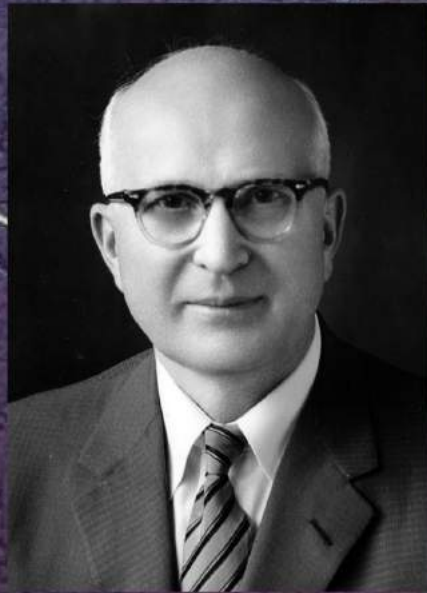


EVANGELISM



By Leroy Edwin Froom, Roy Allan Anderson, Louise Kleuser

It is claimed that Ellen White became a Trinitarian 20 years before her passing. This erroneous claim is based on a handful of quotes that Leroy Froom, Roy Allan Anderson and Louise Kleuser set out to search for that they rightly figured would be misunderstood. Leroy Froom was the chief captain in this mission as he searched over 100,000 pages of her writings (25,000,000 words) and found a few quotes that on the surface appeared to fit the Trinitarian concept on the Holy Spirit. But only if you choose to read them as he grouped them together.



“The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-Day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be

accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. - Ellen White, Letter 242, October 1903, p.13

WE WERE WARNED THIS WOULD HAPPEN

“I was compelled to search out a score of valuable books written by men outside of our faith. The next logical and inevitable step...involved revision of certain standard works, so as to eliminate statements that taught, and thus perpetuated erroneous views on the Godhead.” - Leroy Froom, Movement of Destiny, 322, 422



Yes, this book “Evangelism” is a compilation. It is not an original production of Sister White. The subheadings are not even written by her. They were supplied by Froom, Anderson and Kleuser, including the word “Trinity” to work on your subconscious. Under the encouragement of Elder Branson, they carefully sculpted narrowly edited quotes without their complete context and placed them in the book Evangelism. This was done under a different spirit than what is from heaven. This was done in 1946 so it would appear that Sister White was teaching the Trinity doctrine as a Trinitarian. This was 31 years after her death!! To understand past this false narrative, please consider and read on....

Misrepresentations of the Godhead

**From the book Evangelism
Brought to you by someone else other than
Ellen G. White**

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Pre-existent, Self-existent Son of God

“Christ is the pre-existent, self-existent Son of God.... In speaking of his pre-existence, Christ carries the mind back through dateless ages. He assures us that there never was a time when He was not in close fellowship with the eternal God. He to whose voice the Jews were then listening had been with God as one brought up with Him.” — Evangelism, p. 615.2; Signs of the Times, August 29, 1900

PRE-EXISTENCE: Refers to the existence of Christ as the Son of God before His incarnation and the creation of all things. It does not mean to have always existed and implies a beginning. The Trinitarian view actually denies the pre-existence of Christ in the full sense, as it denies the personality of Christ as the literal Son of God before His birth in Bethlehem. Ellen White confirms this below where she refers to all the fallen Churches which are Trinitarian, as they all deny the pre-existence of Christ as the literal Son of God before His incarnation.

“The fallen denominational churches are Babylon. Babylon has been fostering poisonous doctrines, the wine of error. This wine of error is made up of false doctrines, such as the natural immortality of the soul, the eternal torment of the wicked, the denial of the pre-existence of Christ prior to His birth in Bethlehem, and advocating and exalting the first day of the week above God's holy, sanctified day.” — Review & Herald, Sept 12, 1893

SELF-EXISTENT SON OF GOD: Self-existent means existing independently of other beings. This applies to the Father and the Son who are not reliant on other beings to exist. Since the Father gave His life to His Son, He has the same self-existent life as His Father.

“For as the Father has life in Himself; so has He given to the Son to have life in Himself;” John 5:26.

If Jesus had always existed alongside the Father as the Trinity doctrine claims, then God could not have given life to His Son as He would have always had life. But Scripture reveals this is impossible.

DATELESS AGES: Time as we know it is measured by the spheres in the heavens. For example: A year for the earth to revolve around the sun, a month for the moon to revolve around the earth and a day for one rotation of the earth. And it is from this that our "date" is derived. Hence the time before the creation of all things is called the "dateless ages" as there was nothing in the heavens to measure time by.

THERE NEVER WAS A TIME WHEN CHRIST WAS NOT IN CLOSE FELLOWSHIP WITH HIS FATHER: There never was a time when I was not in close fellowship with my father either. But there was a time when my father was not in close fellowship with me, which was before I was born. The same applies to the Father and Son obviously.

"HAD BEEN WITH GOD AS ONE BROUGHT UP WITH HIM": Ellen White is quoting **Proverbs 8:22-30** where she says that Jesus was brought forth from His Father and was brought up with Him, thus declaring Jesus is the literal Son of God.

"The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His way, before His works of old. I was set up from everlasting.... When He appointed the foundations of the earth: then I was by Him, as one brought up with Him: and I was daily His delight, rejoicing always before Him." Proverbs 8:22-30. — Patriarchs and Prophets, 34.1

"Through Solomon Christ declared: "The Lord possessed me in the beginning of His way, before His works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. when there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth." — Signs of the Times, Aug 29, par. 14, 1900

Three Living Personalities of the Heavenly trio - three great powers

"There are three living persons of the heavenly trio; in the name of these three great powers—the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—those who receive Christ by living faith are baptized, and these powers will cooperate with the obedient subjects of heaven in their effort to live the new life in Christ." — Special Testimonies, Series B, No. 7, pp. 62, 63, 1905); Evangelism p. 615.1

Let us address the thought of the holy spirit being called a person by so many. I think they would die being steadfast to this belief without understanding a larger picture that pertains to the Spirit's identity. And "a third person" is not laid out in Scripture, but only in Ellen White's writings. Where did it come from? It actually came from Sunday keepers. One in particular, Herbert Camden Lacey. More on that in a little bit. Another is a Pentecostal writer, William Boardman who Sister White borrowed some thoughts from, but modified to reflect her actual beliefs. His original book was, "The Higher Christian Life", was written in 1858. It was well known for her to have other author's books in her library. Boardman had written "three persons" and in Sister White's mind and hand, she wrote, "three personalities."

