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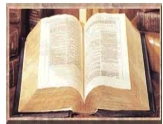
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## The Close Of Probation (John 6:66)



Although the word "probation" does not appear in the Bible, according to several verses, the description of this term is quite evident. John 6:66 says, "From that [time] many of his disciples went back, and walked no more with him." And when Jesus puts "on the garments of vengeance [for] clothing" (Isaiah 59:17), probation closes for everyone. But is that truly the close of probation?

Some may have been confused with our article in the January newsletter, which stated that probation closes first for the church and then for the rest of the world at a later time implying two closures of probation. We will now expound upon the concept of multiple probations or better yet said, an elongated process to the final closure of probation.

### Are there multiple probation closings?

Since we know that the word "probation" does not appear in the Bible, we turn to Ellen White's writings.

*Those who are faithful stewards of the Lord's means will know just how their business stands, and, like wise men, they will be prepared for any emergency. Should their probation close suddenly, they would not leave such great perplexity upon those who are called to settle their estate. {The Adventist Home, page 396}*

*Of all the men of Egypt in that vast army, not one escaped. All perished in their determination to have their own way and to refuse God's way. That occasion was the end of their probation {Manuscript Releases, volume 21, page 64}*

Ellen White foresaw that in general some people die before the second coming and it is advisable to have their estate in order so those that are left to carry on are not perplexed. She refers to the death of the people as a closure to probation. Therefore, death is a close of probation, yet it is not the close of

probation for the world. So, we have established that the phrase "close of probation" can apply to more than one time frame. It can apply personally at death and globally when Jesus puts on the robes of vengeance. But let us continue.

### What do the antediluvians teach us?

*The period of their probation was drawing near its close. The unbelieving, scoffing inhabitants of the world were to have a special sign of God's divine power. Noah had faithfully followed the instructions God had given to him. The ark was finished exactly as God had directed. He had laid in store immense quantities of food for man and beast. And after this was accomplished, God commanded the faithful Noah, "Come thou, and all thy house, into the ark, for thee have I seen righteous before me." Angels were sent to collect from the forest and field the beasts which God had created. Angels went before these animals and they followed, two and two, male and female, and clean beasts by sevens. These beasts, from the most ferocious, down to the most gentle and harmless, peacefully and solemnly marched into the ark. The sky seemed clouded with birds of every description. They came flying to the ark, two and two, male and female, and the clean birds by sevens. The world looked on with wonder--some with fear, but they had become so hardened by rebellion that this most signal manifestation of God's power had but a momentary influence upon them. For seven days these animals were coming into the ark, and Noah was arranging them in the places prepared for them. {The Spirit of Prophecy, volume 1, page 71}*

First, we see that probation closes prior to the final act. As the rain did not pour down right away so it will be for the second coming. The close of probation at the end of time, as we shall see later, is not when Jesus arrives.

Second, notice the use of the word "their". God has set the closure of probationary times

*Those who try to interpret the Word according to their own ideas, who read it in accordance with their opinions, will never see the truth, and will die in their sins. Those who eat of the forbidden tree accept Satan's fallacies in the place of "Thus saith the Lord," and unless they repent, they will never gain that life which measures with the life of God. As did Adam and Eve, they exclude themselves from the tree of life, the fruit of which perpetuates immortality. . . . {The Upward Look, page 125}*

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for various people according to His schedule, yet it is not the final closure for the whole world. Remember this for later in this article.

The concept of different probationary times is reiterated with the thief on the cross.

*While the leading Jews deny him, and even the disciples doubt his divinity, the poor thief, upon the brink of eternity, at the close of his probation, calls Jesus his Lord! {The Spirit of Prophecy, volume 3, page 158}*

### Does probation close for the living without it being the world's closure?

*God in his infinite mercy bears long with the transgressors of his law. In the days of Abraham he declared that the idolatrous Amorites should still be spared until the fourth generation; for their iniquity was not yet full, and he could not give command for their destruction. For more than four hundred years he spared them, but when, instead of turning to repentance, they hardened their hearts in iniquity, and made war upon his people, their day of probation closed, and the mandate went forth for their utter extinction. With unerring accuracy, the Infinite One keeps a record of the impiety of nations and individuals. Long is his mercy tendered to them, with calls to repentance; but when their guilt reaches a certain limit, which he has fixed, then mercy ceases her pleadings, and the ministration of wrath begins. {Sketches from the Life of Paul, page 318}*

