STUDY ON THE DAILY

Is the Mystery Solved?

Sometimes we read things in the scriptures that are full of mystery, but with time and study they become clear to us. There are other times when subjects stay a mystery until certain events take place that sheds light on the subject, then it clears up. One of these subjects is “the daily” in Daniel 8:11,12; 11:31 and 12:11. With the advanced knowledge of Daniel 12, we are seeing more evidence on the “daily”.

William Miller was the originator of the concept that the “daily” was paganism. He must have come to this understanding while studying the history of the pagan kingdoms that were responsible for taking away the daily service in the temple. Especially when the pagan Rome destroyed the Jewish temple and nation in 70 AD. He actually called the pagan powers that did away with the daily service, “the daily”. Miller’s own ministers were in disagreement with him over this teaching. [See the “Midnight Cry” Feb. 22, 1844, page 242]. [Also 4 SDABC page 64].

The Judgment Hour Cry

This is Ellen White’s major quote on the “daily”.

“When I saw in relation to the "daily" (Daniel 8:12) that the word "sacrifice" was supplied by man's wisdom, and does not belong to the text, and that the Lord gave the correct view of it to those who gave the judgment hour cry. When union existed, before 1844, nearly all were united on the correct view of the "daily"; but in the confusion since 1844, other views have been embraced, and darkness and confusion have followed. Time has not been a test since 1844, and it will never again be a test”. {EW 74.2}

The term “judgment hour cry” in the above quote, has to be a term that those who were involved with it, was understood without an explanation of its evolvement through the years 1830’s and 1840’s. We in this day will
misunderstand what was being said here if we do not know the way it has changed names during that time. This was brought to my attention while studying that period of time over and over while gathering information for my study of the article on the “Skeleton in the Closet”. Most of you understand or know about this article so I don’t have to explain it at this time.

I will now give you the process of the evolvement of this term. It started with the first angels message with William Miller in the late 1830’s, but in 1843 in the spring at Passover they thought that would be the time for Jesus to come at midnight so it took on the name, “the midnight cry”, pertaining to the ten virgins in Matthew 25. Later in the summer of 1844 [GC427] when Samuel Snow made the findings of Croisier, Hahn, and Edson, known about the Oct. 22, 1844 date, then it took on the title of the “true midnight cry” or “behold the bridegroom cometh” and also the “seventh-month movement”. As it grew, some of the leaders would not use this “Jewish term”, until they could hold off no longer as the latter rain was falling. Only a few weeks before the seventh month [October] did they accept this movement with this title [the seventh-month movement]. [See James White’s article later on].

It was during this time they became united about the daily, not before. And this union was with the standard teaching of the priestly work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary and not paganism.

Once this is understood we can approach the study of the “daily” from a different viewpoint than the passing of the scepter of power from one pagan kingdom to the next down through the ages. As we read pages 74-75 in Early Writings you will notice Ellen speaks briefly of many different subjects, but none in great detail. In fact the editors have added a supplement with an explanation of some of these subjects in more detail for our benefit. [see pages 85 and onward of Early Writings].

If Uriah Smith had not revived Miller’s teaching of paganism in his writings “Thoughts on Daniel and Revelation” in 1873 [4SDABC 64] this would have been a dead issue. We would all be united on the priestly work of our High Priest in the heavenly sanctuary. Other comments Ellen made later were in
stopping the arguments over this non-salvational subject. In Early Writings p. 15 she speaks of the 144,000 who will be perfectly united. But this is after the latter rain has fallen. That power supersedes all the little differences that now divides us. The mountains now will become mole hills then, if not before that time.