Let's examine the quote, "There are three living persons of the heavenly trio." As you will see in the transcript written on the next page by Ellen White, she wrote, "There are the living three personalities of the heavenly trio." Her concept and thought process comes up as arguments today over personhood, is that she viewed it as personalities. She worded it that, so it couldn't be misconstrued into something else. Such as a literal, actual third person. She saw Christ coming to us in the Spirit as a second personality of Himself.

So on the following pages, you will find Sister White's handwritten transcript. Then a type written copy of the transcript and then what was actually published. And you will see there are additions and changes besides just what was mentioned up above. This should leave you wondering about what you are told verses what is reality.

Sept. 17, 1920

The Father is not to be divided by the world,
The Father is all the fullness of the Godhead
which dwelleth in eternal unity, & glory.

The Son is all the fullness of the Godhead,
eternally manifested, He is the express image of his
Father's being
Who loved the world that he gave
his only begotten Son that whosoever
believeth in him should not perish but have
everlasting life. There is the personal ity of the Father

The Spirit the Comforter whom Christ
promised to send and to be assented to the way
in Christ is the Spirit in all the fullness
of the Godhead manifest to the
All who receive him and believe in him
shall be ^{the} living, three persons ^{of} the Deity
who in which every soul repenting of their
sins receiving the living Christ by a living
faith, with them also are baptized ^{in the name}
of Jesus Christ to them in the name of the

Father and of the Son and of the Holy
Ghost three single dignified personalities
who are ^{to the Christian's judgment} received they are God's property
to be called the Sons of God, what is the aim
to do, believe in Jesus Christ the same they
are his property which he hath purchased
with his own blood Christ of the best and true
for which he was subjected to death from the Slaves

ORIGINAL MANUSCRIPT WRITING

the Father is not to be described by the earthly
The Father is all the fullness of the God head
invisible to mortal earthly sight

The Son is all the fullness of the God head
~~revealed~~ manifested, He is the express image of his
Fathers person
For God so loved the world that he gave
his only begotten Son that whosoever
believeth in him should not perish but have
everlasting life. Here is the personality of the Father.

The Spirit, the Comforter whom Christ
promised to send after he ascended to heaven
~~is Christ~~ is the Spirit in all the fullness
of the God head making manifest to the
All who receive him and believe in Him.

There are the living three personalities of the heavenly
trio in which every soul repenting of their
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with his own blood through the ?? and ??
to which he has subjected to redeem from the slavery

ACTUAL PUBLISHED WRITING – BTS, March 1, 1906

The Father can not be described by the things of earth.
The Father is all the fullness of the Godhead bodily, and is invisible to mortal sight.

The Son is all the fullness of the Godhead manifested. The word of God declares Him to be “the express image of His person.”

“God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.” Here is shown the personality of the Father.

The Comforter that Christ promised to send after He ascended to heaven, is the Spirit in all the fullness of the Godhead, making manifest the power of divine grace to all who receive and believe in Christ as a personal Saviour.

There are three living persons of the heavenly trio. In the name of these three powers, - Father, the Son, and Holy Ghost, those who receive Christ by living faith are baptized, and these powers will cooperate with the obedient subjects of heaven in their efforts to live the new life of Christ.

What is the sinner to do? – Believe in Christ. He is Christ’s property, bought with the blood of the Son of God. Through test and trial the Saviour redeemed human beings from the slavery of sin. What then must we do to be saved from sin? Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ as the sin-pardoning Saviour.

If we read and study what and how Sister White referred to three persons or **personalities**, or three great powers, she identifies the third as the Holy Spirit. But who does she say is the Holy Spirit?

“The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ.” — Ellen White, Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 84.3

She also calls the Spirit of Christ a person with a distinct personality and hence three living persons or personalities.

“Remember the words of Christ, remember that He is the unseen presence in the person of the Holy Spirit.” — Ellen White, Daughters of God, p. 185.2, Letter 124, March 7, 1897.

“but it is the leaven of **the SPIRIT of JESUS CHRIST**, which is sent down from heaven, called the HOLY GHOST,” — Ellen White, Ms36-1891

“They have one God and one Saviour; and one Spirit—the Spirit of Christ” — Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 189.3, 1909

Back in the early 1890’s, Herbert Camden Lacey was presenting a theme on the Personality and work of the Holy Ghost. His version of this Personality and the identity of the spirit as “the” or “a” “third person of the godhead” is documented in his letters. This was the last page to a letter on August 30, 1945 written to Leroy Froom. Refer to the next page of this booklet.

Well now, one thing I noticed vividly; the emphasis placed by all these teachers upon the ministry of the 'Holy Ghost' in our lives as God's servants and missionaries, a ministry of a real, definite, divine person, always with us, and in us; the Comforter as taught by Jesus Christ in His last paschal discourse, and as revealed in the book of Acts, and presented everywhere throughout the Epistles and the Revelation.

On the voyage back to Australia during September 1895, I made that theme, the Personality and Work of the Holy Ghost, a special subject of Bible Study. And I became convinced for myself! So when I was asked to conduct a series of Bible Studies at the 9:00 o'clock hour in a convention in Cooranbong in 1896, I presented that theme very much to the interest (I well remember!) of St. Marian Davis, who took copious notes, and also to that of Elder A.G. Daniells, who was frequently present, and expressed conservative appreciation.

When the "Desire of Ages" came out in 1898, Brother Daniells himself called my attention to the expression found on page 671, where the Spirit is spoken of as 'the third person of the Godhead' (I had not at that time seen a printed copy) and made some kindly comments. Later, in "Testimonies for the Church, Series B, No 7" on page 65 (Nov 1905) I found this paragraph:-

"The Comforter that Christ promised to send after He ascended to heaven, is the Spirit in all the fulness of the Godhead, making manifest the power of divine grace to all who believe in Christ as a personal Saviour. **THESE ARE THREE LIVING PERSONS IN THE HEAVENLY TRIO**; in the name of these three great powers - the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit - those who receive Christ by living faith are baptized; and these powers will cooperate with the obedient subjects of heaven in their efforts to live the new life in Christ."

exactly as I had endeavoured to teach 9 years previously.

In this same connection I was interested to note the language used in the article "The Holy Spirit in our Schools" found in ST.61,62, and bearing date 'May 10, 1896' Cooranbong N.S.W., where every time the Holy Spirit is referred to, the pronouns 'He,' 'Him,' 'His' are employed. And He is called a 'heavenly messenger' 'The heavenly guest' repeatedly, and apparently 'the great Teacher Himself.'

Well, I fear this reply has dragged on too long! Please forgive me for any undue loquacity. But I was mightily interested in these matters over there in Cooranbong, and am still, for that matter, and shall be pleased to communicate with you further, if you wish it.