Please note that the close of probation occurred first for the Amorites and then war came upon them. That means that they were alive when probation closed. Subsequently, they were eliminated through war. But the point is, we have found at least one case of probation closing while people are still living and it is not the probation closing at the end of time. That is significant because some have trouble understanding how probation can close for the church and then for the rest of the world.

*When, at the suggestion of Balaam, the snare was laid for Israel, which resulted in the destruction of many thousands, then it was that the Midianites filled up the measure of their iniquities. Then their day of probation ended, the door of mercy was to them closed, and the mandate went forth from Him who can create and can destroy, "Vex the Midianites, and smite them; for they vex you with their wiles." {The Signs of the Times, January 6, 1881}*

Here we see that anytime mercy has ceased from God towards a person or people, even though they remain alive, since there is no hope of salvation, their probation has closed.

As for individuals still alive, Belshazzar is our example as well as Judas and King Saul.

*When Belshazzar's period of probation closed, the Lord no longer protected him from the sure result of his own course of action. {The Ellen G. White 1888 Materials, page 1396}*

*Oh what can we say to awaken the soul's interest to make no compromise with Satan; but make thorough work for repentance before it is everlastingly too late? How can we make them consider that there are limits to the forbearance of God, and that it is possible for them to pass the limit of the forbearance of God, as did Judas and Saul? God allows nations a certain period of probation; but there is a point they can reach and can pass, and then iniquity accumulated will receive not mercy, not longer forbearance, but an outbreak of the indignation of God, and be visited with punishment unmixed with mercy. {The Ellen G. White 1888 Materials, page 1202}*

Now in these examples, one more thing is needful to state, and that is, just because probation has closed, the people or person shall not sense it. They may even live with hope of salvation on their mind.

### When does probation close for the world?

Some believe that when Jesus shows up it is the close of probation, but Isaiah gave us a hint. While Jesus is in heaven, He puts on the garments of vengeance. That is before the second coming. Let us look closer.

*Then I saw that Jesus would not leave the most holy place until every case was decided either for salvation or destruction, and that the wrath of God could not come until Jesus had finished His work in the most holy place, laid off His priestly attire, and clothed Himself with the garments of vengeance. Then Jesus will step out from between the Father and man, and God will keep silence no longer, but pour out His wrath on those who have rejected His truth. I saw that the anger of the nations, the wrath of God, and the time to judge the dead were separate and distinct, one following the other, also that Michael had not stood up, and that the time of trouble, such as never was, had not yet commenced. {Early Writings, page 36}*

So we established that it is not at the second coming. We also established that it is a time of wrath. That is another clue.

In investigating the wrath of God, the Bible says, "And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having

the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God” (Revelation 15:1). Therefore, when the seven last plagues begin, the probation of the world is closed. That is definitely well before the second coming.

This is reinforced by, “It appeared to them to be taught in the Bible, that man’s probation would close a short time before the actual coming of the Lord in the clouds of heaven. This seemed evident from those scriptures which point to a time when men will seek, knock, and cry at the door of mercy, and it will not be opened” {The Great Controversy 1888, page 429}

**What signs lead up to the close of probation?**

When probation ends, it will come suddenly, unexpectedly--at a time when we are least expecting it. But we can have a clean record in heaven today, and know that God accepts us. {Last Day Events, page 230}

The answer is none. There will be no sign that we can point to.

However, we should note that we are in the timeframe for the close of probation because of what else Ellen White wrote.

The things you have described . . . the Lord has shown me would take place just before the close of probation. Every uncouth thing will be demonstrated. There will be shouting, with drums, music, and dancing. The senses of rational beings will become so confused that they cannot be trusted to make right decisions. And this is called the moving of the Holy Spirit. {Maranatha, page 234}

Do not get too excited because we also know that something else must be fulfilled before the close of probation.

