

# **EIGHT WORLDS**

(Simplified by Elaine Cook)

The Regions Allotted

To

Human Souls

As revealed to: Jane Leade, 1695

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### ***The Four Dark Worlds***

Once again I take up my pen at the prompting of my Father. He has challenged me to write, in a simple form, the revelation of the regions allotted to human souls after death. What happens to a soul after death? This revelation was given to the prophetess Jane Leade in 1695 and to others at later times.

In our day the Lord has raised up anointed writers to make her writings available to His remnant company. They have been very careful to keep every word exactly as it was given to her. I am encouraged to do otherwise! I am to break the writing down into our common language so that all who read may understand. I shall lean on the help of the One Who gave it in the first place! I have talked to different ones who tried to read her book about the ***Eight Worlds*** but couldn't wade through the archaic language. It seems the Lord *wants* us to understand this revelation, so I am going to do my part to make it simpler.

We have heard of only two places—either heaven or hell, to which departed souls go after death. But, the time has come when the Lord would have us to understand, more perfectly, man's fate in the after-life. Upon hearing these

things, she asked, "*In what other worlds besides this visible and known world does the evil of sin yet remain?*"

She was told that those who leave the world without a *death-to-self* pass into such worlds, or centers, *which are most agreeable to them.*

*Sin does not die totally with the body unless there has been a dying to it while yet in the body!* The Spirit revealed that there are *eight regions, or worlds,* that receive the souls of all degrees and ranks.

Sadhu Sundar Singh was caught up (around 1926) as Paul was, and his spiritual eyes were opened to see the different realms within the heavens. To Jane Leade the Lord revealed the names of the four dark worlds (or realms) and the four bright worlds.

The first of these is this ***mortal, visible world*** upon which we live, even planet earth.

The second is the ***astral or aerial world.***

The third is the ***waterish elementary world.***

The fourth is the ***fiery dark world.***

Each world bears different degrees of punishments according to *the impurity that is left in the person.* Sundar Singh was shown an *intermediate state* between heaven and hell. From here, all spiritual beings progress through stages between the darkness of the bottomless pit and the throne of the Lord in light.

***The lowest, darkest, hellish world*** is a place for Satan who rules over the fallen angels in the pride of his diabolical spirit. Such souls who have been deeply infected in satanic principles and have never known any degree of the light and love principle, must expect this hellish world to be their habitation when they die.

They will endure all the punishments that the evil spirits shall inflict upon

them. The fire will purge them until the venom of sin will at last come to an end.

The scriptures are fairly silent when it comes to the after-life. Yet, in more recent years, the Lord is opening up the understanding of these realms to those who are open to be taught of the Spirit.

Most denominations teach only a heaven for the good guys, and a hell for the bad guys—a hell of everlasting burnings. Many sincere believers have turned away from this concept of cruelty and sadism on the part of the Creator who says that He is Love!

Those who do not embrace the beliefs of heaven (as a reward) and everlasting hell (as punishment) are branded as heretics. Yet, it is to *these* that the Lord has revealed His divine purposes in heaven and hell. It is not, as we have been told, that men shall burn forever in the fires of hell if they have not received Christ in this life.

The Spirit has shown that there are different worlds, or realms that may be called "hell." Even *our* world is considered one of these dark realms! If a soul here is living for self and is walking far from God, we may hear him confess that '*his life is hell.*' I'm sure you've heard someone say that!

The next degree of souls go to the ***Waterish Elemental World.*** They are more believing in God and Christ. They feel their lost estate but cannot leave the worldly principles that bind them so they do not come into ***the new birth.*** They believe that at death they will readily enter the heavenly kingdom. In this, *Millions of souls are deceived.* These represent the majority of mankind, many who were regular attendants of some traditional church. They know of a historical Christ but *have never been born of His Spirit.* They have given their time and money, but have never been transformed

by the power of God. What a shock it shall be, upon death, to find themselves in a different place from what they had hoped for!

This group will feel little of pain or joy because they cannot reach the vision of God. Redemption will work through their distress of mind and regret for the lost time and opportunity which they missed to gain a higher state.

Then there are those who go to ***the Astral (Airy) World***. Jane Leade was shown that the people who are fit for this realm are those who are ignorant of the fact that they are a Spiritual being. They see no further than the animal and rational life. These people may believe in God and Christ *historically* and have not purposely turned their backs on Him. They simply have not known Him! Upon death, they remain in this 'world' until they receive power and strength to mount higher.

