



**BIBLE EXPLORATIONS**  
 217 CEDAR ST #288  
 SANDPOINT, ID 83864



# Bible Explorations Newsletter

May-June 2026 Issue

## Inside This Issue

1-2	Happenings at Bible Explorations; Truth About Angels
2-4	What would a Biblical Newsletter have said in 26 A.D.?
5-8	Ellen White; Newly Published Books; Info re Bible Explorations

Our camp meeting was truly inspiring, with excellent speakers and many meaningful lessons. We encourage you to visit our YouTube channel and share the messages with others at [BibleExplorations.com/yt](http://BibleExplorations.com/yt). Since camp meeting, we have also continued to feature additional uplifting Sabbath presentations. He is coming soon, so let us BE ready and faithfully spread His Word.

### THE TRUTH ABOUT ANGELS

Ellen G. White

### ANGELS BEFORE AND AFTER NOAH'S FLOOD (CH. 6)

#### The Plan of Salvation Explained Further

Angels held communication with Adam after his fall, and informed him of the plan of salvation, and that the human race was not beyond redemption.—[Spiritual Gifts 3:52](#).

Angels informed Adam that, as his transgression had brought death and wretchedness, life and immortality would be brought to light through the sacrifice of Jesus Christ.—[The Spirit of Prophecy 1:51](#).

The garden of Eden remained upon the earth long after man had become an outcast from its pleasant paths. The fallen race were long permitted to gaze upon the home of innocence, their entrance barred only by the watching angels.—[Patriarchs and Prophets, 62](#)

At the cherubim-guarded gate of Paradise the glory of the Lord was revealed, and hither came the first worshipers.... It was here that Cain and Abel had brought their sacrifices, and God had condescended to communicate with them.

Skepticism could not deny the existence of Eden while it stood just in sight, its entrance barred by watching angels. The order of creation, the object of the garden, the history of its two trees so closely connected with man's destiny, were undisputed facts. And the existence and supreme authority of God, the obligation to His law, were truths which men were slow to question while Adam was among them.—[Patriarchs and Prophets, 83, 84](#).

[Cain and Abel] had been instructed in regard to the provision made for the salvation of the human race. They were required to carry out a system of humble obedience, showing their reverence for God, and their faith and dependence upon the promised Redeemer, by slaying the firstlings of the flock, and solemnly presenting it with the blood, as a burnt offering to God....

He [Cain] was unwilling to strictly follow the plan of obedience and procure a lamb and offer it with the fruit of the ground. He merely took of the fruit of the ground and disregarded the requirement of God.... Abel advised his brother not to come before the Lord without the blood of a sacrifice. Cain being the eldest, would not listen to his brother....



Abel brought of the firstlings of his flock, and of the fat as God had commanded; and in full faith of the Messiah to come, and with humble reverence, he presented the offering. God had respect unto his offering. A light flashes from heaven and consumes the offering of Abel. Cain sees no manifestation that his is accepted. He is angry with the Lord, and with his brother. God condescends to send an angel to Cain to converse with him.

The angel inquires of him the reason of his anger, and informs him that if he does well, and follows the directions God has given, He will accept him and respect his offering. But if he will not humbly submit to God's arrangements, and believe and obey Him, He cannot accept his offering. The angel tells Cain that it was no injustice on the part of God, or partiality shown to Abel; but that it was on account of his own sin, and disobedience of God's express command, why He could not respect his offering—and if he would do well he would be accepted of God.... But even after being thus faithfully instructed, Cain did not repent.... In his jealousy and hatred he contends with Abel, and reproaches him.... While Abel justifies the plan of God, Cain becomes enraged, and his anger

increases and burns against Abel, until in his rage he slays him.—[Spiritual Gifts 3:47-49](#).

The advantages enjoyed by men of that age [pre-Flood] to gain a knowledge of God through His works have never been equaled since. And so far from being an era of religious darkness, that was an age of great light. All the world had opportunity to receive instruction from Adam, and those who feared the Lord had also Christ and angels for their teachers.—[Patriarchs and Prophets, 83](#).

Men lived nearly a thousand years in those days [before the Flood], and angels visited them with instruction directly from Christ.—[Selected Messages 1:230](#).  
*...To Be Continued.*

## WHAT WOULD A Biblical NEWSLETTER HAVE SAID IN 26 A.D.? A Watchman Reflection for Our Time By Brent Meikle

### JERUSALEM WATCHMAN — SPECIAL EDITION — SPRING, 26 A.D.

Jerusalem remains restless under increasing Roman oversight as political uncertainty and religious expectation continue to grip the nation.

