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AN

ALARM

TO THE

LAMB's HOLY WARRIORS,

TO

FIGHT HIS BATTLES,

IN THE POWER, AND MIGHT OF THAT
SPIRIT, THAT SHALL GO ON CONQUER-
ING AND TO CONQUER, TILL THE
PEACEABLE REIGN OF CHRIST
SHALL TAKE PLACE, AND
BE ESTABLISHED ON
THE EARTH.

WHICH IS PART 1 OF:

*The Wars of David and the Peaceable
Reign of Solomon*

By Jane Lead
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*And I saw Heaven opened, and behold a White Horse,
and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in
Righteousness he doth judge and make war.—And the armies
which were in Heaven followed him upon White Horses, clothed
with fine linen, white and clean.—Rev. xix. ver. 11. 14.*

A Note from the Editor

I am very pleased to present the writings of Jane Lead in her native "King's English." The rich and poetic flavor of Early Modern English is a captivating read that has truly withstood the ages. Those who love the language of the King James Bible will also enjoy this classic 17th Century Version (17CV).

Great care was taken to ensure that the texts are as close to the original as possible. Archaic words and spellings remain untouched, although some obvious typos were corrected. Jane's lengthy paragraphs also remain intact. Wherever possible a clickable Table of Contents was added by this Editor for easy navigation. Also featured are clickable PDF Bookmarks. These EBooks are presented in PDF format for optimal viewing and quality printing.

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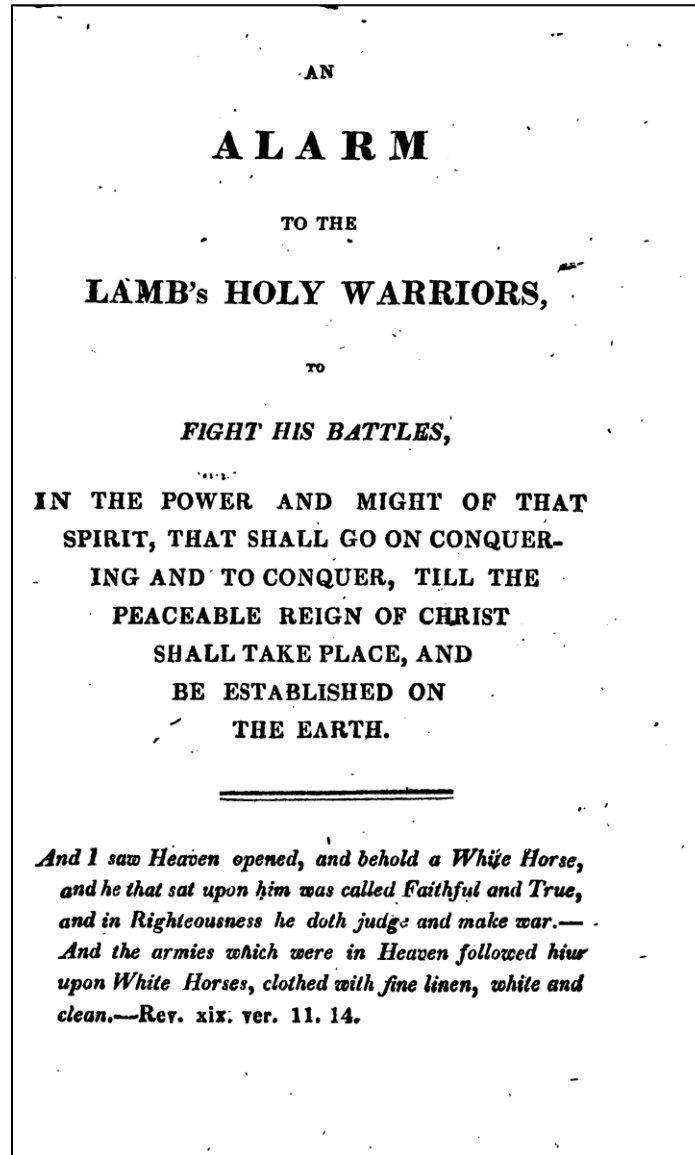
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THE INTRODUCTION.

I HAVE given some account in this tract of the jeopardy that my outward and natural life did appear to be in, which after the manner of *Hezekiah* has received a reprieve as from the sentence of death: which I judged expedient to give some account of, not only for my own particular Memorial, but for the information and benefit of others, that may be brought into a like condition, as to their elementary part, wherein I have had the experience, that where GOD has any further use and service for the organical man to do or perform, his power is at hand, to strengthen and renew those weak and feeble stakes of the mortal life, according to the purpose of his own will; as knowing further what was to be brought forth, by so meek and inconsiderable an instrument to be employed herein, as a trumpet to *Sound the Alarm* for the Holy Warriors, to be gathered together from all parts, and out of all Nations and tribes, wherever they lie scattered and hidden. For as it is a spiritual war, so none but those that are lovers and waiters, and zealous for the appearance and coming of the Lord's kingdom, can be engaged in it; here will be no requiring of the persons outwardly to appear, but to meet together in one spirit, holding in their hands the *Bow of Faith*, and from the centre of the heart, sending forth fervent and all-powerful prayers, that may prevail to overcome that great Usurper and monopoliser that has hitherto ingrossed what of right belongs to the LAMB and his adherents. But now there is a heavenly call and summons, in such an extraordinary day and time, as now approaching is, for these valliant and worthy battlers to appear, each one in their own precinct and station; for they must well know that the kingdom must be taken, all by spiritual force, from out of the hands of the King and Prince of this World. So go on ye high spirited souls, nothing fearing nor fainting, because you have the great Commanding Champion, that will be your General and Leader; till the mighty powers shall be subdued under you.