Our own world is the least, or ***the first*** of the four dark worlds, called ***the mortal, visible world***.

When a person feels he can't stand his life any more, he may decide to end it with the thought that he will leave all his troubles behind. He thinks things will surely be better in another place than here! Our life is not ours to take—it doesn't belong to us!

This was shown very clearly in a book called ***Return from Tomorrow***. A young serviceman of this generation was on his way home for Christmas when he took sick and died. The Lord escorted him to different places on earth to show him things that He wanted him to see.

He was taken into a bar where he saw disembodied spirits reaching out for the glasses of liquor that the patrons were drinking. They were frantically trying to satisfy their craving for drink! When a man would pass out from drinking too much, this spirit would enter his body.

He was also shown a man who had committed suicide. He watched as he

saw him visit his family who were grieving deeply for him. He tried to tell them that he was sorry to have caused them such heartache and begged their forgiveness. Of course, they could neither see nor hear him. He soon found that, in trying to leave his troubles behind, he had come into a state of suffering for what he had done. He was unable to rise into a better place and remained for some time in this world before he was prepared to progress into a better place.

### ***Is Hell Eternal?***

To those who declare that the called-out remnant do not believe in hell, let me say: "We declare a hell just as tormenting as the hell declared by those who believe it to be eternal. The only difference is that we see it as *not eternal*, but for a set time and duration. A wise and loving Father has prescribed a remedy or treatment with *purpose* until the cleansing work has been done. When the work has been done, only an evil purpose would keep a person in torment forever. *Hell is not essentially for punishment, but is for correction.* It seems to be true that, whether in life or death, we '*learn obedience by the things we suffer.*' When the correction has done its work, it will cease and the person may go higher and learn more of the nature of his Father and Creator.

You may object and say, "But hell is forever! The Bible says so!" It is regrettable that the word "aion" which means *an indefinite period of time*, has been wrongly translated as 'forever, and eternal.' It makes it seem that hell is everlasting, when such is not the case when the original word is used.

At this point, Jane asked the Lord, "*Where does this divine and pure spirit go upon its decease?*" The answer given was Ecclesiastes 12:7, "***Then***

***shall the dust return to the earth as it was, and the spirit shall return unto God who gave it.*** Divine Wisdom revealed that the spirit returns to God who introduced it into the body. Thus, God takes that which is His own, unto Himself. This spirit has been smothered and stifled by the contrary principle of the world. It never had any opportunity to come into any dominion to suppress and reign over the opposing nature of the carnal man.

In relation to this, God said of the old wicked world that His Spirit should no longer strive with man. This means that the soul which was never renewed and born again, may go into deprivation and suffering. She was shown that this will be for a known and limited time until that which is *elementary* shall be refined and *transmuted*.

What does she mean by *elementary*? We know that when we go to elementary school we learn simple, introductory principles. We learn the alphabet and how to read and write, without which we could make no advances in our education. The dictionary says of 'elementary': "having to do with first principles." So, in this place called the ***Astral World***, people will learn the basic principles of walking in the Spirit of God.

And what does it mean that these basic principles (elementary) will be *transmuted*? You will like this! "Transmuted" means "*to change from one nature, substance, or form, into another.*" It sounds to me that in this particular "world" or realm, the deceased person will learn the spiritual principles that he missed out on in this life. This will enable him to be able to have a chance of nature and "go up higher."

Sharing from Larry Hodges: "God said of the old wicked world that His Spirit should no longer strive with man. Jane Leade is referring to the fuller thought found in Gen. 6:3, ***"My Spirit shall not always strive with***

***man, for that he is also flesh: yet his days shall he 120 years."***

God's intention never was simply to drown everyone. It was a type of that deluge of His Spirit which He would surely send upon the earth after 120 Jubilees. 50 (Jubilee) x 120 (end of flesh) = 6,000. Thus, what God was really saying was that at the close of man's six working days (a day equalling 1,000 years), *He would bring an end to the working of all flesh.* This would enable man to enter into the true 7,000<sup>th</sup> year (day) Rest of God on the basis of Christ's resurrection."