Very fraternally yours,

H. Andrews Pacey

For those that have a DEATH GRIP on a few quotes from the book Evangelism, not everything appears to be what you are told from the pulpit or the General Conference. We should want to have a teachable spirit so we are not hardened against truth when it is presented. We should be studying for ourselves.

Did you know that Herbert Lacey came out of the Church of England into the SDA church? His mother was the organist in the local ANGELICAN CHURCH (she just loved those trinitarian hymns so much). And after his family was baptized into the SDA church, THEY KEPT ON SUNDAY KEEPING UNTIL SHE DIED a number of years later.

This is the kind of stuff hardly anyone knows about. And they want to repeat first person, second person, third person, trio, heavenly, this, that, and they have no idea it came from people like Lacey, and William Warren Prescott and magnified from there by others. None of these labels are found in scripture. And the first and second person labels are not even found in the Spirit of Prophecy.

So why do some people repeat this language like a zombie? The devil has taken our church from behind while we are looking out in front of us for the Papacy.

Marian Davis who worked for Sister White caught the virus as she was an attendee of a presentation by Lacey. Per his letter on the previous page, you will note that Sister Marian Davis "**took copious notes.**" Marian Davis was a literary assistant to Ellen White. She helped with assembly of her writings and then some. And A.G. Daniells who was a General Conference President for 22 plus years, took appreciation to it.

The Desire of Ages would eventually come out years later and Daniells notes the language used by Lacey from that presentation. And in it is the expression, "**third person of the Godhead.**" Additionally, also found is the expression, "**there are three living persons in the heavenly trio.**"

And Lacey notes in the letter that as he taught previously, it was "**exactly as I endeavoured to teach 9 years previously.**"

So Lacey admits to this teaching and gives us a timeline somewhat of it happening originally 9 years prior to. And at some time later on, the word on the street would be that Lacey was getting credit for his part in writing the Desire of Ages. He was called out for it and had to write letters to remove those thoughts from others years later. This recanting by letter took place in 1936.

Getting back to the Spirit of Prophecy, lets see what Sister White wrote on the topic.

“The Holy Spirit is the Spirit of Christ, which is sent to all men to give them sufficiency,” — Ellen White, Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 84.3

“The Lord is soon to come. We want that complete and perfect understanding which the Lord alone can give. It is not safe to catch the spirit from another. We want the Holy Spirit, which is Jesus Christ.” — Ellen White to W.W. Prescott, Letter 66, par. 18, April 10, 1894

“but it is the leaven of the Spirit of Jesus Christ, which is sent down from heaven, called the Holy Ghost,” — Ellen White, Manuscript 36, 1891

Many fail to realize that the “Spirit of Christ” can function like a person separate to Himself so it is like it is “another” person. However it is not a literal person of course. So we do have a heavenly trio, but not a heavenly trinity.

Ellen White taught that the Father and Son are one in Spirit and that the SPIRIT OF GOD comes to us through His only begotten Son. Thus she called the Holy Spirit the Spirit of Christ.

“They have one God and one Saviour; and one Spirit—the Spirit of Christ” — Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 189.3, 1909

Life, Original, Unborrowed, Underived

“Jesus declared, “I am the resurrection, and the life.” In Christ is life, original, unborrowed, underived. “He that hath the Son hath life.” The divinity of Christ is the believer’s assurance of eternal life.” — Evangelism, p. 616.2; Desire of Ages, p. 530

These three words, **original, unborrow, underived**, has sometimes become the biggest objection as to what the Bible says on the subject matter. Does it mean that Jesus was never really begotten? Does it mean that he was never actually given His life from His Father?

Because that is the assumption that people draw from. It’s real easy to misread something when we don’t have everything available from the subject.

Ellen White, Selected Messages 1, p 296: **“But the life of Christ was unborrowed. No one can take this life from Him. “I lay it down of myself” (John 10:18), He said. In Him was life, original, unborrowed, underived.”**

Lets read the statement in its full context.

“In him was life; and the life was the light of men” (John 1:4). It is not physical life that is here specified, but immortality, the life which is exclusively the property of God. The Word, who was with God, and who was God, had this life. Physical life is something which each individual receives. It is not eternal or immortal; for God, the Life-giver, takes it again. Man has no control over his life. But the life of Christ was unborrowed. No one can take this life from Him. “I lay it down of myself” (John 10:18), He said. In Him was life, original, unborrowed, underived. This life is not inherent in man. He can possess it only through Christ. He cannot earn it; it is given him as a free gift if he will believe in Christ as His personal Saviour. “This is life eternal, that they might know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ, whom thou hast sent” (John 17:3). This is the open fountain of life for the world.” — Selected Messages, book 1, p. 296.2

Here we see so very plain, that the original, unborrowed, underived life can be given. Christ was given original, unborrowed, underived life. He didn't borrow it, he didn't derive it, he was given it. It originated from God, the Father. Did you notice that this original, unborrowed and underived life can also be given to man? Yes, we too, can receive it from and through Christ.

John 5:26 tells us this plainly:

"For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;"

Here's a thought or question for you. What kind of life does the Father have in Himself? The answer is original, unborrowed, underived life. And what kind of life was Christ given? It's the same life that is in the Father. And since Christ received His Father's life, then He is also, self-existent.

Question: Does the Father's original, unborrowed, underived life really flow through the Son?

"All things Christ received from God, but He took to give. So in the heavenly courts, in His ministry for all created beings: through the beloved Son, the Father's life flows out to all; through the Son it returns, in praise and joyous service, a tide of love, to the great Source of all."

— Ellen White, *Desire of Ages*, p. 21

All things, Christ received from the God. Does that include life? If you read a little further in that statement, we are told, YES. And all things means that God gave not only His life, but even His own Spirit to His Son.

"He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?" The Father GAVE HIS SPIRIT without measure to His Son, and we also may partake of its fulness." — Ellen White, *Review and Herald*, November 5, 1908

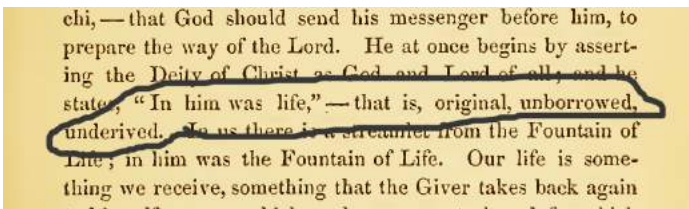
So the Father gave this life to His Son and through Christ it can be given to us also. Whose life is it that flows out thru the Son? The Father's life. What kind of life is it? It is original,

unborrowed, underived life. And Christ has that life, by being the only Begotten Son of God.