For know there is now moving and stirring up the spirit of David; that will not fear to meet the great *Goliah*, that has put on the armour of daring defiance, and disdaining the spirit of *Faith*, because there is nothing of a visible strength that does appear: but out of the *unseen bag* will fly that *sling stone* of power, that shall cause this great Champion to reel and fall. This is the only way to gain the kingdom as David did, through true and undaunted valiantness, as a precedent to encourage such as shall be moved hereunto in this present age; which is not to cease or stop till it has made way for the great *Solomon's* reign, which may renew again, in great splendour and glory, in more abundant Peace and Plenty: when the *Eternal Virgin* shall open her bank and store to give rewards first to these *Holy Warriors*.

For this, nothing more is required, but to wait and watch at her several *gates*, till the *key of David* shall given be to the patient holders out, that will not think much or grudge, though there may be at present some delay; in the which proving time many will be in hazard to fall away. But a thousand degrees of blessing will surely come upon those who have received the mark of the true *Philadelphian* fold; that in *love's* golden chain inviolably united are, together to abide and bear up, until the hour of temptation be overpast: that so they may enter into the possession of *Love's* reign, which will first open and begin from the first gathering, which may be so small as

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to appear contemptible. But know it will be *as* that *stone* cut out of the mountain without hands, that shall make all other mountains to melt and bow before it, and worship at the feet of him, who is the great Shepherd of this little flock: whose pleasure it will be to make them joint heirs, to possess with him the same kingdom and glory which the Father hath given to him.

This is only what I have to commend, and leave with you as a sure word of prophecy. A sufficient motive let it be, that you may fight the good fight of faith, watching, waiting, and praying in the spirit with her who in that love and unity, that burneth everlasting in the *bush* of Christ's humanity, shall rest ever known to be in the same fellowship with you,

JANE LEAD.

AN
ALARM
TO THE
HOLY WARRIORS.

*Some special Observations and Openings, in reference to
the distempers I past through in the Elementary Body,
from the 10th of October, 1699.*

§.I. THE first part of this illness seemed to play upon my vital part, as if a sentence were passed for departure out of the body, to which I was resigned, and made free to yield up thereunto. And as I was debating and preparing for it, after some natural rest, as soon as awaked out of it, there appeared a white horse, with a bright clarified body riding upon it; calling me to mount up, and sit behind him; and I found myself immediately raised up accordingly, putting my arms about him, who having a bow in his hand, bid me lay my hand upon it, to draw with his hand; from whence did fly a bright arrow down to the earth, where there lay many black shades or figures, which represented the shadows of death, which this arrow did make to fly away; the horse and the rider treading down all dark powers under him.—Then was it said, *victory, victory to them who can sit the horse of power and draw the bow of faith, which will make all the dark ghosts of death to fly away!* Then immediately upon this vision shutting up I found myself greatly relieved and my faintings in spirit did pass away.

§.II. But then three days after this, another onset I had, of a very dolorous pain in my head, teeth, and face, which put all out of course and order in the body.—This gave me much exercise and proving, in reference to what I had so lately seen of a deliverance; recollecting and making reflection, that after so many excitements to bear up in the faith, whereby an overcoming of the malignancy of the stars and elements might be, I should be exposed yet to lie under the dominion and power of them; which caused a great war, and mutiny in the bodily part, being attended with a feverish distemper, that might very easily have released the imprisoned soul out of the decayed body. And truly many expostulations did arise in me hereupon, so that I said with *Elijah, Lord what am I better than my progenitors that were elders in the faith, who did prophecy of the glorious Kingdom of Christ to come: but yet died in the faith of it, not seeing or possessing it themselves.* So making it parallel with my own state, (GOD having taken me up as an organ, through which many weighty and wonderful manifestations of the secret things of GOD have past, that

reserved may be for their fulfilling part beyond what is the limit of my outward life,) I endeavoured to pacify and reconcile myself to whatever I felt in the sensitive part, under the dominion of the jarring elements, which gave me great longing therefrom to be unclothed, and set free from this body, that was such a depression of my superior life and spirit, and which prevented me of the free use of my supersensual faculties.

§.III. Then I said, *Lord! of what service can I be, or what good can my life do me, while such a dry unprofitable tree I am, as one worn out in the body, by reason of my so great age? And as I was complaining and spreading this in prayer to my LORD, I received this reply, O where is thy faith? why still so slow to believe what is to be beyond all sensible feeling of old age, with its infirmities? Is there not another age that I have set before thee, which you are to keep your aim and eye upon, from the time and date in which you were born into my spirit? You are now to mind how short you are from coming up to that good old age, and eldership, in the spiritual humanity and full grown body of my strength and power, which is to have its increase: though you may have some humblings by the other, in its decay and decrease; which yet must not weaken the force and power of the springing and growing lily of faith, though it stand in the midst of a thorny ground: an overtopping of all which from the deepest fund of me thy GOD shall still make it spring and live.*

