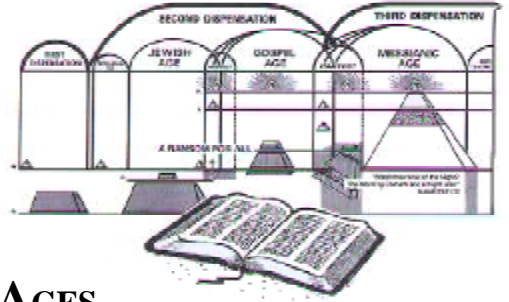


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THE DIVINE PLAN OF THE AGES STUDY 9

RANSOM AND RESTITUTION

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- ◆ Return your answers to us. **PLEASE ENCLOSE A SELF-ADDRESSED STAMPED ENVELOPE.** Our Canadian and International friends may make special arrangements for the postage.
- ◆ Your answers will be checked and returned to you for your future studies.
- ◆ **STUDY 10** will be sent when you have completed this lesson.

1. The meaning of the word restitution is RESTORATION. The man Christ JESUS gave himself a RANSOM for all to be testified in due time. (1 Tim. 2:5,6) All mankind will have an opportunity to benefit by the RANSOM for all.

2. The object of our Lord's death and resurrection was to BLESS and rule over the living as well as the DEAD. The additional broader meaning of Paul's words (Romans 14:9) is that the entire HUMAN family is considered dead. The *living* applies to the ANGELS. (See the footnote.) The RANSOM for all is the basis for the assurance that God's original plan will be fully carried out in due time. Faithful believers will receive RELEASE from Adamic condemnation and an opportunity to return to the rights of sons of GOD.

3. The ransom for all guarantees another trial or OPPORTUNITY for life everlasting. Man has been gaining EXPERIENCE as a result of Adam's sin. Who gave his life for us? JESUS Men will have to turn to the almighty God, accept JESUS, and OBEY if they wish to live. The wilfully disobedient will die the SECOND death. Will anyone be released from the *second death*? NO The second trial will forever decide who would be RIGHTEOUS and who would be UNRIGHTEOUS under a thousand trials.

4. Does the law of God change? NO The *soul* that sinneth, it shall DIE. Divine wisdom and love has provided the RANSOM for all.

5. Does the ransom excuse sin in any? NO The ransom releases the accepting sinner from the ADAMIC condemnation and its RESULTS.

6. Do those who live in a state of civilization now have a trial for life? NO The *god* of this world (Satan by usurpation) has BLINDED the people.

7. The work of those called to become members of the body of Christ is WITNESSING now. The faithful will RULE and BLESS the world in the future. (Matthew 5:14-16; 2 Timothy 2:12) By faith the fully consecrated are reckoned as being PERFECT. (Romans 8:1) The REDEEMER'S perfection covers the imperfections of the fully consecrated.

8. The world will *begin* to receive a gradual removal of their weaknesses at ONCE. The fully consecrated who are faithful unto death receive perfection in the FIRST resurrection. Those who are more than OVERCOMERS will receive the DIVINE nature. (2 Peter 1:4; Romans 8:37)

9. Adam was 930 years old when he died. The penalty for sin is DEATH. (Romans 6:23; Genesis 2:17) Is restitution an act of *free grace* (favor) on God's part? YES

10. The *seed* of the woman will **BRUISE/CRUSH** the **SERPENT'S** head. (Gen. 3:15) The promise made to Abraham was that all the **FAMILIES** of the earth would be blessed. (Genesis 22:17,18) Blessing indicates **FAVOR**. The curse came because of **ADAM'S** sin.

11. The only way to blot out sin and abolish its penalty is to have a sufficiency of **SACRIFICE** to meet the **PENALTY**. Isaac was a type of **CHRIST**. Is God changeable? (Isa. 46:10) **NO**

12. Was Jesus a full satisfaction or corresponding price for all? **YES**

13. Judgment to condemnation came upon all men due to the **DISOBEDIENCE** of Adam. (Rom. 5:18, 19) Will many be made righteous because of the obedience of our Lord? **YES**

Who became Adam's substitute? **JESUS**
Is the human will a factor in securing the divine favors so abundantly provided? (Rom. 5:19) **YES**

14. Only a **FEW** have been justified to life during the Gospel Age. Christ is the *propitiation* (satisfaction) not only for the sins of the church but also for the sins of the whole **WORLD**. (1 John 2:2)

15. Is there any unrighteousness with God? **NO**
The same unswerving justice that once condemned man to death now stands pledged for the release of **ALL** who apply for life through **CHRIST**. (Romans 8:33, 34)