It is interesting to note that so many hinge their thoughts on this statement without even truly understanding it. It's a basis they try to explain for how and why Jesus was co-eternal and co-equal with God (the Father) and it somehow supports the Trinity doctrine. They put one line from the Ellen White's writings not only before the Bible (John 5:26), but without researching the complete quote and thought from the rest of the her writings. So it is shown and proven that it is actually a non-trinitarian statement.

Sister White had an amazing collection of books from other authors. And this would happen to include this one from Rev. John Cumming, who published 180 books in the 1800's. This book shown below is from 1856. About 55 years before similar language was used in her writings.

This is not to discredit Sister White, but to get people to realize that not every last little quote came from "thus saith the Lord." She was human. And in this example, she happened to get her inspired thought from another author. This is not a bad thing. She didn't copy his thought process because she used it in a much different way. But so many people will use these words, original, unborrowed, underived, and try and teach a different gospel. Hopefully in sharing this information it keeps the discussions more honest.



chi,—that God should send his messenger before him, to prepare the way of the Lord. He at once begins by asserting the Deity of Christ as God and Lord of all; and he states, "In him was life,"—that is, original, unborrowed, underived. To us there is a streamlet from the Fountain of Life; in him was the Fountain of Life. Our life is something we receive, something that the Giver takes back again

Now lets review from a different writing what Sister White is telling us. **"He said. In Him was life, original, unborrowed, underived. This life is not inherent in man. He can possess it only through Christ. He cannot earn it; it is given him as a free gift if he will believe in Christ as His personal Saviour."** — Signs of the Times, April 8, 1897

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The Eternal Dignitaries of the Trinity

“The eternal heavenly dignitaries—God, and Christ, and the Holy Spirit—arming them [the disciples] with more than mortal energy, . . . would advance with them to the work and convince the world of sin. — Manuscript 145, 1901; Evangelism, p. 616.4

Leroy Froom and company has added all subheadings in this book Evangelism. (Roy Allan Anderson and Louise Kleuser were his associates in this devious endeavor) This includes the word “trinity” that they inserted in the subheading for this quote. This collection of words was NEVER used by Sister White. Sadly however, the uninformed reader will assume this is part of the inspired text.

This statement (taken alone) only lists the heavenly dignitaries but says nothing as to the relation that they hold to each other. To insist that these dignitaries must be a trinity of 3 co-equal, co-eternal god-beings goes beyond the scope of the statement. **All we learn from this statement is that there is God, Christ and the Holy Spirit and that they are heavenly dignitaries.** Does a mere listing of the three indicate that they must be all divine beings? Or, are we told elsewhere what relation these three sustain to each other? No, not at all.

This statement does not tell us about the relation between the Father, Son and Spirit. It does not tell us that they are three beings. It does not tell us that the Spirit is a co-equal being with God and Christ. It does not tell us that Jesus is not begotten of His Father. That list, merely tells us there are three, which everyone believes. But, come now; let us allow Mrs. White to define for us the relation between those three, which is the point of question. We shall again make use of that trusty key, called the Testimonies for the Church.

What relation is there between God and Christ?

“The Scriptures **clearly** indicate the relation between God and Christ, and they bring to view as clearly the personality and individuality of each. (Hebrews 1:1-5 quoted) **God is the Father of Christ; Christ is the Son of God. To Christ has been given an exalted position. He has been made equal**

with the Father. All the counsels of God are opened to His Son.” — Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 8, p. 268

Here we see that Christ was made equal. He would have not had it originally in order to achieve it by receiving, or being made equal.

“Christ was the Son of God; He had been one with Him before the angels were called into existence.” — Ellen White, Patriarchs and Prophets, p. 38

“A complete offering has been made; for “God so loved the world, that he gave his only-begotten Son,”—not a son by creation, as were the angels, nor a son by adoption, as is the forgiven sinner, but a Son *begotten* in the express image of the Father's person, and in all the brightness of his majesty and glory, one equal with God in authority, dignity, and divine perfection. In him dwelt all the fullness of the Godhead bodily.” — Ellen White, Signs of the Times, May 30, 1895 par. 3

This makes Christ the First-born of heaven. Notice:

“The dedication of the first-born had its origin in the earliest times. God had promised to give the First-born of heaven to save the sinner.” — Ellen White, Desire of Ages, p. 51

Therefore, we rightly conclude that Christ *is* the Firstborn of heaven. He was born first in heaven, and then later He came to earth to be ‘born again’! When He was born on earth He became the Son of God **in “a new sense”**. Notice:

“In His humanity He was a partaker of the divine nature. In His incarnation He gained in a new sense the title of the Son of God. Said the angel to Mary, “The power of the Highest shall overshadow thee: therefore also that holy thing which shall be born of thee shall be called the Son of God” (Luke 1:35). While the Son of a human being, He became the Son of God in a new sense. Thus He stood in our world—the Son of God, yet allied by birth to the human race.” — Ellen White, Selected Message Book 1, pp. 226, 227

"While upon this earth, the Son of God was the Son of man; yet there were times when His divinity flashed forth." — Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 8, p. 202

Based on the above passages we plainly learn that Christ was begotten of His Father in heaven (long before the incarnation took place). It is easy to understand things when we allow Mrs. White to explain herself. Things are getting plainer as we proceed. Let us continue. What relation does the Spirit hold to the Father and Son? Let us use the Spirit of Prophecy again.

"Christ declared that after his ascension, he would send to his church, as his crowning gift, the Comforter, who was to take his place. This Comforter is the Holy Spirit, —the soul of his life, the efficacy of his church, the light and life of the world. With his Spirit Christ sends a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin."
— Ellen White, Review and Herald, May 19, 1904 par. 1

"Christ gives them the life of his life. The Holy Spirit puts forth its highest energies to work in mind and heart."
— Ellen White, Review and Herald, January 5, 1911 par. 6

"Christ gives them the breath of His own spirit, the life of His own life. The Holy Spirit puts forth its highest energies to work in heart and mind." — Ellen White, Desire of Ages, p. 827

"But ye are not in the flesh, but in the Spirit, if so be that the Spirit of God dwell in you. Now if any man have not the Spirit of Christ, he is none of his. And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness. But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you." — **Romans 8:9-11 (See also Galatians 1:1; Ephesians 3:14-17)**

Therefore, when we have that life of the Father and Son we are really having communion and fellowship with them both, not with someone else:

"That which we have seen and heard declare we unto you, that ye also may have fellowship with us: and *truly* our fellowship is with the Father, and with his Son Jesus Christ." — 1 John 1:3 (see also 2 John 1:9)

"By the Spirit the Father and the Son will come and make their abode with you." — Ellen White, Bible Echo and Signs of the Times, January 15, 1893 par. 8

"Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and **my Father will love him, **and we will come unto him**, and **make our abode with him.**" — John 14:23**

ETERNAL: Ellen White's use of the word "eternal" has confused many people. For instance, what did she mean when she said Christ existed from eternity in the quote below?