Clarification of the Daily

The word “daily” could use some clarification which would help us understand what was taken away in Daniel 8:11. The word in Hebrew is “tamiyd” [tawmeed] which means “continual”. It was applied to the complete daily service of the sanctuary, including the sanctuary itself. It also included the priesthood and the people who were daily depositing their sins in the sanctuary. It also involved the work of the High Priest on the Day of Atonement. In the Old Testament it didn’t have anything to do with the scepter of power which some of the present teachings are based on. I know some of these dear people and understand them to be wonderful Christians. I do not want to hurt them in any way, but I do not agree with their interpretation of the “daily”. We must come together as brothers and sisters and reason together without hurting anyone.

This whole system of the sanctuary is being supplanted by the little horn power of Daniel 8 and onward. The Pope replaces God, the priesthood replaces Christ’s work as mediator and Mary is the mediatrix between man and God, the mass substitutes the sacrifice of Christ [Ellen calls this an abomination], the priest replaces Christ’s work of forgiveness of sins in the confessional booth. It has replaced the Sabbath with Sunday and changed the law and times [the moeds -feast days of God]. In essence they have “taken away the ‘daily’” or the continual service of Christ’s administrative work in heaven in the minds of the people. This is also taking away the investigative judgment process. The cleansing of the sanctuary [Daniel 8:14] is the investigative judgment process which is going on in heaven now.

Doing Away with the Investigative Judgment
Is it any wonder the enemies of the SDA church keep trying to do away with the investigative judgment teaching? Back in the 1950’s to the 1980’s, when the Martin & Barnhouse [evangelicals] meetings took place, Leroy Froome and Roy Allan Anderson [SDA’s] were trying to get the SDA church included into the Evangelical world. One of the strongest teachings we were to give up was the investigative judgment doctrine. This is a unique doctrine of the SDA church. It is also our foundational doctrine; if we do not keep it we have lost our calling as a movement. Froome and Anderson were working very closely with Martin[an expose` book writer], and Barnhouse] editor of the eternity magazine], to change many of our strongest doctrines. A Catholic friend of a wife of a church employee saw Froome and Anderson come into the cafeteria of the General Conference in Takoma Park [GC headquarters at that time]. The Catholic friend asked, “What are they doing here”? The SDA replied they are officers in the church”. The Catholic lady answered, “I know those men, they are Jesuit priests”. One of Roy Allan Anderson’s last writings was to attack the investigative judgment. True to the Jesuit calling to the very end.

If this is true [the husband told this to me personally] then this could shed some light on the reason our church is going the way it is. Martin had all the earmarks of a Jesuit. If I was the devil and controlled the papal church that is exactly what I would do, put my best agents in high places in SDA and Protestant churches. I suspect others, but I will not give any names except those two. This church employee mentioned above held a high position in one of the Unions for many years, now retired.

Tearing Down the Pillar

The three angels messages are one of the pillars of our faith and nothing should be allowed to move this pillar. The first angel’s message opens up the investigative judgment subject. There have been many efforts to destroy this foundational teaching. Perhaps one of the most prominent ones was Dr. Desmond Ford in the 1960’s. This caused many SDA ministers and congregations to lose their way. He contaminated the minds of many ministerial students at Pacific Union College where he taught. Dr. Ford’s teaching centered on doing away with the investigative judgment, which is the basis for the
priestly work of Christ. These former students now stand in our pulpits today. His teaching was very destructive to our church.

Reviving the Daily

After 1844, the teaching of the “daily” mostly lay dormant until 1873 when Uriah Smith revived Miller’s teaching of the “daily” as being paganism. He put it in his book “Thoughts on Daniel and Revelation” [see pages 165, 270, 271 & 323]. This textbook in the SDA school system has caused numerous attempts to solve the subject of the daily. But by following Smith’s lead of passing the scepter of power from one kingdom to the next down through the centuries has continued to take our eyes off Christ’s ministration in the heavenly sanctuary. This placed them on man’s doing here on the earth. I find no salvation in this process. This eliminates the investigative judgment process just as the enemy wants it.

