

THE MESSAGE TO THE LAODICEANS

A Bible Study
With Quotes From Ellen G. White

1. What is the message to the Laodiceans?

Revelation 3:14-22 “14 And unto the angel of **the church of the Laodiceans** write; **These things saith the Amen**, the faithful and **true witness**, the beginning of the creation of God; 15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. 16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, **I will spue thee out of my mouth**. 17 **Because thou sayest, I am rich**, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; **and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked**: 18 **I counsel thee to buy of me** gold tried in the fire, **that thou mayest be rich**; and white raiment, **that thou mayest be clothed**, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, **that thou mayest see**. 19 As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. 20 **Behold, I stand at the door, and knock**: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, **I will come in to him**, and will sup with him, and he **with me**. 21 To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne. 22 He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.”

2SM 66.2, The Message to the Laodiceans “**The message to the Laodiceans is applicable to Seventh-day Adventists who have had great light and have not walked in the light**. It is those who have made great profession, but **have not kept in step with their Leader**, that will be **spewed out of His mouth unless they repent**. The message to pronounce the Seventh-Day Adventist Church Babylon, and call the people of God out of her, does not come from any heavenly messenger, or any human agent inspired by the Spirit of God. **The True Witness says: [quotes Revelation 3:18-21].**”

2. What will this message cause?

1SG 184.3-185.1 “I asked the meaning of **the shaking** I had seen. I was shown that it **would be caused** by the straight

testimony called forth **by the counsel of the true Witness to the Laodiceans**. It will have its effect upon the heart of the receiver of the testimony, and it will lead him to exalt the standard and pour forth the straight truth. **This straight testimony some will not bear. They will rise up against it, and this will cause a shaking among God’s people**. I saw that the testimony of the true Witness has not been half heeded. **The solemn testimony upon which the destiny of the church hangs, has been lightly esteemed, if not entirely disregarded.**”

3. Does this message proclaim that we need the presence of Jesus?

1T 186, The Laodicean Church “I was shown that **the testimony to the Laodiceans applies to God’s people at the present time**, and the reason it has not accomplished a greater work is because of the hardness of their hearts. But God has given the message time to do its work. The heart must be purified from sins which have so long shut out Jesus. This fearful message will do its work. When it was first presented, it led to close examination of heart. Sins were confessed, and the people of God were stirred everywhere. Nearly all believed that this message would end in the loud cry of the third angel. But as they failed to see the powerful work accomplished in a short time, many lost the effect of the message. **I saw that this message would not accomplish its work in a few short months. It is designed to arouse the people of God, to discover to them their backslidings, and to lead to zealous repentance, that they may be favored with the presence of Jesus, and be fitted for the loud cry of the third angel.**”

4. Revelation 3:18 – Why are we poor and wretched?

Revelation 3:17-18 “Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: **I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed**, and that the shame of thy

nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, **that thou mayest see.**”

Colossians 1:27-29 “To whom God would make known what is **the riches of the glory** of this mystery among the Gentiles; which is **Christ in you**, the hope of glory: Whom we preach, warning every man, and teaching every man in all wisdom; that we may present every man perfect in **Christ Jesus**: Whereunto I also **labour, striving according to his working, which worketh in me mightily.**”

RH, August 26, 1890 “**The reason why the churches are weak and sickly and ready to die, is that the enemy** has brought influences of a discouraging nature to bear upon trembling souls. He **has sought to shut Jesus from their view as the Comforter**, as one who reproves, who warns, who admonishes them, saying, ‘This is the way, walk ye in it.’ **Christ has all power** in heaven and in earth, **and he can strengthen the wavering, and set right the erring.**”

5. Revelation 3:20 – What does “the presence of Jesus” mean?

Revelation 3:20 “**Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.**”

Galatians 2:20, 4:6 “I am crucified with Christ: nevertheless I live; yet not I, but **Christ liveth in me**: and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by the faith of the Son of God, who loved me, and gave himself for me. ... And because ye are sons, God hath sent forth the Spirit **of his Son into your hearts**, crying, Abba, Father.”