§.IV. Now for a further confirmation, there was a representation set before me of a bright crystalline mill, that stood as it were upon a mountain, in a very clear and serene air, where it had sails of a silver brightness, and a door was opened therein, with an invitation to me and some others to ascend, whose spirits made free were, to draw off from the common walks of the inhabitants of the world: and entering thereinto, we did find precious golden grains, said to be from the Paradiscal ground, which were here to be ground down, so to make heavenly manna bread; which was to be provision for those that were separated from the earthly stores to live upon, the increase of this meal that should never fail. For so long as the holy wind from the eternal element should still stir these sails about, then a fresh grinding should be, and so the renewed fruits of faith should be for the sustaining and strengthening of the Birth of CHRIST, till it should arrive to its full maturity. And the word was added, *suffer the grains of faith to be under the grinding mill, that they may make up such a pure mould: for thereinto the pure leaven of the Deity shall pass, and so make up most celestial and savory meat; which shall be angelical food for all such as shall hereto yield themselves up, even those just and perfect ones that live upon faith.* Therefore the concluding word was, *you must not think much to have your faith ground down, tried and proved.*

Now follows a call and summons from the Lord God of Hosts, to the Lamb's Holy Warriors to fight his battles in the power and might of that spirit, which shall go on conquering, and to conquer.

§.V. After this I had a summons, as hearing there was a Council of War to be called in the Heavens, in order to the raising of a spiritual army, that were to fight the Lamb's battles, under CHRIST their great General. For his Kingdom that has been so long expected upon the earth to come, could no otherwise be brought down in dominion and sovereignty over this lower principal where the Beast and Dragon have had so long their reign, but by the force of spiritual warri-

ors. For hitherto many ages and times have run out, and nothing is effected of the recovery of the Lamb's right, of his Kingdom in his saints. But now this word came to me, as I was lamenting the dismal state that all the faithful did lie under; "that there was a decree sealed for the raising up such a mighty and invisible army, as shall fight valiantly, till they have overcome and regained that possession which does of right belong to Him who is the King over all regions, or worlds, whether in the heights above or here below." This was said to me to be a new method, which had not yet been taken; which was the cause that it has been so long protracted hitherto. Much has been spoken, and many calls have been to the exercise of these spiritual weapons: and many have put on the armour, but put it off again before they had gained the victory; being apt to faint or grow weary, meeting with so hard and so strong a contest from that potent Prince of the air, with all his numerous legions. But it was said to me, *be of good comfort; for his day is expiring: for behold there is a Priestly Host that is out of GOD'S Tabernacle to come forth, who shall be cloathed with the fiery breath of the Holy Ghost.* No rumour or noise, as in the outward hostile way, shall be heard here, for all these spiritual weapons invisibly shall exercised be, so as to do execution upon the violators and oppressors of the LORD'S heritage; which do set themselves in battle array, for the maintaining their own kingdom in vanity and pomp, and earthly glory—All which will be scattered by these powers, so strongly bending against them, that they themselves shall be amazed, and confess there is no dealing with, or standing out against these mighty Hosts of the LORD. With whom is the flaming sword, proceeding out of their mouths, and the motto that they bear upon their breast, is THE ETERNAL WORD that gains the victory by his own blood. Thus the lifted up standard shall be mounted up so high, as to cast a dread upon all the armies of the *Aliens*, that will run, and therefrom fly. Then heard I this word, *O blessed and highly honoured shall all those be, that shall offer and list themselves under the great General, in this Royal and Holy Army.*

§.VI. Upon this, some queries I put forth to that dawning called the light that environed my understanding in such a marvellous and mysterious way: asking *how*, *when*, and upon *whom* this lot should fall, to be called forth to fight for the LORD'S Diadem Crown, here upon the earth to be shewn.

The manner *how* is thus prescribed,—first they are to be brought up and qualified in *wisdom's* school; trained up in the divine skilfulness, in the use of principal instruments, and engins of the spiritual war. For which cause enough there is. For all her children must first commence war against what within themselves so repugnant and opposing is, to the full possession of the love and peaceable kingdom of the Prince and Lord of Life, wherein they must expect to meet with strong encounters; but as they obey and follow the rules of their Captain Leader, the conquest will be obtained.—Further these Holy Warriors are to be qualified with love and amity, as not to push against, or wound each other, all agreeing on this one point, to fight for their LORD and Master's right. Such as are found in this spirit, shall not want an endowment with power, whereby they shall prevail, as they have overcome all within them, so also outwardly and visibly fulfilling that prophecy, that by the *iron rod* the nations should be subdued under them.

§.VII. Now as to the time *when*, it is not to be put as a day afar off, but the time is present, and is already begun in some, that are known and registered in the Heavens, and shall from a little number to a full body increase.

§.VIII. Then as to that part *upon whom the lot shall fall*—they are to be considered, as yet, dispersed and scattered, and cannot come forth and appear, until they are awakened by the mighty trump that from the Lord of Hosts shall sound in their inward ear; whereby alarmed, they will be to put and gird on their spiritual armour. And they shall know their place of rendezvous, where they shall meet altogether in spirit: so pitching their tents upon that Rock of strength, so impregably as that the nations' hearts shall melt before them, and as *Senacherib's* army, be made to fly. So dreadful will the going forth be of this *Angelical army*. So that not by outward might or strength, but by the spirit of the Lord shall all be made to fall under. And through the continual presence of the eternal ark, deliverance shall be wrought out.

