

Spirit's Day Studies

The Writings of Jane Lead

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*Shake, shake your earthly dust away
Now it's the Spirit's Day,
that will admit of no delay.*

The Eight Worlds

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Abbreviations used in this study
www.janelead.org/SDS_Abbreviations.pdf

*Jane Lead's 60 Propositions*¹

Proposition 5

The Great Seal-Opener

or,

“Open Thou Mine Eyes”

**As the Spirit of God shall open Seal after Seal, so shall this redemption
be revealed, both particularly and universally.**

After 300 of near obscurity, the writings of Jane Lead have come to the attention of both Christians and non-Christians alike. Faithful believers worldwide have been drawn to her message, and have desired to take the path that opens the soul to the *inward* Kingdom of our Christ. However Mrs. Lead has also attracted some whose interest is purely academic—or else antagonistic. But her adversaries will be disappointed to discover that she has very little to say that will offer them any benefit. Even so, she encourages them to approach these writings with a childlike spirit, which is so very pleasing to the Lord.² But as for the Seals themselves, the Lord will not open them, nor reveal the mysteries that are hidden within, simply to satisfy any curious or ill intentions.³

An Open and Esoteric Book

The Bible is a mysterious, mystical, and *esoteric*⁴ book. But it is also an *open book*, where a sinner can freely drink from the Waters of Salvation; and through which a babe in Christ can grow in the grace and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.⁵ And while all are invited to read the Holy Scriptures, and find the testimony of Jesus Christ therein, yet certain passages of the Word of God are presented as mysteries, allegories, metaphors, parables, etc.⁶ God employs these methods in order to move the loving soul into a deeper and more intimate walk.⁷ And yet these same methods will also keep His mysteries closed to those who have not the heart for the deeper things of God.⁸ Therefore without question the Bible is a mystery book. But as the Christian proves himself faithful, it pleases the Lord to open his eyes, and sends him to find the lost treasures that lay hidden within his very soul.⁹

A Hidden Treasure

These hidden treasures are found by those who are invited to taste and see that the Lord is good.¹⁰ Having passed through the elementary stage of their Christian walk, the Lord is leading them into the next. As babes they lived off the nourishment of the Word of God, and the sweet refreshments they

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received during times of prayer. But eventually the Lord will move them past that; for they must not remain babes forever. The Lord is raising strong young men;¹¹ Therefore He must withhold the bottle in order to replace it with a diet that has substance.¹² This heavier food is not meant to simply to give the soul a better understanding of the Bible. No! Its design is to move the soul into a richer and deeper understanding and intimacy with God *Himself!*¹³ But with this deeper state also comes great suffering through many trials.¹⁴

Kingdom Rule without Kingdom Testing

But some wish to rule in the Kingdom without these trials. They long to be dressed in flowing white robes without first being stripped of their soiled and tattered garments.¹⁵ They wish to wear a crown of jewels before they have worn their crown of thorns.¹⁶ They covet the praises of men without having first been despised and stoned by them.¹⁷ They openly claim to be the *Firstborn* Sons of God, but they have never even entered the Seals—much less passed through them all—without which there can be no resurrection.¹⁸ For by the *resurrection from the dead* was Jesus declared to be the *Son of God* with power!¹⁹ Therefore the students of Jane Lead are careful not to declare for themselves that which they have not achieved.

What Will Not Open Seals

Unbelief. These Seals will not open for the unbelieving *Christian*, though he may truly be converted to faith in the Lord Jesus Christ. But as he has no faith to believe in the *utmost salvation* that is hidden under these Seals, he has therefore declared himself a *Sadducee*, with no faith to believe in the *feeling fiery breath* of an inward resurrection in Spirit.²⁰ Therefore by his own choice he has proved himself unworthy of the present road to resurrection, though he will receive it at a later date.

