Pat's Paragraphs

Dear Friends,

Did you hear that *Hell and Mr. Fudge* made it into the *New York Times*? It's true. And what I love about it is the reminder that people "out there" are interested in what happens to the lost. There are people "out there" who want truth, who want to know whether God is a tormenter, or whether God is good, merciful, and fair.

Mark Oppenheimer, religion and culture editor for the *New York Times*, was interested in Conditionalism. He went looking and came across *Hell and Mr. Fudge*. He watched it,
then called Edward Fudge for an interview. The result was his Saturday, October 11, column.

I wonder how many thousands, even millions of others are searching for the truth about God. And I wonder how we can best reach them with the good news.

If you'd like to see Oppenheimer's article yourself, you can find it at: http://nyti.ms/1sokDq6

We're delighted to see Hell and Mr. Fudge getting publicity in the New York Times. We'd love to see The Seventh Day up in lights as well!

The Seventh Day series is currently in production on its 19th language (Italian). We've received many letters of appreciation from around the world, but we don't have to look far to find people to share these foreign-language versions with. Right here in the US and Canada, the melting pot of the world, are people of every language and ethnicity.

Maybe you know people who speak Arabic, Chinese, Czech, Danish, Dutch, Finnish, French, German, Norwegian, Portuguese, Russian, Serbian, Spanish, Swedish or Turkish. We have the Seventh Day in each of those languages, and we want to put it in the hands of people right here in the US and Canada who speak these languages. Will you help? For the months of October to December, all foreign-language versions of The Seventh Day will be available for you to share at 50% off - that's $50 for the whole series.

Think of the people in your life who might benefit from this special series and this special price. Make a gift of the series to ethnic churches in your area. Help us think of creative ways to share the Sabbath with our fellow Christians.

Thank you friends, for your interest and your support. Please don't forget to include Hell: Beyond the Smoke in your gifts and prayers!

Sincerely,

Pat Arrabito

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Farewell, Cindy

September 30 was Cindy Barwald's last day at LLT. If you have been in telephone contact with our office you have probably talked with her at one time or another. As our production assistant Cindy has provided tremendous behind-the-scenes support for this ministry for twenty-five years. Courteous telephone manners, careful attention to detail, and a personal dedication to the mission of LLT have marked her service here. She will be greatly missed.

The deception endures

The serpent told Eve, "You surely will not die"(Genesis 3:4 NASB). Deceived by this false assurance, she believed a lie - a lie that became bedrock dogma of religions throughout history and around the world. Reincarnation, transmigration of the soul, communication with the dead, ancestor worship - these are a few examples of widely held beliefs that are based on the doctrine that originated with the serpent in Eden.

The deception endures within Christendom to this day as the doctrine of the immortal soul. Deeply rooted in creeds and confessions, it stands at the heart of both theological debate and personal faith. Believers, from the professional theologian to the lay person in the pew, cling to it fervently and defend it passionately.

When early Christian theologians adopted the pre-Christian idea of the immortal soul they opened the door for other spurious teachings like prayer for the dead, purgatory, the intercession of saints, and eternal torment.

Why is immortal soulism so popular within Christianity? Perhaps because it purports to offer comfort and reassurance to believers who are faced with the ultimate reality of death. Grief and loss are assuaged by the hope that the dead are not really dead. The fear of dying is diminished if death is simply a transition to a better form of life.

Christians who want a biblically based approach to the reality of death will take comfort in Paul's reassuring message of resurrection hope: "Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who have no hope. For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him" (1Thessalonians 4:13, 14 NIV).
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