§.IX. A further Query may be, *How long this War may be expected to continue?* The determined end hereof is foreknown to God alone: but ascertained it is, that there is a time prefixed when *David's Wars* shall cease; and *Solomon's* reign shall begin and increase; that throughout the whole earth there may be rest and peace. The reins of whose Government shall throughout all generations abide.

§.X. Now some *Motives* were given to me, for the encouragement of this holy soldiery. The first was, that they should enter into a present pay; which should come out of *Wisdom's* store and bank, who would for them command a peculiar dowry, as they are called forth for this divine militia service; being taken off from all other employ, conferred upon them, should be supplies of another kind, so great, so weighty, so wonderful, as none can know but those that receive them. For then the mystery of *Faith* will begin to work its wonders and marvelous deeds, when it has had its pass under the grinding mill that has been made mention of. Then the divine magia will open, and work to those high degrees that shall usher in the immense glory of CHRIST'S kingdom.

§.XI. Another *Motive* was, that every particular warrior here, who faithfully shall abide, and hold out in this holy battle, should conquer and obtain a crown and a kingdom, each one for themselves; and that not only future, but present upon the earth; as substituted under their great King and General.

§.XII. But an objection here may arise, *Whether all that have engaged as battlers, for the recovery of their Lord's and their own kingdom, shall escape the mortal death—For if not, how can they come to reign as Kings upon the Earth?*

It is thus *answered*, that many of those that are engaged in this spiritual warfare may die the natural death, and yet before this may have made a fair progress, and enjoyed much of the kingdom, and bid high for the full crown, but dying in the Faith thereof, shall not lose their reward, for they shall enter into the joy of their Lord, and be kept in his hand, in order to their return again with him in his personal glory, to begin the reign anew with him upon the earth.

§.XIII. It was further declared, that in this holy warfare there would be some eminently endowed with the spirit of prophecy, whereby they should know the event of all their engagements, and what success they might expect, as in the battle against *Sisera*; wherein *Barak* and the Princes of the Tribes that went with him to war, were strengthened, directed, and encouraged by the spirit of *Deborah*, after they had offered themselves willingly to the help of the Lord against the

mighty.—Which figures out that mighty potentate, the man of reason; which by that holy weapon, the hammer of *Faith*, must be nailed down to that outward and earthly principle, to which it belongs. Then the triumphant song of this victorious overcoming shall by the prophetic spirit be sung. These conquerors shall still go on to maintain their ground, and as new invasions shall be made upon them, and the floods of the Dragon be still cast out then will that GLORIOUS VIRGIN (mentioned *Rev. 12.*) begin to appear, as the sun shining in its strength; that has been long travailing for the bringing forth of this mighty Monarch, which is the product of all the exercises of the spiritual weapons, and all the wrestlings of the holy warriors in Faith and Prayer hitherto; that they might see this King of nations brought forth, to whom the sceptre and rod of dominion shall be given.

§.XIV. In order to this, all the supercelestial planets shall in their course circle about, till the land of *Paradise* shall be found out, which so many ages under an hiding and obscurity has been: which prepared is for these holy warriors, who by their mighty Lord and General shall find entrance here: which none can do but those that have passed through all the degrees of *Faith's* mighty race. For though attempts may be made by unprepared and undisciplined soldiers, to enter into the gates hereof, yet by those angels that do stand as keepers of them, they shall be locked up, by that key that opens only to the believing in whom the love doth work so high as so cast out all fear.

§.XV. I shall now conclude with this prophetic saying, Behold your King cometh, the King of Glory, with his Heavenly armies, that shall join their forces and powers with the holy warriors here upon earth, to take vengeance on all those that have usurped the dominion and kingdom from him, whose right it is (in his Saints) to reign. And though none of those armies shall to the visible eye appear, yet in the mount of the Lord they shall be seen, from whence the face of covering shall be drawn away. Then, as *Elisha's* servant, they shall see this holy place all filled and covered with the chariot powers, going forth in the ghostly might, that shall smite on this hand and on that hand; so that the enemies shall all be blinded, and nothing more of their way see, to besiege this holy city and camp of the living God. To whom a new song of triumphant victory shall be given; that the field is won, and the kingdom of our God is come. And now the everlasting gates are opened, where a free pass for the holy overcomers shall be, where they shall sit down and rest in the possession of the vast glories, and riches and treasures, as the beginning of the new *Jerusalem* state: all of which is to encourage, to go on to fight the Lord's battles.

§.XVI. To which end, this trumpet from the Heavenly world was sounded, to gather them together out of all nations, languages, and people, though never so much dispersed, in the unity of the spirit: where they all stand upon unmoveable ground, in their due ranks and orders, carried on all in a spiritual and mystical way: not fearing to jeopard all that is temporal, cruel, and earthly, for the love they bear their Lord, and the desire they have to see him exalted in his kingdom, reign and dominion upon the earth; that they with him, and he with them, may possess both the upper and the nether regions, in those joys and pleasures that shall know no end. Even so let it come to pass by him, who is the *Yea* and *Armen*.

PART II.

NOVEMBER 9, 1699.