The Lord God of heaven will not send upon the world His judgments for disobedience and transgression until He has sent His watchmen to give the warning. He will not close up the period of probation until the message shall be more distinctly proclaimed. The law of God is to be magnified; its claims must be presented in their true, sacred character, that the people may be brought to decide for or against the truth. Yet the work will be cut short in righteousness. The message of Christ’s righteousness is to sound from one end of the earth to the other to prepare the way of the Lord. This is the glory of God, which closes the work of the third angel. {Testimonies for the Church, volume 6, page 19}

But overall, there will not be a sign that signals ahead of time that probation is closing.

**What happens if one commits a sin during the plagues?**

But the door of mercy is closed to the wicked. No more prayers are offered in their behalf after probation ends. {Last Day Events, page 235}

However hopeless this looks, keep in mind that one will not sin if they are sealed for eternity. And when does this happen?

The living righteous will receive the seal of God prior to the close of probation. {Maranatha, page 211}

**What have we learned thus far?**

Before we make our application, we want you to recall all of the important points.

Probation may close upon a living soul or group of people before death. The phrase “close of probation” should not trigger the thought that it applies only to the time when Jesus changes garments when all cases are decided because the phrase applies to every death and every pronouncement. Probation is applied when mercy is no longer available to a person or group of people.

With that understanding, let us answer the original question.

**How can probation close upon the church first when the close of probation happens for the world?**

Actually, the question is wrong. When one says that at the change of garments in heaven is the close of probation that just means every case has been decided. Not a single case will be investigated after that moment. The change of garments does not signal that the cases were decided at that moment. No. It is a process over a period of time with that act identifying that the last case was investigated.

1 Peter 4:17 says, “For the time [is come] that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if [it] first [begin] at us, what shall the end [be] of them that obey not the gospel of God?”

Since judgment begins at the house of God that means it also ends first. And those in the house of God at the time that have rejected the true gospel will end up not going to heaven. It is not like they will get a second opportunity. Therefore, their probation will have closed individually before earth’s probationary period is over at the changing of the garments in heaven.

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*appearing of Christ. Health reform is to do among our people a work which it has not yet done. There are those who ought to be awake to the danger of meat eating, who are still eating the flesh of animals, thus endangering the physical, mental, and spiritual health. Many who are now only half converted on the question of meat eating will go from God's people to walk no more with them. {Counsels on Diet and Foods, page 382}*

Here we see that those refusing the health message, specifically the Vegetarian diet, are going to eventually leave the church. Again, do not think they will get a second chance. The words "no more" means just that. There is no more opportunity for them. Therefore, all those people that leave will still be alive yet the formal close of probation will not be completed for the world though their personal probation will be.

Worse yet, they just do not go away.

*The work which the church has failed to do in a time of peace and prosperity she will have to do in a terrible crisis under most discouraging, forbidding circumstances. The warnings that worldly conformity has silenced or withheld must be given under the fiercest opposition from enemies of the faith. And at that time the superficial, conservative class, whose influence has steadily retarded the progress of the work, will renounce the faith and take their stand with its avowed enemies, toward whom their sympathies have long been tending. These apostates will then manifest the most bitter enmity, doing all in their power to oppress and malign their former brethren and to excite indignation against them. This day is just before us. The members of the church will individually be tested and proved. They will be placed in circumstances where they will be forced to bear witness for the truth. Many will be called to speak before councils and in courts of justice, perhaps separately and alone. The experience which would have helped them in this emergency they have neglected to obtain, and their souls are burdened with remorse for wasted opportunities and neglected privileges. {Testimonies for the Church, volume 5, page 463}*

*God's love for His church is infinite. His care over His heritage is unceasing. He suffers no affliction to come upon the church but such as is essential for her purification, her present and eternal good. He will purify His church even as He purified the temple at the beginning and close of His ministry on earth. All that He brings upon the church in test and trial comes that His people may gain deeper piety and more strength to carry the triumphs*

*of the cross to all parts of the world.--9T 228 (1909). {Last Day Events, page 153}*

*The church may appear as about to fall, but it does not fall. It remains, while the sinners in Zion will be sifted out--the chaff separated from the precious wheat. This is a terrible ordeal, but nevertheless it must take place.--2SM 380 (1886). {Last Day Events, p.180}*

### What does it really mean?

Referring to the verses and quotes we already supplied, let us conclude the matter.

