

## **Seventh-day Adventist *Sabbath School Bible Study Guide* for the Second Quarter of 2025**

This is a review of the entire *Seventh-day Adventist Adult Teachers Sabbath School Bible Study Guide* (SSBSG) for the second quarter of 2025 titled “Allusions Images Symbols How to Study Bible Prophecy.” In this SSBSG seven different bibles are used one of which is a Roman Catholic Bible. On the inside of the cover page it says, “Scripture references other than the King James Version quoted by permission.”

References from the various “the Bible” are advertised in capitalized italicized letters and I counted the number of times each “the Bible” was advertised. I also found some places where the no credit was given to the New King James Version (NKJV) when it was used. I did not count everything twice so my count could be off a little and I did not count quotations that appeared within a quotation. The numbers were as follows:

New King James Version quotations: 262.

King James Version (KJV) quotations: 3.

English Standard Version (ESV) quotations: 6.

New International Version (NIV) quotations: 4.

Modern English Version (MEV) quotations: 1.

Contemporary English Version (CEV) quotations: 1.

Author’s Literal Translation (ALT): 2.

Memory texts were all from the NKJV.

Page numbers referenced will be as in the Standard Edition of the SSBSG unless otherwise noted.

### **LESSON 1. Some Principles of Prophecy (3/29/25 - 4/4/25)**

I have subscribed to the adult teachers edition of the SSBSG since the first quarter of 2017 and I still have all of them. During that time dozens of different “the Bible” have been used with no claim other than that they were “Scripture,” “the Bible,” or “the Word of God.” Bibles fully approved by the Roman Catholic Church have regularly been used and one, the ESV, is used in this SSBSG. As you study this SSBSG, consider the following questions.

1. Did ANY of the principal contributors to this or other issues of the SSBSG believe there is a single Bible in the world at this time with no error?
2. Do any of the “the Bible” used support all unique key Seventh-day Adventist doctrines?
3. Do any of the “the Bible” used support Roman Catholic doctrine?
4. Why are all “the Bible” except one advertised in italicized capital letters?

5. At least seven different bibles are used in this SSBSG and two different ones in this lesson and yet I counted, just in Lesson 1, twenty-four different places where the phrase “the Bible” was used in referring to them. Is that proper English? For English speaking people is it more important to know proper English and what English words mean or what Hebrew and Greek words mean?

6. Did Sister White speak or understand Greek, Aramaic or Hebrew?

7. If different “the Bible” are used, do we go with what most of them say or with what we think “the Bible” should say?

On page 7 of the SSBSG it says, “Walk into any Christian bookstore and scan through the titles on Bible prophecy. You will quickly discover that there is a mindboggling assortment of views and interpretations, and it can be tempting to believe that no one can truly understand what books such as revelation are saying.” You will find as you read this review that some of the “books” promoting an “assortment of views and interpretations” include the “the Bible” used in this SSBSG.

Also on page 7 it says, the Bible “invites us to read, assuming that God is not speaking in vain and that we can know the truth of what He is saying through His Word.” Alrighty then, using the “the Bible” used most in this SSBSG can we “know the truth of what He is saying in His Word?”

“Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.” Hebrews 9:12 (NKJV).

“he entered once for all into the holy places, not by means of the blood of goats and calves but by means of his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption.” Hebrews 9:12 (ESV).

“He did not enter by means of the blood of goats and calves; but he entered the Most Holy Place once for all by his own blood, thus obtaining eternal redemption.” Hebrews 9:12 (NIV).

“Then Christ went once for all into the most holy place and freed us from sin forever. He did this by offering his own blood instead of the blood of goats and bulls.” Hebrews 9:12 (CEV).

“neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by His own blood, He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption.” Hebrews 9:12 (MEV).

This verse is not a prophecy; it’s about what already happened. One of the “the Bible” doesn’t say which of the “holy places” Jesus entered after his resurrection and all of the others say he entered the “Most Holy Place” or “most holy place.” That pretty much kills the Seventh-day Adventist doctrine of Jesus entering the Most Holy Place to start the investigative judgment in 1844.