Pontius Pilate, recently appointed Roman procurator over Judea, has strengthened enforcement of Roman authority throughout the region. While Rome insists its presence guarantees peace and order, many among the Jewish population view the expanding Roman influence as both oppressive and humiliating.

Additional taxation, military presence, and growing interference in local affairs have only intensified resentment among the people.

Meanwhile, Herod Antipas continues to rule Galilee and Perea under Roman authority. His political alliances with Rome remain deeply unpopular among many devout Jews who regard the Herodian dynasty as compromised by corruption, foreign influence, and moral decline.

Observers note that dissatisfaction is no longer limited to political circles alone.

A growing spiritual unease appears to be spreading throughout the land.

## **RELIGIOUS LEADERS HOLD POWERFUL INFLUENCE**

At the center of Jerusalem's religious life stand Annas and Caiaphas, whose influence extends far beyond temple worship alone.

Though Rome governs politically, many believe the high priestly families exercise enormous control over daily religious and social affairs within Judea.

Temple authorities continue urging caution and stability during these increasingly volatile times. Public emphasis remains focused upon preserving order and maintaining cooperation with Roman leadership in order to avoid unrest.

Yet among the common people, questions continue to grow.

Many quietly wonder whether Israel's religious establishment has become too closely aligned with political power.

## **VOICE IN THE WILDERNESS SHAKES THE NATION**

Amid this atmosphere of uncertainty, reports continue pouring into Jerusalem concerning the wilderness preacher known as John the Baptizer.

Travelers arriving from the Jordan Valley describe extraordinary scenes.

Large crowds from Jerusalem, Judea, and surrounding regions are gathering near the Jordan River to hear John's fiery appeals for repentance.

Witnesses report that his message is unlike that of the established religious teachers.

Instead, John speaks with startling boldness:

“Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”

Observers describe the preacher as fearless in denouncing corruption, hypocrisy, and spiritual complacency.

## **PROPHECY WATCH — ARE WE APPROACHING DANIEL'S APPOINTED TIME?**

Interest in prophetic writings has increased significantly in recent months, particularly regarding the writings of the prophet Daniel.

Students of prophecy continue debating whether the mysterious “seventy weeks” prophecy may now be nearing fulfillment.

The timing points directly toward the appearance of the promised Messiah — the Anointed One long anticipated by Israel—to occur in our own generation.

This growing expectation has intensified public discussion throughout Jerusalem.

## **TWO THOUSAND YEARS LATER**

Now pause for a moment and imagine receiving such a newsletter in Jerusalem during the spring of 26 A.D.

Would you have sensed that prophecy was moving quietly toward fulfillment?

The astonishing reality is that while heaven was moving, most people remained spiritually asleep.

The promised Messiah soon stood among them.

Yet many failed to discern the hour of their visitation.

Not because God had failed to reveal His plans.

But because hearts had grown distracted, politically divided, spiritually proud, or too anchored to tradition to recognize fulfillment when it appeared.

## **WHAT ABOUT OUR GENERATION?**

Today, nearly two thousand years later, the world once again stands in a moment of extraordinary tension and prophetic interest.

Nations are increasingly unstable.  
Political division intensifies globally.  
Knowledge has multiplied exactly as Daniel foretold.  
Moral confusion spreads rapidly throughout society.

Fear, uncertainty, economic instability, and social unrest dominate headlines daily.

At the same time, interest in Bible prophecy is once again rising across the world.

Many sense that humanity is approaching another great turning point.

And once again the words of Christ echo across the centuries:

“And what I say unto you I say unto all, **Watch.**”

### A FINAL THOUGHT

At the same time, we should resist the temptation to react to every headline, rumor, conflict, or world event with fear, speculation, or sensationalism.

Prophecy was never given to produce panic. It was given to produce faith, watchfulness, discernment, and hope.

Jesus did not instruct His people to live in continual alarm, but to “watch and pray.”

The signs of the times are not intended as calls to anxiety — they are reminders that God remains in control of history and is faithful to His Word.

As the world grows darker and more uncertain, Scripture points not merely to collapsing kingdoms, but to a final witness.

God is preparing a people.  
A people awake to the hour.  
A people grounded in His Word.  
A people who proclaim the everlasting gospel with clarity, conviction, and love.

Perhaps the greatest sign of all is not simply what is happening in the world...  
...but what God is preparing among His people.

May we therefore watch carefully, pray earnestly, study faithfully, and remain spiritually awake as we await the soon appearing of Jesus Christ.

“Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.” — Revelation 1:3



The following is from *Christian Experience and Teachings* from Ellen G. White. It was something I had not read before and found to be full of interesting and inspiring information about her life and how we can use it in our own personal lives today to get closer to our Saviour and be ready for His soon return.