DA 161, 341 “**Only Christ can cleanse the soul temple. But He will not force an entrance. He comes not into the heart** as to the temple of old; but He says, “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear My voice, and open the door, **I will come in to him.**” **Revelation 3:20. He will come**, not for one day merely; for He says, “I will dwell in them, and walk in them; ... and they shall be My people.” “He will subdue our iniquities; and Thou wilt cast all their sins into the depths of the sea.” 2 Corinthians 6:16; Micah 7:19. **His presence will cleanse and sanctify the soul**, so that it may be a holy temple unto the Lord, and “an habitation of God through the Spirit.” Ephesians 2:21, 22. ... 341 **The only safeguard against his power is found in the presence of Jesus.** Before men and angels Satan has been revealed as man's enemy and destroyer; **Christ**, as man's friend and deliverer. **His Spirit will develop in man** all that will ennoble the character and dignify the nature. **It will build man up** for the glory of God in body and soul and spirit.”

6. Revelation 3:17 - Why do we not know what the “presence of Jesus” means?

Revelation 3:17-18 “**Because thou** sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and **knowest not** that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: **I counsel thee** to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that

thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.”

2 Corinthians 11:2-4 “For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may **present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. But I fear**, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so **your minds should be corrupted** from the simplicity that is in Christ. **For if** he that cometh preacheth another Jesus, whom we have not preached, or if **ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received**, or another gospel, which ye have not accepted, **ye might well bear with him.**”

Lt 66, April 10, 1894 “We want that complete and perfect understanding which **the Lord alone can give. It is not safe to catch the spirit from another. We want the Holy Spirit, which is Jesus Christ.**”

Lt 150, May 15, 1906 “I should be an unfaithful watchman, were I to hold my peace, when **I see the very foundations of our faith being torn away by those who have departed from the faith**, and who are now adrift, without an anchor. In this time, when **false doctrines are being taught**, we are to **teach the same truth that we have taught for the past half century. I have not changed my faith one jot or one tittle.**”

7. What is the promise of the Comforter?

John 14:16-23

“16 And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another Comforter**, that **he may abide with you for ever**; 17 Even the Spirit of truth; whom **the world** cannot receive, because it **seeth him not**, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and **shall be in you**. 18 I will not leave you **comfortless: I will come to you**. 19 Yet a little while, and **the world seeth me no more; but ye see me**: because I live, ye shall live also. 20 **At that day** ye shall know that **I am in my Father, and ye in me, and I in you**. 21 He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and **I will love him, and will manifest myself to him**. 22 Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, **Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?** 23 Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love **me**, he will keep my words: **and my Father** will love him, and **we will come** unto him, and make **our abode** with him.”

8. John 14:16 - Who is the Comforter?

John 14:16 “And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another **Comforter (Greek: parakletos)**, that he may abide with you for ever;

1 John 2:1 “My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have **an advocate (Greek: parakletos)** with the Father, **Jesus Christ the righteous:**”

RH, Jan 7, 1903 “**Let them link up** with one another and **with Christ**. Let them study the seventeenth of John, and

learn how to pray and how to live the prayer of Christ. **He is the Comforter. He will abide in their hearts**, making their joy full. **His words** will be to them as the bread of life, and in the strength thus gained they will be **enabled to develop characters that will be an honor to God.**"

9. John 14:16 - What did Christ mean by "another?"

John 14:16 "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you **another** Comforter, that he may abide with you for ever;"

Mark 16:12 "After that **he appeared in another form** unto two of them, as they walked, and went into the country."

14MR 23.3 "**Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally**; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. **The Holy Spirit is Himself** divested of the personality of humanity and independent thereof. **He would represent Himself** as present in all places by **His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent.**"

10. John 14:16 - Who will abide with you forever?

John 14:16 "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that he may **abide with you for ever**;"

Matthew 28:20 "Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, **lo, I am with you always**, even unto the end of the world. Amen."