Before I discuss the four *heavenly worlds*, I want to add some personal witness to what has been shared. Martin Paulat is known as 'the man who had his blood changed to gold.' The Lord chose to show him how we would have our blood changed from red to a golden substance when our bodies would be changed.

The Lord asked Martin, (in the eighties, I believe), "Would you like to know what happens to a person after they pass out of this life?"

Martin respectfully answered. "If You want to tell me, I'd be pleased to know."

Briefly, the Lord showed him that those on the other side who have not been born from above, may go to a place of great darkness where Satan rules, or to a place of lesser darkness, or just a little darkness. At some point, they become cleansed enough so that they are able to move into a little light, then more light, and more light, until they are in enough light to be with Jesus.

Then, there are those *believers* who have only a little light, and some with more light, and yet more, until they are with Jesus. They do not remain in the same place, but as they are taught and yield their self-life, they may pass into more light and move into a higher realm or world in the spirit.

What the Lord showed Martin was a powerful confirmation to what He had shown Jane Leade all those years ago! He was basically showing him the eight worlds or realms where people would go after departing this life. It seems that the time has come that He wants us to understand those things that have been hidden from us. In each case, the Lord initiated the revelation. He wants His remnant to know these things!

Those on the other side of the veil are being taught spiritual principles by the saints there. They are given Opportunities to learn certain truths, but no pressure is put to bear upon them. Larry Hodges' son was given a vision of his Dad in heaven doing just what he did when on earth—teaching the Word. I also have been shown several times that those believers who have passed on are being fruitful and are sharing the Word with those who need to hear it.

It is sad that the churches have made such a dogmatic stand that death brings to halt any mercy or opportunity for Spiritual growth. I don't believe that the Bible teaches that. If that were so, why did Jesus descend into hell *to preach to the disobedient of Noah's time?* The Message Bible says: "Christ....suffered because of others' sins, the Righteous one for the unrighteous ones. He went through it all—was put to death and then made alive—to bring us to God. He went and proclaimed God's salvation to earlier generations who ended up in *the prison of judgment because they wouldn't listen*. You know, even though God waited patiently all the days that Noah built his ship, only a few were saved—eight, to be exact—saved from the water by the water." I Peter 3:18-20.

### ***A Practical Lesson***

I remember how shocked the world was when Saddam Hussein was suddenly hanged. The Lord used this happening to show us something

of the plight of the dead. None of us were asking—He just wanted us to know! The Lord interrupted me as I was typing and dropped a question into my heart as to the fate that Saddam could meet on the other side.

Suddenly, in the spirit, I was aware that I was seeing on the other side, that the souls of every person whom he had sent to his death, was standing before him. It seemed he was facing another trial and all these would testify against him. He could not possibly claim innocence before their faces as he had tried to do at his trial here.

I knew he would be facing another judgment. I heard, **"We are accountable for the deeds done in the body."**

The Lord spoke further to me: "Though I bore the sin of every man who ever lived, it shall profit a man nothing unless he comes to the altar of God and gives himself back to Me. He cannot retain his sin and his independence and expect to receive My mercy and grace. It is a free gift and is given to those who acknowledge their **need of Me.**

"Many of My children have misunderstood My ways because they have not known My nature. Either they believe that I am a God of all-vengeance or that I am a God of all-mercy. I am neither of these. I am a God who is just and holy. I make provision, in My mercy, for all to come unto Me. But, to those who despise My mercy, and count My Blood as an unclean thing, they shall know the judgment of a just and holy God. My judgments are true and righteous altogether. A man shall surely be judged for the deeds done in the flesh that have not been repented of nor covered by My Blood.

"Though it takes millennia, yet the evil man shall know no peace until he repents of his way and gives unto Me the life that I gave unto him. Then shall My mercy show forth and My judgments change to those that will cause him

to yield up the nature of the adversary whom he had served in this life.

In Me is found both wrath and mercy sent forth in appointed times to reconcile each sinner unto Myself and to make him the proper child of a king. Ponder My ways and My nature and rejoice at that which I Am!" John 3:20,21; Psalm 28:4.

A friend and brother, Klaas Kruit, also "saw" Hussein in the pit with those who died at his hand and who knew not the Lord. Their faces looked dead and tormented as they had their own loss of a fruitless life (in not knowing the Lord), but who also knew the anguish of being murdered by a tyrant. In the spirit-realm-time he would be brought before this crowd many times to see them and be reminded of what his hands had wrought.

