

Christ. In their book entitled, "Questions On Doctrine, the Seventh-day Adventists state, "Seventh-day Adventists believe that from 1844 onward, to the second coming of Christ, is the period of the investigative judgment."<sup>40</sup>

As to the persons involved in this investigative judgment, the Seventh-day Adventists claim that this investigative judgment is for those who have believed in Jesus. In her book, The Triumph Of God's Love, Mrs. Ellen G.

White says:

At the time appointed for the judgment -- the close of the 2,300 days, in 1844 -- began the work of investigation and blotting out of sins. All who have ever taken upon themselves the name of Christ must pass its searching scrutiny. Both the living and the dead are to be judged "out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works."<sup>41</sup>

In their book, Questions On Doctrine, the Seventh-day Adventists say:

The following description of the investigative judgment, penned by Ellen G. White, is, we believe, based entirely upon the revealed truths of God's Word as we have set them forth in the preceding pages:

As the books of record are opened in the judgment, the lives of all who have believed on Jesus come in review before God. Beginning with those who first lived upon the earth, our Advocate presents the cases of each successive generation, and closes with the living. Every name is mentioned, every case closely investigated.<sup>42</sup>

Again in her book, The Triumph Of God's Love, Mrs. Ellen G. White says:

In the typical service only those who had come before God with confession and repentance, and whose sins, through the blood of the sin offering, were transferred to the sanctuary, had a part in the service of the Day of Atonement. So in the great day of final atonement and investigative judgment the only cases considered are those of the professed people of God. The judgment of the wicked is a distinct and separate work, and takes place at a later period. "Judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the Gospel?" I Peter 4:17.<sup>43</sup>

<sup>40</sup>Questions On Doctrine, (Washington, D.C.: Review & Herald Publishing Assoc., 1957), pp. 443, 444.

<sup>41</sup>White, op. cit., p. 286.

<sup>42</sup>Questions On Doctrine, op. cit., p. 443.

<sup>43</sup>White, op. cit., pp. 283, 284.