

Well, I've got a couple questions that were called in tonight, and one of them is going to lead into the other one. On Sunday, I had mentioned the 7 garment changes of the Devil - so we're going to go through those and then it will lead into the other question. Someone had asked about the 8 garment changes, or the 8 manifestations of Jesus Christ in the Bible. What you have is that the Devil changes garments 7 times in history, and Christ does it 8 times. So I want to walk you through those tonight because they go hand in hand.

Come over to Job 41 and we'll start there. Now you'll remember Sunday, I talked about Job 41:13 "Who can discover the face of his garment?" And we went through an elaborate thing on that, showing you how that down through history, the Devil has changed clothes 7 times. I remember when I gave you this a while back, I put it in a context that life on planet earth is like a gigantic play being played out. And if you've ever been to a play or some kind of school musical, you know that it goes through "scenes." And they open the curtain, they play out the scene, they close the curtain, change the scenery and stuff, they open the curtains back up, and then you have the next part of the play. And I've often thought that history is just like that. History is nothing more than the curtain opening up, the Devil doing what he does for a period of time in that act, and then that curtain closes, the scenery changes, the garments change, and then he opens up another act of the play. And that's how history really unfolds itself. And I want to walk you through very quickly the 7 garment changes of the Devil, but then I want to bring you through and show you the 7 manifestations of Christ. Or in reality, the 7 garment changes of the Lord Jesus.

Now the first act of our history will be from the book of Genesis to 2 Chronicles. And the Devil will operate in this time period in one manner. He tries to stop everything that God's people is doing. We know that in Genesis to 2 Chronicles, we're dealing with the Nation of Israel. So here, the Devil is coming after the Nation of Israel to try to stop them, and he's coming after them in the form of Baal worship through the NATIONS. He comes at them through the nations in that particular point in time. The 2nd act, or 2nd garment change will be the start of the times of the Gentiles. This will run from about 606 BC to the first coming of Christ. This is when God is dealing with the Gentiles in that 400 silent years when the Kingdom of Heaven is gone now. The Devil has got on the garment of the Greeks, and the wisdom - all pagan. And then the 3rd act will be at the first coming of Christ. And this is where he's got on the garment of pagan Rome. When Rome comes on the scene at the first coming of Christ, he now runs the world through Rome. Through Rome's gods, and their military dominance throughout the world. So he's got on that garment. Then the 4th act will be the church age. That will start with Constantine in 313 AD where he takes pagan Rome to papal Rome, and then with the Council of Nicaea and then bring us through the dark ages. Here's where he runs the world through the Roman Catholic Church. The 5th act would be the Reformation with Martin Luther. Here the devil changes his clothes again. Where the Catholic Church nearly gets it back broke during the Reformation. She goes underground, and as she emerges, the devil again changes garments to be able to do what he needs to do. Then the 6th garment change is the one that we're in right now. And this will be in 1917 up to the time we're living in right now with the beginning of the Restoration of the Nation of Israel. Israel was called out in the Zionist movement right around 1900, it goes into WWI, goes into WW2, and comes out in 1948, and becomes a nation. And so we now see the devil has changed his clothing again. The last change of his garments will be the rapture, the tribulation, and the second coming. So there's 7 times down through history that the devil changes the way

he operates. And he changes the way he operates by actually changing clothes. By the way he appears. In one, he appears as the pagan Roman Empire, and later he appears as the Roman Catholic Church. And in the time we're living in, he appears through the Roman Catholic Church, as well as with the Muslims to stop the Jews and what all God is doing. So you see that history unfolds itself around these 7 garment changes. You can judge history from the Bible standpoint based on how he operates, and on these 7 garment changes down through history.

Now come back to Proverbs 8, and I want to show you the other ones here with Christ. Proverbs 8 without a doubt is probably the most complicated, deepest chapter in the Bible. I don't know of another chapter that holds the magnitude of depth that it holds. Proverbs 8 deals with all the material back in Genesis 1:1 and then brings it all the way up through the church age. And you're going to find that where the devil has 7 garment changes, or 7 ways that he changes how he operates, God has eight. The Devil has 7 because we know that 7 is the number of completion, and it completes his cycle. God has 8 because his garment changes END on a new beginning, and 8 in the Bible will always deal with a new beginning. Now when you read in Proverbs 8, the first couple of garment changes are detailed out for you here.

But before we get into Proverbs 8, I'm going to explain something first. I think it will help you understand this. People sometimes have a tough time understanding how the Trinity works. They have a tough time understanding how Christ fits into all of that. Standard Christianity does a very bad job of explaining it. They really just add to the confusion with it. Let me tell you what God did, and it will help you make more sense of this. We know that God is a perfect being, and God had within him everything that God is. God had a plan. And that plan was for the creation of earth, it was for God creating man, and then God in his final plan to have FELLOWSHIP WITH MAN in a perfect estate for all of eternity. But God is not going to come down and just force man into a relationship with Him. God wanted man to choose to have a relationship with him. So what God did, is he put together the most marvelous plan that you ever saw. God formulated in his mind this plan that how God was going to step out of himself, and manifest himself in the form of a son. That Son, we know as Jesus Christ. But that Son takes up different positions all down through the Bible. We know Jesus Christ today as our Lord and Savior. We know him because he showed up at the first coming of Christ, he was crucified on a cross, he went back up into heaven, he lives in glory, and sits at the right hand of God the Father. That's how we know Christ. But Christ wasn't always that way all the way through the Bible. He was always God; but he was not always manifested the same way. This is a problem that most of God's people really have today because the Bible is really not being taught the way it should be. You're going to find that in the Bible, God manifests Himself 8 different ways. The way that we know Christ is only 1 of those 8 ways. And when you go back through the Bible, you begin to see how this works. Now here's what God did. Here's the Godhead. God is All in all. God has a plan, but he needs the form of a man to be able to create that plan. So what God did, is God stepped out of his own Godhead, and manifested himself. While he was still God! He comes out of that Godhead any he manifests himself as we know him - as Jesus Christ. God's Son. He had to have an identity because he wants to have fellowship with man. God in his person cannot fellowship with any of us on a personal level, because God is a spirit. You can't see a spirit. The Bible talks about that any man who sees God, he dies. And of course, God had to manifest himself in some form that he could fellowship with man; however he chose to do that, that man would have some kind of tangible, understandable view of what God was. That's why God manifested himself out of the