DA 166.2 "While **Jesus** ministers in the sanctuary above, **He is still by His Spirit the minister of the church on earth.** He is withdrawn from the eye of sense, but His parting promise is **fulfilled, "Lo, I am with you alway**, even unto the end of the world." **Matthew 28:20.** While He delegates His power to inferior ministers, **His energizing presence** is still with His church."

11. John 14:16 - Did Christ initially refer to Himself in the third person?

John 14:16 "And I will pray the Father, and he shall give you another Comforter, that **he may** abide with you for ever;"

John 10:2-3, 16-18

"**But he** that entereth in by the door **is the shepherd of the sheep. To him** the porter openeth; and **the sheep hear his voice**: and he calleth **his own sheep** by name, and leadeth them out. And when he putteth forth his own sheep, he goeth before them, and **the sheep follow him**: for **they know his voice**. ...

I am the good shepherd, and know my sheep, and am known of mine. As the Father knoweth me, even so know I the Father: and I lay down my life for the sheep. And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: **them also I must bring**, and they shall **hear my voice**; and there shall be one fold, and **one shepherd.**"

DA 800 "They did not think that the subject of their conversation was walking by their side; for **Christ referred to Himself as though He were another person.**"

12. John 14:17 - Who is the Spirit of truth?

John 14:17 "Even the Spirit of **truth**; whom the world cannot receive, because it seeth him not, neither knoweth him: but ye know him; for he dwelleth with you, and shall be in you."

John 14:6 "**Jesus saith** unto him, **I am** the way, **the truth**, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me."

Philippians 1:11, 19 "**Being filled with the fruits of righteousness, which are by Jesus Christ**, unto the glory and praise of God. ... For I know that this shall turn to my salvation through your prayer, and **the supply** of the Spirit of **Jesus Christ,**"

DA 805 "**The more abundant impartation of the Spirit did not take place till after Christ's ascension.** Not until **this** was received could the disciples fulfill the commission to preach the gospel to the world. But the Spirit was now given for a special purpose. Before the disciples could fulfill their official duties in connection with the church, **Christ breathed His Spirit upon them.** He was committing to them a most sacred trust, and He desired to impress them with the fact that without the Holy Spirit this work could not be accomplished. **The Holy Spirit is the breath of spiritual life in the soul. The impartation of the Spirit is the impartation of the life of Christ. It imbues the receiver with the attributes of Christ.**"

13. John 14:18 – Who did not leave us comfortless?

John 14:18 "I will not leave you **comfortless: I will come to you.**"

Hebrews 2:18 "**For in that he himself hath suffered** being tempted, **he is able to succour** them that are tempted."

DA 324 "The soul that is **yielded to Christ becomes His own fortress, which He holds** in a revolted world, and **He intends that no authority shall be known in it but His own.** A soul thus kept in possession by the heavenly agencies is impregnable to the assaults of Satan. But unless we do **yield ourselves to the control of Christ**, we shall be dominated by the wicked one. We must inevitably be **under the control of the one or the other of the two great powers** that are contending for the supremacy of the world. It is not necessary for us deliberately to choose the service of the kingdom of darkness in order to come under its dominion. We have only to neglect to ally ourselves with the kingdom of light. If we do not co-operate with the heavenly agencies, Satan will take possession of the heart, and will make it his abiding place. **The only defense against evil is the indwelling of Christ in the heart through faith in His righteousness.**"

14. John 14:20 - How is Christ in His Father?

John 14:20 “At that day ye shall know that **I am in my Father**, and ye in me, and I in you.”

John 3:34-35, 14:10 “For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for **God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him**. The Father loveth the Son, and **hath given all things into his hand**. ... Believest thou not that **I am in the Father, and the Father in me**? the words that I speak unto you I speak not of myself: but **the Father that dwelleth in me**, he doeth the works.”

RH, Nov 5, 1908, par. 4 “The Father **gave his** Spirit without measure to his Son, and we also may partake of **its fulness**.”

15. John 14:20 - Is Christ in you?

John 14:20 “At that day ye shall know that I am in my Father, and **ye in me, and I in you**.”