"The Lord Jesus Christ, the divine Son of God, existed FROM ETERNITY, a distinct person, yet one with the Father. He was the surpassing glory of heaven. He was the commander of the heavenly intelligences, and the adoring homage of the angels was received by him as his right. This was no robbery of God. "The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way," he declares, "before his works of old. I was setup FROM EVERLASTING, FROM THE BEGINNING, OR EVER THE EARTH WAS. When there were no depths, I WAS BROUGHT FORTH; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills WAS I BROUGHT FORTH; while as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world." — Ellen White, Review & Herald, April 5, 1906

Ellen White quotes Proverbs 8:23-26 above which equates "FROM ETERNITY", "FROM EVERLASTING", "FROM THE BEGINNING" and "BEFORE THE EARTH WAS" with the time before all things were created. So all these phrases mean the same thing. Quite simply, before the earth and all things were created. Not without beginning as many believe today.

So when Ellen White said from eternity, she did not mean that Christ had always existed. She also confirms this when she

twice says that Christ was “brought forth,” which means she is saying that the person of Christ had a beginning.

Christ cannot be the first-born of Heaven AND have always existed. **“The dedication of the FIRST-BORN had its origin in the earliest times. God had promised to give the first-born of heaven to save the sinner.”** — Ellen White, *Desire of Ages*, p. 51

The Father literally gave life to His Son. **“For as the Father has life in Himself; so has He given to the Son to have life in Himself;”** — **John 5:26.**

If Jesus had always existed alongside the Father as the Trinity doctrine claims, then God could not have given life to His Son as He would have always had life. But Scripture reveals that Christ is the literal Son of God.

Personality of the Holy Spirit

“We need to realize that the Holy Spirit, who is as much a person as God is a person, is walking through these grounds.” — Manuscript 66. 1899 (From a talk to the students at the Avondale School); Sermons and Talks, vol. 2, p. 136.6, April 13, 1899; Evangelism p. 616.5

The first thing to note is that this quote was not written by her hand but was taken down in shorthand from a sermon she preached, and was transcribed decades later. So it requires looking at the entire quote carefully to see who she is referring to. This quotation is the most important ‘clincher’ statement used by Trinitarians that the Holy Spirit is a co-eternal, co-equal Being in a triune Godhead. It is supposed to prove beyond a doubt that the Holy Spirit is a person with legs, and able to walk through the grounds of Avondale. This statement is talking about the Lord Jesus (when it is read in its original context.) The statement from Evangelism was edited to fit the agenda and bias of the compilers of that book. If you let Ellen White’s writings interpret Ellen White writings, then you will realize that this entire quote refers to Christ, by HIS HOLY SPIRIT.

This is one of those quotations where we need more of the paragraph. More of the complete context. What is published in the book Evangelism is a very selective excerpt from Manuscript 66. Prior to these words it says:

“The Lord says this (we are to present our bodies as a living sacrifice) **because He knows it is for our good. He would build a wall around us, to keep us from transgression, so that His blessing and love may be bestowed on us in rich measure. This is the reason we have established a school here. The Lord instructed us that this was the place in which we should locate, and we have had every reason to think that we are in the right place. We have been brought together as a school, and we need to realize that the Holy Spirit, who is as much a person as God is a person, is walking through these grounds, unseen by human eyes; that the Lord God is our keeper, and helper. He hears every word we utter and knows every thought of the mind.”** — Ellen White, Manuscript 66,

1899, p. 4 (Talk, April 15, 1899)

Now think about this for a moment. Compare this full quote with the one in *Evangelism*, and you will see that the sentence, the meaning and the context is incomplete. **We have been falsely led to believe something completely different than what Sister White intended.** She warns against erroneous borrowing of her writings, separating them from her original context and then using them to pass someone's agenda.

"There are many who interpret that which I write in the light of their own preconceived opinions. You know what this means. A division in understanding and diverse opinions is the sure result." — Ellen White, *Selected Messages*, book 3, p. 79

"There are some, who upon accepting erroneous theories, strive to establish them by collecting from my writings statements of truth, which they use, separated from their proper connection and perverted by association with error. Thus seeds of heresy, springing up and growing rapidly into strong plants, are surrounded by many precious plants of truth, and in this way a mighty effort is made to vindicate the genuineness of the spurious plants." — Ellen White, *This Day With God*, p. 126

The full context of the topic clearly reveals that:
"the Lord is that Spirit". 2 Corinthians 3:17

In analyzing this passage, we must see what instruction the Messenger of the Lord wanted the students to receive when the talk was given. Was it a lesson on the nature of the Holy Spirit? No.

There are a number of points, that when grouped together, give the true message.

It is for their own good, that the students give themselves to Christ. God wanted to build a wall around them to keep them from sin, so He could bless them. That is why a school was established. The Lord had revealed that this was where the

school should be located. The teachers and students needed to realize that the Holy Spirit was walking the grounds of the school. (This is better explained in the quotes to follow.) The Lord God is our keeper, and helper. He hears every word we utter and knows every thought of the mind. What lesson would the children receive about the Holy Spirit from this part of the talk? **Obviously it was a message to be very careful in how they think and speak because God is listening.**

There is no question, the Evangelism statement alone sounds convincing without any other knowledge. However, when the true message of the presentation is revealed, the Evangelism quote does not have the same impact. Please read the following quotations and consider carefully.

“Christ walks unseen through our streets. With messages of mercy He comes to our homes. With all who are seeking to minister in His name, He waits to co-operate. **He is in the midst of us, to heal and to bless, if we will receive Him.”**
— Ellen White, *The Ministry of Healing*, p. 107

“Remember that Jesus is beside you wherever you go, noting your actions and listening to your words. Would you be ashamed to hear his voice speaking to you, and to know that **he hears your conversation?**” — Ellen White, *The Youth’s Instructor*, February 4, 1897, par. 3

Let us now think about these statements carefully in their full context. Mrs. White is not talking of more than one individual, for she is using the singular pronoun “he” all through. If she were talking of more than one she would have used “they” rather than “he”. Therefore, she is talking only of one person; “The Lord”. It is “The Lord” who is our keeper, not someone else. The Lord is the one who hears every word. **It is the Lord who is “unseen by human eyes”.** And even though He is there by His Holy Spirit, He is as much a real person as if He were here physically! This is the meaning of that statement. His personal presence is His person, which is as much a person as He is a person.