Godhead, and he became Jesus Christ. Yet he's still God. Yet there's still the Holy Spirit that permeates everything that God does. This is what forms for us the Trinity. God the Father, God the Son Jesus Christ, and God the Holy Spirit. These three are all one. They all are in God, and come from God, yet they manifest themselves differently. A lot of people have a tough time with that because they cannot get the fact that God can be All in All, yet still manifest himself in another form. And of course, he's God; he can do whatever he wants to do. Sometimes we think because we can't understand, that it can't happen. No, it did happen. God had a plan. He had a plan that included man. But God knew that he could not have any kind of doing with man unless he manifested himself in some kind of physical form that man could see and understand.

So God back in Genesis; and this is where Proverbs Chapter 8 is dealing with - it starts with God, and Christ stepping out of that Godhead, and becoming manifested way back when in Genesis 1:1. That God's Son was manifested as Christ came out of the Godhead. Now, stay with me. I'm going to tell you the whole enchilada and then I'll come back and put it together for you. So now Christ is manifested. Christ now is the visible appearance of the invisible God. Down through the next 6,000 years of man's history, Christ now is manifest in different ways for different things. I'm going to show you here in a moment. He's one thing to the Nation of Israel, he's something else to us. He's something else in the tribulation period. He manifests himself differently down through the history of man. Once eternity begins and we move out into eternity, the Bible teaches very clearly that right now, you are the Son of God. 1 John 3 says "Beloved, now are we the Sons of God, but it doth not yet appear what we shall be." You have Jesus Christ living inside you right now. And at some point, when you get your glorified body, what is inside you is going to manifest itself into Christ's glorified body, and you are going to become Jesus Christ. You already are!! It just "doth not yet appear what you shall be." 1 Corinthians 15 makes it very clear that someday, you're going to get a body just like him. This is all part of God's plan. What God needed for his eternal plan of Isaiah 9:6-7 is 100 Billion Trillion replicas of Jesus Christ that was going to be out in God's plan, and represent God. You see, Jesus Christ was just the model. When God stepped out of the Godhead and manifested himself as Christ, he gave us the model. And the model is Christ. He's showing us that some place down the line in the church age, people get saved and they get born again, they become a Son of God, they become the bride of Christ, and they become in time, everything that God is. And this is a hard concept for most of God's people. When we get out into eternity, and we are now in glorified bodies, you will be the exact person of Jesus Christ. Right now, you have God's mind in a book. THEN, you'll actually have God's mind inside of you! You will become everything that God is and you will be a joint heir with Jesus Christ! Totally equal with him! You won't have a "secondary glorified body" where you say "Hi, I'm Bob, and this is Jesus!" No no no no!! You will be Jesus Christ. Now this next piece is going to be real tough ladies so stay with me! This is why when it comes to women, there are no women in heaven... in the sense of the church. You realize ladies right now, that you have a man living inside you? You don't have a woman living inside you... you have a man living inside you! You also realize that you're not a direct creation - you're an indirect creation! You don't even have your own name. If you're married, you have the name of your husband who is a man. If you're not married, you have the name of your father. You don't even have your own name. You're an indirect creation. The moment you got saved, the Lord Jesus Christ came inside and took up residency inside your body. When you get your glorified body, it will not be a female glorified body. It will not be the "perfect ten" that you always wanted in your life in a glorified state!! You're going to be Jesus Christ just like I am and every male here is! And you're

going to become Jesus Christ. Right now, the Church is called the Body of Christ. That's not just a talking point that's a clever thing to say. The Church is called the Body of Christ because in time when the Church gets its glorified body, it will BE the Body of Christ.

I say all that to say this. Jesus Christ was the model. Most people focus so much on the model, that they don't understand how the model is a picture of what God is going to do. Let's go back to the very beginning. In Genesis 2-3, God's plan is clearly laid out. God takes a man and a woman, and puts them down on Earth. They're the only two people here. And Christ is with them. And they are told to be fruitful, multiply, and replenish the earth. And Christ is to them what God actually is. When Christ met with them, whatever form he was in, he represented the invisible God that they couldn't see. That's the model for what it's going to be out into eternity. Out in eternity, you and me are going to have a glorified, sinless body. We're going to be Jesus Christ. God is going to take you, put you down on a planet when everybody has populated it, put two people down there - the model was set in Genesis... you are going to be to them what Christ was to Adam and Eve back in the garden. Only this time, there will be no Devil to come in and mess it up. "Of the increase of his government and peace there will be no end" Isaiah 9:6-7. It's going to go on and on and on and on and on. You will be everything that God is. You will have his body, you will have his mind, you will have his Spirit. You will be God incarnate. You already are! "God incarnate," what does that mean? "Incarnate" - that means he's inside something. You are God incarnate right now. He's living inside you. The problem is, you're cased in this flesh. But when you get the Glorified Body of Christ, you're him. And at that point, there's no need for Jesus Christ anymore as we know him.

