Studies in the Book of Daniel

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INTRODUCTION

WE ARE IN NEED OF DIVINE ILLUMINATION

"We should receive great benefits from a study of the book of Daniel in connection with the Revelation. Daniel studied the prophecies. He earnestly sought to know their meaning. He prayed and fasted for heavenly light. And the glory of God was revealed to him in even greater measure than he could endure. We are in equal need of divine illumination.

God has called us to give the last message of warning to the world. There will be voices heard on every side to divert the attention of God's people with new theories. We need to give the trumpet a certain sound. We do not half realize what is before us. If the books of Daniel and the Revelation were studied with earnest prayer, we should have a better knowledge of the perils of the last days, and would be better prepared for the work before us--we should be prepared to unite with Christ and to work in his lines." - RH February 9, 1897

DANIEL DEMANDS OUR SPECIAL ATTENTION

"As we near the close of this world's history, the prophecies recorded by Daniel demand our special attention, as they relate to the very time in which we are living. With them should be linked the teachings of the last book of the New Testament Scriptures." - PK 547

TEACH THESE THINGS

"Will our brethren bear in mind that we are living amid the perils of the last days? Read Revelation in connection with Daniel. Teach these things." - *TM 115*

THE IMPORTANCE OF PROPHETIC STUDY

"Christ urged upon His disciples the importance of prophetic study. Referring to the prophecy given to Daniel in regard to their time, He said, 'Whoso readeth, let him understand.' Matthew 24:15." - DA 234

RECOMMENDED READING

- SDA COMMENTARY VOL.7, PG.743-881
- DANIEL & THE REVELATION BY URIAH SMITH
- DANIEL THE PROPHET BY STEPHEN HASKEL
- ► EDUCATION 173-184 HISTORY & PROPHECY
- PROPHETS & KINGS, PGS 381-476 MANASSEH/JOSIAH 586 BC
- PROPHETS & KINGS, PGS 479-566 DANIEL'S CAPTIVITY THE RETURN OF THE EXILES
- SANCTIFIED LIFE, PGS 18-52 DANIEL'S LIFE
- SDA BIBLE COMMENTARY, VOL.4, PGS 25-38 THE ROLE OF ISRAEL IN OLD TESTAMENT PROPHECY

HISTORICAL SETTING

- ► THE KINGDOM OF OF JUDAH FROM 640-586 BC
- 640-608 BC JOSIAH REIGNS 32 YEARS. IN 608 BC JOSIAH DIES AT MEGIDDO FIGHTING AGAINST NECO KING OF EGYPT
- 608 BC JEHOAHAZ, SON OF JOSIAH REIGNS 3 MONTHS
- 608-579 BC ELIAKIM AKA JEHOIAKIM REIGNED 11 YEARS. IT IS DURING HIS REIGN THAT NEBUCHADNEZZAR BESIEGED JERUSALEM & TOOK CERTAIN PRINCES HOSTAGES, DANIEL & HIS FRIENDS
- 598/7 BC JEHOIACHIN, THE SON OF JEHOIAKIM REIGNS 3 MONTHS. NEBUCHADNEZZAR ARRIVES AT JERUSALEM & TAKES JEHOIACHIN & HIS HOUSEHOLD CAPTIVE TO BABYLON

- 579-586 BC ZEDEKIAH IS THE UNCLE OF JEHOIACHIN, HE REIGNS 11 YEARS. ZEDEKIAH REBELS
 AGAINST BABYLON & IN 586 BC NEBUCHADNEZZAR BESIEGES JERUSALEM & UTTERLY
 DESTROYS, THE WALLS, THE TEMPLE, THE PALACES, ETC. ALL WERE BURNED TO THE GROUND
- 586 BC GEDALIAH IS MADE GOVERNOR & REIGNS IN MIZPAH, HE IS ASSASSINATED BY ISHMAEL A FANATICAL ROYALIST, WHO IS RELATED TO ZEDEKIAH

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THE TRUE AIM OF LIFE

"From the rise and fall of nations as made plain in the books of Daniel and the Revelation, we need to learn how worthless is mere outward and worldly glory....A careful study of the working out of God's purpose in the history of nations and in the revelation of things to come, will help us to estimate at their true value things seen and things unseen, and to learn what is the true aim of life. Thus, viewing the things of time in the light of eternity, we may, like Daniel and his fellows, live for that which is true and noble and enduring. And learning in this life the principles of the kingdom of our Lord and Saviour, that blessed kingdom which is to endure for ever and ever, we may be prepared at His coming to enter with Him into its possession." - *PK* 548