When one hears the phrase "Close of Probation" that simply signifies that all cases are settled and the wrath of God or the seven last plagues begin. But that is all that the phrase means. All cases are decided, but during the process of investigation leading up to the close of probation, cases are being decided and it is during that time that probation is closing on an individual basis.

With that understood and established, the process of this closure begins at the church before moving on to the world. Individually, each case will be decided. Their personal probation will close, but more than that, sinners will be sifted out, purifying the church to go forth to be the instruments guided by the Holy Spirit to be used in the test for the rest of the world as Peter stated. Judgment first starts with the church and then the rest of the world. As judgment proceeds, each person's case marks that person's closure of probation. How much time passes between the church and the rest of the world, God only knows.

We all have read the test for the church is not actually Sunday law, but the diet. Once God has a pure church that has conquered appetite, just as Jesus conquered it in the desert, the purified ministry of the church goes forth in great power just as Jesus went forth in great power then. The reason Sunday law is not the big test for the church, though a challenging period of time, is because we already chose to keep the true Sabbath.

Represented as the hundred and forty four thousand, the purified church brings in the great multitude during the test of Sunday law. Probation then closes for the world. The seven last plagues are poured out. Jesus returns and the righteous go with Him to heaven.

Remember, our probation is over before Sunday law. Are you ready? May we make good use of the time we have during our probationary time. We will not know when our time is up.

## FOR MY THOUGHTS [ARE] NOT YOUR THOUGHTS, NEITHER [ARE] YOUR WAYS MY WAYS, SAITH THE LORD. (Isaiah 55:8)



### To Be Wise Or Not Wise

Proverbs 4:7 *Wisdom [is] the principal thing; [therefore] get wisdom: and with all thy getting get understanding.*

Ecclesiastes 1:18 *For in much wisdom [is] much grief: and he that increaseth knowledge increaseth sorrow.*

1 Corinthians 1:19 *For it is written, I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and will bring to nothing the understanding of the prudent.*

The verse in Proverbs as compared to 1 Corinthians is a matter of applying one word or implication of one word to two different groups. If one gets wisdom, they will be wise. Yet, if one is wise, that is condemned in 1 Corinthians 1:19.

That is because being wise can be good and can be bad. "He that hearkeneth unto counsel [is] wise" are the good wise people. But "seest thou a man wise in his own conceit? [there is] more hope of a fool than of him" (Proverbs 26:12). These are the bad wise people.

This is reiterated in 1 Corinthians 3:18-19. "Let no man deceive himself. If any man among you seemeth to be wise in this world, let him become a fool, that he may be wise. For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it

is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness."

So when God says He will destroy the wisdom of the wise, He is referring to those that are wise in their own conceit, earthly knowledge, etc. He is not going to destroy those that received their wisdom by seeking the counsels of God, who study the scriptures, who look for heavenly guidance.

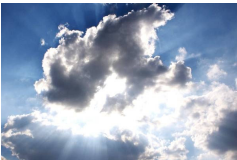
In Ecclesiastes, one will have grief as they become wise. When one gathers heavenly wisdom and ceases from the practices of the earthly wisdom, one will lose their earthly friends. That will bring grief. Learn new things about being a better Christian, can bring grief when one ceases their desired practices that were not wise.

Try giving up alcohol. Those that like to party on the weekends are not going to be inviting you much and if alcohol is the main connection amongst the friends, it could be a sad departure. Likewise, if you learn that drinking it is not wise (Proverbs 20:1), yet you love it, it will bring a bit of grief to cease from it.

So Proverbs 4:7 addresses the good wise people while 1 Corinthians 1:19 address the bad wise people, and Ecclesiastes addresses the consequences of being wise in a godly way.