Here’s that verse from the real Bible.

“Neither by the blood of goats and calves, but by his own blood he entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us.” Hebrews 9:12 (KJV).

Shawn Boonstra, the principal contributor to this SSBSG, is the head guy at the Voice of Prophecy. Do you think Shawn knows there’s a BIG problem in his favorite fake “the Bible?” In lesson 8 it’s recommended that you read Hebrews 9:11-15. How many Seventh-day Adventists will know there’s a problem if they read it out of something other than the real Bible?

On page 12 the question is asked, “Why must we be careful to ‘test all things; hold fast what is good’ (*1 Thess. 5:21 NKJV*)?” Yes, why Shawn, and should we use a fake “the Bible” for our testing?

## **LESSON 2. The Genesis Foundation (4/3/25 - 4/11/25)**

On page 15 Shawn says, “When God establishes truth, however, He does not change His mind.” That’s only true if you’re using the real Bible.

There’s another pearl on page 15. It says, “Why is it so important that we not allow anyone or anything, no matter how smooth or logical, to weaken our faith in the Bible and the infallible truths it teaches? What are the subtle ways that this weakening can happen?”

As you know if you’ve read *The Great Controversy* or are familiar with the history of the Protestant Reformation, there was a time when to have or read a Bible put you in peril of liberty and life. Thanks to God, the Protestant Reformation and printing, bibles are easy to get and are OK to read in English speaking countries and in many other countries. What was Satan to do if he couldn’t keep people from getting the Bible?

“When the Romanist theologians saw that they could not prohibit the reformer’s work, they themselves published a translation of the New Testament. It was Luther’s version, altered here and there by the publishers. There was no hindrance to its being read.” *The Life and Times of Martin Luther* by J. H. Merle D’Aubigné.

One of Satan’s techniques is to proffer a multitude of translations which allegedly more accurately tell us what God said. You don’t need to add or take away much to make poison. That NEVER ends. Using various excuses, more translations are printed for the alleged purpose of improving what God said because we can’t even be sure now what God said.

Here’s another part of Satan’s plan.

“The orthodox view was that to make the Bible assessable to the common people would threaten the authority of the Church, and lead the people to question its teaching. A scandalized contemporary wrote: ‘This Master John Wycliff translated from Latin into English – the Angle not the Angel speech – and so the pearl of the Gospel is scattered abroad and trodden underfoot by swine.’ This sentiment was echoed by the seventeenth-century philosopher Thomas Hobbs who sourly observed: ‘After the Bible was translated into English, every man, nay, every boy and wench

that could read English, thought they spoke with God Almighty and understood what he said.’” *The Story of English* by Robert McCrum, William Cran, and Robert MacNeil page 110.

“But even when you are assured that the Bible contains the Word of God, and nothing but the Word of God, how do you know that the translation is faithful? The Books of Scripture were originally written in Hebrew and Greek, and you have only the translation. Before you are certain that the translation is faithful you must study the Hebrew and Greek languages, and then compare the translation with the original. How few are capable of this gigantic undertaking.” *The Faith of Our Fathers* by James Cardinal Gibbons, Archbishop of Baltimore, page 80 of the 73<sup>rd</sup> edition.

According to the Roman Catholic Church, only those who are competent in Greek and Hebrew and can read the Bible in the original language are able to know what God said. Here’s the Seventh-day Adventist version of that.

“The *Andrews Study Bible* was commissioned to be academically credible, theologically sound, and practically useful. To be *academically credible* means that the writers who provided the study notes and articles are qualified Bible scholars. They know what they are writing about.” Page ix of the NKJV *Andrews Study Bible*.

Here’s something else from the *Andrews Study Bible*.

“In faithfulness to God and to our readers, it was deemed appropriate that all participating scholars sign a document affirming their belief in the verbal and plenary inspiration of Scripture, and in the inerrancy of the original autographs.” Page xviii of the NKJV *Andrews Study Bible*.