Abomination of Desolation

Let’s consider the possibility that if paganism and the passing of the scepter of power takes our eyes and minds off the priestly work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary in any way, then this would of necessity change our understanding of the abomination of desolation, {Daniel 12:11} which is the Sunday Law. But we must keep our eyes on the work going on in the heavenly sanctuary. In regards to the Sunday law, there is no Spirit of Prophecy quote saying the abomination that makes desolate is the Sunday law, but the following quotes make that clear.

“The dreaded hour would come suddenly and swiftly. And the Saviour warned His followers: "When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) then let them which be in Judea flee into the mountains." Matthew 24:15, 16; Luke 21:20, 21. When the idolatrous standards of the Romans should be set up in the holy ground, which extended some furlongs outside the city walls, then the followers of Christ were to find safety in flight. When the
warning sign should be seen, those who would escape must make no delay. Throughout the land of Judea, as well as in Jerusalem itself, the signal for flight must be immediately obeyed. {GC 25.4}

“By the decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near. {5T 451.1}

“As the approach of the Roman armies was a sign to the disciples of the impending destruction of Jerusalem, so may this apostasy be a sign to us that the limit of God's forbearance is reached, that the measure of our nation's iniquity is full, and that the angel of mercy is about to take her flight, never to return. The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction and distress which prophets have described as the time of Jacob's trouble. The cries of the faithful, persecuted ones ascend to heaven. And as the blood of Abel cried from the ground, there are voices also crying to God from martyrs' graves, from the sepulchers of the sea, from mountain caverns, from convent vaults: 'How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?' {5T 451.2}

“It is no time now for God's people to be fixing their affections or laying up their treasure in the world. The time is not far distant, when, like the early disciples, we shall be forced to seek a refuge in desolate and solitary places. As the siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies was the signal for flight to the Judean Christians, so the assumption of power on the part of our nation in the decree enforcing the papal sabbath will be a warning to us. It will then be time to leave the large cities, preparatory to leaving the smaller ones for retired homes in secluded places among the mountains. And now, instead of seeking expensive dwellings here, we should be preparing to move to a better country, even a heavenly. Instead of spending our means in self-gratification, we should
be studying to economize”.  {ST 464-465}

“The Law of God Made Void.--A time is coming when the law of God is, in a special sense, to be made void in our land. The rulers of our nation will, by legislative enactments, enforce the Sunday law, and thus God's people be brought into great peril. When our nation, in its legislative councils, shall enact laws to bind the consciences of men in regard to their religious privileges, enforcing Sunday observance, and bringing oppressive power to bear against those who keep the seventh-day Sabbath, the law of God will, to all intents and purposes, be made void in our land; and national apostasy will be followed by national ruin (RH Dec. 18, 1888).”  {7BC 977.2}

Contempt for the Great Lawgiver.--“The sins of the world will have reached unto heaven when the law of God is made void; when the Sabbath of the Lord is trampled in the dust, and men are compelled to accept in its stead an institution of the papacy through the strong hand of the law of the land. In exalting an institution of man above the institution ordained of God, they show contempt for the great Lawgiver, and refuse His sign or seal.”  {RH Nov. 5, 1889}.  {7BC 977.3}

Since we are told over and over that the last issue would be over the Sabbath/Sunday controversy. We must be careful to see the connection between these two important last day events; the priestly work of Christ and the abomination that makes desolate. If the abomination of desolation is the Sunday Law that begins the 1290 day prophecy of Daniel 12:11, then soon after this begins the time of trouble. And this is especially the time that we must follow our High Priest in the heavenly sanctuary. The sealing of the 144,000 will be going on and they will have stopped sending sins up to be cleansed.

United in the Spirit

As I continue, I’m compelled to say, those who present the daily as paganism or any other theory are my brothers and sisters in the faith, and I would hope that would always be so. They have studied long and hard to solve this mystery. I cannot find fault with their efforts or motives. I give them much credit for
trying to solve this problem. I only wish they had known the evolvement of the term “the judgment hour cry” that was used in Ellen White’s comment on page 74,75 in Early Writings. It would have set them on a different pathway in their studies as it has done for me. Since 1873 when Smith’s book came out, the argument started all over again. She made other comments later on to stop arguing over the “daily”.