16. Restitution is possible because of the great and sufficient **SACRIFICE** of the *Lamb* of God. (John 1:29) Were the 4000 years before and the 2000 years approximately since the death of Jesus necessary as preparation for the *times of restitution*? **YES**

17. Will men have to be recovered from blindness and death in order that they may have a full chance to prove, by obedience *or* disobedience, their worthiness *or* unworthiness of life everlasting? **YES**
Will there be a resurrection for those who die the second death? (Acts 3:23) **NO**

18. Only those who accept that the wages of sin is **DEATH** can appreciate the philosophy of the plan of redemption. Is it *absurd* to suppose that God would perpetuate Adam's existence forever in torment for the offence of eating forbidden fruit? **YES**
Is Jesus suffering eternal torture for our sins? **NO**
So surely as Jesus died for our sins, the punishment for sins is **DEATH**.

19. Do some deliberately deny that Jesus gave himself a *ransom for all*? **YES**

20. Have some supposed that if the billions who have died were resurrected, there would not be room on the earth for them? **YES**

21. Is there an abundance of room on the earth for the *restitution* of all? **YES**

22. Is the number of 252 billion probably many more people than have actually lived on the earth? **YES**

23. Is there plenty of room in Texas for this number of people to have nearly 30 square feet of land? **YES**

24. Would there be more than enough standing room on the island of Ireland for all who have lived on the earth? **YES**

25. Isaiah prophesied that the **EARTH** will yield its increase. (Isaiah 35:1-6)

26. Was primeval man lacking in intelligence? **NO**

27. **ADAM** did *not* fall *upward*.

28. The creeds of the dark ages and the philosophy of many at the present make the **WORD** of God of no effect.

29. Is the evolution theory that man was first in a stage of existence in which his animal nature predominated *false* and unreasonable? **YES**

30. We know that the word of God is true because the **FACTS** indicate this, and also it contains **SUPERHUMAN** wisdom. (Romans 5:10, 12, 17-19, 21)

31. If one doesn't speak according to the word of the Lord, there is no **LIGHT** in them. (Isa. 8:20)

32. Is the brain *capacity* today greater than in by-gone ages? **NO**
Do the students of this *brain age* go back to the masters of the past? **YES**

33. Did Job use wisdom and logic? **YES**
Was Moses *learned in all the wisdom of the Egyptians*? **YES**

34. Can those of the *brain age* duplicate the ancient method of embalming the dead? **NO**
Is the *great pyramid* an object of amazement to scientists? **YES**

35. What are some of the inventions and discoveries during the past two centuries? **STEAM**; **ELECTRICITY**; **TRAINS**; **AUTOS**; **COMPUTERS**; **AIRPLANES**.

36. Are all inventors? **NO**

37. The invention of printing was in **1440** A.D.
Do schools increase human *capacity*? **NO**

38. Does the heavenly Father work all things after the counsel of his own will? (Ephesians 1:11) YES Evil and its consequences will be EXTIRPATED by the Christ during the seventh millennium. Daniel prophesied that during the time of the end, KNOWLEDGE would be increased, many would RUN to and fro, the WISE (in God's wisdom) would understand, and there would be a time of TROUBLE such as never was. (Daniel 12:1, 4, 10)

39. God's plan has been to give mankind a full appreciation of the CURSE. God's blessings to those whose hearts are not right would lead to and be productive of greater EVIL.

40. The POOR are getting poorer and the RICH are getting richer.

41. *Idleness* is a most INJURIOUS thing to FALLEN beings.

42. The increase of knowledge has brought many blessings to mankind, but because of the depravity of the race, the knowledge causes TROUBLE.

While mankind is multiplying rapidly, the necessity for his labor is DECREASING.

Is unemployment still a problem? YES

43. Because of SELFISHNESS, the blessings now coming to mankind are causing much TROUBLE. Men will be capable of using full liberty without injury after God's law of love is REWRITTEN in their hearts during the MILLENNIAL age.

44. The trouble will be stopped when our Lord Jesus says "PEACE! Be STILL!"

45. The wise in heavenly wisdom can now understand God's PLAN. Are the wise now able to *withstand* the vain philosophies and foolish traditions of men which contradict the word of God? YES

46. The Bible account states that man was created PERFECT, but he DEFILED himself. (Genesis 1:27; Ecclesiastes 7:29) The babblings of science are in violent and irreconcilable conflict with the word of GOD.