### BEGINNING OF PUBLIC LABOURS Chapter 3

I again became very anxious to attend school and make another trial to obtain an education, and I entered a ladies' seminary in Portland. But upon attempting to resume my studies, my health rapidly failed, and it became apparent that if I persisted in attending school, it would be at the expense of my life. With great sadness I returned to my home.

I had found it difficult to enjoy religion in the seminary, surrounded by influences calculated to attract the mind and lead it from God. For some time I felt a constant dissatisfaction with myself and my Christian attainments, and did not continually realize a lively sense of the mercy and love of God. Feelings of discouragement would come over me, and this caused me great anxiety of mind.

In June, 1842, Mr. Miller gave his second course of lectures at the Casco Street church in Portland. I felt it a great privilege to attend these lectures; for I had fallen under discouragements, and did not feel prepared to meet my Saviour. This second course created much more excitement in the city than the first. With few exceptions, the different denominations closed the doors of their churches against Mr. Miller. Many discourses from the various

pulpits sought to expose the alleged fanatical errors of the lecturer; but crowds of anxious listeners attended his meetings, and many were unable to enter the house. The congregations were unusually quiet and attentive.

Mr. Miller's manner of preaching was not flowery or oratorical, but he dealt in plain and startling facts, that roused his hearers from their careless indifference. He supported his statements and theories by Scripture proof as he progressed. A convincing power attended his words, that seemed to stamp them as the language of truth.

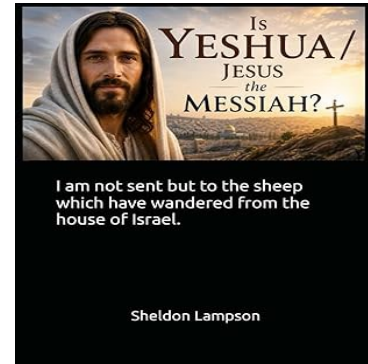
He was courteous and sympathetic. When every seat in the house was full, and the platform and places about the pulpit seemed overcrowded, I have seen him leave the desk, and walk down the aisle, and take some feeble old man or woman by the hand and find a seat for them, then return and resume his discourse. He was indeed rightly called "Father Miller," for he had a watchful care over those who came under his ministrations, was affectionate in his manner, of a genial disposition and tender heart.

He was an interesting speaker, and his exhortations, both to professed Christians and the impenitent, were appropriate and powerful. Sometimes a solemnity so marked as to be painful, pervaded his meetings. A sense of the impending crisis of human events impressed the minds of the listening crowds. Many yielded to the conviction of the Spirit of God. Gray-haired men and aged women with trembling steps sought the anxious seats; those in the strength of maturity, the youth and children, were deeply stirred. Groans and the voice of weeping and of praise to God were mingled at the altar of prayer.

I believed the solemn words spoken by the servant of God, and my heart was pained when they were opposed or made the subject of jest. I frequently attended the meetings, and believed that Jesus was soon to come in the clouds of heaven; but my great anxiety was to be ready to meet Him. My mind constantly dwelt upon the subject of holiness of heart. I longed above all things to obtain this great blessing, and feel that I was entirely accepted of God.

.....**To Be Continued.**

"God has in store love, joy, peace, and glorious triumph for all who serve Him in spirit and in truth. His commandment-keeping people are to stand constantly in readiness for service. They are to receive increased grace and power, and increased knowledge of the Holy Spirit's working. But many are not ready to receive the precious gifts of the Spirit which God is waiting to bestow on them. They are not reaching higher and still higher for power from above, that, through the gifts bestowed, they may be recognized as God's peculiar people, zealous of good works." — [Testimonies for the Church 8:247, 248.](#)



## IS YESHUA / JESUS THE MESSIAH?

### HIS NAME

1 The book of the generations of Jesus Christ,\* son of David, son of Abraham. 21 She shall give birth to a son, and you [she] shall call his name\* Yeshue / Yeshua (Jesus); for he shall save his people (Ama) from their sins.\*

**AIV (with common Anglicized names and titles)**

1 The book of the generations of Yeshue Meshicha,\* son of David, son of Abraham. 21 She shall give birth to a son, and you [she] shall call his name\* Yeshue; for he shall save his people (Ama) from their sins.

**AIV (with original Aramaic names and titles)**

**AIV - The All-Israel (Bible) Version**

NOTE:

**1: 1.3.** [Yeshue Meshicha (New Testament Aramaic) – Yeshua/ Yehoshua Mashiach (Hebrew)] to Iesou(s) Kristou (Greek) to Iesus Christus (Latin) to Iesus Christus (German) to Jesus Christ (English).