“The Lord Jesus standing by the side of the canvasser, walking with them, is the chief worker. If we recognize **Christ** as the **One** who is with us to prepare the way, **the**

Holy Spirit by our side will make impressions in just the lines needed.” — Ellen White, Colporteur Ministry, p. 107

“That Christ should manifest Himself to them, and yet be invisible to the world, was a mystery to the disciples. They could not understand the words of Christ in their spiritual sense. They were thinking of the outward, visible manifestation. They could not take in the fact that they could have the presence of Christ with them, and yet He be unseen by the world. They did not understand the meaning of a spiritual manifestation.” — Ellen White, The Southern Review, September 13, 1898 par. 2

“How few realize that JESUS, UNSEEN, IS WALKING BY THEIR SIDE! How ashamed many would be to hear His voice speaking to them, and to know that HE HEARD ALL THEIR FOOLISH, COMMON TALK!” — Ellen White, Manuscript Releases vol. 14, p. 125.3

“By the Spirit the Father and the Son will come and make their abode with you.” — Ellen White, Bible Echo and Signs of the Times, January 15, 1893 par. 8 (Also John 14:23.)

“The human agent, the seen instrument, is to preach the Word, and the LORD JESUS, THE UNSEEN, AGENCY, BY HIS HOLY SPIRIT is to make the Word efficacious and powerful.” — Ellen White, Letter 105, 1900; Selected Messages, vol. 2, p. 18.3

“What saith our Saviour? “I will not leave thee comfortless; I will come unto you.” (John 14:18 quoted) **“He that hath my commandments, and keepeth them, he it is that loveth me; and he that loveth me shall be loved of my Father; and I will love him, and will manifest myself to him.”** When trials overshadow the soul, remember the words of Christ, remember that He (Christ) is an unseen presence in the person of the Holy Spirit....” — Ellen White, Daughters of God, 185.2, 1897; Letter 124, March 7, 1897

The answer is Christ by His Spirit every time and this cannot be missed by any honest truth seeker. An honest person will

reconcile all that she wrote, not cherry pick quotes that can be misunderstood on their own as Leroy Froom did.

So how does Christ walk unseen through our streets? By His Holy Spirit.

Why is He unseen? Because He is doing so by His Holy Spirit.

And how was Christ walking unseen through the Avondale school grounds? By His Holy Spirit.

So this quote could be written as follows and would still mean the same thing without being misunderstood: "We need to realize that Christ, by His Spirit, who is as much a person as God is a person, is walking through these grounds by His Holy Spirit, unseen by human eyes; He hears every word we utter and knows every thought of the mind."

Is the Holy Spirit a Person?

"The Holy Spirit is a person, for He beareth witness with our spirits that we are the children of God. When this witness is borne, it carries with it its own evidence. At such times we believe and are sure that we are the children of God... The Holy Spirit has a personality, else He could not bear witness to our spirits and with our spirits that we are the children of God. He must also be a divine person, else He could not search out the secrets which lie hidden in the mind of God. 'For what man knoweth the things of a man, save the spirit of man which is in him? even so the things of God knoweth no man, but the Spirit of God'." — Ellen White, Manuscript 20, 1906; Evangelism p. 616.6, 617.1

The quoted verse towards the end in the above statement is from 1 Corinthians 2:11. It is the key to understanding the statement in its fullness. According to Paul, man and his spirit is comparable to God and His Spirit. Just as man's spirit is not a different person to man, even so God's Holy Spirit is not a different person to God. Just as man's spirit is his very own person, even so God's Spirit is His very own person.

When we use the Testimonies as the key, we will discover some very important basic principles.

"The greatness of God is to us incomprehensible. "The Lord's throne is in heaven" (Psalm 11:4); yet by His Spirit He is everywhere present. He has an intimate knowledge of, and a personal interest in, all the works of His hand." — Ellen White, Education, p. 132

"In giving us His Spirit, God gives us Himself, making Himself a fountain of divine influences, to give health and life to the world." — Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 7, p. 273

If we keep the above principles in mind, things will be much easier to understand. The Spirit has a personality because God has a personality. In giving us His Spirit, God is giving us Himself, not someone else. When God gives us Himself (in

Spirit) it is not devoid of personality. It is not just some impersonal force or essence. No, it is very personal and intimate. It is God's own person, having God's very own personality. But the way we think and consider the Holy Spirit today, we treat it as a complete separate entity from God and Christ. And thru the trinity doctrine, it receives a title called "god the holy spirit."

"It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing; the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life." **Christ is not here referring to his doctrine, but to his person, the divinity of his character.**" — Ellen White, Review and Herald, April 5, 1906 par. 12

As Christ has inherited His Father's nature and attributes, He also possesses the same omnipresent Spirit, which is able to indwell His children. When on earth, His fleshly body was limited to be in one place.

"Cumbered with humanity, Christ could not be in every place personally; therefore it was altogether for their advantage that He should leave them, go to His Father, and send the Holy Spirit to be His successor on earth. The Holy Spirit is Himself divested of the personality of humanity and independent thereof. He would represent Himself as present in all places by His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent." — Ellen White, Manuscript Release 14, p. 23

We see over and over thru the Spirit of Prophecy and in scripture that the Spirit of Christ is the Holy Spirit. And Sister White used the language and illustration that the Holy Spirit was the third person of the Godhead. But, keep in mind that a "first person" and "second person" was never written by her. (Those terms or nameplates would be leaked into usage by Prescott and Lacey) Nor is this in the scripture as this use of identity.