The Curious Christian. Some have taken it upon themselves to “investigate” the writings of Jane Lead for reasons other than their own edification. But as already mentioned, true and proper understanding of these mysteries is only through the *Spirit of Christ*. Therefore unless you are either a *Holy Seeker* or *Loving Inquirer*; unless you are walking with the Lord in all faith, devotion and obedience; unless you are searching for Him with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength; and unless you sense His calling to draw closer to Him—the Seals will remain closed—and with good reason: For as it is impossible to please God without faith,²¹ so these Seals cannot open without faith.²²

The Critical Christian. The reason for the Seals in the first place is that they represent the aversion of man’s soul to the work and will of God.²³ Thus every Seal-breaking is an appointment between the soul and God, and represents its *cooperation* and *conversion* to the will of God that is hidden underneath that specific Seal. The critical Christian must first learn to walk in meekness and humility; for by his very nature he demonstrates that he is not yet ready for the *inward* Kingdom of Christ.²⁴

“Apostles” and “Prophets.” John the Baptist was the Lord’s prophet who *pointed* his disciples to Jesus. But he could not open their eyes to acknowledge Him as the Messiah.²⁵ John proclaimed, he taught, he exhorted, he rebuked. But he could not open their eyes.²⁶ Neither could the prophet *Elisha* open the eyes of his servant to see the mountain filled with the Lord’s warriors. Instead he prayed that *God* would open them.²⁷ Therefore it is *impossible* for any man or woman who claims to be an “apostle” or “prophet” to open these Seals.²⁸ They are forbidden territory to all but the Godhead.²⁹

Prayer. Prayer alone cannot open the Seals—*unless* it is a prayer that is acceptable to God, and then *only* by the Christian who is acceptable to God.³⁰ A soul may ask unceasingly, and through many tears; yet if he asks *amiss*, or with the wrong intentions, it is a prayer that will go unanswered.³¹

Pastors. A pastor cannot open these Seals, though he may truly be a man of God, and have great understanding of the Holy Scriptures. He may be sincere in his efforts to help his charges grow in the faith and knowledge of the Lord Jesus Christ.³² But he cannot do what is reserved for God alone—no matter how pure his intentions. Neither can he take anyone farther than he himself has gone.

Spiritual Mentors. Jane cautioned the *Holy Seekers* and *Loving Inquirers* to only seek the counsel of those who *already* have the Sovereign White Stone.³³ For without this coveted Gift they can be of no service to a soul that is making its way toward the inward death and resurrection. Therefore regardless of how holy, knowledgeable, or insightful he/she may be, yet the spiritual mentor cannot open these Seals. Neither can they be of any help—*unless* the Seals have first been broken *in themselves*—and then *only* to the degree that they themselves have progressed; but there they must stop.

Jane Lead. Although Jane Lead was given a commission to declare this wonderful Everlasting Gospel Message *in mystery*; and though she reveals what the soul must do in order to have the Seals opened within—yet she cannot open them. No amount of reading or *rereading* her writings can do what only God can do—through His Spirit—and only for the *Holy Seeker* and *Loving Inquirer*.

The Only Great Seal-Opener

These Seals are hard-fast; and there is none in Heaven or on Earth that can open, dissolve, or otherwise loose these Seals—except the Lamb of God who was slain from the foundation of the world.³⁴ And whether it is the Spirit of God,³⁵ the Alpha and Omega,³⁶ or the Lamb of God³⁷ that opens these Seals, it is the selfsame God and ruler of the universe, who distributes to every man according to His will.³⁸ Therefore let the prayer of the heart agree with that of the Psalmist: *That the Lord may open our eyes to behold all the wonders that await a soul that is truly devoted to this path.*³⁹ †††

To be continued...

NOTES & SCRIPTURES

Scriptures are from the KJV. Unless otherwise noted all references to JL's writings are from the Spirit's Day Version (SDV).

1 Full text of the *60 Propositions* (SDV).

2 Verily I say unto you, Whosoever shall not receive the kingdom of God as a little child shall in no wise enter therein. (Luk 18:17)

3 And he said, Unto you it is given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God: but to others in parables; that seeing they might not see, and hearing they might not understand. (Luk 8:10)

Hear now this, O foolish people, and without understanding; which have eyes, and see not; which have ears, and hear not: (Jer 5:21)

4 Esoteric: Private; secret; confidential; understood by or meant for only the select few who have special knowledge or interest. (dictionary.com)

Esoteric: Very unusual and understood or liked by only a small number of people, especially those with special knowledge. (Cambridge.org)

SDS Note: This *special knowledge* is that which is revealed to the *Holy Seeker* and the *Loving Inquirer*, by and through the Spirit of Christ. Therefore a Christian who has not yet received the *Promise of the Father* might view the Holy Seeker and Loving Inquirer as having *esoteric*

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knowledge. In like manner a nonbeliever might view a Christian who knows and understands the Word of God as having *esoteric knowledge*. Yet this is not the same as the *esotericism* of the Gnostics and other non-Christian groups.