## IT SHALL COME TO PASS IN THE LAST DAYS (Acts 2:17)

### Sin Is Being Cherished



God has permitted the light of health reform to shine upon us in these last days, that by walking in the light we may escape many of the dangers

to which we shall be exposed. Satan is working with great power to lead men to indulge appetite, gratify inclination, and spend their days in heedless folly. He presents attractions in a life of selfish enjoyment and of sensual indulgence. Intemperance saps the energies of both mind and body. He who is thus overcome has placed himself upon Satan's ground, where he will be tempted and annoyed, and finally controlled at pleasure by the enemy of all righteousness. {Christian Education, page 175}

When you hear health reform, do you immediately think Vegetarian? Health reform is actually more than that. Remember, John the Baptist rebuked the world by his dress and his diet. So there is a second aspect to health reform. We should dress healthfully instead of for style. Health reform also includes rest, fresh air,

sunlight, exercise, water, nutrition, temperance, and trust in God.

Please note that what was good for your parents and grandparents is not good enough for us. We are living in serious times just like Daniel did physically, we are experiencing spiritually. He made it through with a change in diet and other reforms. We should follow his example.

It has also been declared that in these days, Satan is leading people to indulge in things, which tax the mind and body.

Notice the hype of entertainment. No other generation has had as much entertainment options as our society does today. And a lot of it taxes the mind and body.

Look at video games. People play such games for hours on end. What did they accomplish outside of a high score?

Ever notice how hard it is to listen to sermons? That is because the mind has been fixed on excitement all week long. Be careful. Satan does not mind people going to church, especially those that fall asleep during the sermon.

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(Isaiah 53:1)



▶ **Digital Journal, Feb. 12, 2010 - Priest's 'submissive women' sermon splits congregation**

A number of female members of a South England church are said to be angry at a sermon delivered by the church's curate. He suggested that wives should submit to their husbands if a marriage is to work. Wives are to submit to their husbands in everything in recognition of the fact that husbands are head of the family as Christ is head of the church. This is the way God has ordered their relationships with each other and Christian marriage cannot function well without it. As if we are being told to let our husbands talk for us. And which husband? I divorced my previous husband because he threatened me and my children – am I supposed to listen to him?

**COMMENT:** Blind submission by women was never God's plan. We agree with what the minister tried to convey in part, which was, wives are to submit to their husbands, however, it appears that the message was not conveyed properly. For instance, when the minister states that the wife is to submit in everything, nowhere does the Bible state such. She is not to be treated as a slave. *"And the LORD God said, [It is] not good that the man should be alone; I will make him an help meet for him"* (Genesis 2:18). It is an assistant. That carries a lot of responsibility. The woman should be able to take full responsibility in running the home while the husband is employed. For the man to do this that means he ought to have married a likeminded woman. Therefore, consider that a woman is not really submitting to the husband, but rather the woman is helping to execute the desires of both husband and wife in the home. So man's first mistake is marrying for lust and not being of like mind. There is no way a marriage of unlike minds can be modeled after the biblical guidelines.

Then the objectionable woman in the article states something very important. What if a man is not godly? This is what gives the whole submission thing a bad taste. *"Wives, submit yourselves unto your own husbands, as unto the Lord"* (Ephesians 5:22). In fact, read all of the description found in Ephesians 5:21 through 33. Verse 21 begins with *"Submitting yourselves one to another in the fear of God."* Hardly a message is heard about the husband submitting to the wife. She does have a mind. She can raise good, biblical concerns. Neither should make impulsive decisions or decisions based upon what one feels. Both are to be doing what God would have them to do. As it clearly states, the woman is to submit only to the husband

while he lives in the fear of God. In other words, she submits while he is acting godly. In verse 25, it says, *"Husbands, love your wives, even as Christ also loved the church, and gave himself for it."* This means if a wife is to submit to the husband, the husband better be acting like Christ did for the church. How did He act? *"And whosoever of you will be the chiefest, shall be servant of all"* (Mark 10:44). The woman's needs are to be met. Husbands are to be the servants. Let the wife put her feet up and go get her a glass of water. She just took care of the kids all day! Therefore, if a husband does not treat the wife right or requests something that is against God's ways, she is in no way to submit. Now not every aspect has been addressed in this article, but this point is true, blind submission by women was never God's plan.