**Rabbis say NO! Why?**

Because, they say, he taught that he came to do away with the Law. Most any Christian Pastor also teaches that he came and did away with the Law or, at least, some of it.

**But did he?**

You will find this book to be as exciting and full of inspired information as the other ones he has published! Orders yours now!

**THE LAW AND THE GOSPEL**

**Ellen G. White (Bible Echo)**

August 4, 1902

The greatest difficulties the apostle Paul had to meet in his labours arose from the influence of Judaizing teachers. These had made much trouble and caused dissensions at Corinth. Paul wrote his second epistle to the church in order to settle their minds in reference to the gospel of Christ. The Judaizing teachers were continually presenting the virtues of the law and the ceremonies, exalting these above the gospel of Christ, and bringing Paul under condemnation because he did not urge upon the people the ceremonies that typified Christ, and were therefore of no value since Christ's death. Paul took them on their own ground.

He says, "If the ministration of death, written and engraven in stones, was glorious, so that the children of Israel could not steadfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance; which glory was to be done away; how shall not the ministration of the Spirit be rather glorious? For if the ministration of condemnation be glory, much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory." [2 Corinthians 3:7-9](#).

The law of God given in awful grandeur from Sinai was the utterance of condemnation to the sinner. The transgressor died without mercy. The proclamation of that law and the repetition of it in the holy mount was

so sacred and so glorious that upon the face of Moses was reflected a glory which the people could not look upon without pain, so that Moses covered his face with a veil.

"Much more doth the ministration of righteousness exceed in glory. For even that which was made glorious had no glory in this respect, by reason of the glory that excelleth." [Verses 9, 10](#). It is the province of the law to condemn, but there is no power in the law to pardon. The glory that shone upon the face of Moses was the righteousness of Christ in the law. He saw to the end of that which was to be abolished when type should meet antitype in Jesus Christ. In consequence of the transgression of the law of God, death was introduced into the world. The slain lamb typified the Lamb of God that was to take away the sin of the world. The full significance of the typical offerings pointing to Christ was unfolded to Moses. Death came in consequence of sin. Sin was the transgression of the law. Christ revealed in the gospel was the propitiation for men's sins, the transgression of the law. His perfection of character was placed in man's behalf. The curse of the law Christ took upon Himself. It was the seeing to the end of that which was to be abolished, that which brought to light the plan of salvation in Christ,—it was this that illuminated the face of Moses.

If the typical sacrifices which were done away were glorious because Christ was revealed by them as the sin-pardoning Saviour, much more that which remains is glorious. The moral law was bondage and death to those who remained under its condemnation. The law was ordained to life, that those who were obedient, walking in harmony with its claims, should have the reward of the faithful—eternal life.

Moses saw that only through Jesus Christ could man keep the law of God. Paul says, "The commandment which was ordained to life, I found to be unto death" ([Romans 7:10](#)), death to the sinner. The types and ceremonies, with the prophecies, gave ancient believers a veiled or indistinct discovery of the mercy and grace to be brought to light through the revelation of Jesus Christ to our world. The law itself would have no glory were it not that Christ is embodied in

it. The revelation of Jesus Christ cast its glory back into the Jewish age. The law had no power to save. It was lusterless, only as Christ was represented in the law as the One full of righteousness and truth.

And when Christ was revealed in His advent to our world, and died man's sacrifice, type met antitype. Then the glory of that which is not typical, not to be done away, but which remaineth, God's law of ten commandments, the standard of righteousness, was plainly discerned as immutable by all who saw to the end of that which was abolished.

Paul would have his brethren discern that Christ, pointed out in types and shadows, had come, and the greater glory of a sin-pardoning Saviour gave significance to the entire Jewish economy. Without Christ, the law of itself was only condemnation and death to the transgressor. It has no saving quality,—no power to shield the transgressor from its penalty. The full penalty of the law will be executed upon the transgressor if he does not receive Christ as his atoning sacrifice and personal Saviour.

### **THAT I MAY KNOW HIM** **Ellen G. White**

*For we are made partakers of Christ, if we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end. [Hebrews 3:14](#).*

We must all exercise faith. I am praying to the Lord to give me strength and health and clearness of mind, and I believe He hears my prayers. We are exhorted to be sober and watch unto prayer, but this does not mean that we are to mourn and repine, like orphaned children. True, the struggle for continual advancement in the Christian life must be lifelong, but our advancement in the heavenly path may be hopeful. If we manifest an intense energy, proportionate to the object for which we are striving, even eternal life, we are made partakers of Christ and of all the rich graces He is willing and ready to give to those who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honor and immortality. If we hold the beginning of our confidence steadfast unto the end we shall see the King in His glory.