I cannot always put my beliefs as the only way to interpret the truth. Sometimes I have found the truth as presented in two different ways when they are only two different views of the same subject. God is well able to give extra details on prophetic subjects from both spiritual perspective and political view points. What we need to do is to match them up together and make a stronger interpretation than either side does alone. Therefore I must be willing to reason things out in a Christ-like way with the Holy Spirit in control without either side being dominant. Let the truth win in the spirit of love to one another as it did with the early pioneers.

A New Meaning on the Daily

As I look back on the study of the “daily” it doesn’t seem there should be all this disagreement on this subject. What makes it imperative that we understand this subject, is because there is a time element involved in our understanding of it. In recent years the 12th chapter of Daniel has taken on more new meaning than we had known in the past. We now understand Daniel 12 to be in the future and not in the past as we were taught in Uriah Smith’s book in Daniel & Revelation. These three time elements, time, times, & half a time (1260), 1290, 1335 are literal days in the future, during the time of trouble. According to Strong’s Concordance the word day/days in Hebrew is yowm. In Daniel 12 it refers to a 24 hour day, not a day/year principle.

The early protestant theologians had ruled out the use of sacrifice and applied the daily to the priestly work of Christ in heaven. If you leave the word sacrifice there, it would lead you to think about the morning and evening sacrifice. But the Hebrew word for daily is tamiyd, which has a much larger meaning than the sacrifices on the altar of burnt offerings. It applies to the whole system of the sanctuary, including the priesthood, sacrifices, the rituals
and everything that was shown to Moses as pertaining to the sanctuary.

This is the reason Ellen White said the word sacrifice should not be in those verses. The whole sanctuary and its services were all included in the word tamiyd (continual) which constitutes the “daily.” Daniel 12:11 says, “From the time the daily is taken away there will be 1290 days.” Therefore it is impossible to count 1290 days from each time the scepter has been taken from one nation to another. Since we have come to a much better understanding of these time elements in Daniel 12 as being last day non-prophetic times but actual 24 hour days, we understand new importance in this verse. This is when the abomination of desolation happens. Since this term applies to the Sunday law, then we can tell from the time of the Sunday law, we will have a little over 1290 days before the end of this earth’s history. We do not know when the Sunday law will begin, although it seems very soon.

God’s Patience Ended

Since the abomination that makes desolate brings an end to God’s patience with this rebellious world and when they make void His law He will say, ‘Babylon’s cup of iniquity is made full. She has replaced my sanctuary and my system of salvation with her abominable mass in place of the sacrifice of My Son’ They replaced His mediatorial work with the teaching that Mary is now the mediatrix, her priests have been taught to forgive men’s sins in the confessional booth and have even replaced God with the Antichrist, and he even thought to change times(moed) and laws and replaced them with the church’s laws and holidays. This is as far as God will allow things to go and then He will start the count down to the end.

Following the High Priest

It all comes down to this, the Sunday law is the red button that signals the countdown to the end. When this takes place the children of the light, who are following their High Priest in the sanctuary above, will have a chart of events that will happen according to the schedule in the annual feast days. That will lead us to the great consummation. “We have such an high priest, who is set on the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens; A minister of the sanctuary and of
the true tabernacle, which the Lord pitched, and not man.” {Heb.8: 1-2}

Those who fail to follow their High priest will be called children of the dark and suffer an overwhelming crisis soon after the Sunday law is passed. “There are those now living who, in studying the prophecies of Daniel and John, received great light from God as they passed over the ground where special prophecies were in process of fulfillment in their order. They bore the message of time to the people. The truth shone out clearly as the sun at noonday. Historical events, showing the direct fulfillment of prophecy, were set before the people, and the prophecy was seen to be a figurative delineation of events leading down to the close of this earth's history. The scenes connected with the working of the man of sin are the last features plainly revealed in this earth's history”. {2SM p102}