Just as God was back before Genesis 1:1 someplace and manifested Christ stepped out of the Godhead and fulfills God's plan for the next 6,000 years... when we get out into eternity, and we now have our glorified bodies, there's no need for the person of Christ because God's got 100 Billion replicas, so Christ now goes back into the Godhead. And you and me, and every other believer with a glorified body now represents God and God's eternal plan. Genesis is just the model. Genesis is just a small slice of the model in one little place that is going to permeate everything in the universe and outer space. Science is just now coming to grips with this, even though they don't understand it. They are finding as we speak 100's of Thousands of planets out there that they would tell you that mirror earth as far as being able probably to support life. Many of them are 100,000x bigger than planet earth. You see, we look at what we have here on Earth, and we think that this everything there is! This is absolutely nothing! This is just a little peanut test-phase. This is just the beginning of God working out the plan of redemption so that God can fulfill his original plan. And God needs a couple of things to fill that plan. 1. He needs a lot of planets 2. He needs a lot of Christs! And this is where the church age comes into play. And this is where God in his last 2,000 years is calling out a bride for his Son, and calling out a body for himself. The body of Christ. And there's going to come a day when that plan of God begins to kick in, that you and I are going to see and understand the vital part that we play. I am going to tell you right now. What New Testament Christianity is right now, is a model. What you folks do right now with the Bible is the model. In Genesis - it doesn't really say what they did, but it's very obvious that the Lord met with Adam and Eve on a regular basis. He said that the Lord would walk in a cool of the evening. He's coming down to meet with them. He had fellowship with them. And what was his purpose back then? You say "well the Bible doesn't say." I know the Bible doesn't say, but just stop and think about it. What would be his purpose? Once you

understand what God's eternal plan is and you realize that God is a spirit, and you realize that nobody can see and understand God, what do you think Christ's function was with Adam and Eve? He explained everything about God to them!! What do you and I do with people who just get saved? What do you do when you disciple somebody? What do you do? You take somebody, and you work with them, you fellowship with them, you help them, and you tell them about the God that they cannot see. And when you get up into his plan out there, you're going to fulfill the same thing. You're going to be to them what the Lord was to Adam and Eve down there, and you're going to tell them, and you're going to represent God to them because you're going to truly be his son. By a new birth that puts you into the BODY of Christ. Again - we use that term and don't even understand it! "Well yeah, we're part of the Body of Christ!" What does that actually mean?? Isn't that a weird term? How do you sitting there look like the Body of Christ? It's a weird term! It's a term that has not yet fulfilled itself, but you as the church, as a saved person are the Body of Christ. Why? That's the body you're going to get someday! See how it all goes together?

So, in some point way back when, God had a plan. That plan required a manifestation of God. So God manifested himself out of himself, and made him his Son. And he gave man a visible appearance of an invisible God. Down through the next 6,000 years of history, Christ portrayed himself in different fashions, depending on the times. When you get way out into eternity, God now has everything in place. He's got all of the born again people who are now in glorified bodies. I mean come on... Did you really think that you go through all of this time, you get a glorified body, and what you "float around Heaven plucking a harp??" People say "The Bible says that Heaven is paved with streets of gold."... No, no it's not!! New Jerusalem is! Where these concepts of Heaven come from is because people don't either believe the Bible or know the Bible, and it gets all contorted as it goes down through time and people hear it. Do you actually think that God's eternal plan is just for us to walk around in heaven? "Hi, how are you today?? Want to come see my mansion?" "No, I want to go see yours! We've been coming to mind for the last 1000 years!" You think God doesn't have more on the ball than that? I mean, I know the average Baptist doesn't have much more on the ball than that. They think you're just going to be in heaven and just having a great time. I don't mean this wrong - I heard a guy say one time "You know what, when we all get up in heaven, we're just going to be around there for all of eternity praising the Lord." This is no disrespect to God! But if that's all the plan God's got, it just wouldn't be complete! You mean he did everything back there so when we get up there, we all just sit around singing "Kum-By-Yah my Lord"!!??

God has a plan!! This is not the plan! You and me today is NOT the plan!! This is the process to GET to the plan! You are in a process of God developing through history what he wants to develop, so when we get up there, the plan is ready to go. One of the things that God does through this 7,000 years of man's history is God gives everything that he created the choice to choose to be with God or not to be with him. That's very important to God. God will not force anybody to love him. He wants you to choose Him by your own free will, because you choose to love him and you want to be with him. That's what he does. That's how he operates. He does not want to have to have you drink Love Potion Number 9 to keep you in fellowship with him. He wants you to choose to be with him. So all down through history, he gives the Old Testament saints before the law, during the law, in the 400 silent years, and the church age, and the tribulation - right up to the point where his plan launches off... everybody gets to choose. So

when you get that plan, God looks back and says "I've done everything I needed to do. I let sin come into the world - I allowed it to come into the world because man needed a choice. But because I let sin come into the world, I was responsible for it, so I came down and manifested myself, and died, and paid the price, and eradicated any responsibility I had by bringing it in. Now it's up to man. They have to choose."

