

A Prophecy by Jane Leade of England — 1679

There will be a total and full redemption by Jesus Christ. This is a mystery revealed by the Holy Spirit only to those holy seekers who lovingly search for truth.

The seals in the book of Revelation represent the completion of this redemption, but the fulfillment is being held back at the present time (1679). As God's Spirit opens up seal after seal [to those truth-loving holy seekers], this complete and total redemption will be revealed both individually and universally. This gradual opening of the mysteries of Christ's redemption constitutes God's unfathomable wisdom, and will continually reveal new and fresh things to the deserving seeker.

The reason for the opening of the testimony in heaven before the end of this age is so that the ark of the living testimony it contains may be unsealed. (Revelation 11:19) The presence of the divine ark will constitute the life of the virgin church, and wherever this [church-] body is, the ark must be there also. The spreading of the everlasting gospel of the kingdom will begin with the unsealing of the living testimony in God's ark. The proclamations from this testimony will be [compared to] the sounding of a trumpet of alarm to the nations [and/or denominations] of Christendom. Christ will give authority [to his own] to end all controversies concerning [which is] the true church that is born from the New Jerusalem mother. This decision [and action] will be the actual sealing of Christ's [church-] body with God's name [and nature, and authority] —commissioning her to act in that name.

This new name [or nature, or authority] will distinguish her from the seven thousand names of Babylon. The selection and preparation of the virgin church is to be after a secret or hidden manner. As David was chosen and anointed by the Lord's prophet, but was not admitted to public service in the kingdom for quite a few years; so also the virgin church which has no human origins (and who is also from the stem of David), will be born. It will take her some time to come out of immaturity and arrive at full and mature age.

The birth of this virgin church was typified by Saint John's vision in which he saw a great wonder appeared in heaven: a woman giving birth to her first-born son who was caught up to God's throne [or God's authority]. For as a virgin gave birth to Christ physically, so

shall a virgin church give birth to the first-born in the Spirit—one who will be endowed with the seven spirits of God [Isaiah 11:2]. Being so born and marked with divine authority, this church will not know any hindrances or impediments. The holy anointing [or unction] among these new-born spirits will be complete!

There is not such a church apparent in the earth at this time (1679). All declarations of faith are found light when weighed in the balances, and are therefore rejected by the Supreme Judge. However, the outcome of this rejection will be that a new and glorious church will arise. The glory of God and of the Lamb will so rest on this church (which is typified by the tabernacle in the wilderness), that it will be called the Tabernacle of Wisdom. While not now visible, it will be seen coming (as out of the wilderness) within a short time. It will then grow and spread throughout the earth, not only to the number of the first born (the 144,000), but also to the [full number of the] remnant of the seed—against whom the dragon will make war continually.

Consequently, the spirit of David will revive in this blossoming root [this root out of which the true church will blossom]. These will have might [strength, enablement] given them to overcome the dragon and his angels, even as David overcame Goliath and the Philistine army. This will be the standing up of the great prince Michael and will be as the appearance of Moses against Pharaoh—in order that the chosen seed [the ones God chose to be his children] may be brought out of hard labor.

Egypt symbolizes this slavery under which Abraham's descendants groan, but the Most High will raise up a prophet—and a most prophetic generation—who will deliver his people by the use of spiritual weapons. For this [deliverance], certain people will be needed to take the leadership, the chief offices or positions. These people will have such favor with God, and the mighty acts of the Holy Spirit will so rest on them, that their dread and fear will fall on all nations [visible and invisible]. Christ will appear in those chosen vessels to lead his new creation into the promised land.

Thus Moses, Joshua, and Aaron may be considered types of those upon whom the same Spirit will come, but even in greater measure. These [individuals] will make a way for the ransomed of the Lord to return to Mt. Zion. Nobody will stand there before God except those who are tried stones (Isaiah 28:16) according to the pattern and

likeness of Christ. This will be a fiery trial through which very few will be able to pass or bear up. For this reason, those who wait [longingly] for this visible breaking out [of God's greater works] are strictly charged to hold fast, and wait together in the unity of pure love. This trial will be of absolute necessity for everyone for the clearing away of all remaining weaknesses of the natural mind, and to burn up all hay, wood, and straw. As all things are purified by fire, so the Lord, like a refiner, will purify the sons of the kingdom.

Some will be clothed with the priestly robe of the Melchizedek order. [Only] when they are fully redeemed, will they be qualified for governing authority. They will be required to suffer the spirit of burning, and the fanning of the fiery breath [which will] search every [motive] in them. When their bodies are totally disciplined, [God's] wonders will flow out of them.

The Urim and Thummim will be assigned to this body [of believers] which is in the succession of the Melchizedek priesthood. Their descent is not counted in the genealogy of the fallen creation, but in the genealogy of the new creation. Accordingly, these priests will be able to search deep within, and they will have divine insight into things not yet revealed. They will know each person's originality [or primary motivation] in the eternal anti-type of nature [that which in eternity corresponds to the person's nature]. Consequently, they will be able to prophesy clearly, not darkly or enigmatically, and will be able to bring their hearers forward according to divine counsel and ordination.

The Lord swears with truth and righteousness that from Abraham's line, according to the spirit, there will arise a holy priesthood. Abraham and Sarah were a type of those who will be produced and manifested at the [end of this] age. The mighty spirit of Cyrus is appointed to lay the foundation of this third temple and support it during the construction.

There are characteristics and marks whereby the pure virgin church will be known and distinguished from all others and whereby the unction and true voice of the Holy Spirit will be discerned [distinguished] from the ones who are base, false, and counterfeit. The manifestation of the spirit will be such that this church will be raised up and edified. These will then bring heaven down upon the earth and present the New Jerusalem order—all this so that spirits might be conceived and born of God, and ascend to New Jerusalem above,

where their head reigns in majesty!

None but those who have so ascended and received of His glory can condescend and communicate this message. This will make them God's representatives and sub-priests in the earth. The one who ascended and has been glorified, has made himself, as it were, our debtor. Consequently, he is qualified to bring forth certain exalted principal [human] instruments who will be as humble and little regarded as David was [before his anointing or coronation]. These he will dignify with honor and priestly sovereignty for [the purpose of] gathering the scattered flock from all nations.

There should be a holy emulation and ambition stirred up among the bands of believers, to be of the first-fruits to the one who has been raised from the dead. [For this purpose] he ordained that [certain individuals should be] his principal agents with him, and that they may be, if possible, of the number of the first-born, of the New Jerusalem mother. Everyone who is truly waiting for the spiritual kingdom, regardless of which denominational or religious group he may be affiliated with, should be numbered among the virgin spirits to whom this message pertains.

Be watchful and quicken your pace.

Because this message was written in Old English, I have modernized a few of the more difficult passages. —JLM