SUMMARY

THE BOOK OF DANIEL IS DIVIDED INTO TWO PARTS		
HISTORICAL CHAPTERS	PROPHETIC CHAPTERS	
DANIEL 1	DANIEL 2	
DANIEL 2	DANIEL 7	
DANIEL 3	DANIEL 8	
DANIEL 4	DANIEL 9	
DANIEL 5	DANIEL 10-12	
DANIEL 6		

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 1-9

DANIEL 1

- VS.1-2 NEBUCHADNEZZAR BESIEGES JERUSALEM IN THE 3RD YEAR OF JEHOIAKIM 606 BC
- VS.3-7 DANIEL & HIS COMPANIONS ARE CHOSEN TO SERVE THE KING OF BABYLON / A SPECIAL DIET IS ISSUED
- VS.8-16 DANIEL & HIS COMPANIONS REFUSE THE KINGS DIET / REQUEST A VEGETARIAN DIET / THEY ARE TESTED 10 DAYS
- VS.17-21 GOD BLESSES & EXALTS DANIEL & HIS COMPANIONS BEFORE NEBUCHADNEZZAR

BIBLE TEMPERANCE

"In order rightly to understand the subject of temperance, we must consider it from a Bible standpoint; and nowhere can we find a more comprehensive and forcible illustration of true temperance and its attendant blessings, than is afforded by the history of the prophet Daniel and his Hebrew associates in the court of Babylon." *CTBH 25*

HEALTH REFORM & THE 3RD ANGEL'S MESSAGE

"I was again shown that the health reform is one branch of the great work which is to fit a people for the coming of the Lord. It is as closely connected with the third angel's message as the hand is with the body." - 3T 161

DANIEL 2

- VS.1-9 NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DREAM 603 BC / HE SEEKS AN UNDERSTANDING FROM THE WISE MEN
- VS.10-13 THE WISE MEN CANNOT REVEAL DREAM / NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DEATH DECREE AGAINST THE WISE MEN OF BABYLON
- VS.14-16 DANIEL'S INQUIRY / HE INTERCEDES BEFORE THE KING
- VS.17-23 DANIEL SEEKS COUNCIL FROM HIS COMPANIONS / THE DREAM IS REVEALED, DANIEL GIVES THANKS TO GOD
- VS.24-35 DANIEL DECLARES THE DREAM TO THE KING
- VS.36-45 THE INTERPRETATION OF THE DREAM
- VS.46-49 NEBUCHADNEZZAR REWARDS DANIEL

THE VISION OF DANIEL 2			
DREAM	INTERPRETATION	REFERENCE	
HEAD OF GOLD	BABYLON - 606-538 BC	DANIEL 2:37-38	
BREAST & ARMS OF SILVER	MEDO-PERSIA - 538-331 BC	DANIEL 5:30-31	
BELLY & THIGHS OF BRASS	GREECE - 331-168 BC	DANIEL 8:20-21	
LEGS OF IRON	PAGAN ROME - 168 BC-AD 476	LUKE 2:1	
FEET PART OF IRON & CLAY	CHURCH & STATE	DANIEL 2:36-40; ISAIAH 64:8; MS 63, 1899	
THE STONE CUT OF THE MOUNTAIN	JESUS CHRIST	PSALM 18:2; 2 SAM. 22:32	
A STONE SMOTE THE IMAGE	SECOND COMING	REV. 11:15; MATTHEW 24:30, ETC.	

STUDIES IN TYPOLOGY

- CHAPTERS 3, 5, 6 ARE LESSONS FOR TODAY
- THEY ARE PROPHETIC SIMILES
- ECCLESIASTES 1:9; 3:15 HISTORY REPEATS ITSELF
- HOSEA 12:10 TYPOLOGY, SIMILITUDE, PARABLES, SIMILES

DANIEL 3

- VS.1-7 NEBUCHADNEZZAR ERECTS A GOLDEN IMAGE / HE DECREES ALL MUST WORSHIP IT
- VS.8-12 HANNIAH, MISHAEL & AZARIAH REFUSE TO WORSHIP THE IMAGE / THEY ARE BROUGHT BEFORE THE KING
- VS.13-18 NEBUCHADNEZZAR INQUIRES INTO THE MATTER / THE THREE HEBREW BOYS REFUSE THE KINGS OFFER
- VS.19-25 THEY ARE CAST INTO THE FIERY FURNACE & ARE DELIVERED
- VS.26-30 NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S DECREE

