A review of certain claims in the video, "Are You Glorified?" https://youtu.be/uCJY50Hulkl

"them he also glorified"

Romans 8:28 And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose. 29 For whom he did foreknow, he also did predestinate to be conformed to the image of his Son, that he might be the firstborn among many brethren. 30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified. 31 What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?

In the above passage, I see a progression of five things that God does. I will focus on the last three:

- 1. God "did foreknow"
- 2. God "did predestinate to be conformed..."
- 3. God "called". Ellen explains:
 - Calling and justification are not one and the same thing. Calling is the drawing of the sinner to Christ, and it is a work wrought by the Holy Spirit upon the heart, convicting of sin, and inviting to repentance. 1SM 389.2
 - All are called of God, but few answer... -Sid
- 4. God "justified". According to Ellen, here is how that works:
 - Faith is the only condition upon which justification can be obtained, and faith includes not only belief but trust. <u>1SM</u> 389.1
 - Although as sinners we are under the condemnation of the law, yet
 Christ by His obedience rendered to the law, claims for the
 repentant soul the merit of His own righteousness. In order to
 obtain the righteousness of Christ, it is necessary for the
 sinner to know what that repentance is which works a radical
 change of mind and spirit and action. The work of
 transformation must begin in the heart, and manifest its power

through every faculty of the being; but man is not capable of originating such a repentance as this, and can experience it alone through Christ, who ascended up on high, led captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. 1SM 393.1

- Who is desirous of becoming truly repentant? What must he do? —He must come to Jesus, just as he is, without delay. He must believe that the word of Christ is true, and, believing the promise, ask, that he may receive. When sincere desire prompts men to pray, they will not pray in vain. The Lord will fulfill His word, and will give the Holy Spirit to lead to repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. He will pray and watch, and put away his sins, making manifest his sincerity by the vigor of his endeavor to obey the commandments of God. With prayer he will mingle faith, and not only believe in but obey the precepts of the law. He will announce himself as on Christ's side of the question. He will renounce all habits and associations that tend to draw the heart from God. 1SM 393.2
- God pronounces us just, and treats us as just. He looks upon us as His dear children. Christ works against the power of sin, and where sin abounded, grace much more abounds. "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: by whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God" (Romans 5:1, 2). 1SM 394.1
- Of the few who accept the "call" some are justified, who then "rejoice in hope of the glory of God". However, many are not justified, because they fail to do their part. Christ says of them, "Ye will not come to me, that ye might have life" (John 5:40). Does this sound like we are justified at the same time that we were called? -Sid

5. God "glorified"

- Special Resurrection: Graves are opened, and "many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth" "awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt." [Daniel 12:2.] All who have died in the faith of the third angel's message come forth from the tomb glorified, to hear God's covenant of peace with those who have kept his law.
- The living righteous are changed "in a moment, in the twinkling

- of an eye." At the voice of God they were glorified; now they are made immortal, and with the risen saints are caught up to meet their Lord in the air. Angels "gather together the elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other..." GC88 645.1
- So, why would God glorify the "living righteous" at the 2nd coming if they were already glorified? Furthermore, it seems that this means that they are immortal, as the result of glorification. Maybe that's what "glorification" means? -Sid
- The loyal and true bear the credentials of heaven, not of earthly potentates. All men shall know who are the disciples of Christ, chosen and faithful, and shall know them when crowned and glorified as those who honored God and whom He has honored, bringing them into possession of an eternal weight of glory. 7LtMs, Lt 2d, 1892, par. 14 Again, Ellen seems to connect being glorified with immortality. -Sid
- Qualifications of the glorified: " If we are indeed to overcome as Christ overcame, that we may mingle with the bloodwashed, glorified company before the throne of God, it is of the highest importance that we become acquainted with the life of our Redeemer and deny self as did Christ. We must meet temptations and overcome obstacles, and through toil and suffering, in the name of Jesus, overcome as He overcame. Con 66.1 Does this sound like we were glorified at the same time that we were justified? -Sid
- They who had for Christ's sake lost their lives in this world would preserve them unto life eternal. It was the joy of Christ in his humiliation and pain that all his true disciples should be glorified with him in Heaven. 3SP 75.1
- When the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord, then the sins of the repentant soul who received the grace of Christ and has overcome through the blood of the Lamb, will be removed from the records of heaven, and will be placed upon Satan, the scapegoat, the originator of sin, and be remembered no more against him forever. The sins of the overcomers will be blotted out of the books of record, but their names will be retained on the book of life... When the conflict of life is ended, when the armor is laid off at the feet of Jesus, when the saints of God are glorified, then and then only will it be safe to claim that we are saved and sinless. True sanctification will not lead any human being to pronounce himself

