

like is happening right now!

4. It was because of Daniel's prayers that he got the victory, & then Michael was able to come & help him & got the victory over the Prince of Persia.—Dan.10:12-13. And it was because Jacob fought a good fight & persevered that he got the victory, won the blessing & was empowered of the Spirit of God to win!—Gen.32:24-28.

5. So the battles of Heaven are actually entirely dependent upon us & which way we go! The spirits are not totally independent of us, & just merely fighting amongst themselves in Heaven. There would be no point or purpose in this, because the whole idea is that Man is the one who has been given the majesty of choice & decision, & the way Man goes, so goes the battle!

6. If we do the right things & make the right choices & go the right direction, then we have the power to call in the forces of Heaven to assist us & to overcome & overpower the forces of evil. But if we make the wrong choices & go the wrong directions & do the wrong things, then the Enemy has the power to overcome us & defeat us in spite of all Heaven would like to do!

7. "Whatever is bound on Earth is bound in Heaven; whatever is loosed on Earth is loosed in Heaven!"—

Mat.16:19. It doesn't say it the other direction at all. What Heaven does is dependent on us! That's the whole idea of the whole game! They are just our spiritual helpers or hinderers, bound or loosed by what we do. (Maria: I guess that's why they're called "ministering spirits", because they're there to help & serve us, we aren't serving them!)—Yes! What they do is entirely dependent upon what we do.—How we work, how we pray, the decisions we make.

8. We're almost like the commanders of the forces of Heaven, or the forces of Hell! You can work for Heaven or you can work for Hell, & those forces are dependent upon us & our command. (Maria: By "those forces", you mean either good or bad?)—Yes, exactly.

9. We turn the tide of victory or defeat entirely by our choices, believe it or not! That's what God has done: He has put the fate of the World into the hands of Man—up to a point. Of

course, very soon God is going to take over before Man has gone too far!

10. There would be no point even in our existence if the tide of battle was entirely dependent on the Heavenly forces. The tide of battle is entirely dependent on Man, that's what Man was put here for. It is dependent on Man & his choices for or against God.

11. God is in control, but He has set down certain rules of the game, of the battle, just like a football game! You've got to abide by the rules & if you break the rules, then you unleash the powers of Hell to win. If you keep the rules, then you empower the powers of Heaven to win! It's all dependent upon Man & his choice—up to a point, of course. Pretty soon God is just going to completely take over! Right now, God is allowing the Devil to take over, because Man has gone the wrong direction.

12. If we are doing the right thing, going the right direction & making the right choices, we have spiritual weapons which can overcome the Enemy completely! He cannot defeat us! He cannot win the victory over us if we are going God's way, because then God's spirits are unleashed against him & he cannot win! But according to the rules of the game, if we go the wrong way it's just the other way around. MOP 10:56

13. It is not the spiritual powers of good & evil, Angels & devils, who are fighting on the field of battle down in the arena while we sit up in the grandstands & the bleachers rooting for our favourite spirits. It is we who are down in the arena fighting evil men & evil forces, & it is the Angels of God on the one hand, on the right hand, & the demons of the Devil on the other hand, who are rooting for or against us! The tide of the game, or the battle, is decided on the field of battle, not in the grandstands!

14. If Adam & Eve had made the right choice, it never would have happened, God would have protected them! The Devil wasn't up there fighting with God in Heaven & having a fist fight with the Lord! The Devil was fighting for the control of Man's mind & body & spirit here on Earth! God was speaking, trying to influence them, & the Devil was speaking & trying to influence them. Whether they won or lost depended on their choice, & they lost. They made the wrong choice.