"Anguish and moans could be heard constantly. Each one was being drawn back to the Lord in a slow process and their inner wrestlings were heard. but the murderer could not distinguish this because of his disdain for the true God. Time would go slowly for this man but he would notice that the crowd grew fewer and fewer in size. This would place in his soul the question, "Where are they all going?"

"Every now and then he would see a broken and contrite person who had a great sadness, yet gladness in his or her own countenance. He would ask, "What is going on with you?"

"The Lord is calling me to come up higher with Him." "You have seen Allah?"

"No. I have heard the voice of Jesus. I have searched long and have come to the end that there is no Allah. But I've heard a small voice that has love to it, and I will now follow that voice." And the crowd grew smaller. (End of quote from Klaas)

The Lord spoke to me (Elaine) further: "To My friends of this new age

that is dawning, shall I not reveal My secret plans for mankind? Shall they continue to remain hidden from My Own? Both *dark clouds and great light are coming*, and you may receive the operation of each with joy when you see what they do. Each one is necessary to accomplish a specific work. *Enter not into the burden of the cloud, but stay in the place of light* that I have prepared for you—a place in which I may reveal My secrets unto you."

### ***Four Heavenly Worlds***

The Spirit witnessed to Jane Leade that He was breaking a people off from the old traditional knowledge so that they might draw from a fresh anointing which gives light suitable for this new Day. His secrets, which have been hidden in Him, may now be revealed to those who have put their trust in Him and died to their own ways.

The four heavenly worlds, in order, are:

- 1. Paradise***
- 2. Mount Zion***
- 3. New Jerusalem***
- 4. Still Eternity***

Those who qualify for the realm of ***Paradise*** are believers who have attained a good degree of regeneration. They have been born of the Spirit and have experienced the baptism of the Water, Blood, and Spirit which have worked in them many changes. ***The principles of the Paradisical World are opened to them while they yet live.*** This gives them swift passage, upon death, into Paradise where they grow and learn and are enabled to enter into the next, higher heavenly realm.

Jane Leade was shown that it is very rare that any souls come up to be

with Christ immediately upon departing from the body. That is not to say that some may not reach to such a perfect degree of Christlikeness that when they die, this angelical World may stand open to receive them. It was shown to her that **however a person walked in this life would determine where they would find themselves after death.**

Death would not change their condition and make them fit for heavenly realms. If they walked in a measure of spirit here, they would enter a place where they would continue on in that measure and make further progress on the other side. If they walked only carnally here, that is how they would walk in one of the worlds (or realms) prepared to receive those who 'fit' there and needed the refining offered in that place.

A word of caution was given that His Own might take heed to the **Laws of Paradise** which have been given to (Jane Leade) so that they might know the spiritual principles that govern that blessed place. Observe them and your Jesus will talk with you here frequently. (I have made a CD and a writing on the **The Laws of Paradise**, possibly making it easier to understand than reading the book. Ask for it)

**The second realm of glory is called Mount Zion.** The inhabitants here may ascend from glory to glory until they arrive at the next higher state.

Larry Hodges wrote: "We have held fairy-tale ideas of receiving the promises 'over there' on the *other side* after death. **Whatever we are to enter into after death must already have begun to be experienced while still in this life.** It is these experiences and states of being which qualify one for entrance into the various corresponding worlds after departing from this life.

"An example: the thief on the cross who acknowledged Christ could qualify for no higher than Paradise. But Paul was caught *into* Paradise and *to*, but not *into*, the third heaven (**New Jerusalem**) and back again. (11 Cor. 12:2 & 4.)"

The powers of the world to come—love, power, joy and peace, will be present in those souls dwelling with Christ while they yet live on earth. If men declare 'they have arrived' they surely must show forth, not the power of Pentecost, but of Tabernacles; a power which speaks of an endless life. A confirmation was given to Jane Leade that assures us that this day is very near and that it will be upon the world before they are aware of it. For as the man of the earth has had his ruling day, *so shall the Lord from heaven descend in such a manner into His own prepared vessels here*. His kingly and priestly power shall overturn and bear down all earthly powers.

**The New Jerusalem City** is more glorious and magnificent than the glories of the two lower blessed worlds. Because this blessed city has been given certain measurements, uninspired ministers have concluded that it must be a real, literal city that is going to land on earth from the heavenlies. I do not see it as that. Jane has described each heavenly world as a realm of spirit, either higher or lower. The measurements would speak truths to us, as numbers reveal mysteries.