Do you think all that sounds pretty good and godly? Do you know what those ENGLISH words mean? An autograph is writing in the author’s own handwriting. In other words, since we have NO original autographs, we can’t know what God said unless we believe what a qualified Bible scholar says God said. Not a one of those qualified Bible scholars believe there is a single “the Bible” in the world at this time without mistakes and chances are excellent that your pastor doesn’t believe that either. They have swallowed Satan’s lie hook line and sinker and as a result the great majority of Seventh-day Adventists believe all bibles have mistakes or that one is just as good as another.

How about this?

“‘Elsewhere in the Holy Writ the truth has suffered at the hands of translators who have rendered certain words and phrases of the original text so inadequately as to distort their real meaning beyond recognition.” *Communication with the Spirit World* by Johannes Greber page 285.

Johannes Greber was a spiritualist and the above quote is what a demon said through a medium. Do you think the demon was trying to make the Bible better?

Here’s another opinion on “qualified Bible scholars.”

“The Bible with its precious gems of truth was not written for the scholar alone. On the contrary, it was designed for the common people; and the interpretation given by the common people, when aided by the Holy Spirit, accords best with the truth as it is in Jesus.” *Testimonies for the Church* volume 5 page 331.

“Now that Satan can no longer keep the world under his control by withholding the Scriptures, he resorts to other means to accomplish the same object. To destroy faith in the Bible serves his purpose as well as to destroy the Bible itself.” *Spirit of Prophecy* volume four page 403.

Be advised that you DON'T need to know ANY Greek, Hebrew or Aramaic to know what God said if you know English. Shawn telling you on page 17 that “*seh*” means “lamb” accomplishes NOTHING except promote himself as someone who knows what he's talking about.

On page 19 Shawn says, “God's character and Word do not change.” It has already been amply demonstrated that if you believe Shawn's fake “the Bible,” God's Word has definitely changed.

In the teachers comments section of the quarterly, which only teachers have, can be found the following on pages 27 and 28 where Shawn confirms that his favorite fake “the Bible” is wrong, that he has trouble with English, and the real Bible which, for some reason he has thus far neglected to use, is right.

“The fact that the word ‘lamb’ is used by John in his Gospel (*John 1:29, 36*), and especially in his apocalypse (23 times), in the definite sense as “the lamb,” suggests that John is alluding to ‘the lamb’ of Isaac's question, ‘ ‘Where is the lamb?’ ‘ (*Gen. 22:7*). This intertextual relation allows us to surmise that ‘the lamb’ of Isaac refers to the Son of God as understood by John. This interpretation is, in fact, confirmed in Abraham's response to Isaac's question: ‘ ‘God will provide for Himself the lamb for a burnt offering’ ‘ (*Gen. 22:8, NKJV*).”

No, it doesn't say the lamb of Isaac refers to the Son of God; it says God will get a lamb from somewhere. Shawn knows that his “the Bible” doesn't quite have it right so then goes into an explanation of Hebrew putting the verb first and “reflexive construction” which you don't need to know anything about if you know ENGLISH and have the real Bible. Shawn's conclusion that Jesus is the lamb referred to is correct but that isn't what his “the Bible” says. Here it is from the real Bible.

“And Abraham said, My son, God will provide himself a lamb for a burnt offering: so they went both of them together.” Genesis 22:8 (KJV).

See that?” “God will provide himself a lamb.” If the NKJV had left out the “for” it would have been fine.

### **LESSON 3. Images From Marriage (4/12/25 – 4/18/25)**

Except for the use of a “the Bible” to which error has been added and unneeded Hebrew lessons, I didn't find anything wrong with this lesson.

On page 24 near the bottom of the page Ezekiel 16:15 is quoted from the NKJV with no credit indicating that was the source.

#### **LESSON 4. The Nations: Part I (4/19/25 – 4/25/25)**

On pages 33 and 35 there are quotations from a “the Bible” with no associated credit given to a particular translation. This might lead one to think Shawn actually put his NKJV down that he used well over two hundred times and picked up a KJV for these special quotations (LOL). In the case of Revelation 14:12, that exact wording (“keep the commandments of God”) occurs in the KJV, NKJV, MEV, ESV and perhaps in other translations. That wording does not occur in two of the “the Bible” used in this SSBSG.