- holy, sinless, and perfect. Let the Lord proclaim the truth of your character. <u>ST May 16, 1895, par. 4</u>
- Enoch's translation to Heaven just before the destruction of the world by a flood, represents the translation of all the living righteous from the earth previous to its destruction by fire. The saints will be glorified in the presence of those who have hated them for their loyal obedience to God's righteous commandments. 3SG 59.1
- Satan and evil angels flee from the presence of the saints glorified. Their power to annoy them is gone forever. <u>1T</u> 354.1

"not yet glorified"

https://youtu.be/uCJY5oHulkl?t=934 Here Nadar said, "The reception of glory has to do with the reception of the spirit. When you have the one, you have the other." He said this in response to this passage:

<u>John 7:38</u> He that believeth on me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. <u>39</u> (But this spake he of the Spirit, which they that believe on him should receive: for the Holy Ghost was not yet given; because that Jesus was not yet glorified.)

Here is what Ellen says about this:

(Jn 7:38 quoted) When he should ascend to the Father, then the Comforter which the Saviour promised to send would come. **Jesus promised to manifest himself through the Holy Spirit to every individual who shall seek him and believe on him.** <u>ST July 23, 1896, par. 2</u>

In times past holy men of old spake as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. In Ancient times the prophets searched what the Spirit of God which was in them signified. The Spirit was not then given in power because Jesus was not yet glorified. Dating from the day of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit was to be poured forth on sons and daughters, on servants and handmaidens; in every hill country, every lowland, every valley, humble workmen for the Lord are to be raised up. The divine sacred influence of the Holy Spirit working in our world is to be as signs and wonders, because God's people are a peculiar people, an holy nation, shining amid moral darkness as living stones in the Lord's building.

The weakest and feeblest, if they exercise faith in God, and improve their entrusted powers, will be elevated, refined and perfected in character under the Holy Spirit's working. Humble and contrite, they submit to the moulding of the Spirit, and they will know what his eternal fullness means. SW December 5, 1899, par. 2

<u>2 Peter 1:20</u> ... no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

I see no reason to accept Nader's "private interpretation", because the inspired writers do not support his theory.

"I am glorified in them"

<u>John</u> <u>17:10</u> And all mine are thine, and thine are mine; and I am glorified in them.

Christ had finished the work that was given Him to do. He **had glorified God** on the earth. He had manifested the Father's name. He had gathered out those who were to continue His work among men. And He said, "I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but these are in the world, and I come to Thee. Holy Father, keep through Thine own name those whom Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, as We are."... <u>DA 680.3</u>

(In other words, just as Christ had glorified God while on the earth, those who continued Christ's work on earth are glorifying Christ. Ellen says this more-clearly in 1902, quoted below.)

Continuing His prayer, Christ pleaded: "I pray for them; I pray not for the world, but for them which Thou hast given Me; for they are Thine. And all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine; and I am glorified in them." Oh, what a lesson Christ's prayer should teach every one who bears any responsibility in God's service! Can Christ say concerning us, "I am glorified in them"? Should not a thorough transformation take place in the hearts of even the men who have long known the truth, but who have not earnestly endeavored to glorify Christ? Let every worker carefully search his heart to detect the motives prompting wrong words and actions. Have men become so blinded that they can not distinguish between sin and righteousness? PUR July 3, 1902, par. 9

Sadly, Nader misapplied Christ's words, "I am glorified in them", here: https://youtu.be/uCJY5oHulkl?t=1088 where he says that it is the believer that is glorified, rather than the believer glorifying Christ, as our messenger from God has instructed us.

1 Thessalonians 5:21 Prove all things; hold fast that which is good.

MY CONCLUSION

Friends, let us not be "carried about with every wind of doctrine". Rather let us "Study to shew [ourselves] approved unto God, ... workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." We have more tools today to find the truth quickly than at any time in history, but this will not last... If we do not already know it to be true, we must always question what others(including me) say. We need to study for ourselves so that we won't be deceived. I will assume that Nader did this in ignorance of what Ellen has to say, rather than intentionally. But, this is still unacceptable to me. If I can find this information, then so can Nader. God holds teachers of the Word to a higher standard. -Sid