- 5 All scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness: That the man of God may be perfect, throughly furnished unto all good works. (2Ti 3:16-17)

But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ...(2Pe 3:18)

- 6 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory: (1Co 2:7)

SDS Note: The Bible has over 200 different *rhetorical devices*, such as puns, metaphors, allegories, parables, etc. Chuck Missler provides a list in *Cosmic Codes, Hidden Messages from the Edge of Eternity*, Appendix A, K-House, 2013.

- 7 But God hath revealed them unto us by his Spirit: for the Spirit searcheth all things, yea, the deep things of God.(1Co 2:10)
- 8 Yet the LORD hath not given you an heart to perceive, and eyes to see, and ears to hear, unto this day.(Deu 29:4)
- 9 The kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field. (Mat 13:44)
- 10 O taste and see that the LORD is good: blessed is the man that trusteth in him. (Psa 34:8)
- 11 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ: (Eph 4:13)
- 12 Thou shalt remember all the way which the LORD hath led thee these forty years in the wilderness, to humble thee, and to prove thee, to know what was in thine heart, whether thou wouldest keep his commandments. (Deu 8:2)
- 13 For the eyes of the LORD run to and fro throughout the whole earth, to shew himself strong in the behalf of them whose heart is perfect toward him...(2Ch 16:9)

Draw nigh to God, and he will draw nigh to you...(Jas 4:8)

- 14 Confirming the souls of the disciples, and exhorting them to continue in the faith, and that we must through much tribulation enter into the kingdom of God. (Act 14:22)

These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.(Joh 16:33)

- 15 They part my garments among them, and cast lots upon my vesture. (Psa 22:18)

- 16 They had platted a crown of thorns, they put it upon his head, and a reed in his right hand: and they bowed the knee before him, and mocked him, saying, Hail, King of the Jews! (Mat 27:29)

- 17 But I am a worm, and no man; a reproach of men, and despised of the people. (Psa 22:6)

- 18 But if there be no resurrection of the dead, then is Christ not risen: (1Co 15:13)

- 19 And declared to be the Son of God with power, according to the Spirit of Holiness, by the resurrection from the dead: (Rom 1:4)

- 20 For the Sadducees say that there is no resurrection...nor spirit. (Act 23:8)

Revelation of Revelations (RR E:2b; 19:7).

- 21 But without faith it is impossible to please him: for he that cometh to God must believe that he is, and that he is a rewarder of them that diligently seek him. (Heb 11:6)

- 22 Then touched he their eyes, saying, According to your faith be it unto you. (Mat 9:29)

- 23 *Revelation of Revelations* (RR 40P-5).

- 24 And Jesus said unto him, No man, having put his hand to the plough, and looking back, is fit for the kingdom of God. (Luk 9:62)

- 25 Open thou mine eyes, that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law. (Psa 119:18)

To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison, and them that sit in darkness out of the prison house. (Isa 42:7)

The key of the house of David will I lay upon his shoulder; so he shall open, and none shall shut; and he shall shut, and none shall open. (Isa 22:22)

26 He saith unto them, But whom say ye that I am? And Simon Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God. And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. (Mat 16:15-17)

27 And Elisha prayed, and said, LORD, I pray thee, open his eyes, that he may see. And the LORD opened the eyes of the young man; and he saw: and, behold, the mountain was full of horses and chariots of fire round about Elisha. (2Ki 6:17)

28 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many. (Mat 24:11)

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. (Mat 24:24)

Believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. (1Jn 4:1)

29 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed it unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven. (Mat 16:17)

I the LORD have called thee in righteousness, and will hold thine hand, and will keep thee, and give thee for a covenant of the people, for a light of the Gentiles; To open the blind eyes, to bring out the prisoners from the prison...(Isa 42:6-7)

30 The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. (Jas 5:16)

31 Ye ask, and receive not, because ye ask amiss, that ye may consume it upon your lusts. (Jas 4:3)

32 And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of

God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: (Eph 4:11-3)

33 *Revelation of Revelations* (RR E:8).

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect. (Mat 24:24)

34 And one of the elders saith, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof. (Rev 5:2-5)

And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. (Rev 13:8)

35 *60 Propositions* (60P:5)

36 I am Alpha and Omega, by whom the Seven Seals of the Book are opened; which was revealed for preparation and due qualification of such as are elected and ordained...(RR P:3)

37 Behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof. (Rev 5:5)

38 But all these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit, dividing to every man severally as he will. (1Co 12:11)

39 Psalm 119:18.