DANIEL 3	REVELATION 13
TYPE	ANTI-TYPE
THE IMAGE OF GOLD	THE IMAGE OF THE BEAST
ALL WERE TO BOW DOWN TO THE IMAGE	ALL THE WORLD WONDERS AFTER THE BEAST
THE THREE HEBREW BOYS —— HANANIAH, MISHAEL, & AZARIAH	THE FAITHFUL UNDER THE BANNER OF THE THREE ANGEL'S MESSAGE
NEBUCHADNEZZAR (STATE) MAKES A LAW THAT FORCES ALL TO WORSHIP (RELIGION) THE IMAGE	THE UNION OF CHURCH & STATE THE NATIONAL SUNDAY LAW
THOSE WHO REFUSE TO WORSHIP THE IMAGE WILL BE PUT TO DEATH IN THE FIERY FURNACE	THE DEATH DECREE
THE FIERY FURNACE HEATED SEVEN TIMES	THE TIME OF TROUBLE
ONE LIKE THE "SON OF GOD" WAS WITH THE THREE HEBREW BOYS IN THE MIDST OF THE FIERY FURNACE	ROM. 8:35-39; MATT. 28:20b; HEB. 13:5b
THE THREE HEBREW BOYS ARE DELIVERED OUT OF THE FIRERY FURNACE	JESUS DELIVERS THE SAINTS OUT OF THE TIME OF TROUBLE
THE THREE HEBREW BOYS ARE REWARDED BY THE KING	THE SAINTS ARE REWARDED BY THE KING OF KINGS AT THE SECOND COMING

DANIEL 4

- VS.1-3 NEBUCHADNEZZER'S EDICT ACKNOWLEDGING GOD'S GOODNESS
- VS.4-18 NEBUCHADNEZZER'S DREAM
- VS.19-27 DANIEL INTERPRETS THE DREAM
- VS.28-37 NEBUCHADNEZZER'S INSANITY & CONVERSION TO GOD
- DANIEL 4 IS THE STORY OF NEBUCHADNEZZAR'S CONVERSION
- PRIDE & ARROGANCE BROUGHT DOWN NEBUCHADNEZZAR PROV. 16:18
- DANIEL 4 TEACHES US THAT GOD WILL HUMBLE THE PROUD REV. 18:7.8

DANIEL 5

- VS.1-4 BELSHAZZAR'S FEAST
- VS.5-9 HAND WRITING ON THE WALL
- VS.10-16 DANIEL IS BROUGHT IN BEFORE THE KING
- VS.17-23 DANIEL REPROVES BELSHAZZAR
- VS.24-28 DANIEL INTERPRETS THE WRITING
- VS.29-31 DANIEL IS REWARDED / THE FALL OF BABYLON 538 BC

DANIEL 5 & REVELATION 13

DANIEL 5—TYPE	REVELATION 13,15-19—ANTI-TYPE
DANIEL 5 COVERS THE LAST DAYS OF BABYLON TO THE COMING OF THE MEDES & PERSIANS	REVELATION 13, 15-19 COVERS THE LAST DAYS OF THE EARTH'S HISTORY TO THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST
BELSHAZZAR'S FEAST	THE IMMORALITY OF MAN IN THE LAST DAYS
THE WINE OF BABYLON	FALSE DOCTRINE - ISA. 29:9-13
THE WINE WAS PLACED INTO THE SACRED VESSELS OF THE LORD	THE DESECRATION OF THE SABBATH SUNDAY IN THE PLACE OF THE SABBATH
THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL	THE CLOSE OF PROBATION
	THE FALL OF BABYLON
BABYLON IS DIVIDED & GIVEN TO THE MEDES & PERSIANS	THE JUDGMENTS OF GOD
	THE SECOND COMING
DANIEL IS REWARDED	THE SAINTS WILL BE REWARDED AT THE SECOND COMING