§.XVII. This morning, according to the foregoing word of prophesy, there was presented to my view a certain number of figures, riding upon white mules, with golden censors, sending up a smoky perfume; which rose up to a fiery flame; which drew down many bright flaming figures, as descending out of the heavens. When upon enquiry it was shewn to me, that these should be the prevailing army, that by their strong cries and supplications should effect and bring forth deliverance to the groaning and oppressed in *Sion*; therefore this summons was sent forth to the holy warriors, to engage herein without delay, and to come together to hold up their hands unweariedly, staying them upon the two golden studs of faith and love, and thus the conquest should be obtained; not by outward strength, but by power, spirit, and might; by which spirit as *Joshua* did command the sun not to go down till the enemies were all made to fly before him, so should the everlasting sun give its light in a sevenfold degree, till an overcoming should be: *FIRST in each one in themselves*; and then they should herewith expel and overthrow, what opposite is to the reign and kingdom of our *Immanuel*. This was shewn me should be the present and first pitched battle, after which there might be some rest; but still keeping their ground, expecting new onsets might be. But as they in holy bravery shall continue to hold out, wonderful things shall be effected by this holy army, that yet concealed is.

NOVEMBER 29, 1699.

§.XVIII. Having finished our course of our more sequestered days of waiting, to the number of seven times seven, and three times three; at the end thereof I enquired of my Lord, what further of his mind was to be known by us? whose spirit replied in me, *Think not, that here you are to stop or stand, for the measuring line stretched out upon you still is, to lead you deeper, wherein your true rest you shall find, by the descent of your New Jerusalem Mother, which will open her bright glance distinctly, in each individual spirit; whereby a peaceable habitation shall be known, so that the noise of the warriors shall not here molest.* For I heard this acclamation of joy sound, saying, *The circle of Peace upon these holy waiters shall descend, and upon them surround, that they may attend with all sereneness and calmness, till the tabernacle of God shall come down, and therefrom mightily impower to act and work, in order to the maintaining of the dominion and reign, in the appearance of the Lamb that was slain, he that was dead and is alive again.*

§.XIX. The word opening thus further in me: *I shall put no other burthen upon you, but that you hold fast the word of my counsel, which is to abide, and not start aside, till you be endued with all those ghostly powers, as the present occasion doth require. Then shall you know, you are in that boundless circle, into which neither the Dragon, nor any of his adherents shall be able to break, to annoy, or hurt.* Then was added this word, *Blessed are those that are found watching and waiting, till the Lord shall appear in the full power of his Godhead, to magnify his own kingdom, and maintain the right thereof above all kingdoms of the world.* Even so come Lord Jesus, and make good all of these thy faithful sayings, to the joy and praise both of the Jerusalem above, and of that beneath. For which waiting in all obedience, we acquiesce in thy will herein.

DECEMBER 10, 1699.

§.XX. As upon the mount-watch I was taken up in my spirit, a soft whispering voice I did hear, as from the higher sphere: to the Lamb's battlers it was directed, that had fought the good fight of faith, whether near or remote; *To you is the salutation of love, with approbation and kind acceptance, in that you have so valiantly held out. Now nothing more required is, but that you rest in the bosom-joy of your true native Mother, there draining out the all-nourishing spirit of life: so shall you become as Nazarites white, to receive and entertain your glorified King and Bridegroom, with his holy virgin train, that have been touched with those fiery sparks of your love, that have prevailed for their descent; so to concur and operate with you in the united powers of their spirits for help and aid, as seeing great need you have for such extraordinary strength and assistance.*

§.XXI. For it is well seen in the upper world, that it is now as it was in the days of *Esther* and *Mordecai*, which do represent the royal seed and free born of the new *Jerusalem* Mother that are scattered here and there as captives in the Babylonish land; against which many plots and conspiracies have been hatched to break and cut them off that they might be no more a peculiar holy people upon the earth. This being figured out to me, that upon the breaking forth of this more sublime dispensation of the spirit (as relating to the children of *Wisdom*, who had been taking in the deep sense thereof;) a consultation was to be held in the *Mordecai* and *Esther* spirit, what was to be done to still the enemy and the avenger, that so enraged and embittered is against the children that are taken up into the bright and glorious appearance of CHRIST'S kingdom. And it was given out by way of advice, that there was a fair way opened for such as in *Wisdom's temple* did wait, because of that affinity and favour through espousal to the great and mighty King which over all worlds and spirits doth rule; that after their time of sequestration and dedication, and fasting from all mortal things, they might adventure to make their address from the *Jerusalem* court below to the *Jerusalem court* above: presenting their petitions, and shewing the danger that this young planted spring of a spiritual *Lebanon* was in, by subtle foxes, to be rooted out.

§.XXII. This in the *Esther* spirit was presented, and was as graciously accepted by the most high lofty One, with this gracious answer and assurance, that all fury and despite of this kind should be overturned and quelled, so that all, whatever the dark Prince of this world hath decreed, should be controuled and made void, though permitted for a little season the dark mystery of *Babylon* might be, to work till the light and divine mystery shall rise in its might and victory.

§.XVIII. In order to which, this word of promise was given, that *Mount Sion* orb should open, and a heavenly host thereout should come: and in special was noted the number of four and twenty elders, that from the Lamb's throne should come down, to influence and empower the holy waiters, that in the stilness and passiveness of the spirit of faith are found, and all deliverance and redemption, both inwardly and outwardly, should be wrought out, without noise or sound. It was further said to me, *Now wait and expect, all this shall be performed to you in certainty. But you are not to reckon your attendance to be bound up to time's calendar here, for you are entered into the new Jerusalem sphere, where boundless glories and powers shall meet you, as you persevere.*

JANUARY 6, 1700.