This third person is actually Christ coming to us in the Spirit. But that is not actually a separate person from Christ himself. But it is an illustration of a different personality. And since we know Christ when he was in a bodily form, as a human, as the Son of Man, we get stuck when he references that he would send "another comforter". Think about the usage of "third

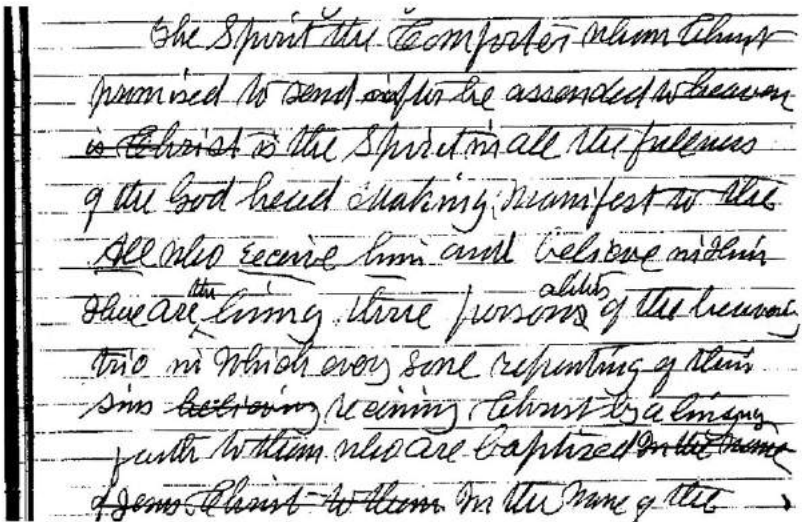
person language". That is what is going on here. It is a type of grammatical expression.

Jesus spoke often in third person language in the scriptures. Here is a common example:

"And then shall appear the sign of **the Son of man** in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see **the Son of man** coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory." **Matthew 24:30**

Jesus is the Son of Man, and yet he is talking about himself as "another person", a third person.

Sister White did in fact use the word personality in place of person in her writings. Below is an example of this. But her literary assistant Marian Davis, having sat thru a Trinitarian weighted presentation from a church elder (Herbert Camden Lacey) at the time, had an affect on her thinking. It was thru this that the word "personality", was changed to "person" as a type of grammatical correction by Sister Davis.



The Spirit the Comforter whom Christ
promised to send after he ascended to heaven
is Christ as the Spirit in all the fullness
of the God head manifest to all
All who receive him and believe in him
shall be living ^{with} these persons of the trinity
who in which every soul repenting of their
sins believing receiving Christ as a living
faith in them who are baptized in the name
of Jesus Christ to them in the name of the

This is an actual photocopy of Ellen White's handwritten manuscript (the top is cropped off missing the word "is") which begins with her version of William Boardman's description of the Holy Spirit.

The Spirit the Comforter whom Christ promised to send after he ascended to heaven ~~is Christ~~ is the Spirit in all the fullness of the God head making manifest to the... All who receive him and believe in Him There are the living three personalities of the heavenly trio in which every soul repenting of their sins ~~believing~~ receiving Christ by a living faith to them who are baptized ~~In the name of Jesus Christ to them~~ In the Name of

Don't worry, her version is vastly different and lacked the spiritualism that Boardman used. William Boardman was a Pentecostal Pastor and had written a book in 1858 called "The Higher Christian Life". It would be normal that Sister White would have books from different authors and topics to frame out her library.

But many have been taught NOT according to the Spirit of Prophecy or the biblical support of Christ being 'in the Spirit' as "the Spirit of Christ". This Spirit originates from the Father and is sent thru His Son and then to us to comfort us, abide with us, dwell with us. And this Spirit can be viewed as a personality or a different characteristic of Christ.

It can also be discussed that this Spirit is likened unto us as a third person, or personality, or different characteristic of Christ. **For Christ is in the heavenly sanctuary on our behalf, but sends himself in the Spirit to abide and dwell with us.** Again, refer to Manuscript Release 14 as quoted two pages back. This is not what the churches or leaders are teaching today, but it is very much supported in the Spirit of Prophecy, the Bible and it was the belief of our Pioneers.

Why did she call the Holy Spirit a person? Because the Comforter is the Holy Spirit which is the PERSON of Christ.

"This refers to the omnipresence of the SPIRIT OF CHRIST, called the COMFORTER." — Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 179.2

"The Holy Spirit is Himself (Christ), divested of the personality of humanity, and independent thereof. He

would represent Himself as present in all places by His Holy Spirit, as the Omnipresent.” — Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 23.3, 1895

“JESUS is present in the person of His representative, the Holy Spirit.” — Manuscript Releases, vol. 12, p. 145.2, 1898

This is not a literal person of course, but an additional personality or character, which was the use of the wording of person or personhood back in Sister White’s time. Sadly, calling the Spirit of Christ a person has confused those with a Trinitarian mindset and has also allowed the abuse of her writings.

The Power of God in the Third Person

"The prince of the power of evil can only be held in check by the power of God in the third person of the Godhead, the Holy Spirit." — Evangelism p. 617; Special Testimonies, Series A No. 10 p. 37, 1897

When we follow the divine instruction and make use of the key for the Testimonies, many misunderstandings will be resolved. The expression, "third person of the Godhead" is today explained by many. Explained to mean a third individual god-being equal to the Father and Son.

But that is not even close to what Sister White believed, or our Pioneers. Let us allow the Messenger of the Lord (rather than anyone else) to explain to us **what she meant by that expression**. This is the safest thing to do if we truly desire to know the truth.

Who is the Holy Spirit, the third person of the Godhead?

"Christ tells us that the Holy Spirit is the Comforter, and the Comforter is the Holy Ghost, "the Spirit of truth, which the Father shall send in My name." ... This refers to the omnipresence of the Spirit of Christ, called the Comforter." — Manuscript Releases Vol.14, p. 179

In the above quote, the Father will send the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of truth in Christ's name. That would equate to, the Spirit of Christ. Now let us read a similar statement with more context around it:

"The Spirit was given **as a regenerating agency**, and without this the sacrifice of Christ would have been of no avail. The power of evil had been strengthening for centuries, and the submission of man to this satanic captivity was amazing. *Sin could be resisted and overcome only through the mighty agency of the third person of the Godhead, who would come with no modified energy, but in the fulness of divine power.* It is the Spirit that makes effectual what has been wrought out by the world's Redeemer. It is by the Spirit that the heart is made pure. Through the Spirit the believer becomes a partaker of the divine nature. **Christ has given his Spirit as a divine**

power to overcome all hereditary and cultivated tendencies to evil, and to impress **his own character** upon the church." — Review and Herald, May 19, 1904 par. 3

"Christ declared that after his ascension, he would send to his church, as his crowning gift, the Comforter, who was to take his place. This Comforter is the Holy Spirit,--***the soul of his life***, the efficacy of his church, **the light and life of the world. With his Spirit Christ sends a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin.**" — Review and Herald, May 19, 1904 par. 1

Notice now how clearly she says that the life of Christ is what helps us resist temptation. The life of Christ is His spirit (not someone else!). This is the Comforter, this is the Holy Spirit, and this is what is called the "third person of the Godhead." Is it a literal person? No. It is a grammatical term utilizing third person language. Keep in mind she never identified a first person or second person of the Godhead. Those terms would be human construction under the work of W. W. Prescott years later.

