

Original and Early Writings

There are two very interesting differences between the original accounts of the visions and EW account- In the vision on the path to heaven- EW leaves out part of this:

Others rashly denied the light behind them, and said that it was not God that had led them out so far. The light behind them went out leaving their feet in perfect darkness, and they stumbled and got their eyes off the mark and lost sight of Jesus, and fell off the path down in the dark and wicked world below. **It was just as impossible for them to get on the path again and go to the City, as all the wicked world which God had rejected.** They fell all the way along the path one after another, until we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave us the day and hour of Jesus' coming. The living saints, 144,000 in number, knew and understood the voice, while the wicked thought it was thunder and an earthquake. When God spake the time, he poured on us the Holy Ghost, and our faces began to light up and shine with the glory of God as Moses did when he came down from Mount Sinai, (Ex. 34:30-34)

Then in the Holy to Most Holy vision a very interesting part is not in EW.

Satan's object was to keep them deceived, and to draw back and deceive God's children. **I saw one after another leave the company who were praying to Jesus in the Holiest, and go and join those before the throne, and they at once received the unholy influence of Satan.**

To me it shows the danger of turning away from the foundational message of 1844- denying the light behind us- or turning back to reformation theology- 'New' Theology. One immediately comes under Satan's influence! I have seen it happen- I have seen people grab onto the 'new theology' ideas and declare they were having the greatest religious experience they ever had- then in a short time they were breaking the Sabbath and had thrown standards away that they formerly had valued.