§.XXIV. About three o'clock in the morning, I was awakened with a sound as of many voices, harmonizing together as in one voice; saying, *Arise; up to your watch tower: for there is a great day that is drawing near, for expectation of what is ensuing upon, and after the opening of the 1700th year, which belongs to, and is to be understood by those only that have passed the first and second watch, and entering upon the third; as the break of a new springing morning, that shall rise brighter and lighter, till the whole earth shall be filled; for many stars out of this orb shall rise in order hereunto, and go forth and appear to lead the way into Wisdom's all-plenteous and blissful land.* As I was considering these voices from whence they did sound, I had a sudden glance of light broke forth, and saw numerous figures appearing in shining garments of a silver brightness, with golden shields on their breasts, and vials of golden oil in their hands. And in a silent inquiry of my mind what these were, it was answered, they are holy watchers sent down from the heavens, to pour out the consecrated oil into those vessels that were sanctuary proof, that so they might be enabled to hold out the *third watch*, with those of the higher order: who did further note to me, "That some persons and families that were found under this vow of consecration, and watchful sequestration, their high faith should unite with all, and secretly assist and support their hands to hold out the probation-hour." For it was said to me, "*That must of necessity be, before the mighty deeds and works, that are to usher in the great dominion of Christ's kingdom, can be brought forth.*"

§.XXV. Then I was further informed, that the two first watches that I and my fellow watchers had passed through, were preparative for the third, by centres of light, and revelation, and prophecy breaking open. And that this third ward and watch belonged to the Father's appearance; for a special empowering, and opening himself, within the centre of the soul, as a deep gulph and perpetual flowing fountain, of all variety of gifts and powers. For which the mediatorial power in CHRIST the LORD, in answer to the cries and petitions that have been put up, does interpose with the Father: He knowing that there would be but little advance of his kingdom, so long as a mean and contemptible figure was the cloathing of his Saints upon earth, in impotency, poverty, and subjection to the spirit of this world, which is indeed the shame of their nakedness.

§.XXVI. Now these following rules were prescribed, to such persons as had obeyed the summons, to be the LORD'S warriors, and had engaged themselves in the fight of *faith*, till they should overcome all those contrary powers and forces that should put a stop to the reign and dominion of CHRIST'S kingdom. Those are those that are now called to the third watch, as seeing the morning break from the cloudy and dark night.

Now the *first* rule is to put on a resolution, not to go off from the watch, till some extraordinary appearance of the working and acting powers shall open from the centre of the Deity, as it lies hid in the essence of the soul; whereout eternal nature must be raised and recovered again, to bring forth a new created form, after the similitude of the tri-une GOD himself. According to its virgin nativity in CHRIST the first born, both of the first and second creation.

Now that this may not be prevented in its rising all powerful body: this counsel and direction was given, (as the *second rule*.) That there must be a sinking and dying away out of the creaturely life and being, which consisteth of all the degenerated properties, that have estranged and ban-

ished us from that living principle of *light* and free liberty, in which man was first created. And which no way is to be recovered again, but as the deepest deep of the uncreated word, shall come to spring as a seed of life renewedly sown in *nature's* ground. This is the eternal word and seed of *faith*, that must exclude and bind down all that would put forth from the rational and sensitive nature: which first husband must expire, before there can be a true matrimonial tie with the LORD, that is risen out of that body, wherein subjected he was to all the evil occurrences, that the fall of man brought forth: which he passed through, as bearing the weight and burden of our sins; that by his conquest we might be set free.

§.XXVII. Upon this internal speech of the spirit conferring, it was further expressed; *Who would not be willing to enter upon this third watch-gate; there to wait in a silent deep, till this resurrection-marriage consummated may be?* For by his nuptial union with the LORD, nothing less may expected be, but the fulness of the Godhead to bring forth its own increase, incorporating with the pure virgin humanity, which is Christ in us; whence all fruitful gifts and powers of the *Holy Ghost* must unavoidably be brought forth, which will shew another day of Pentecost, more durable, lasting, great, and wonderful. And as the Apostles had power to transfer the *Holy Ghost*, by laying on of hands, so it will be renewed from those that are of this first resurrection-union of life with CHRIST; who shall produce births of the *Holy Ghost*, by way of spiritual impregnation, in those who are in a good degree made meet and qualified herefor, through purification by faith. And thus shall the offspring of CHRIST in conjunction with the true Bride, spread on the earth, and multiply into a spiritual generation, that shall stand up this latter day, as distinguished from all others, that only in formal profession have been; by the resurrection-mark they shall be known: wherein they do bear that new and hidden name that gives them right to possess, and to inherit the true virgin-wisdom's dowry. Which is all mighty and defensive power from the Father, and the Son, managed by the *Holy Ghost*, that is the agent instructed to move, in that part which is immortal, and that too which is mortal; that all may be leavened from out of the springing root of the Deity, which will give the wonderful decision and character, who they are that have their dwelling in the heart of CHRIST, out of whose fountain heart does flow an incessant river of oil, that does empty itself into such hearts as do lie near to his heart.