Ephesians 3:14-20 “For this cause I bow my knees unto the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Of whom the whole family in heaven and earth is named, That he would grant you, according to the riches of his glory, to be strengthened with might **by his Spirit** in the inner man; **That Christ may dwell in your hearts by faith**; **that ye**, being rooted and grounded in love, **May be able** to comprehend with all saints what is the breadth, and length, and depth, and height; And **to know the love of Christ**, which passeth knowledge, **that ye might be filled with all the fulness of God**. Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, **according to the power that worketh in us**,”

Ms100, July 14, 1902 “When God's people take the position that they are the temple of the Holy Ghost, **Christ Himself abiding within**, they will **so clearly reveal Him in spirit, words and actions**, that there will be an unmistakable distinction between them and Satan's followers.”

16. John 14:21-22 – Does Christ manifest Himself?

John 14:21-22 “He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and **I will love him, and will manifest myself to him**. Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, **Lord, how is it that thou wilt manifest thyself unto us, and not unto the world?**”

2 Corinthians 3:14-17 “But their minds were blinded: for until this day remaineth the same vail untaken away in the reading of the old testament; which **vail is done away in Christ**. But even unto this day, when Moses is read, the vail is upon their heart. Nevertheless when it shall **turn to the Lord, the vail shall be taken away**. Now **the Lord is that Spirit**: and where the Spirit **of the Lord** is, there is liberty.”

DA 669 “He that loveth Me shall be loved of My Father, and **I will love him, and will manifest Myself to him**.” Jesus read the future of His disciples. He saw one brought to the

scaffold, one to the cross, one to exile among the lonely rocks of the sea, others to persecution and death. **He encouraged them with the promise that in every trial He would be with them**. That promise has lost none of its force. The Lord knows all about His faithful servants who for His sake are lying in prison or who are banished to lonely islands. **He comforts them with His own presence**. When for the truth's sake the believer stands at the bar of unrighteous tribunals, **Christ stands by his side**. All the reproaches that fall upon him, fall upon Christ. Christ is condemned over again in the person of His disciple. When one is incarcerated in prison walls, **Christ ravishes the heart with His love**.”

17. John 14:23 - Who made Their abode with us?

John 14:23 “Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love **me**, he will keep my words: **and my Father** will love him, and **we will come** unto him, and make **our abode** with him.”

John 17:20-23 “Neither pray I for these alone, but for them also which shall believe on me through their word; **That they all may be one; as thou, Father, art in me, and I in thee**, that they also may be **one in us**: that the world may believe that thou hast sent me. And the glory which thou gavest me I have given them; **that they may be one, even as we are one: I in them, and thou in me**, that they may be made perfect in one; and that the world may know that thou hast sent me, and hast loved them, as thou hast loved me.”

BEcho, Jan 15, 1893 “Wherever you go, carry on the good work of searching the Scriptures, and **the Lord Jesus will always be at your right hand to help you**. He is a merciful high priest **pleading in your behalf**. **He will send his representative, the Holy Spirit; for He says**, “I will not leave you comfortless; I will come to you. **By the Spirit the Father and the Son will come** and make **their abode** with you.”

18. John 14:26 - Who is our Teacher?

John 14:26 “But **the Comforter, which is the Holy Ghost**, whom the Father will send in my name, **he shall teach you all things**, and bring all things to your remembrance, whatsoever I have said unto you.”

1 John 2:27 “**But the anointing which ye have received of him abideth in you**, and ye need not that any man teach you: but as **the same anointing teacheth you of all things**, and is truth, and is no lie, and even **as it hath taught you, ye shall abide in him**.”

SW, Oct 25, 1898 “**The Holy Spirit is constantly** at work, **teaching**, reminding, testifying, coming to the soul as a divine Comforter, convincing of sin as an appointed judge and guide. **Christ was the spirit of truth**. The world will not listen to **His pleadings**. They would not accept **Him as their guide**. They could not discern unseen things; spiritual things were unknown to them. **But His disciples** see in Him the Way, the Truth, and the Life. And they **shall have His**

abiding presence. They shall have **an experimental knowledge of the only true God and of Jesus Christ whom He hath sent.**”

19. John 15:26 - Who testifies of Christ?

John 15:26 “But when **the Comforter** is come, whom I will send unto you from the Father, even **the Spirit of truth**, which proceedeth from the Father, **he shall testify of me:**”

1 Peter 1:11 “Searching what, or what manner of time **the Spirit of Christ which was in them** did signify, when it **testified beforehand** the sufferings of **Christ**, and the glory that should follow.”