At the present time among feast keepers, there are different opinions on several subjects. The barley harvest vs. the equinox, Wednesday crucifixion vs. Friday, lunar Sabbath calendar vs. the seventh-day Sabbath, and any other differences will be swallowed up in the latter rain power, which makes these mole hills instead of mountains. We are told we will all be united. I look forward to the day that will soon be here. I’m really tired of this sin cursed earth. The following quote from James White, shows when these differences will be healed if not before.

"At first the definite time was generally opposed; but there seemed to be an irresistible power attending its proclamation, which prostrated all before it. It swept over the land with the velocity of a tornado, and it reached hearts in different and distant places almost simultaneously, and in a manner which can be accounted for only on the supposition that God was in it. It produced everywhere the most deep searching of heart and humiliation of soul before the God of high heaven. It caused a weaning of affections from things of this world - a healing of controversies and animosities - a confession of wrongs - a breaking down before God, and penitent, broken-hearted supplications to him for pardon and acceptance. It caused self abasement and prostration of soul, such as we never before witnessed. [August 1850 JWe, ADRE 6.2]

More Insight in the Daily

Since writing this I have been impressed with more insight as to what the
“daily” really is. Since the daily includes the priestly work of Christ in the heavenly temple, and the investigative judgment which is the cleansing of the sanctuary. {Daniel 8:11-14} This began in 1844 at the end of the 2300 day prophecy. We are now involved in the daily personally. How can Christ cleanse the heavenly temple of our sins, which defiles it, while we are continually sending our daily sins up to him.

The subject of the sanctuary is one of the main themes in the book of Daniel, along with the little horn power. In Daniel 8:10 the little horn power waxed great. In verse 11 he magnified himself against the prince of the host [Christ] and he took away the daily and the place of His sanctuary was cast down. This leads to the question how long in Dan.8:9-14, “And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant [land].

8:10 And it waxed great, [even] to the host of heaven; and it cast down [some] of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

8:11 Yea, he magnified [himself] even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily [sacrifice] was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.

8:12 And an host was given [him] against the “daily” [sacrifice] by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered.

8:13 Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain [saint] which spake, How long [shall be] the vision [concerning] the daily [sacrifice], and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

8:14 And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

According to these verses, there was a supplanting of heavenly things to earthly things. It would be 2300 days of Atonement before the sanctuary cleansing would begin in 1844. This shows the sanctuary and its services is the theme of these verses. It is obvious it has nothing to do with the passing of the scepter of power from kingdom to kingdom.

In 1John 1:9, we are told that if we send our sins up to Him in faith, He will forgive [cleanse the record] of our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness. That is His priestly work that the papal power has counterfeited with their system of worship. Christ’s daily work is being cast down, supplanted by the papal system, and done away with in the minds of the people. In the book Great Controversy page 425.1-2 says, that while the investigative judgment is going on in heaven, while our sins are being removed from the sanctuary, there is to be a special work of purification of putting away of sin among God’s people upon the
The proclamation, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh," in the summer of 1844, led thousands to expect the immediate advent of the Lord. At the appointed time the Bridegroom came, not to the earth, as the people expected, but to the Ancient of Days in heaven, to the marriage, the reception of His kingdom. "They that were ready went in with Him to the marriage: and the door was shut." They were not to be present in person at the marriage; for it takes place in heaven, while they are upon the earth. The followers of Christ are to "wait for their Lord, when He will return from the wedding." Luke 12:36. But they are to understand His work, and to follow Him by faith as He goes in before God. It is in this sense that they are said to go in to the marriage. {GC 427.1}