Revelation 14:12 is an important verse for Seventh-day Adventists to understand.

“Not all have become disloyal. There are a faithful few who are true to God; for John writes: ‘Here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.’” *Testimonies for the Church* volume 9 page 15.

Here’s Revelation 14:12 from the two “the Bible” in this SSBSG that didn’t have the same wording as the KJV. One, the NIV, is very popular in Seventh-day Adventist Churches. Andrews University publishes it as a study bible and it’s used as a pew bible in some churches such as one I used to attend and in the Loma Linda University church.

“This calls for patient endurance on the part of the people of God who keep his commands and remain faithful to Jesus.” Revelation 14:12 (NIV).

“God's people must learn to endure. They must also obey his commands and have faith in Jesus.” Revelation 14:12 (CEV).

Is there a difference between “commandments” and “commands?”

“Moses was there with the LORD forty days and forty nights without eating bread or drinking water. And he wrote on the tablets the words of the covenant—the Ten Commandments.” Exodus 34:28 (NIV).

“Moses stayed on the mountain with the LORD for forty days and nights, without eating or drinking. And he wrote down the Ten Commandments, the most important part of God's agreement with his people.” Exodus 34:28 (CEV).

I’m confident that the translators of the NIV and CEV had heard about the Ten Commandments. To substitute “commands” for “commandments” tends to make it appear that it wasn’t the Ten Commandments that was referred to and that the Old Testament and the Ten Commandments aren’t so important in what is called the Christian era.

It’s possible some quotations advertised as coming from certain “the Bible” in capitalized italics, are found with the same wording in other translations. I believe the whole point in said advertising is to teach that one “the Bible” is as good as another or, you could say,

that all “the Bible” have mistakes. If a quotation is advertised as coming, say from the NKJV, I count it as coming from the NKJV unless it’s clearly wrong.

### **LESSON 5. The Nations Part II (4/26/25 – 5/2/2025)**

On page 66 of the teachers comments section there is a quotation from the “author’s literal translation” which I’ll call the ALT. Shawn apparently thought he could say it better than any of his “the Bible” said it. Here it is!

“Give me the grace of your law.” Psalms 119:29 (ALT).

Here it is from the real Bible.

“Remove from me the way of lying: and grant me thy law graciously.” Psalm 119:29 (KJV).

Yeah. You start by mixing and matching and finally you can make your own “the Bible.” Notice how the ALT left out the lying part.

### **LESSON 6. Understanding Sacrifice (5/3/25 – 5/9/25)**

On page 50 Shawn says, “No wonder the Bible said about Jesus: “ ‘Behold, the virgin shall be with child, and bear a Son, and they shall call His name Immanuel,’ which is translated, ‘God with us’ “ (*Matt. 1:23, NKJV*).”

Shawn has given many Hebrew lessons especially in the teachers comments section of this quarterly. He has also frequently discussed English grammar. He apparently doesn’t know the difference between “the Bible” and “a bible and apparently didn’t know that “the virgin” means something different than “a virgin.” Alternatively, he may think “the virgin” is the way to go.

Here’s the verse from the real Bible.

“Now all this was done, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Behold, a virgin shall be with child, and shall bring forth a son, and they shall call his name Emmanuel, which being interpreted is, God with us.” Matthew 1:22-23 (KJV).

In this verse Matthew is referring to a prophecy found in Isaiah. Here it is from Shawn’s favorite fake “the Bible” and from the real Bible.

“Then he said, "Hear now, O house of David! Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will you weary my God also? Therefore the Lord Himself will give you a sign: Behold, the virgin shall conceive and bear a Son, and shall call His name Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:13-14 (NKJV).

“And he said, Hear ye now, O house of David; Is it a small thing for you to weary men, but will ye weary my God also? Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a

sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.” Isaiah 7:13-14 (KJV).