DA 234.1 “**The Saviour had spoken through all the prophets. “The Spirit of Christ** which was in them” “testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow.” **1 Peter 1:11**”

20. John 16:7 - Why could the Comforter not come unless Christ left?

John 16:7 “Nevertheless I tell you the truth; It is expedient for you that I go away: **for if I go not away, the Comforter will not come unto you; but if I depart, I will send him unto you.**”

Acts 2:32-33 “This **Jesus** hath God raised up, whereof we all are witnesses. Therefore being by the right hand of God exalted, and **having received of the Father** the promise of **the Holy Ghost**, he **hath shed forth this**, which ye now see and hear.”

Early Writings, 55 “Those who were bowed before the throne would offer up their prayers and look to Jesus; then he would look to his Father, and appeared to be pleading with him. **A light would come from the Father to the Son, and from the Son to the praying company.** ... **And I saw** those who rose up with Jesus send up their faith to him in the Holiest, and pray—my Father give us thy Spirit. **Then Jesus would breathe upon them the Holy Ghost. In the breath was light, power, and much love, joy and peace.**”

21. John 16:13-16 - How does the Spirit of truth not speak of Himself?

John 16:13-16 “Howbeit when he, **the Spirit of truth**, is come, he will guide you into all truth: for he **shall not speak of himself; but whatsoever he shall hear, that shall he speak:** and he will shew you things to come. He shall glorify me: for he shall receive of mine, and shall shew it unto you. **All things that the Father hath are mine: therefore said I, that he shall take of mine, and shall shew it unto you.** A little while, and ye shall not see me: and **again, a little while, and ye shall see me, because I go to the Father.**”

John 12:49 “For **I have not spoken of myself; but the Father** which sent me, he **gave me a commandment**, what I should say, and **what I should speak.**”

RH, Oct. 26, 1897 “**There is no comforter like Christ**, so tender and so true. **He is touched** with the feeling of our infirmities. **His Spirit speaks to the heart.**”

22. John 16:25 - Did Christ speak of the Comforter in proverbs?

John 16:25 “**These things have I spoken unto you in proverbs:** but the time cometh, when I shall no more speak unto you in proverbs, but I shall shew you plainly of the Father.”

Lt16j-1892.3 “**The thirteenth, fourteenth, fifteenth, sixteenth, and seventeenth chapters of John need careful study** and earnest practice if we **honor God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent.**”

23. Who is the Third Person of the Godhead?

DA 671, 827 “**It is by the Spirit of truth**, working through the word of God, **that Christ subdues** His chosen people to **Himself**. In describing to His disciples the office work of the Holy Spirit, Jesus sought to inspire them with the joy and hope that inspired His own heart. He rejoiced because of the abundant help He had provided for His church. The Holy Spirit was the highest of all gifts that He could solicit from His Father for the exaltation of His people. The Spirit was to be given as a regenerating agent, and without this the sacrifice of Christ would have been of no avail. The power of evil had been strengthening for centuries, and the submission of men to this satanic captivity was amazing. **Sin could be resisted and overcome only through the mighty agency of the Third Person of the Godhead**, who would come with no modified energy, but in the fullness of divine power. It is the Spirit that makes effectual what has been wrought out by the world's Redeemer. **It is by the Spirit that the heart is made pure.** Through the Spirit the believer becomes a partaker of the divine nature. **Christ has given His Spirit as a divine power** to overcome all hereditary and cultivated tendencies to evil, and to impress His own character upon His church. ...

Christ gives them the breath of His own spirit, the life of His own life. **The Holy Spirit** puts forth **its** highest energies to work **in heart and mind**. The grace of God enlarges and multiplies their faculties, and every perfection of the divine nature comes to their assistance in the work of saving souls. **Through co-operation with Christ they are complete in Him**, and in their human weakness they are enabled to do the deeds of Omnipotence.”