Do you ever wonder why God allowed the Devil to come in in Genesis 3? I mean do you think that God was out fishing someplace, and the Devil said "I'll catch him when his back is turned out in that boat on the lake, and I'll go down there and mess it up." You really think that?? God knew man needed a choice. And after they made the wrong choice, he covered the bad choice they made! Why, they went out got fig leaves to make little aprons so they wouldn't look naked! God walked in and said that wouldn't work. You know what the Bible says? He killed an animal, and took its skin, and covered their nakedness, because God knew that fig leaves could not cover your nakedness or your sin. It had to be by the innocent shedding of somebody's blood. That's the model!! So you see this great, marvelous plan of God. And the Devil sees it greater than any of us, so he wants to corrupt it. So down through history, he changes through 7 different scenes of clothing that he portrays himself to throw man off so that you cannot track him all the way down through history unless you have a Bible. Christ does the same thing.

Now that I've given you a basic concept and a basic context of the plan, let me walk you through the 8 manifestations of Christ - or the 8 garment changes, however you want to put it. Look in Proverbs 8:22-26. And this will be our first manifestation of Christ.

Now this time period here for this passage is Genesis 1:1. I don't have a time element; I don't have any clue about Genesis 1:1 as far as a time element is concerned. It's not given. Time as we know it isn't there yet. It could be a million billion trillion years, or it could be thirty seconds. I have no idea. All I do know is this - this is where Christ steps out of the Godhead. The time period in your Bible is Genesis 1:1. So it says:

"The LORD possessed me in the beginning of his way, before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths"

Then this is before Genesis 1:2, because the deep show up after Genesis 1:1, in verse 2. This is before that -

"When there were no depths, I was brought forth;"

He's manifested right there.

"when there were no foundations abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth:"

This is the manifestation of Christ in its first concept in Genesis 1:1. When he comes out of the Godhead.

"While as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world" Lord possession me in the beginning of years way

Now the 2nd manifestation of Christ will start in Genesis 1:2, and will run up to 606 BC, and will end with the captivity of the Nation of Israel. This is Proverbs 8:27-30

"When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth: When he established the clouds above: when he strengthened the fountains of the deep: When he gave the sea his decree, that the waters should not pass his commandment: when he appointed the foundations of the earth: Then I was by him, as one brought up with him: and I was daily his delight, rejoicing always before him;"

Now that'll bring you up through all the Old Testament, and here, Jesus Christ is manifested as the Angel of the Lord. That is very very very important to see this 2nd manifestation of Christ.

We know that he's not here in any shape or form for the 400 silent years - the next time he pops up is the first coming of Christ where he is manifested as the Son of God. We'll find that in verses 31-32. Now...

"Rejoicing in the habitable part of his earth; and my delights were with the sons of men. Now therefore hearken unto me, O ye children: for blessed are they that keep my ways."

The habitable part of the earth is Jerusalem. At the first coming of Christ, that is where his city was. That was the inhabitable part of the earth for God. That was his city - there was no other city on earth that God cared about. It was Jerusalem. And here he comes as the Son of God to die on the cross at the first coming of Christ.

Alright, the 4th one will be found in verses 34 and 35....

"Blessed is the man that heareth me, watching daily at my gates, waiting at the posts of my doors. For whoso findeth me findeth life, and shall obtain favour of the Lord."

Now this will be two parts to this - the 4th will be the crucifixion of Christ where his garments are stripped from him and he hangs naked.

In Genesis in the first one, He's clothed in light. In the 2nd one, he's clothed as the Angel of the Lord. And the 3rd one, he's clothed as the Son of man. On the 4th one, his clothes are ripped off, and he's naked on the cross for you and for me.

Now the 5th one will be the church age. Where he was without clothed on the 4th one, now he's clothed. Now he's clothed in the Word of God. His clothing is now his WORD.

Then the 6th garment change, or the 6th manifestation of Christ will be the second coming of Christ. This will be Zechariah 14, Revelation 19. Now he puts on the clothes and the raiment of a King coming to conquer. That'll run us up through the millennial reign of Christ and probably up through the Ages of Ages.

And so the 7th garment change or the manifestation, he's the glorified Christ now. And on this day, this is God's day, here's where he sheds his clothes again, shows his glory, and the glory is

such a penetrating heat and power of the Almighty God, this is where 2 Peter 3:10, Revelation 20, Malachi 4:1; the heavens get renovated by fire. And it's the glory of fire of him, and the radiation that comes off of him because of the awesome power that he is. If you'd go up into outer space right now, you'd have two problems to contend with. One of them is solar radiation, which is radiation from the Sun. They know where solar radiation come from. The second big problem that you have would be cosmic radiation. Nobody knows where cosmic radiation comes from. Cosmic radiation will destroy you in time, as will solar radiation. This is why, no matter what they say, and what they want to tell you, nobody will ever travel to Mars and colonize it, and come back. They may get there, but they will be a fruit and vegetable when they get there. Cosmic radiation destroys everything in man's brain and his mind, and leaves him an absolute imbecile by the time he got there. It's an absolute thing. When the astronauts were up in space, they complained about seeing lights flashing out in outer space, and they couldn't figure out what it was. When they finally figured out what it was, it wasn't the light that they were seeing; it was the cosmic radiation going through their brain that was tricking their mind that they were seeing it, when it was just the cosmic radiation going through their brains. It will completely degenerate a man, and bring him to the point where he's an imbecile in a very short period of time. At your very best state, going to Mars is going to be a 9-12 month trip there. Then you have to stay there for at least 3 or 4 years to pick up the cycle, or otherwise it's going to be 20 years to get back because she's on an elongated orbit around Earth and you've got to hit it when she's at the closest, which only comes every 35 years. So you can see where the problems would be. They don't know where cosmic radiation comes from.