When you say “the virgin” it means it was a specific virgin alive at that time and known both to Isaiah and to the king he was speaking to. When you say “a virgin” you are speaking of some virgin that’s not known to you. The NKJV DESTROYS a prophecy of the virgin birth. Don’t think so?

Isaiah was the subject of the SSBSG for the first quarter of 2021 and the principal contributor of that issue, Roy Ganes, PhD, was hosted by John Bradshaw on an It Is Written YouTube video about that Sabbath School lesson (Lesson 3 for that quarter). Roy’s opinion was that, “this is really a prophecy for this event within a short amount of time; within two years in fact.” He then said, “Well it appears that, it appears that, there was a young woman, and this word that’s translated virgin, in the Septuagint, the Greek, and then, ah, usually in English translations, the word translated virgin is *al-maw*’. *Al-maw*’, it means a young woman. Ah, very often could be a virgin.”

“Through the promised Seed, the God of Israel was to bring deliverance to Zion. ‘There shall come forth a Rod out of the stem of Jesse, and a Branch shall grow out of his roots.’ ‘Behold a virgin shall conceive, and bear a Son, and shall call his name Immanuel. Butter and honey shall He eat, that He may know how to refuse the evil, and choose the good.’ Isaiah 11:1; 7:14, 15.” *Prophets and Kings* page 695.

On page 81 of the teachers comments section it says, “The biblical story tells us, then, that ‘the LORD respected Abel and his offering, but He did not respect Cain and his offering’ (*Gen. 4:4, 5 NKJV*). In the very next paragraph it says, “as the following translation suggests: ‘God looked with interest at Abel, therefore [*waw*] at his offering; but he did not look with interest at Cain, therefore [*waw*] at his offering.’ This translation indicates that the reason for God’s rejection or acceptance of the offering lies primarily in the spiritual condition of the person and not in his offering, per se (*Mic. 6:7, 8; Isa. 1:11*).”

Shawn didn’t indicate the special translation and I couldn’t find that wording for Genesis 4:4-5 in a bunch of bibles I looked at. I therefore conclude that the evidence points toward it being from the ALT.

## **LESSON 7. Foundations *for* Prophecy (5/10/25 – 5/16/25)**

On page 61, it’s recommended that you read Ezekiel 28:11-17 and Isaiah 14:12-14. In the same paragraph it’s asked, “What led to Lucifer’s downfall” and on that page there are quotations from the NKJV and NIV. Read the whole of Ezekiel 28 if you like. For this discussion the pertinent part is about the “cherub” who became Satan. Try to see the problem for yourself. Shawn, the expert in Hebrew and English grammar, didn’t see the problem so don’t be too sad if you miss it.

“‘You were the anointed cherub who covers; I established you; You were on the holy mountain of God; You walked back and forth in the midst of fiery stones. You were perfect in your ways from the day you were created, Till iniquity was found in you. "By the abundance of your trading You became filled with violence within, And you



sinned; Therefore I cast you as a profane thing Out of the mountain of God; And I destroyed you, O covering cherub, From the midst of the fiery stones. ‘Your heart was lifted up because of your beauty; You corrupted your wisdom for the sake of your splendor; I cast you to the ground, I laid you before kings, That they might gaze at you. ‘You defiled your sanctuaries By the multitude of your iniquities, By the iniquity of your trading; Therefore I brought fire from your midst; It devoured you, And I turned you to ashes upon the earth In the sight of all who saw you.” Ezekiel 28:14-18 (NKJV).

“You were anointed as a guardian cherub, for so I ordained you. You were on the holy mount of God; you walked among the fiery stones. You were blameless in your ways from the day you were created till wickedness was found in you. Through your widespread trade you were filled with violence, and you sinned. So I drove you in disgrace from the mount of God, and I expelled you, guardian cherub, from among the fiery stones. Your heart became proud on account of your beauty, and you corrupted your wisdom because of your splendor. So I threw you to the earth; I made a spectacle of you before kings. By your many sins and dishonest trade you have desecrated your sanctuaries. So I made a fire come out from you, and it consumed you, and I reduced you to ashes on the ground in the sight of all who were watching.” Ezekiel 28:14-18 (NIV).