DANIEL 5 & THE 6TH PLAGUE

DANIEL 5—TYPE	REVELATION 16-19—ANTI-TYPE
JEREMIAH 51:13 - LITERAL BABYLON BUILT ON THE RIVER EUPHRATES	REVELATION 17:1,15 - SPIRITUAL BABYLON BUILT ON THE RIVER EUPHRATES
JEREMIAH 50:38; 51:36; ISAIAH 44:27 - A DROUGHT IS UPON HER WATERS & THEY SHALL BE DRIED UP	REVELATION 16:12 - THE DRYING UP OF THE RIVER EUPHRATES
DANIEL 11:44 - TIDINGS OUT OF THE EAST & NORTH SHALL TROUBLE HIM	REVELATION 16:12 - THAT THE WAY OF THE KINGS OF THE EAST MIGHT BE PREPARED
JEREMIAH 50:41; 51:27-29 - THE KINGS OF THE MEDES (EAST) ARE AGAINST BABYLON	MATTHEW 24:27; - THE KING OF KINGS COMES FROM THE EAST AGAINST SPIRITUAL BABYLON
ISAIAH 41:2,25; 46:11 - CYRUS, WHO LED THE MEDES & THE PERSIANS AGAINST BABYLON COMES FROM THE EAST	LUKE 1:78 - JESUS IS THE "DAYSPRING" or SUNRISING
ISAIAH 44:28 - CYRUS IS GOD'S "SHEPHERD"	JOHN 10:11; HEBREWS 13:22; 1 PETER 5:4 - JESUS IS THE GOOD, GREAT, & CHIEF SHEPHERD
ISAIAH 45:1 - CYRUS IS GOD'S "ANOINTED"	DANIEL 9:25; JOHN 1:42 - JESUS IS THE "ANOINTED" ONE
ISAIAH 45:13 - CYRUS DELIVERS LITERAL ISRAEL FROM BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY	REVELATION 19:11-21 - JESUS DELIVERS SPIRITUAL ISRAEL FROM BABYLONIAN CAPTIVITY

DANIEL 5 & THE FALL OF BABYLON

THE FALL OF LITERAL BABYLON	THE FALL OF SPIRITUAL BABYLON	
ТҮРЕ	ANTI-TYPE	
DANIEL 4:30 - GREAT	REVELATION 16:19; 17:5; 18:10,21 - GREAT	
ISAIAH 47:5,7,8 - LADY OF KINGDOMS	REVELATION 18:7 - QUEEN	
ISAIAH 47:9 - HAS CHILDREN	REVELATION 17:5 - MOTHER	
JEREMIAH 51:8; ISAIAH 47:9 - DESTRUCTION IN ONE DAY	REVELATION 18:8 - DESTRUCTION IN ONE DAY	
ISAIAH 47:8,10,12,13,15 - FEELS SECURE	REVELATION 18:8 - SHALL SEE NO SORROW / 1 THESS. 5:3 - PEACE & SAFETY	
ISAIAH 47:9,11; JEREMIAH 51:8; 50:44 - DESTRUCTION COMES SUDDENLY	REV. 18:8 - IN ONE DAY / REV. 18:10 - IN ONE HOUR / 1 THESS. 5:3 - SUDDEN DESTRUCTION	
JEREMIAH 50:43,44; ISAIAH 13:8 - AS TRAVAIL UPON A WOMAN WITH CHILD	1 THESS. 5:3 - AS TRAVAIL UPON A WOMAN WITH CHILD	
ISAIAH 47:11-13,15 - NONE SHALL SAVE THEE / THOU SHALT NOT BE ABLE TO PUT IT OFF	1 THESS. 5:3; REVELATION 18:8 - THEY SHALL NOT ESCAPE	
JEREMIAH 51:49 - GUILTY OF ALL SLAIN	REVELATION 18:24 - GUILTY OF ALL SLAIN	
JEREMIAH 51:7 - GOLDEN CUP - NATIONS DRUNK	REVELATION 17:2,4 - GOLDEN CUP - NATIONS DRUNK	
JEREMIAH 50:29 - REWARD HER ACCORDING TO HER WORKS	REVELATION 18:6 - REWARDED ACCORDING TO HER WORKS	
JEREMIAH 50:8; 51:6; 51:46 - GOD'S THREE MESSAGES - COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE	REVELATION 14:6-12; 18:1-4 - GOD'S THREE MESSAGES LINKED TO THE LOUD CRY MESSAGE OF REV. 18	
JEREMIAH 51:8; ISAIAH 21:9 - BABYLON IS FALLEN	REVELATION 14:8; 18:2 - BABYLON IS FALLEN	
JEREMIAH 51:9 - HER JUDGMENT HAS REACHED UNTO HEAVEN	REVELATION 18:5 - HER SINS HAVE REACHED UNTO HEAVEN	
JEREMIAH 50:46 - THE NATIONS CRY AT THE NOISE OF THE TAKING OF BABYLON	REVELATION 18:9,11-19 - THE KINGS & THE MERCHANTS OF THE EARTH WEEP OVER HER	

