how Jerusalem was a type in Matthew 24, which Ellen White says we need to study Matthew 24. What I see, just big picture, is looking and actually I kind of identified things that you bring out that the abomination began before the destruction of Jerusalem in the heart of Satan as well and Jerusalem, you look at what were the main dynamics that took place there with the whole lead up to the rejection, well it was the rejection of Messiah, it was rejection of the inherent Son and as the Son of God which led to the downfall of Jerusalem. Jesus said the parable of the Kings wedding and the vineyard where He said the landowner said after he sent the gatherers of the fruit then lastly, you know, they stoned those and said I'll send My Son. Surely they will reverence my Son and they said come it is the heir, let us kill him. Jerusalem's downfall and destruction was the abomination there was rejection of the Son and His character.

So the short answer to that question is the first five words, "when you shall therefore see". The problem for the last 4,000 years is they didn't see it, they couldn't see the abomination. Not even the angels in heaven fully understood it but when Christ came and manifested the character of God, the ability to be able to see this abomination became available. It was made open, it was revealed and this is the whole work of Christ. He is the visible that makes the invisible visible and he made visible the abomination that makes desolate because of the revelation of the character of God.

It revealed this false appearement based system and yet most of the world, including Christianity, didn't discern this and they went on with their appearement based worship.

Congregation: The other interesting thing was the unification of church and state back then because you had the Jews aligning with Rome by the rejection of the crucifixion and you have the same thing in Revelation 13. You have the religious powers.

This is where we come to the issue of the abomination that makes desolate standing in the holy place and what that means. It certainly doesn't mean the American Congress. It's not what the holy place is.

So some people are weary, some of you will want to keep going but I think others are going to be fried if we keep going so they I don't want to do that to people.

Congregation: Adrian, you're setting up a big picture for the rest of the camp on this series of three like we have just done tonight.

We want to build on this. We're just laying out the introduction for this and where the origins of the abomination have begun and what are the issues that are at play there. So we just come back to those issues of the begotten Son, the inheritance, the immortality, the law of God. These are all issues that set up the origin.

The frontal lobe is obviously the spiritual understanding. That has to be the source. This is where Satan is ruled from in the mind, this false justice system but it is manifested in places in history within the earth at certain places where there is a manifestation of these things that we can identify what it is to prove what it is.

Alright, stay tuned. I cannot promise I'll simply ask my Father what we will be doing so let us pray.

Father in heaven, I just thank you for this opportunity to discuss this important subject and I pray that it will stir up our minds as we think about the origins of this abomination that makes desolate and how our Saviour revealed it and manifested it. I do want to pray for Tony's father, Michael. I pray that You would be with him as he's being moved and the difficulties that he is facing. Lord, please help us as we study these important subjects that we might comprehend and understand. It will take effort to study, line upon line. Let us not but grow discouraged if some of these things go over our heads but made stir us to ask our Father, Father what does this mean. Help me to understand these points and to grasp those things that I need to know for this present hour that we may overcome the beast and its image and we thank you in Jesus name.

Amen.