§XXVIII. From out of this running stream that opens from the Godhead deep, there arise seven lamps, which are the seven spirits, proceeding from the throne of the Majesty, which are appointed to attend, and be a guard upon the holy watchers, that upon faith's tower steadily do stand. These seven spirits are to be as flying eyes, sent forth into all parts of the creation, for to spy and discover what is stirring, moving, and doing; and so accordingly to shut and bind up what may be of evil consequence and hindrance to the promulgation of the weighty matters, relating to CHRIST'S appearance in his kingdom. And on the other hand, they open and set loose and at liberty, that which may answer to the heavenly orb and kingdom, that the same that bear record in heaven, may also bear record on earth. The fulness of time for which by these seven spirits is foreseen to be at hand, and therefore calls up to such a faith, as may turn the now moving wheel, in order to bring about that great change, so long expected and hoped for; in reference to a new modification, of what lies now in rubbish and confusion: which deplorable state has been presented, and carried up by the petitioners, for the redress of it; which hath prevailed and moved the heart of GOD, through the mediation of the great High Priest, to raise up some principal worthies, that shall be as mighty saviours and deliverers; furnished and replenished with the

seven-fold powers of the *Holy Ghost*. For the infinite Divine Wisdom sees it is expedient that they should be thus invincibly impowered, and clear sighted, to make infallible judgment of the present state of matters and things, now in this difficult and critical age, in which such various pretensions on the account of religious profession are found.

§.XXIX. All which has opened a way for GOD to set his own mark and seal: as first, by giving forth the spirit of prophecy and revelation; and thereupon to follow the fulfilling and consummation of whatever has referred to the establishing of the *New Jerusalem* state, as that Bride that has put on such rich adornments of divine gifts and powers, as may well suit and agree with the mighty kingly Heir of all kingdoms and worlds—Who being thus made ready, the Bridegroom in his glory cannot fail suddenly to appear.

§.XXX. For the which end, a fresh summons has been to call up the true discipleship to watch and wait in *Jerusalem*, the holy city of peace, till they receive anew the promise of the Father, as the second shower of the holy power, that may bring up the second crop and full harvest of the spirit. Now the voice of enquiry may be to these watchmen, that have already sat upon the third or break-of-day watch—what hope and expectation is there for the fulfilling of these prophecies? The reply is, behold there is seen in the heavens, troops and myriads of angels with trumpets in their hands, that are sounding, that there is a joyful *jubilee* at hand: giving this word of consolation—*Fear not; faint not; but hold out patiently: for the redeeming Power is strongly moving and breaking forth; and the crown of dominion is descending, guarded by the Heavenly Host of Angels, to be put upon the first overcomers.*

§.XXXI All this is sufficient motive and excitement to such, either single persons or families, whether in this nation or more remote, who have put on the shield of faith, and are inclosed with us in the flaming circle of love. To whom the watchword is from the LORD JESUS.—*No other Commandment do I put upon you, but that you hold fast in the band of love and unity, until I come to clothe you with power, strength, and glory:* adding further the word of counsel—*Draw and wind up your faith to the mount, where I will not fail to meet you, who are one in my spirit.* For now is the season and time for a more bare and naked manifestation of myself, which by immediate speech you shall from your LORD know what has hithertowards been kept secret; as finding so few that could gather up their faith and expectation herefore: but it will be given to the close setters and waiters for it. Because the LORD has taken notice what wrong judgments have past from those that have professed to promote light and knowledge, relating to the mysteries of his kingdom. Therefore he will call some aside as he did *Moses*, to hear his own voice expressly out of the *Burning Bush*; as that was visible and outward; so now it will be invisible and inward, in the flaming heart of CHRIST'S humanity, that stands guarded and separated from all whatever is of the imaginary and outward part, which the soul must turn aside from; that nothing of a mixed spirit may here enter in.

§.XXXII. Now further it was intimated to me, that when any great deliverance was to be wrought for the *Sion-Flock*, there would be a calling up such as should stand in the meek and gentle, and yet zealous spirit of *Moses*, to receive counsel and command: to be as GOD'S agents, to perform all that revealed to them shall be, from the mouth of the true infallible prophet, CHRIST the LORD, in them: this being the needful season herefor, to be commissioned, for such

principal work and office. Therefore is required this watch and ward, to receive not only ordination and commands, but also the Divine magical rod, to confirm the truth given forth. For what has past away in former ages, by way of revelation, and miraculous deeds following thereupon, will not serve the peculiar exigencies of this present age of time, and what is approaching. Wherefore it is required by the LORD himself, that there should be an expectation of something greater yet, that has been hid in the manifold wisdom of God, to be brought forth; as this latter day does require; wherein the Omnipotency of his reign and kingdom in his saints, as they stand united to their head, CHRIST, shall be consummated.

§.XXXIII. Now to whom shall this kingdom first appear and come; but to the holy separated priesthood, that are continually waiting in the inward court and sanctuary, who are offering up the grievances and calamitous state of the oppressed flocks of CHRIST; whose cries these holy ones do present, in the unwavering and high wound-up faith, that admits of no doubting, but that the LORD will suddenly in these appear, as if he were personally made manifest, for redeeming and releasing the groaning captives, that under the tyranny of the luciferian and the bestial kingdom have been.

O blessed and happy are those, who thus called and chosen are, to stand all in a prepared readiness, to entertain and receive the first openings of what has been so long concealed from the world, but what will happen to this present and the ensuing age of time.

§.XXXIV. A further notation was given, that there was a call to all universally to expect and believe for the Lord's appearance in that kingdom, which shall prevail and overpower all the kingdoms of this world. Which should first be exhibited in such holy watchers, as should hold out and maintain their ground at the watch-gate. There were three orders or degrees of persons, which had their invitation hereunto; in allusion to three sorts of guests in the parable, that were bidden to the marriage feast.