In the parable it was those that had oil in their vessels with their lamps that went in to the marriage. Those who, with a knowledge of the truth from the Scriptures, had also the Spirit and grace of God, and who, in the night of their bitter trial, had patiently waited, searching the Bible for clearer light--these saw the truth concerning the sanctuary in heaven and the Saviour's change in ministration, and by faith they followed Him in His work in the sanctuary above. And all who through the testimony of the Scriptures accept the same truths, following Christ by faith as He enters in before God to perform the last work of mediation, and at its close to receive His kingdom--all these are represented as going in to the marriage. {GC 427.2}

"Those who are living upon the earth when the intercession of Christ shall cease in the sanctuary above are to stand in the sight of a holy God without a mediator. Their robes must be spotless, their characters must be purified from sin by the blood of sprinkling. Through the grace of God and their own diligent effort they must be conquerors in the battle with evil. While the investigative judgment is going forward in heaven, while the sins of penitent believers are being removed from the sanctuary, there is to be a special work of purification, of putting away of sin, among God's people upon earth. This work is more clearly presented in the messages of Revelation 14". {GC 425.1} When this is fully accomplished and the special work of purification will be completed then the "daily" shall be restored.

"It is those who by faith follow Jesus in the great work of the atonement who receive the benefits of His mediation in their behalf, while those who reject the light which brings to view this work of ministration are not benefited thereby. The Jews who rejected the light given at Christ's first advent, and refused to believe on Him as the Saviour of the world, could not receive pardon through Him. When Jesus at His ascension entered by His own blood into the heavenly sanctuary to shed upon His disciples the blessings of His mediation, the Jews were left in total darkness to continue their useless sacrifices and offerings. The ministration of types and shadows had ceased. That door by which men had formerly found
access to God was no longer open. The Jews had refused to seek Him in the only way whereby He could then be found, through the ministration in the sanctuary in heaven. Therefore they found no communion with God. To them the door was shut. They had no knowledge of Christ as the true sacrifice and the only mediator before God; hence they could not receive the benefits of His mediation”. {GC 430.2}

“The condition of the unbelieving Jews illustrates the condition of the careless and unbelieving among professed Christians, who are willingly ignorant of the work of our merciful High Priest. In the typical service, when the high priest entered the most holy place, all Israel were required to gather about the sanctuary and in the most solemn manner humble their souls before God, that they might receive the pardon of their sins and not be cut off from the congregation. How much more essential in this antitypical Day of Atonement that we understand the work of our High Priest and know what duties are required of us”. {GC 430.3}

Purification and the Blotting Out of Sins

These quotes in Great Controversy tell us that while the investigative judgment is going on in heaven, while our sins are being removed from the sanctuary, there is a special work of purification of putting away of all sins among God’s people on the earth. This is where the daily becomes personal to each of us. Until we stop sending sins up to Him, He cannot do the final atonement of blotting out our sins, not only from the books in heaven but also out of our minds. {Acts 3:19}

Spirit of Prophecy quotes on the blotting out of sins:

“...The righteous will not cease their earnest agonizing cries for deliverance. They cannot bring to mind any particular sins, but in their whole life they can see but little good. Their sins had gone beforehand to judgment, and pardon had been written. Their sins had been borne away into the land of forgetfulness, and they could not bring them to remembrance”. {3 Spiritual Gifts p.135}

“...while they have a deep sense of their unworthiness, they will have no concealed wrongs to reveal. Their sins will have been blotted out by the atoning blood of Christ, and they cannot bring them to remembrance.” {PP 202.2} “...in the final atonement the sins of the truly penitent are to be blotted from the records of heaven, no more to be remembered or come into mind...” {PP358.1} “But while they have a deep sense of their unworthiness,
they have no concealed wrongs to reveal. Their sins have gone beforehand to judgment and have been blotted out, and they cannot bring them to remembrance.” {GC 620.1}

It is my opinion that anyone who promotes a teaching that takes our minds off the daily work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary could miss the importance of the marriage taking place during the investigative judgment where the members of Christ’s kingdom is being made up. They may not see the importance of the perfection of character to take place where their sins are blotted out of their minds. The daily experience of following their High Priest, by faith in the sanctuary above, is perfecting their characters so their sins can be blotted out of the books of heaven. When the heavenly temple and our earthly temples are fully cleansed, He will come to take His bride home.