I do not ask for smooth paths, but I do supplicate my heavenly Father for an increase of faith, that I may surmount every apparent difficulty. He is able and willing to give us the Comforter, but we must have firmness and decision, maintaining under all circumstances a pure, Christian integrity and confidence in our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The exhortation comes to us, "Ye therefore, beloved, seeing ye know these things before, beware lest ye also, being led away with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness" ([2 Peter 3:17](#)).

Eternal interests are to be gained, even the salvation of our souls, and every day we are to watch and be sober. Yet we are to be cheerful, thanking the Lord for His blessings. We must have faith, living faith. God is our efficiency, the source of all power. His resources cannot be exhausted. We can have a daily, abundant supply....

For every one whose hands seem to be weakening and losing their hold, I have the word, Grasp the standard more firmly. Faith says, Go forward. You must not fail nor be discouraged. There is no weakness of faith in him who is constantly advancing.<sup>19</sup>[Letter 119, 1896.](#)

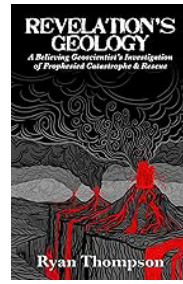


**PENTECOST - June 22**

**TRUMPETS - October 12**

**DAY OF ATONEMENT - October 21**

**TABERNACLES - October 26-November 2**



Ryan Thompson, a Geoscientist. Revelation's Geology: A Believing Geoscientist's Investigation of Prophesied Catastrophe & Rescue

You don't want to miss what these gentlemen have studied, uncovered and learned and want to share with us! Exciting times we live in! You can find the books on Amazon! Both Lampson and Thompson are on our YouTube channel with presentations!

Of course, we also have Elder John VanDenburgh's great books: Holy History, New Discoveries from Old Manuscripts, and New Light and the 144,000. Call to get one!

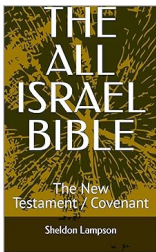


We will continue to keep you updated on all that Bible Explorations is doing! Thank you for your continued support! With our Father and His Son, we will prevail.

Please check out the Bible Explorations YouTube channel and be sure to LIKE, SHARE AND SUBSCRIBE! Share with your family and friends! BibleExplorations.com/yt is the link! LOTS of great information in all these studies!

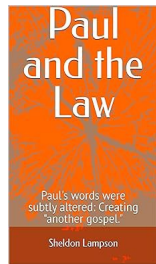
Let us join together and support one another. Let's not argue or fight. Pray and ask for divine guidance in all we do. He is coming soon and we NEED to BE ready! Let's share His word and show people why we are so excited for this glorious day! We have the truth! Help Bible Explorations spread the word and let's finish the work that was started back in 1994 with this ministry. Let's be ready for His coming!

### MORE BOOKS TO ORDER AND STUDY!

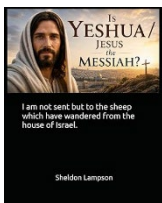


Sheldon Lampson has a wonderful book he just published. This is primarily a literal translation from the Aramaic language of the New Testament. Lots of surprising study here!

Also, another book, Paul and the Law: Paul's words were subtly altered: creating "another gospel". Was the law abolished at the cross?



And now there is a third book, Is Yeshua/Jesus the Messiah? All of these are very good and help with Paul's words. Many use his words against the many things we believe. He shows the law and statutes were NOT done away with. These are all excellent! Enjoy!



### FIND AND FOLLOW US HERE:

- BibleExplorations.com (website)
- BibleExplorations.com/YT (YouTube Channel)
- BibleExplorations.com/Zoom (Live on Sabbath beginning at 10 a.m. and Wednesday at 5 p.m. PST and every camp meeting is live)
- Email us: Info@BibleExplorations.com

### WAYS YOU CAN SEND DONATIONS:

[www.Paypal.com](http://www.Paypal.com) -- [info@BibleExplorations.com](mailto:info@BibleExplorations.com)  
 Call with credit card donations: 1-877-475-1318  
 Venmo - @bibleexplorations (Bible Explorations Inc)  
 Zelle – [SandyLynnClark@gmail.com](mailto:SandyLynnClark@gmail.com) Goes into the Bible Explorations account.

Mail checks or money orders to:  
**Bible Explorations Inc, 217 Cedar St, #288, Sandpoint ID 83864** (Tax receipts go out in January)

