

## Treasures of the Sanctuary—Lesson 15—“The Heavenly Day of Atonement”

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### OPENING DISCUSSION QUESTIONS/TALK:

1. Why do you think most people around the world will agree that stealing, killing, cheating on your marriage partner, and lying are all evil or disgraceful things?
2. Why do so many people feel guilty about doing these *bad* things? How can they receive peace and be free of their guilt?

### READING AND STUDY QUESTIONS:

1. Were people forgiven for their sin at the Altar when the blood of the Lamb was poured out for them? (Leviticus 4:29-31) (*in the same way, we are forgiven for our sins when we receive Jesus Christ's forgiveness*)
  - a. They were indeed saved by the blood. This blood was then **taken into the Sanctuary**. So, there was still **a record of their sin** in the Sanctuary.
  - b. If someone chose to abandon the atonement for a reckless life of sin, would their sins then stand against them? (Ezekiel 18:24)
2. On the Day of Atonement the final cleansing was made. This is when **the high priest would come “near before the Lord.”** (See Leviticus 16:1,2)
  - a. This was a day of “cleansing the Sanctuary” (See Leviticus 16:16,18,19,29,30). It was a very special and solemn time. People were searching their hearts. They had been forgiven and now at this time, even the record of all their sins was being **cleansed away!**
3. What can we find in Daniel 7 about this great event? When would the real event actually take place? What would it be like? (Go to Daniel 7)
  - a. What does Daniel see coming into power? (Dan. 7:8) \_\_\_\_\_ What does a “horn” represent in Bible prophecy? (v.24) \_\_\_\_\_
  - b. What is the next thing that Daniel sees in his vision? (Dan. 7:9, 10) \_\_\_\_\_ Where is this happening at? \_\_\_\_\_ (hint: where is the throne of God?)
  - c. This is an “investigative” judgment. The records are being searched. All of the \_\_\_\_\_ of Heaven are there! Who does Jesus say would be there? (Revelation 3:5; 5:11)
  - d. What was all over the walls of the earthly Sanctuary? (Exodus 36:8, 35)

- e. After this Judgment scene the “little horn” will be rewarded by the fire of God that proceeds from the Heavenly Sanctuary (v.11). Does God get upset when men profane His holy things? \_\_\_\_\_ (Lev. 10:1-3)
  - f. The Beasts mentioned in the chapter represent \_\_\_\_\_. (v.12, 17, 23)
  - g. Does the “Son of Man” come before the presence of God the Father, with all the Holy Angels? (v.13-14) \_\_\_\_\_ (Note: as this Judgment takes place He is receiving His Kingdom. This is also described in the 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet of Revelation—Rev. 11:15-17,19)
4. How does the Judgment work? Does Jesus give to us both *forgiveness* and *cleansing*? (1 John 1:9)
- a. Is there a record of both good and bad works that is brought into the Judgment? (Ecclesiastes 12:13, 14). Notice that God’s Ten Commandments are the standard in this Judgment—the Law.
  - b. How do I know that Jesus will forgive my sins? How can I be sure they are cleansed away? (Proverbs 28:13; 1 John 1:9)
  - c. What will Jesus put in place of my sinful character? (Revelation 3:5)
  - d. Can good works save me? (Isaiah 64:6; ref. Ephesians 2:8,9)
  - e. If sin is un-confessed and un-forsaken then we will perish with our sin (ref. Ezekiel 18:24).
5. Daniel 7 gives the full sequence of events two more times: \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ . (Dan. 7:21,22, 25-27). Note: The Heavenly Judgment must start sometime after **1798 AD** because that was the year the Little Horn lost its power. The exact time for the Judgment to start is prophesied in Daniel 8:14. (we should see more on this in upcoming lessons)

**HEART QUESTION(S):**

- 1. Would you like Jesus Christ to cleanse away all of your sins in this Heavenly Judgment? \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Are you willing to forsake and confess your sins to Jesus Christ? And, to obey all Ten of His commandments? \_\_\_\_\_ (including the 7<sup>th</sup> day Sabbath)

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