"The only defense against evil is the indwelling of Christ in the heart through faith in His righteousness." — The Desire of Ages, p. 324

"Not until **the life of Christ** becomes a **vitalizing power** in our lives can we **resist the temptations** that assail us from within and from without." — The Ministry of Healing, p. 130

This life of Christ is a holy, spotless, blameless life. Since life is the spirit therefore this holy life of Christ is His Holy Spirit!

John 6:63 — "It is the spirit that quickeneth; the flesh profiteth nothing: the words that I speak unto you, they are spirit, and they are life."

"The divine Spirit that the world's Redeemer promised to send **is the presence and power of God.**" — Signs of the Times, November 23, 1891

"When trials overshadow the soul, remember the words of Christ, remember that **He is an unseen presence in the person of the Holy Spirit.**" — Daughters of God, p. 185.2

“He [Jesus] gives them His Holy Spirit, the manifestation of His presence and favor.” — Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 230.3

“There must be a power working from within, a new life from above, before men can be changed from sin to holiness. That power is Christ. His grace alone can quicken the lifeless faculties of the soul, and attract it to God, to holiness.” — Steps to Christ, p. 18

Therefore, the power of God, which is in Christ, is present *in the third person*. It is Christ and His power in the third person **of** the Godhead. It is not another person **in** the Godhead. No, it is *the third person of* (not **in**) the Godhead.

Therefore, if the power of evil can be held in check only by the power of God in the third person of the Godhead, the Holy Spirit, and it is Jesus who turns away every one of us from his iniquities (evil), then it is an obvious conclusion that Jesus aids us in this battle by giving us his very own holy life, his very own Holy Spirit (not another being different to Him). This Holy life of Christ is termed “the third person of the Godhead.”

“JESUS ALONE has power to save from sin, to free from the power of evil; and to doubt him who has laid down his life for us, is to grieve and insult the Father,” — Ellen White, Review & Herald, Feb 10, 1891

“There is no power in you apart from CHRIST, but it is your privilege to have Christ abiding in your heart by faith, and He can overcome sin in you,” — Ellen White, Our High Calling, p. 76.5

“The HOLY SPIRIT is the SPIRIT of CHRIST,” — Ellen White, Manuscript Releases, vol. 14, p. 84.3

“We want the HOLY SPIRIT, which is JESUS CHRIST.” — Ellen White to W.W. Prescott, Letter 66, April 10, 1894

“They have one God and one Saviour; and one Spirit—the Spirit of Christ” — Ellen White, Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p.189.3, 1909

In Co-operation With the Three Highest Powers

"We are to co-operate with the three highest powers in heaven – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost – and these powers will work through us, making us workers together with God." — Special Testimonies Series B. No.7 p51, 1905; Evangelism p. 617

The above quotation is from a letter of rebuke to Dr Kellogg:

"The time will come when I must speak much more plainly, and warn our brethren in plain tones not to be led astray with the false theories of 'Living Temple'. I have been shown the seductive nature of the sentiments it contains, and that which has been declared over and over again, I need not repeat. These representations are said to be in harmony with the sentiments in Sister White's published works. Those who make statements such as this are doing my books great injustice. Let all bear in mind that statements from my books may be taken out of their setting, and placed in such connection as to make it appear that the sentiments in 'Living Temple' are sustained by Sister White's very words.... Men are to discharge their duty to God. They are to have reverence for, and a knowledge of, a personal God.... He loves us, that He gave us a tangible proof of His love, by sending His only begotten Son to bear the sin of the world, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life.... If we come into close relation with Christ, we shall have a part to act in carrying forward the work of present truth for this time. We are to cooperate with the three highest powers in heaven – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost – and these powers will work through us, making us workers together with God...." — Special Testimonies Series B No.7, p. 49, 50, 51

The three highest powers in heaven are not here defined in the above misquote from the book Evangelism, but merely listed. There is no question that there are three powers in heaven (Father, Son and the Holy Ghost), but this statement tells us

nothing more than that. Does this statement tell us what the relationship between these three powers is? To use this statement to prove a trinity of 3 co-equal, co-eternal beings would be poor scholarly work.

The three great powers can be correctly understood in light of what Ellen White means. She clearly understood and taught that there is a Father, and a Son and a Holy Spirit. That makes three. But it is the relation of those three that is further clarified in other places. For example, it is clearly stated that God is the Father of Christ:

“God is the Father of Christ; Christ is the Son of God. To Christ has been given an exalted position. He has been made equal with the Father. All the counsels of God are opened to His Son.” — Testimonies for the Church, vol. 8, p. 268

Elsewhere she explains the relation with the Spirit, it being the spirit of Christ:

“Those who believe the truth should remember that they are God’s little children, that they are under His training. Let them be thankful to God for His manifold mercies and be kind to one another. They have one God and one Saviour; and one Spirit – the Spirit of Christ – is to bring unity into their ranks.” — Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 189

She tells us clearly the spirit of Christ is the soul of His life. It is the very life of His own life.

“Christ declared that after his ascension, he would send to his church, as his crowning gift, the Comforter, who was to take his place. This Comforter is the Holy Spirit, —the soul of his life, the efficacy of his church, the light and life of the world. With his Spirit Christ sends a reconciling influence and a power that takes away sin.” — Review and Herald, May 19, 1904, par. 1

“Christ gives them the breath of His own spirit, the life of His own life. The Holy Spirit puts forth its highest energies to work in heart and mind.” — The Desire of Ages, p. 827

“In that day,” Jesus said, “you shall know that I am in the Father, and the Father in me, and I in you.” **John 14:20**

The breath of Christ is His spirit and life.

“And when he had said this, he breathed on *them*, and saith unto them, Receive ye the Holy Ghost.” John 20:22

It is in no way talking about another individual being. This is the correct and consistent understanding of “**the three highest powers in heaven**”. The **Father, Son** and **Holy Spirit**.

Jan. 18, 1966

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Dear Miss Kleuser:

As we are well aware, Evangelism had a profound effect when it appeared in enforcing and unfolding the clear teachings of the Spirit of Prophecy on the great Eternal Verities.

You had a very definite part in this. I am asking if you would frame a letter for me so that I can have it on record, telling just what was done to round out and make effective in these lines what was not first envisioned by the White Estate-- That of course would not have to be brought in--but under the encouragement of Elder Branson and our own burden in the Ministerial Association, just what was done to round out that book.

May I thank you for this. If you need to talk to me more about it we can chat over the phone about it.

Very sincerely in the Master's
service,

L. E. Froom

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