The Bible says in Romans 1:19-20 that everything that God made is a manifestation of himself. The most obstructive power on the planet as we know it is what is called an atomic bomb. And atomic is a fusion bomb. It splits the atom. The atom is something that is held together by a negative and a positive charge. The negative and positive charge should repel each other, but they don't - they spin around each other. And when you split those, it unleashes the most unbelievable, catastrophic nuclear explosion with tremendous heat, tremendous power that you ever see in your life. That is a model of what God is going to do at some point in time. When the negative and the positive - God and the Devil in Revelation 22 get split. And God unleashes the power of the universe that renovates the whole universe with fire. It's going to be an atomic wipeout of 2nd heaven unlike anything anybody has ever seen. Right now, that cosmic radiation is radiating from a point in space that they don't know where it's at. I can tell you exactly where it's coming - it's coming from the throne of God. We don't feel the full brightness of it because it's filtered out through the water in the deep, and it comes down through here and it somewhat weakens the power. But if God took that deep away, we would be fried in fifteen seconds.! You've got an expanse of water up there in outer space called the great deep that filters out the cosmic radiation and lets enough through that'll kill you if you get exposed to it, but it's still not strong enough to permeate the ozone layer of the earth that protects us, and keeps us down here from dying. But if he ever took away that deep - and remember, that deep is going to go. And when that deep goes brother, it's going to be a disaster when the whole universe gets washed out and ripped apart! And the Bible says at that point, there is no more sea.

There's water up there!! Scientists laugh at that, but every time they go to Mars or they go to the moon, they're always looking for water on it. There's water out there in outer space. How do you know that? Because when we send a guy up there, we call him an "Astronaut." Astro - outer

space, Naut - like "nautical" is a term for someone who sails on water. The Russians call them a "Cosmonaut." Cosmo - outer space, Naut, "nautical" - there's water up there!! Of course they don't understand why they do that! You go over to Isaiah 27, Psalms 109, it talks about ships sailing through that deep! With Leviathan! There's water up there. Back in the 13th and 14th centuries when the Roman Catholics taught that the earth was flat. "Look out there - it's flat, you can see it. If you get outside of land, you're going to go off the edge, and you're going to be gone, and who knows where you go! The earth is flat!!" That was good theology from the Roman Catholic Church. Anybody who said it was round and were figuring it out... they were heretics or they got killed or tortured! But they said it was flat. They also said there were sea monsters out there, that if you went out there too far, those gigantic sea monsters would get you! Where did all that come from? That comes from the Bible, but they didn't know how to understand what they were reading. Isaiah 27:1 talks about Leviathan in the sea, Psalms 109 talks about the ships. What they were reading was the waters of the deep UP THERE!! But they couldn't discern it because they didn't have the Holy Spirit of God.

So when God renovates that thing with fire, He's going to purge the whole thing out. And of course, that's when he'll manifest his glory in a glorious state. And it just renovates the whole 2nd heaven by fire.

Now, the 8th is where God's plan starts. This is why I told you what I told you when we started our study. That's why I went through the whole thing.

The first one back here is in Genesis 1:1 where God comes out of the Godhead. The next one starts in Genesis 1:2 and runs up to the first coming of Christ, where he manifests himself as the Angel of the Lord. At the first coming of Christ, He represents himself as the Son of God. On the cross of Calvary, he represents himself as a godless sinner, naked, dying for you and for me. When the church age starts, he now represents himself as a Book. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.... And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us..." See that thing? So right now, he's manifested himself as that Word. That's a pretty awful thought for all you that want to change the Bible. That's a pretty awful thought for people who want to transgress all over the Word of God, and change it, and corrupt it. Right now, he's clothed himself in a book. If you want to get where God's mind is, you've got to get in the book that is God's mind. Just that simple. So right now, you're going to find God manifesting himself through a Book. Somebody says "well I pray to God all the time." Well what good is that if you don't have a book to get the answer God gives you? I have people say "well I pray and pray and pray and pray and God doesn't answer my prayer." Well sure he does! You're just looking in the wrong place! How do you think he answers your prayers? I mean you say "Oh God, I need this! I need an answer" So you're driving down the road, and I actually had one person one time tell me "you know, I prayed to God about something I needed, and you ain't going to believe it! I was driving down there and on this billboard was exactly the answer that I was looking for." You really think God does that by billboards?? Or do you think you drive down there and a jet pilot is flying someplace, he loses control, and his vapors spell out the answer?? When you pray to God, or you ask God for something that you need, you know where God shows you where it is and gives you the answer?? In that book. You've got to go to his mind. You don't go to a billboard. You go to his mind. You want to find out the answer to your problem? You want to find out what God thinks about it? Go to his mind!! Ask him, and then go

to his mind, and then his spirit will guide you right to the answer of what you need. Now I know there's a lot of people that go around saying "Oh, well I just pray about everything!" If you find a guy or a woman who says "I pray about everything in my life." Stay away from them!! You're dealing somebody who is a huge hypocrite. Let me tell you something. If you've got to go through life praying about everything, you're in trouble. You know why? Because if you have a real relationship with God, there's some things you don't have to pray about. You already know what the book tells you to do on them. I love praying - prayer is a vital part of my life and it should be in yours. But I don't waste time praying to God for things when he already told me what the answer to what I need is in that Book. The reason why you have to do that is because you don't know the answer. That Book is the Answer Book!! If God already told you in his Word by principles what you're supposed to do, what is there to pray about?