Quoting: "For the Holy Breath out of this City shall make them proclaim and sound forth to all parts of the earth, the glory and the mighty name of Jehovah Shammah (**Yah is there**). That is the name of the city that is to be Written upon *all those who are to be admitted into it*. Therefore, arise, arise, ye Virgin Daughters, and draw near, having this name inscribed upon you with the finger of your God. Have also your twelve foundations according to the number of the precious stones of the Holy Oracle made clear and sure in you, being all that is to make up the honor of your Jerusalem glory."

Are you still seeing the Jerusalem City as some mystical building floating down from above" Or is it God's people, of whom it can be said: "**God is**

**there!"**

***The fourth and last heavenly realm is called The Still Eternity.*** We had heard nothing of this holy place before reading Jane's writings, but our spirit witnesses to the truth of what she has been shown. She says of that place: "As I was considering the high and weighty work whereunto we are called, my spirit was immediately caught up into a high Region that was all calm and still. Here I saw no figures or images, but there was *a wonderful Light which flowed into me like a river.*

"Then I understood that this was the *Creating Light* from whence all beings proceeded. It was revealed that what was now expected, as a *New Creation*, must be brought forth from the Stillness of this Light with which the Soul's Essence must be mingled. And from this union a variety of wonders should be produced in the world.

"This is the pinnacle of all depths that can be searched into. I was given to understand that this Godhead Gulf was now broken up for a streaming forth with that high mixed matter which would deify and tincture the soulish essence that had been under depravity. This was the true and right baptism into the Name of the Father, Son and Holy Ghost by which ***the soul would return to its first original.*** Then the soul would know itself to have power in God as His Virgin Heart and Spouse, to do and act agreeably in so high a unity!"

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### ***THE PROBLEM***

(An excerpt from the book)

Picture yourself as a missionary to the Muslim nation of Senegal, W. Africa. The date was 2002. About a year prior, you befriended your neighbor, Abdou Ndieye, a Muslim merchant. Only a few weeks ago, he graciously accepted your invitation to Study the Bible with you. You are thrilled. Abdou is the first Muslim with whom you have begun sharing the Good News.

Today you prepare to explore another portion of God's Word with him, but something terrible has happened. You cannot believe what you are hearing and seeing on the news. The Joola, a Senegalese ferry, has capsized killing almost 2,000 people. You remember Abdou's wife, Astou, and his 14 year old daughter Fatou, are on that ship. You are in shock and cannot believe what you are seeing—a ship's underside sticking up out of

the sea with helicopters hovering overhead. You hurry next door. As you knock on the door, you hear deep groans and wailing. You slowly enter. Abdou is prostrate on the floor. He pleads before Allah, "Why? Why? How could you let this happen?" He goes into spasms of weeping, beating his hands against the floor.

Feeling utterly helpless, you pray, "God, help me comfort my friend."

Abdou lifts his eyes, hardly able to recognize you for the tears. "My wife and daughter have died a terrible death! Tell me I will see them again. Tell me they are safe in God's arms! Has your Jesus taken them to His heaven?" You are lost for words. The silence is deafening.

"Answer me, Christian; will I see them again? Are they in a better place? Tell me!"

You remain speechless. What can you say? Where is the "Good News" when you need it most?

(I understand that this experience prompted Gerry Beauchemin to search out the truth of what happens after death. Elaine) He says, "For most of my life the fear of hell stalked me, ever waiting for an opportune moment to raise its ugly head. Just the idea was like a sword slicing through me. It has been the greatest stumbling block to my faith. In fact, I almost gave up Christianity because of it.

It dishonors God before the world. After years of wrestling with this topic, studying the Bible, and reading the works of others, I have found that hell is a judgment given from the disciplinal hand of a loving Father. Though severe, it serves a good and remedial purpose.

One of our greatest presidents agreed. In *Abraham Lincoln the Christian*, William Johnson stated: "Abraham Lincoln did not nor could not believe in the endless punishment of anyone of the human race. He

understood punishment for sin to be a Bible doctrine; that the punishment was parental in its object, aim, and design, and intended for the good of the offender hence it must cease when justice is satisfied. All that was lost by the transgression of Adam was made good by the atonement."

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