

June 16 & 23, 2007

PROPHETIC TOPIC

IN THE COMPANY OF ANGELS AND SPIRITS

FORMAT

OPENING REMARKS AND INTRODUCE GUEST

LOVE AND LIGHT, I'M REV. PHIL AND I'M YOUR HOST FOR "WORDS OF THE PROPHETS." THIS AFTERNOON MY GUEST IS REV. GRANT SCHNARR, WHO IS AN ASSISTANT PASTOR OF THE SWEDENBORG NEW CHRISTIANITY CHURCH IN BRYN ATHYN, PA. REV. SCHNARR IS AN AUTHOR, WHOSE LATEST BOOK IS "YOU CAN BELIEVE! AN INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW CHRISTIANITY" TODAY'S PROPHETIC TOPIC IS "IN THE COMPANY OF ANGELS AND SPIRITS". THIS PHRASE COMES FROM EMANUEL SWEDENBORG'S BOOK "HEAVENLY SECRETS" (ARCANA COELESTIA) AND CAN BE FOUND IN SECTION 5 OF THAT TEXT. THE PASSAGE THAT CONTAINS THE TOPIC READS AS FOLLOWS: "BY THE DIVINE MERCY OF THE LORD IT HAS BEEN GRANTED ME NOW FOR SOME YEARS TO BE CONSTANTLY AND CONTINUOUSLY IN THE COMPANY OF ANGELS AND SPIRITS, HEARING THEM SPEAK AND SPEAKING WITH THEM IN TURN. IN THIS WAY IT HAS BEEN GIVEN ME TO HEAR AND SEE WONDERFUL THINGS WHICH ARE IN THE OTHER LIFE, WHICH HAVE NEVER COME TO THE KNOWLEDGE OF ANY MAN."

- 1. WHO IS EMANUEL SWEDENBORG? (BORN JANUARY 29, 1688, DIED MARCH 29, 1772)
➤ SCIENTIST ,PHILOSOPHER AND THEOLOGIAN.**

- **APRIL, 1745 VISION THAT LED TO SWEDENBORG BECOMING A SPIRITUAL REVELATOR.**
 - **TAUGHT BY THE LORD ALONE, THROUGH ANGELS BUT NOT BY ANGELS.**
 - **DIVINE FORCE UNDERLIES ALL MATTERS.**
 - **THE HUMAN SOUL IS THE LINK BETWEEN GOD AND MAN.**

2. GRANT SCHNARR'S STORY.

3. SWEDENBORG CHRISTIANITY.

- **A CHURCH IS THE STATE OF THE HUMAN HEART AND MIND, TRANSCENDING HUMAN ORGANIZATIONS AND DOCTRINE. A CHURCH IS ANYPLACE WHERE MERCY, JUSTICE, TRUE FAITH IN GOD AND PEOPLE LOVE ONE ANOTHER. A LACK OF LOVE FOR GOD AND ONE ANOTHER IS THE TRUE ORIGIN OF WAR, CRIME, POVERTY AND SOCIAL ISOLATION.**
- **WHO IS GOD?**
 - **LOVE.**
 - **DIVINELY HUMAN.**
 - **ONE GOD.**
 - **TRINITY EXPLAINED.**
 - **GOD AS JESUS CHRIST.**
- **WHAT AM I DOING HERE?**
 - **WHY ARE WE HERE?**
 - **WE ARE NEITHER COMPLETELY GOOD OR EVIL.**
- **HOW CAN I GROW?**
 - **THE FORMULA**
 - 1) SELF EXAMINATION.**
 - 2) RECOGNIZE & ADMIT PROBLEM.**

3) TURN TO GOD.

4) BEGIN A NEW LIFE.

➤ **AM I BEING CARED FOR?**

- **GOD DOESN'T MAKE BAD THINGS HAPPEN.**
- **GOD BRINGS OUT THE GOOD.**

➤ **WHAT IS THE BIBLE TELLING US?**

- **BIBLE AS A METAPHOR.**
- **UNLOCKING THE METAPHORS.**

➤ **DOES LOVE LAST FOREVER?**

➤ **IS THERE AN AFTERLIFE?**

- **BORN TO BE AN ANGEL.**
- **KINGDOM OF GOD WITHIN.**
- **REAL AND BETTER THAN YOU THOUGHT.**

➤ **ARE WE LIVING IN THE END TIMES?**

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