You know, we hold up Gideon as this great guy. And I guess he was a great guy for a while. But you know, Gideon wound up being in apostasy, and worshipping idols?? He didn't wind up very good. And you know that when you start to read about Gideon, and Gideon's 300, you start to see a little problem that Gideon had that a lot of God's people have. And Gideon is out there, and God says "I want you to go down there and kill the Midianites, and wipe them all out" and Gideon says "OK Lord, if I put this fleece out here, and you make this happen, then I'll know that's what you really want me to do." So God did it! He went along with it! Then Gideon says "well you Lord that's good... Uh, can you do it one more time?" I always looked at that and I thought to myself, that's exactly what we do. You know what? When God tells you in His Word "you've got to do this," you don't even have to pray about it. Gideon didn't need the fleece - God told him directly what he needed to do! God told him directly what he wanted him to do. Gideon could not believe what God said, and a lot of God's people that want to portray their spirituality by praying about everything - All they do to anybody who knows the Bible, is show how weak they are. They don't know their Bible, because there are some things that you simply don't have to pray about. That Bible's already covered it. Somebody says to me "I want to move to St. Louis, I've got a job offer there. I need to pray about it" Guess what! You don't need to pray about it!! That's nothing to pray about. The principles about that kind of decision are so clear in the Word of God, you're wasting your time praying. They say "I've got a job offer in St. Louis, and so you know, I'm just going to put it in God's hands." And I say "how did you do that?" And he says "well, I put my house up for sale, and I just told God 'If you want me, sell my house, if you don't want me to go, don't sell my house.'" And he said that like he thought the Devil flunked his Realtor's License. Let me tell you how that'll work out for you. God already told you the principles involved of how to deal with a situation like that. You violate that, put your house up for sale - I guarantee you the Devil will sell that in record time!

You've got God's mind now! He's clothed himself in a Book! I'm not discounting prayer. I'm really not. But I'm telling you, there are some things you don't have to pray about, because you've got a book that tells you how to deal with it if you just read it. So right now, he clothes himself in the Word of God.

Then at the second coming of Christ, He's going to clothe himself as a King. Revelation 19, Zechariah 14, he comes down as a conquering King. The 7th one is God's day when he sheds his clothes, and he reveals the glory of His power and renovates the 2nd heaven and earth by fire, and then the Bible says we have a new heaven and a new earth.

The 8th one. In the 8th one when God's plan begins, he now manifests himself in YOU. He steps back into the Godhead, and you become what he was. And now he manifests Himself through the body of Christ. YOU. Come over to Obadiah... Now Obadiah is a book on the second coming of Christ. And you know, that we come back with Christ when we come. Now I want to show you a remarkable verse. And the only Bible in the history of the world that has this in it is a King James 1611 AV - everybody else perverts it to hide the truth behind it. Here you go. Obadiah 1:20 -21:

"And the captivity of this host of the children of Israel shall possess that of the Canaanites, even unto Zarephath; and the captivity of Jerusalem, which is in Sepharad, shall possess the cities of the south. And saviours shall come up on mount Zion to judge the mount of Esau; and the kingdom shall be the Lord's"

You see that? It says saviours. Plural. That's you and me. It isn't "the saviour" coming back. It's saviours!! You know why? Because you've got his body and you're just like him. Saviours. It's plural. It's you and me. It isn't just the singular saviour. It's plural, all of us. Because we now are a joint-heir with Jesus Christ, we have the body of Christ, we're just like him. We have his mind, we have his body; we're totally equal, and we come back with him as a saviour. Equal. Joint-heir!

So those are the 8 manifestations of Christ or the 8 changes of his clothing. It starts out with him in Genesis 1:1 stepping out of the Godhead, winds up in Revelation 22 and Isaiah 9:6-7 with him going back into the Godhead. And what you have everywhere in between is God manifesting himself to man in one form or the other. And in a final form, based on the church age, when God starts his plan, he manifests himself to the "increase of his government and of peace there shall be no end." He manifests himself to everybody through you and me. As a saviour, just like the model in Genesis 1, 2, and 3. God putting people down, and then Christ being their mentor, being with them; whatever they did. Except this time, there will be no devil to show up, and God's original plan will be fulfilled. He said to Abraham "someday your seed is going to be like the stars of heaven." He wasn't just using that as a cliché. He literally meant the stars of heaven. And they're going to populate outer space just like God's plan was. Isaiah 9:6-7 is so clear. "Of the increase of his government and his peace there shall be no end" that you couldn't miss unless you wanted to. You see, most of God's people fall very short of understanding the eternal plan of God. And I'll be the first one to tell you - I fully don't claim to understand all of it. But I have a grasp of it! I know that God's got a bigger plan than passing out harps when you get to heaven! God has something he wants us to do, and the model for you and me to find it is in Genesis 1-5. Everything that's going to happen is laid out as a model before you get to Genesis 12. Everything in the Bible has been laid out for you. Everything after that is just a rehash. You've got salvation. You've got the second coming. You've got the tribulation. You've got everything laid out if you know what you're looking for. So those are the 8 manifestations of Christ.

**QUESTION "Are you saying that after the 2nd coming and after the millennium, where we are all Jesus, we're each going to have our own planet that we're going to be Jesus on?"**

Well I hope we get more than one! I would rather have about 9 or 10 because I can get a lot done a day's work!!.... Yeah, basically. I'm not sure how it's all going to play itself out. But yes, Genesis 1-3 is the model. And you will be to them what Christ is to you right now. And right now, you're fulfilling the model by teaching, and discipling, and working with people with the Bible. Except you'll do it then without a Bible. You won't need a Bible, you'll be Christ. Right now you have to have a Bible because Christ is not here. So he left you a literal copy of his mind. He might as well be here! He put his spirit inside you and gave you a book that's his mind, and you'll get along pretty good with them.

