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A Comfortable Fit

Dear Richard,

You posed the following question:

“Put the shoe on the other foot-- What if I were asking you to read a similar sized book with views that you could not be sure of until, like the Bereans you ‘received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the Scriptures whether those things were so.’ (Acts 17:11)’”—Your Email, Sunday, June 20, 2010 9:30 PM .

In my reply to your short E-mail, I must simply say that I have read books of greater volume; so the shoe has been on the other foot. I have read several times all of the *Rod*, all nine volumes of the *Testimonies for the Church* by EGW, *The Great Controversy*, *Prophets and Kings*, *Patriarchs and Prophets*, *Desire of Ages*, And many of MJB’s literature produced from Bashan, etc. By God’s grace and inspiration, much of these things I did while being fully engaged in secular employment, while homeschooling my four children, remodeling my home and being a conscientious husband and father. In fact, in reading *Testimonies for the Church* and the *Rod*, I, like a careful student, took very exhaustive notes for reference —many of which paid great dividends as you can find those jewels neatly arranged in my writings. This I did being a terribly slow reader, perhaps even dyslexic. None of those books, even the Bible, answered the issues that my recent release resoundingly answers. To comprehend all the answers requires the Spirit of the Lord resting upon a man to crack the code of Bible mysteries.

This book of which I have produced and offered to you, *Confederacy Trap*, is extra special: It is the first one in six thousand years that actually has come to you in the name of the Lord as the MSA gives from the Bible great clarity to the identity of Christ. So it is not a matter of whose foot the proverbial shoe is on; instead, it is a matter of whose soul receives the Lord’s call to duty so that their feet may traverse the proverbial mountains. Our commission as Bible believers is to investigate any message that comes in the name of the Lord. Christ said, *“I will raise them up a Prophet from among their brethren, like unto thee, and will put my words in his mouth: and he shall speak unto them all that I shall command him. And it shall come to pass, that whosoever will not hearken unto my words which he shall speak IN MY NAME, I will require it of him”* — Deut 18: 18, 19. You see, we are judged by our reaction to the Man/man whom the Lord speaks through, the man who reveals His name.

The Lord has prepared His church for nearly 180 years, since the days of William Miller, for this moment in time. This is evident by his famous dream of the man with the dirt brush recorded by EGW in *Early Writings*, p.81-83. That dream and many other SOP revelations since then have expressed to us the need to expect a man to give luster and shine to all of our doctrines —heretofore polluted. We have been told to expect a message in the name of the Lord. Therefore, all saints should, by now, have been postured to anticipate such a clarion call. If I were to teach my message your way and give a study out of context regarding the virgins of *Matt 25*, I would be cheating you. Undoubtedly, having never understood the doctrine before, much of the explanations would disagree with your preconceived ideas yielding a spirit of fear and resistance. You would perhaps think of the following questions or objections:

- **Who is Derek West, and why should any have confidence in his work?**
- **Why does he contradict my prior ideas on the subject?**
- **If valid, why did not other religious authorities figure the themes which he teaches?**
- **What makes Derek West the faithful and wise steward who feeds the saints meat in due season?**

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- Why not me; why has the Lord slighted me and elected another, one whom I have not approved? Am I not a good person; why should I change my ideas in deference to someone else's views?
- Why does Derek's work describe a return of Christ that is different than that revealed to all others?
- Why, with the return of the Lord, are not all the wicked destroyed by Jesus' brightness as others have entrenched into my thinking?
- I am smart and well learned; thus, why do I not have the extra oil?
- The foolish virgins are told to purchase the oil from those that sell. Why so is this if the truth about the identity of the foolish virgins is so mysterious —requiring the new light of the MSA— how is it that it could be so easily accessible that it is sold on the open market?
- If the wise are so smart, then why were they also asleep?
- The list of potential questions goes on and on.

All these questions and many others were resoundingly answered in the book. So I ask you to not seek to dress Elijah seeking to re-arrange the shoes on his feet. Instead, of worrying about the degree of faithfulness in regards to how he responds to messages delivered to him, instead of seeking to minister to him, why not simply shake off the spirit of lethargy and perform your divinely appointed duty and allow the Lord to save you His way. The Lord said, "...*whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister; And whosoever will be chief among you, let him be your servant:*" How, Lord, shall we honor this command of yours? — "*Whosoever will be great among you let him be your minister...even as the Son of man came not to be ministered unto, but to minister, and to give his life a ransom for many*" —Matt 20: 26-28. If you need to allay feelings of distrust about the MSC, such a timid reply may have some degree of merit; yet, it can be resolved causing your fears to become transformed into faith by the comforts from the Comforter as contained within my ministry and writings. This is the very reason why the book is offered to you. Should you insist on being hesitant desiring to privately and clandestinely sample my work, you may feel free to check the myriad of articles on my website. It is MustardseedAdvent.com.

Regarding the size of the book, it is not as big as the Bible, the volumes of inspiration handed to us from the SOP, or even the volumes of work beforehand extended to Davidia to date by the MSA; yet these things all represent material that we are expected to study. Instead of being that voluminous in size, its 246 pages are a short-hand-blessed path to salvation which the saints are glad to receive. Are the saints indeed glad to receive it? —I am proud to say, "this is no exaggeration!" Many have waited for more than a year in its anticipation. Approximately two weeks prior to today, a rough draft was rushed to the field to meet the demand for this light. If that is not impressive enough, Davidia has waited for 80 years to understand the doctrine of *Isa seven* as well as the doctrine of the virgins described in *Matt 25*; so, as the proverbial shoe goes, this one seems to be amenable to the foot for which the Lord has destined it. It is a comfortable fit. I have many other books and written work; I am content to allow the Spirit to move you to read them after you read this one. I merely ask that, if you truly desire the Lord's terms of salvation, that you should invest all of your talents, that you sell all that you have, and receive this pearl of great price.

May you trust the Lord to lead and guide you even in the face of fear and hesitancy.

Sincerely,

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