▶ **Fox News, February 6, 2010 - Pink Ouija Board Targeting Young Girls Riles Critics**

A pink version of the popular Ouija board game has some critics seeing red. The children's sleepover staple — sold by Hasbro since 1967 — now comes in hot pink, an edition released two years ago that gets teens to call on "spirits" to spell out answers to life's pressing questions. "There's a spiritual reality to it and Hasbro is treating it as if it's just a game," said Stephen Phelan, communications director for Human Life International, which bills itself as the largest international pro-life organization and missionary worldwide. "It's not Monopoly. It really is a dangerous spiritual game and for [Hasbro] to treat it as just another game is quite dishonest."

**COMMENT:** Leviticus 20:6 *"And the soul that turneth after such as have familiar spirits, and after wizards, to go a whoring after them, I will even set my face against that soul, and will cut him off from among his people."* We serve a God that does not change. Playing around with familiar spirits, which is exactly what the Ouija Board is used for, is not only a forbidden act, but God Himself declares that the person shall be cut off, i.e., do not think one is going to heaven playing around with it. In addition, when one realizes that Job had the understanding of familiar spirits, it makes it all the more dangerous. *"[As] the cloud is consumed and vanisheth away: so he that goeth down to the grave shall come up no [more]. He shall return no more to his house, neither shall his place know him any more"* (Job 7:9-10). It is quite clear that when one dies, the Ouija Board used on a so-called haunted house is not dealing with the soul that died but rather a satanic being personating the dead one.

► **Guradian, February 4, 2010 - Climate emails: were they really hacked or**

The known facts are these. Over the weekend starting Friday 13 November, someone copied files from a backup server at the UEA's Climate Research Unit (CRU) in Norwich. They were then posted anonymously on the internet and various bloggers were alerted. Within days, their contents spread around the world and were being hailed by CRU's enemies as evidence of anything from poor science to a full-blown criminal conspiracy.

**COMMENT:** Romans 1:25 *"Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen."* Earth may not be thought of as a creature but with the "Global Warming" lies and exaggerations, the world has been deceived into worshipping the earth more than God. For instance, if one believes in the solutions of global warming, they would be interested in curbing population growth and even be in favor of abortion all to save the earth. God says, *"Be fruitful, and multiply, and replenish the earth, and subdue it"* (Genesis 1:28). Global warming is more concerned for the wildlife than the necessity of man. Please note we stated necessity and not carelessness. God says, *"have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over every living thing that moveth upon the earth"* (Genesis 1:28). These are just two contradictory beliefs that the world is caught up in. On top of that, on December 17, 2009, our President signed a document helping to form a one world government under the pressure of the Global Warming/Climate Change summit. One world government is one of the steps towards the Antichrist exerting power upon the world as declared in Revelation 13, 17, and 18.

► **Telegraph, February 4, 2010 - Model Miranda Kerr backs internet campaign**

The Victoria's Secret model Miranda Kerr has backed an internet campaign to save the Australian banker caught on live television looking at racy photographs of her on his computer. London-based financial website "Here is the City News" has started a "Save Dave" campaign encouraging readers to email the Macquarie Bank's PR department to save his job.

**COMMENT:** 2 Peter 2:14 *"Having eyes full of adultery, and that cannot cease from sin; beguiling unstable souls."* Does this describe today's society? Are our eyes full of adultery? Absolutely. Even if you do not want to look anymore, there is no escape. Try going shopping. Sex sells just about everything. And clothes do not have to come off to be considered sex. The Internet is almost constantly full of images,

words, and audio. It seems that no one can but give into it, so what does society do? They accept it. They pass it off as no big deal despite clear rules in the work environment and clearly an embarrassing situation on national television and now all over the world via the Internet. "Everyone does it!", they say. Therefore, they are unable to cease from sin. And then to top it all off, upon making it acceptable, some or even more than some teach that it is not even a sin to look at such. And those that practice a little sin here and a little sin there because no one is perfect, they are considered unstable, and these souls are beguiled into accepting life as is and expect to go to heaven. It is clear that lusting after women is sin, therefore, *"Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers"* (1 Corinthians 6:9).