**QUESTION: "So we're going to be just like him on another planet, with an Adam and Eve or a whole host of people."**

Well it won't be Adam and Eve, they're long gone, but it will start out probably - if the model is the model, and I'm just telling you... That if that is the model, then he puts two people down, tells them to be fruitful, multiply, and replenish the earth. I would say probably, depending on big that planet is - and again I told you that they're finding planets 100,000x bigger than Earth that can support life. They think there's life on them already; they don't have a clue that life is YET to be on them! They don't know how it fits into God's plan. So how long does it take to populate that? I don't know. But once you get it filled up, then you take two more or a bunch of them, and the process starts over. It never ends. That's what Isaiah 9:6-7 says... "Of the increase of his government and peace there shall be no end." You've got a universe out there that is huge! If it's correct as the Bible lays out, it looks like that universe, and the idea of parallel universes, and the universes as a pyramid could be unfolding endless things there! It's just going on for eternity!! It's a wild deal! And this is what God's original plan was. God is going to be on the throne in heaven. He's going to have 100 billion Jesus Christ's out there doing on a global, galactic scale what Christ did as the model when he came to earth in Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John. And then God is going to be the author of the fellowship - we are going to be that connection between them and God, and God's plan is going to be through fellowship with them through us.

**QUESTION: "We're not going to have any conflict? Not more fall of humans like in Eden??"**

Nope, that's all taken care of. That's the whole part of the plan. That's why God did it now, so it wouldn't happen again. God is going to do one thing that you and I will not have to do as Jesus Christ. And that is to die for the sins of the world. We won't have to do that. He paid the price so that plan would ensure that when it started, it would never go again the way it once did.

**QUESTION: "In Genesis 3 in the garden, there was Satan, and in verse 4-5 it says 'And the serpent said unto the woman, Ye shall not surely die: For God doth know that in the day ye eat thereof, then your eyes shall be opened, and ye shall be as gods, knowing good and evil.' Was it God kind of giving us an answer there? I mean Satan is twisting that truth, but I want to stress that 'shall be as gods.' I mean really, he's kind of twisting that story, and with us being like Jesus Christ, like God, but the way to go about it was wrong... Would that have anything to do with that when Satan is saying it?"**

Well here again, I might as well give you all the heresy. I mean we've got a good bit of heresy out here from most people's perspective. I'm sure that people are listening to this are saying "You've gotta be kidding me." Well I'm not. But anyway... The tree of good and evil was their choice back there. They had to have one. There will be no tree of good and evil in the plan of God. But here is how it works. If you want the whole enchilada, here is the model. Here's the model. Christ is the model. Christ is called the 2nd Adam. Adam is the only man that is created with the appearance of age. Adam wasn't created as a baby and grew up. Adam was created as a man. Adam is the only man in a body that was created born again. He's very unique. So how do we understand that? What's the model? Well the Bible says that Christ was the 2nd Adam. So that must be a model of something. So here's what we do know. We know that Christ didn't start his public ministry till he was 30 years old. He has public ministry for 3 years. At the end of that 3 years, he's crucified. So if that's the model, here's what I'm going to suggest to you happened in Genesis, based on the model. Now, I'm leaving room for error here, but I'm saying based on the model, this is what I see. Adam was probably created with the appearance of thirty years of age. He probably was in that garden for 3 years, fellowshiping with God and with his wife Eve. Probably, when he was 33 years old, right before he was to partake of the tree of life, the devil shows up, goes to the weaker vessel Eve. She eats, he eats, and now as the Bible says, they are dead in trespasses in sin. I say that based on the model of the 2nd Adam. The 2nd Adam started his public ministry when he was 30 years old. Ministered for 3 years with the Father. Was crucified at 33 years of age. Rose from the dead, and entered into the church age, bringing in eternal life for everybody. He did what the first Adam failed to do. The first Adam probably was created with the appearance of 30 years of age. Lived in that garden for 3 years, right before he got the tree of life, the devil came in and ruined that plan. And the first Adam in a garden was tempted, and was denied the tree a life. The 2nd Adam started his public ministry at 30 years of age, does his 3-year ministry with the Father. He's tempted in a garden. He does not fail in the garden, and he becomes the tree of life that the first Adam failed to get. See how that works? That would be my model if somebody pressed me hard on it. I would say Adam was created with the appearance of 30 years of age, he lived there and fellowshiped with God for 3 years, and right before he was going to get the tree of life, the devil showed up and snapped it from him. The 2nd Adam shows up, follows the same pattern. He starts his public ministry at 30 years of age, and he comes to that point where the Devil tempts him in the same garden. And he prays through, and becomes the tree of life where the first Adam was denied the tree of life.

Let me show you something. Come over to Luke 3. Here, you have the genealogy of Christ. This is his human genealogy running back to Adam. Now watch this. I know you think "What does Bob base these out of?" I base it off what I'm about to show you. I base it on models in the Bible. I'm not saying I'm exactly right in everything. But I'm giving you the model. There's room for error in it because I'm just a human just like you! I mean I've got a worse brain than you've got, and I'm just trying to figure it out too! But here I've got a whole genealogy starting with Jesus Christ, running back to Adam. Now watch. Luke at Luke 3:38. "Which was the son of Enos, which was the son of Seth, which was the son of Adam, which was the son of God."