Perfection will not be complete until there is a blotting out of sins both in heaven and in earth. The only reminder of sin in the new eternal life will be the nail prints in His hands. They will only remind us of what sin has cost, but will not bring back to our minds the remembrance of our sins. {Rev.21:4}

A New False Teaching

A new false teaching has arrived. Rick Howard, a SDA pastor wrote a new book The Omega Rebellion, said the Emerging Church or Spiritual Formation teaching that is coming into our church at the present time, is doing away with the daily, the work of Christ in heaven. This new spiritualistic teaching, teaches that you can make contact with Christ anytime by going into the “silence mediation” experience and listen for the voice of Christ to speak to you. This opens the door for demons to come in and speak to you and mingle their thoughts with your thoughts. Since you believe you have now come into the very presence of Christ, why should you look to Christ in the heavenly sanctuary for answers. If Christ and His sanctuary is in you, then you have no need of the sanctuary in heaven. I say this takes away the daily just as much as these other teachings that do the same thing. This is based on the Jesuit system of beliefs and this book explains the way spiritualism is coming into our church. This new teaching is being sponsored by some of our leaders, so be aware of it whether you are interested in the daily or not.
“The supernatural manifestations of the “silence,” acquired by those who practice the “contemplative/mystical prayer” learned in the thousands of institutes and home missions where spiritual formation is taught, is definitely deceiving many of the “elect” in God’s remnant church.

“Of all the deceptions we have faced as God’s chosen people, none have been so subtle, cunning, or widely accepted by God’s people as has spiritual formation. Many in our midst have embraced this practice without discerning its hidden dangers. This book will expose those dangers and plainly reveal how this unique program of Roman Catholicism, spreading like wildfire through the Christian world as the “Emerging Church,” meets the conditions Inspiration has outlined as those of the “omega” in every detail.” p.24

“Friends, the spiritual exercises of “Ignatius Loyola”, the founder of the Jesuit order, is the foundation upon which spiritual formation is built. The theology taught in all spiritual formation seminars is that of Ignatius Loyola. The language so often used, the phrases and terminology that describe the mission behind the teaching, is now used by SDA leaders who have been trained in this discipline. It is the language of Roman Catholicism; the basic theology behind what is being taught in the very missions and institutes where Seventh-day Adventists have gone to learn spiritual formation is the theology of Loyola: pantheistic, mystical, and Roman Catholic. It includes contemplative/mystical prayer, leading one into an altered state of consciousness believed to be the presence of God.” p. 28

Rick Howard, in the section of his personal testimony states: “I remembered how inspiration revealed that once these evil angels gain access to our minds, they immediately “begin to mingle their thoughts with ours and that this mingling resulted in a form of hypnosis, placing us under their control. I recalled that these warnings were easy to find and easy to comprehend”. p. 155

Summary

My summary is: Keep your eye of faith on our High Priest in heaven, with an
ever-flowing stream of the blood of the lamb of God which is daily covering our sins. “We need to keep ever before us the efficacy of the blood of Jesus. That life-cleansing, life-sustaining blood, appropriated by living faith, is our hope.” [SDG 226] Do not allow any other teaching to take away your part in the marriage that is going on in the investigating process at this very time. If you do, you might miss out on the marriage supper of the Lamb and eternal life as well. Use your daily life to continually grow in grace and be active in cleansing your soul temple of any desire to sin. Then soon the Lord can close the books in heaven and come for His bride. Even so, come Lord Jesus.

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