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**From:** Victor Martinez [mailto:illinoisvic@hotmail.com]

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**To:** mail@whiteestate.org

**Subject:** Fact or fiction?

Greetings,

I have a question.

Is the following quote fact or fiction? If it's fact could you give me more info on it?

"When Jesus comes, not only do all the angels come with Him, but representatives from all over God's universe will line the way on either side, each one anxious to catch the first glimpse of this triumphant throng which Jesus was leading upward. The representatives from all over God's universe who are to witness this triumphant march are now making preparations for their entertainment on a planet where they will spend the Sabbath. They are now bringing fruits from all parts of the universe, from all other worlds, and storing them on this planet for the Sabbath day's entertainment of the redeemed."

Ellen G. White - Australian Recorder - Date unknown

Thank you,

Victor Martinez

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Dear Brother Martinez,

Thank you for contacting the Ellen G. White Estate. The answer to your question is "Fiction." The statement you asked about was noted more than 40 years ago in Appendix C in the back of volume 3 of the 3-volume Comprehensive Index to Mrs. White's writings. That appendix was called, "Apocryphal Quotations." We put these on our website and added more to them. You can find them by going to our site, [www.WhiteEstate.org](http://www.WhiteEstate.org), and clicking on "Issues & Answers" at the left of the home page. Then click on "Statements Mistakenly Attributed to Ellen G. White." You will see this one as the first on the list. Here is how the entry reads:

Sabbath Meal at Another Planet. The report, based on the memory of one person, that Ellen G. White stated in a dinner-table conversation that the inhabitants of other worlds are gathering fruit for the Sabbath-day entertainment of the translated saints en route to heaven, is without support. The assertion that the words were stenographically reported also is without foundation. Ellen G. White makes only the simple statement in Early Writings, page 16, that "We were seven days ascending to the sea of glass." No mention is made by Ellen G. White of the Sabbath spent en route.

You probably noticed that the reference for the statement you sent was vague and incomplete. This is one clue that the statement may be bogus. Even if the reference looks correct and complete, be sure to look it up, because sometimes the reference is wrong; in some cases the statement may not even exist, despite a correct-looking reference.

I hope this helps. Thank you for writing, and God bless!

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