

WESTERN WISDOM BIBLE STUDY

The Revelation of Saint John the Divine

THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

And I saw heaven opened, and beheld a white horse: and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called the Word of God.

And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

And he hath on his vestures and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.

Revelation 19: 11-16

Ancient writings indicate that the horse symbolizes the intellect or intelligence, and it is common practice to associate "white" with purity. Hence the first verse of this passage may be said to refer to the purified or spiritualized mind, which is a goal to be reached eventually by all mankind. The life of purity and loving service to others exemplified by Christ Jesus during His ministry upon earth not only spiritualizes the mind, but cleanses the blood (the home of the Ego) from its lower desires and passions and attracts the two higher ethers of the vital body which comprise the soul body, or Golden Wedding Garment, to be worn by all those who are to live in the New Galilee (Sixth Epoch of the Earth Period) under the rulership of the returned Christ. The "Word of God" is the Second or Love-Wisdom Aspect of the Trinity of which John also spoke in his Gospel:

"In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God and the Word was God. The same was in the beginning with God."

The sword is often used as a symbol of the positive energy of the higher mind, which carries on the conflict between truth and error. This conflict must ever take place until the separative influences of the Race Spirits and the concrete mind (coupled with desire) have entirely yielded to the unifying power of the Christ.

A Ray of the Cosmic Christ came to the earth (on Golgotha) as its indwelling planetary Spirit, and has since radiated its mighty love power to aid man in his work of redemption from past disobedience to God's laws. When the people of the world have evolved to the point where their combined soul bodies are strong enough to float the earth in its orbit (a service now performed by the Christ) the Christ will come again—in the vital body of Jesus which is being carefully preserved for Him in a glass sarcophagus deep within the earth. Then He will reign over a purified and regenerated humanity.

It is taught in the Western Wisdom Teachings that the Second Advent is not likely to occur before the Sun by precession enters the sign Capricorn. It seems apparent that the present condition of humanity is far from the spiritual state necessary for the coming of the Christ. However, as the Christ Rays become stronger and stronger each year, and as we pass on farther into the vibrations of the humanitarian sign Aquarius, we will undoubtedly make more and more rapid progress, evolving our soul bodies sufficiently so that we can "meet Christ in the air and be with Him for the Age."