You see that? He just told you Adam was the Son of God. That's why he had a wife Eve who's a type of the church. That's why when the woman came out, a deep sleep fell upon Adam, his side opened up, and the woman came from his rib bone. That's why when Christ was on the cross, the Roman soldier put the spear in his side, and the Bible says that water and blood came out. John

said these things testified of something, and his death on the cross through that spear opened up his side, and gave birth to the church. You and me - the bride of Christ.

**QUESTION: Gale's question... "the" son of God with an emphasis on 'the' in Luke 3...**

Not really - because the only way that Adam could be the Son of God was to be the Son of God, like Christ was. No other way. How could he be? Adam wasn't saved; he was born in the image of God. And that made him the Son of God. Adam was the Son of God, just like YOU are the Son of God, just like I am the Son of God. So it doesn't matter where you put the emphasis, it winds up being the same thing. He was the Son of God, you're the Son of God, and when Jesus Christ came, he was the Son of God, and all 3 of us are the same. Based on the new birth, and what we have.

So what I was going to say taking it farther is this - You've got a tree of life at the beginning of your Bible; Genesis 3. Revelation 22:14 says "Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city." So you've got a tree of life toward the end in Revelation. I'll tell you - all the Bible scholars will tell you that's a mistranslation. They'll say that Erasmus put that in there because when Erasmus did his Greek text, he didn't have the last Greek text for Revelation 22 which was true. So what Erasmus did, was he went back to the Old Latin, translated it to the Greek, and then translated the Greek into English. And they say that he messed that up. Years later when they found the exact Greek text that Erasmus didn't have and they checked it out, turns out Erasmus was right on the money. The only Bible on the planet that has the Tree of Life and Revelation 22 is the King James 1611 AV. Why? [\*\*\*He must've been talking about something else because every other version I looked at has the tree of life in Revelation 22:14\*\*\*] Because that's a pattern.

Adam got denied the tree of life because of sin. God needed to bring the sin question in, because of the fact that man had to have a choice. When Christ came down at the first coming of Christ, he eradicated that sin by becoming the tree of life. And he undid what Adam did. So now we get into Revelation 22 out here in eternity, and you've got all these people that we talked about like Adam and Eve producing children. They have to get eternal life, or they're going to grow up and die. So what's the model? The model probably is New Jerusalem, a tree that bears twelve manner of fruits. A city that has 12 gates. In a universe that has 12 constellations, each matching up to one of the tribes of Israel. In a year that has 12 months. And everyone is born in one of those months. So in Eternity - probably, based on the model, you and me are out there on some planet, and a person, or many people, it comes up on June 14th when it comes their birthday, they are 33 years old. They'll go in to New Jerusalem through the gate that matches up their birth, with a month, with a consolation they're from. Go into there and take the fruit off the tree that matches up to the month of their birth with the year and everything down the line. They'll eat of that tree of life and live forever as a 33-year-old man or woman, and they'll live forever. There will be no death! That's why the Bible says God wipes away all tears, and there's no more death. There has to come to a point where God stops a person from dying. And right now, you know what stops you from dying spiritually? Christ, the tree of life! You know what would have stopped Adam from dying physically? You see, you may die physically now, but it doesn't matter. You'll never die spiritually. Adam had to live to populate the earth so he had to not die physically. So if he had got the tree of life, when he took it, the Bible tells you - after he fell, God put cherubims

down there by the tree with a big sword to keep him out because what did God say? He says "lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:" That's what that tree was there for. At some point, Adam would've got it, and he would've lived for ever! What age would that have happened?? Well, the model is Christ! When did Christ become the tree of life? When he was 33 years old. So I would say that the models are very clear in the Bible. Even though we don't quite know all the details and all the facts. I'd say that it's pretty clear that when they're 33 years old out in eternity, they'll go to that city and take of that tree of life and live forever. And then it will just be an endless fellowship with God, an endless fellowship and relationship with him, and you and I will become the mediator between man and God. Christ is the model. He came out of the Godhead back here to put it all into play. When God gets that last thing, and now he manifests Himself through His Body the Church, then there's no need for the person of Christ, he goes back to the Godhead; we become the person of Christ. And so that's how it works.

**QUESTION: Do you think that in eternity they'll have the chance to choose to eat of the tree of life? Are they able to deny it?**

Well that's a good question - That's a theory that's been around, and it's a theory because we think of human nature, and we know that our life is built on choices. I've heard that taught many many times over my years. There's no real substantial proof for it. If we're going to go with the model, then I would say no. Because the devil is in the bottomless pit, sin is in the bottomless pit. Everything is where it needs to be for God's kingdom to go on. And in God's kingdom, in God's presence, there is never any death. And I would say that's a good theory, and I understand where it comes from, and I've heard it all my life, but it just doesn't hold water. To me, that is a retrograde back to what we had. Not a forward movement of what we don't have. Death has always been the albatross around our neck. And once you get to the point where you're in God's presence and there is no more death, then I would say no. But if someone wanted to argue with me on it, I wouldn't really care. I know one thing - I don't need to worry about it!!

**QUESTION: What is it talking about the 144,000 in Revelation?**

Well that's a different thing - that's in the tribulation period. That is the 144,000 Jewish witnesses which are made up by 12,000 from each of the 12 tribes that evangelize to the Gentile world during the tribulation period. No doubt about that. That's totally different than what we've been talking about with eternity. But that 144,000 are Jews.