The *first* of these made their excuses that they had no leisure nor time from the worldly business and occasions: their minds being engaged to pursue and hunt after pleasures and preferences; not looking beyond what the animal and sensitive life pleases and satisfies itself in; cutting themselves off hereby, from what might bring them into the possession of all durable and everlasting treasures; making good that word, *many are called, but few chosen*.

The *second* sort, are HALF BELIEVERS: these have some conviction that there is a blessed and wonderful time approaching; according to the prophecies recorded of the dominion coming to the oppressed daughter of *Sion*. *THESE being quickened up by the alarms of PROPHETICAL SPIRITS sent forth, as this day grows clearer and brighter, moving them hereunto, they MOST READILY offer themselves to come up to this watch tower; AS HOPING SOME SUDDEN BREAKINGS FORTH, OF THE MIRACULOUS POWERS FROM THE HEAVENS MAY COME DOWN; but waiting awhile, and meeting with some suspicion and frustration as to their present expectation, THEY BEGIN TO FAINT AND GROW WEARY IN THEIR MINDS, saying in themselves, "Why should we wait for the LORD any longer; for we may spend out our days, and nothing of Sion's full redemption see; as many ages have run out their time hitherto, and so may we. Therefore we may take a lawful liberty to draw off from such a strict attendance, and take up and be satisfied with what we have hitherto at-*

tained and reached unto, relating to the kingdom that is yet in reversion.” And in this demur and doubting they draw off from this watch-gate.

But here comes on in the *third* place, such as do take up a resolution in an heroic spirit of faith, resolving to live and die at the foot of this gate in a watchful posture, and as keeping up in the faith, and ardent vehement love, and importunity of prayer; the time not seeming long and tedious (as the true believers make not haste) being confident that the LORD will not fail their expectations. Which for a stay to these waiters was presented in a visional way, wherein a voice was heard, as a rushing sound of many waters; saying—*No longer delay, for the watch hour is now passed away. Therefore open wide the gate, and give free passage to enter the Blessed Land, where the everlasting rock does stand, consisting all of sparkling stones.*

§.XXXV. Out of this *rock* which opened to view, were seen going forth seven fiery streams, which did represent the seven spirits, made mention of, *Rev 1*. Which complete the full number of the ghostly powers, which those faithful holders out were to be baptized withal; and so to go forth back again out of this gate as fire-stones, to shew themselves to their fellow brethren, that they have obtained the prize they waited so perseveringly for; for excitement and provocation to them, to obey this watchful call. And it was further made known, that to these that had made their way through this gate, it should no more be shut upon them; but they should go in and out, and renew their strength and power from this flowing rock, that they might hereby act the mighty wonders of the Deity. Whereby a great change and turn throughout all nations should be effected: that so the mighty LORD and SAVIOUR might come to set his foot here upon the earth, representing himself, in such as worthy overcomers and holders out in the faith, shall in this latter age of time raised up be.

§.XXXVI. O stupendous and immense love, that hath revealed these great *mysteries*, and *motives*, to strengthen the hands of the fearful and feeble, that they may be strong, to preserve and hold out the proving hour. Then no failing will be of the *seven rewards*, promised to the seven overcomings. Therefore this word sounds aloud, *So watch as that you may not lose your crown, but among the conquering worthies in the celestial world be found; to take your place and seat with Christ upon his throne: which is the reward from the yea and Amen.*

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE JUBILEE.

" YE glorious, wondrous FEW arise,—
" GOD'S HERALD'S true; throw off your mortal guise;
" Now lift your sweet, loud-speaking, trumpets high;
" Now—let your jocund levets fill the sky;
" Tell, tell—the drowsy world, their GOD IS NIGH.
" Now let eternal song, unbounded flow
" With torrent deep, serene, majestic—slow,
 " Disdaining ART'S controul.
" NOW, NOW—let your inspired seraphic strains
 " In *mighty numbers* roll.—
" PROCLAIM, PROCLAIM THE GRACIOUS JUBILEE,
" *And set the sin-bound captives free.*
" PROCLAIM, PROCLAIM ALOUD—THE MIGHTY JUBILEE,
" *That sets EACH world of captives free.*
" And YE fair VIRGIN DAUGHTERS of the morn;
" SION'S *first* BLOSSOMS; from NEW SALEM born:
 " High Paraisaical Nymphs—APPEAR,
" The VIRGIN QUEEN'S—attendant graces dear,
 " HASTE, haste away,
" *And join your powers unanimous to proclaim,*
 " THE WONDROUS YEAR;
" The great, the good, the NOW revolving day;
" Full period circle bright, of endless fame—
 " Arise and shine
" *Illustrious troops of HEROINES divine;*
" Celestial AMAZONS; untaught to yield,
" With Heaven aspiring ardor's sprightly vigour fill'd,
" In this, THE VIRGIN'S DAY, most forward—bent
" Zealous their very Heroe's to prevent,
" In terrible—majestic—gay Parade
" Hell's fierce embattled LEGIONS first t' invade;
 " With orient beams of light,
" Scattering the misty gloom of night,
" *And chasing every black Infernal shade.*—
 " *Illustrious HEROINES!*
" ARISE, AND SHINE."