24. Were the pioneers wrong?

Revelation 3:7-8 “And to the angel of **the church in Philadelphia** write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth; I know thy works: **behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.**”

Lt 24, 1907, par 9 “The Word of the Lord has guided our steps **since** the passing of the time in **1844**. We have searched the Scriptures; **we** have built solidly; and **we have not had to tear up our foundations and put in new timbers.**”

25. Who turned our church unto fables, by accounting our fundamental principles as error?

2 Timothy 4:1-4 “**I charge thee therefore before God, and the Lord Jesus Christ**, who shall judge the quick and the dead at his appearing and his kingdom; **Preach the word**; be instant in season, out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort with all long suffering and doctrine. **For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine**; but **after their own lusts** shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; And **they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.**”

1 SM 204-205 “**The enemy of souls has sought** to bring in the supposition that a **great reformation** was **to take place among Seventh-day Adventists**, and that **this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith**, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded. **Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error.** A new organization would be established. **Books of a new order would be written.** A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. The founders of this system would go into the cities, and do a wonderful work. The Sabbath of course, would be **lightly regarded, as also the God who created it.**”

LeRoy Froom, Movement of Destiny 322, 422 “I was compelled to search out a **score of valuable books written by men outside of our faith** –those previously noted – for initial clues and suggestions, and to open up beckoning vistas to intensive personal study. I went on from there. But they were decided early helps. And scores, if not hundreds, could confirm the same sobering conviction that **some of these other men frequently had a deeper insight into the spiritual things of God than many of our own men had on the Holy Spirit and the triumphant life.** It was still a largely obscure theme. ...

The next logical and inevitable step in the implementing of our unified fundamental beliefs, **involved revision of certain standard works, so as to eliminate statements that taught,**

and thus perpetuated erroneous views on the Godhead. Such sentiments were **now** sharply at variance with the accepted fundamental beliefs set forth in the Church Manual.”

Quiz (See the above question (Q#) for the full quotes)

1. What is the message to the Laodiceans? (Q #1)

2SM 66.2 . “**The message to the Laodiceans is applicable to _____ who have had great light and have not walked in the light. ... The True Witness says: [quotes Revelation ____].**”

2. Do we need the presence of Jesus right now? (Q #3)

1T 186 “I was shown that **the testimony to the Laodiceans** applies to God's people at the present time ... **It is designed to arouse the people of God**, to discover to them their backslidings, and to lead to zealous repentance, **that they may be favored with the _____ and be fitted for the loud cry of the third angel.**”

3. What is the presence of Jesus? (Q #5)

Revelation 3:20 “Behold, **_____ stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, _____ will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with _____.**”

DA 161, 341 “**Only _____ can cleanse the soul temple.** But He will not force an entrance. **_____ comes not into the heart** as to the temple of old; but He says, **[quotes Revelation 3:20] _____ will come**, not for one day merely; for He says, [quotes 2 Corinthians 6:16, Micah 7:19]. **His presence will cleanse and sanctify the soul ... The only safeguard** against his power is found in **the presence of Jesus.** Before men and angels Satan has been revealed as man's enemy and destroyer; **_____, as man's friend and deliverer. _____ Spirit will develop in man** all that will ennoble the character and dignify the nature. **_____ will build man up** for the glory of God in body and soul and spirit.”

4. Who manifests Himself to us? (Q#16)

John 14:21-22 “He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me: and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father, and **_____ will love him, and will manifest _____ to him.** Judas saith unto him, not Iscariot, **Lord, how** is it that **_____ will manifest _____ unto us, and not unto the world?**”

DA 669 “[Quotes John 14:21] ... **He encouraged them with the promise that in every trial _____ would be with them. ... _____ comforts them with _____ own presence.** When for the truth's sake the believer stands at the bar of unrighteous tribunals, **_____ stands by his side. ...** When one is incarcerated in prison walls, **_____ ravishes the heart with His love.**”