► **World Net Daily, February 2, 2010 - Online game lets 5-year-old girls play prostitute**

In addition, girls five or younger – if they have the computer know-how – can immediately trade in online points to "purchase" for their avatar lingerie, nipple tassels, condoms and "antibaby" pills among other choice items on their way to the top of their own fashion empire. WND's player registered as a 5-year-old girl, born Feb. 1, 2005. After selecting body features like hair length and breast size (with nude, cartoon guides to demonstrate the options), the completely naked avatar appeared in the game's bedroom area. From there, the player was invited to choose if her Minx was single, married, gay, bi, or "horney" among other options. She also chose from a list of attributes, such as beautiful, alcoholic, "preggers" or...

**COMMENT:** *"He that walketh righteously, and speaketh uprightly; he that despiseth the gain of oppressions, that shaketh his hands from holding of bribes, that stoppeth his ears from hearing of blood, and shutteth his eyes from seeing evil; He shall dwell on high: his place of defence [shall be] the munitions of rocks: bread shall be given him; his waters [shall be] sure"* (Isaiah 33:15-16). The Internet is an evil place. It should not be left to the young to experience unsupervised. If it is possible, the older ones (adults) ought to avoid its influence as well for the filth grows faster than the good.

**OTHER NEWS ITEMS ONLINE AT WWW.TSTL4SDA.NET:**

► **World Net Daily, February 2, 2010 - Dakota Fanning in steamy, lesbian sex flick**

(Mother supposedly was a born again Christian. This shows how the once saved, always saved is a lie.)

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## ANSWERS FOUND IN THE SCRIPTURE OF TRUTH (Daniel 10:21)

**QUESTION:** Is it wrong to live by, "The ends justify the means"?

**ANSWER:** "For if the truth of God hath more abounded through my lie unto his glory; why yet am I also judged as a sinner? And not [rather], (as we be slanderously reported, and as some affirm that we say,) Let us do evil, that good may come? whose damnation is just" (Romans 3:7-8).

Asked in a rhetorical way, the means of using evil or sin to accomplish good is the opposite of what Paul was teaching. Fill in the word evil with the popular excuses today?

Shall we lie so as to proclaim the truth? That includes methods used to sneak into other countries.

Shall we steal so as to build up the funds of God's cause?

Shall we dress and talk like the world so as to win them to Jesus?

The answer to all of this is very strong from Paul. In verse 6 he says "God forbid".

Remember, there is no such thing as a "white" lie or "little" fib. A lie is a lie. It is sin. And Jesus never used sin during his ministry on earth. Neither should we.

## WALK, EVEN AS HE WALKED (1 John 2:6)



### The Test To Be Met

In the last solemn work few great men will be engaged. They are self-sufficient, independent of God, and He cannot use them. The Lord has faithful servants, who in the shaking, testing

time will be disclosed to view. There are precious ones now hidden who have not bowed the knee to Baal. They have not had the light which has been shining in a concentrated blaze upon you. But, it may be under a rough and uninviting exterior the pure brightness of a genuine Christian character will be revealed. In the daytime we look toward heaven, but do not see stars. They are there, fixed in the firmament, but the eye cannot distinguish them. In the night we behold their genuine luster.

The time is not far distant, when the test will come to every soul. . . . In

this time, the gold will be separated from the dross in the church. True godliness will be clearly distinguished from the appearance and tinsel of it. Many a star that we have admired for its brilliancy, will then go out in darkness. Chaff like a cloud will be borne away on the wind, even from places where we see only floors of rich wheat. All who assume the ornaments of the sanctuary, but are not clothed with Christ's righteousness, will appear in the shame of their own nakedness.--Testimonies, vol. 5, pp. 80,81. {Christian Service, pages 26-27}

Let us be concerned for those that are popular because only a few well-known people have the Christian character necessary to continue the true gospel work in the last days. And let us be encouraging towards the ones that seem to be too timid. Let us encourage those that are of a minority but have the truth and live it, but may have few friends.