Here’s the passage from the real Bible.

“Thou art the anointed cherub that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee. By the multitude of thy merchandise they have filled the midst of thee with violence, and thou hast sinned: therefore I will cast thee as profane out of the mountain of God: and I will destroy thee, O covering cherub, from the midst of the stones of fire. Thine heart was lifted up because of thy beauty, thou hast corrupted thy wisdom by reason of thy brightness: I will cast thee to the ground, I will lay thee before kings, that they may behold thee. Thou hast defiled thy sanctuaries by the multitude of thine iniquities, by the iniquity of thy traffick; therefore will I bring forth a fire from the midst of thee, it shall devour thee, and I will bring thee to ashes upon the earth in the sight of all them that behold thee.” Ezekiel 28:14-18 (KJV).

Hopefully, though it may have been too hard for Shawn, you’re not thrown off too much by hard words like “covereth” and “wast” and “thou,” etc. The important thing to see is that the fate of the cherub who is Satan is all in past tense in the NKJV and the NIV. He has been “turned” or “reduced” to ashes so he is dead. In the real Bible Satan’s fate is all in future tense which seems to make more sense (LOL).

Shawn received some of his education at Andrews University and that may explain part of his problem. Here is a footnote about that passage from the NKJV *Andrews Study Bible*. An Andrews University scholar KNEW that past tense in that passage was problematic but he (or maybe she) had an explanation.

“The final and lasting destruction of the fallen cherub is predicted in the Hebrew ‘prophetic perfect’—the past tense used to depict a future event as already having happened because it is so certain to come to pass.”

That means other prophecies written in Hebrew about future events that weren’t written in past tense weren’t “so certain to come to pass.”

And now for Isaiah 14:12-14. This is the only passage in any bible that names Lucifer.

“How you have fallen from heaven, morning star, son of the dawn! You have been cast down to the earth, you who once laid low the nations! You said in your heart, ‘I will ascend to the heavens; I will raise my throne above the stars of God; I will sit enthroned on the mount of assembly, on the utmost heights of Mount Zaphon. I will ascend above the tops of the clouds; I will make myself like the Most High.’” Isaiah 14:12-14 (NIV).

“How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! how art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.” Isaiah 14:12-14 (KJV).

Huh. No “Lucifer” in the NIV. Who is the “morning star?”

“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright Morning Star.” Revelation 22:16 (NIV).

A rocket scientist at Andrews University had an explanation in the NIV *Andrews Study Bible* about how a name for Jesus Christ is in Isaiah 14:12.

“**14:12-14** *morning star*. Literally ‘shining one, son of dawn,’ also translated Lucifer.”

If “morning star” can mean “Lucifer” I see no reason why Revelation 22:16 couldn’t read:

“I, Jesus, have sent my angel to give you this testimony for the churches. I am the Root and the Offspring of David, and Lucifer.”

## **LESSON 8. In *the* Psalms: Part I (5/17/25 – 5/23/25)**

On page 65 it says, “Read Hebrews 9:11-15, about Christ as our High Priest in heaven’s sanctuary. What does this teach about what He is doing for us?” This was already covered in the discussion of Lesson 1. If you’ve forgotten, read it again. I find it EXTREMELY HARD to believe that Shawn could possibly be unaware that his favorite fake “the Bible” contradicts Seventh-day Adventist doctrine in that passage.

Shawn must have finally felt up to using a passage with the archaic word “thy” in it because on page 66 there is a snippet from Psalms 15 as in the KJV! Just think. If he had

used the KJV for Hebrews 9:11-14 there would have been no contradiction of Seventh-day Adventist doctrine.

On page 108 of the teacher's comments section it says, "The second section (*Ps. 24:3-6*) answers the question in Psalm 24:3 by emphasizing that only the ones who have 'clean hands and a pure heart and who have not committed idolatry qualify for ascending into the hill of the Lord, i.e., worship (*Ps. 24:4, NKJV*). The psalm is not referring here to an ideal of absolute perfection.

"Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD? Or who may stand in His holy place? He who has clean hands and a pure heart, Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol, Nor sworn deceitfully. He shall receive blessing from the LORD, And righteousness from the God of his salvation. This is Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him, Who seek Your face. Selah" Psalm 24:3-6 (NKJV).

You're supposed to believe the psalm isn't referring to absolute perfection just because Shaw says so. In my opinion, even the error laden NKJV describes absolute perfection in that passage.

"The life that Christ lived in this world, men and women can live through His power and under His instruction. In their conflict with Satan they may have all the help that He had. They may be more than conquerors through Him who loved them and gave Himself for them." *Testimonies for the Church* volume 9 page 22.

The live Christ lived was perfect so we may also be perfect.

#### **LESSON 9. In *the* Psalms: Part II (5/24/25 – 5/30/25)**

On page 77, Shawn says engineers at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology created a black coating that "renders objects painted with them nearly invisible" and that "the brightest light fails to make the objects covered with this coating visible." Shawn should have given this a bit more thought. The coating is the blackest black (meaning very little light reflexion) known to date. It is only invisible if its background is equally black. If you put an object painted with it against a lighter background the object painted with it will be visible.

On the page with the "Inside Story" a book I hadn't heard of by Ellen White, the *Happiness Digest*, is mentioned and it's allegedly a version of *Steps to Christ*. I now have one and it is *Steps to Christ* by another name. There have been other books of different titles based on *Steps to Christ* in which counterfeit bibles were used. Sister white forbade substituting quotations from bible versions she hadn't approved of in her writings.

"They come to me, those that are copying my writings, and say, 'Now here is the better revised words, and I think I will put that in.' Don't you change one word, not a word. The revised edition we do not need at all. We have got the word that Christ has spoken Himself and given us. And don't you in my writings change a word for any revised edition. There will be revised editions, plenty of them, just before the close of this earth's history, and I want all my workers to understand, and I have got

quite a number of them. I want them to understand that they are never to take the revised word, and put it in the place of the plain, simple words just as they are.” Ellen G. White Manuscript 188, 1907.

#### **LESSON 10. Upon Whom *the* Ends Have Come (5/31/25 – 6/6/25)**

On page 83 it says, “Meanwhile, who appears amid the heavenly judgment, in Daniel 7, but ‘the Son of man,’ Jesus (*Dan. 7:13; see also Matt. 20:28*), whose appearance is the only reason why this judgment is ‘made in favor of the saints of the Most High’ (*Dan. 7:22, NKJV*).

“until the Ancient of Days came, and a judgment was made in favor of the saints of the Most High, and the time came for the saints to possess the kingdom.” Daniel 7:22 NKJV.

“Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.” Daniel 7:22 KJV.

Judgment “in favor of the saints” means they have been found not guilty. Judgment “given to the saints” means the saints are doing the judging. Which is it?

“Daniel declares that when the Ancient of Days came, ‘judgment was given to the saints of the Most High.’ Daniel 7:22. At this time the righteous reign as kings and priests unto God. John in the Revelation says: ‘I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them.’ ‘They shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with Him a thousand years.’ Revelation 20:4,6. It is at this time that, as foretold by Paul, ‘the saints shall judge the world.’ 1 Corinthians 6:2.” *The Great Controversy* page 661.

#### **LESSON 11. Ruth and Esther (6/7/25 – 6/13/25)**

Yay! I found another quotation from the real Bible on page 91! The quotation is from Job 1:7 where the real Bible says “going to and fro in the earth” and Shawn’s favorite fake “the Bible” says “going to and from on the earth.”

On page 92, Shawn once again mentions passages in Ezekiel 28 and Isaiah 14. These were covered quite adequately in the Lesson 7 review.

#### **LESSON 12. Precursors (6/14/25 – 6/20/25)**

On page 159 of the teachers comments section part of Daniel 2:44 is quoted from the KJV and a little further down the page part of the same verse is quoted from the NKJV. Why? I have not a clue.

#### **LESSON 13. Images *of the* End (6/21/25 – 6/27/25)**

Except for the use of a fake bible I found nothing wrong with this lesson.

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