DANIEL 6

- VS.1-9 DANIEL IS TRIED:
 - 1) VS.1-3 DARIUS EXALTS DANIEL
 - 2) VS.4-8 THE PRESIDENTS & PRINCES CONSPIRE AGAINST DANIEL "CONCERNING THE LAW OF HIS GOD"
 - 3) VS.9 DARIUS UNWITTINGLY SIGNS THE DECREE
- VS.10 DANIEL IS STEADFAST IN HIS FIDELITY TOWARD GOD
- VS.11-18 DANIEL IS CAST INTO THE LIONS' DEN:
 - 1) VS.11 THE PLOTTERS FIND DANIEL PRAYING
 - 2) VS.12-13 DANIEL IS ACCUSED BEFORE THE KING
 - 3) VS.14 THE KING SEEKS A WAY TO DELIVER DANIEL
 - 4) VS.15 THE PLOTTERS REMIND THE KING OF THE INVIOLABILITY OF THE LAW
 - 5) VS.16-17 THE KING ORDERS DANIEL CAST INTO THE LIONS' DEN
 - 6) VS.18 DARIUS SPENDS THE NIGHT FASTING
- VS.19-23 GOD PRESERVES DANIEL
- VS.24 THE KING ANNOUNCES JUDGMENT UPON THE WICKED ACCUSERS OF DANIEL
- VS.25-27 DARIUS' UNIVERSAL DECREE
- VS. 28 DANIEL PROSPERS

DANIEL 7 - TWO SECTIONS

- VS.1-14 THE VISION
- VS.15-28 THE INTERPRETATION
- VS.1 THE 1ST YEAR OF BELSHAZZAR 553 BC
- NOTE: BELSHAZZAR'S FATHER WAS NABONIDUS, NABONIDUS' FATHER WAS NEBUCHADNEZZAR
- VS.2-7 THE FOUR BEASTS & THE TEN HORNS
- VS.8 THE LITTLE HORN
- VS.9-10 THE INVESTIGATIVE JUDGEMENT
- VS.11-12 THE FATE OF THE BEASTS & LITTLE HORN
- VS.13-14 DOMINION, GLORY, & A KINGDOM GIVEN TO THE SON OF MAN
- ► READ STATEMENTS GC 479,480; GC 426

"'I beheld,' says the prophet Daniel, 'till thrones were placed, and One that was Ancient of Days did sit: His raiment was white as snow, and the hair of His head like pure wool; His throne was fiery flames, and the wheels thereof burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before Him: thousand thousands ministered unto Him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before Him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.' Daniel 7:9, 10, R.V.

"Thus was presented to the prophet's vision the great and solemn day when the characters and the lives of men should pass in review before the Judge of all the earth, and to every man should be rendered 'according to his works.' The Ancient of Days is God the Father. Says the psalmist: 'Before the mountains were brought forth, or ever Thou hadst formed the earth and the world, even from everlasting to everlasting, Thou art God.' Psalm 90:2. It is He, the source of all being, and the fountain of all law, that is to preside in the judgment. And holy angels as ministers and witnesses, in number "ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands," attend this great tribunal.

(Quotes Daniel 7:13-14) "The coming of Christ here described is not His second coming to the earth. He comes to the Ancient of Days in heaven to receive dominion and glory and a kingdom, which will be given Him at the close of His work as a mediator. It is this coming, and not His second advent to the earth, that was foretold in prophecy to take place at the termination of the 2300 days in 1844. Attended by heavenly angels, our great High Priest enters the holy of holies and

there appears in the presence of God to engage in the last acts of His ministration in behalf of man--to perform the work of investigative judgment and to make an atonement for all who are shown to be entitled to its benefits." - GC 479,480

"The coming of Christ as our high priest to the most holy place, for the cleansing of the sanctuary, brought to view in Daniel 8:14; the coming of the Son of man to the Ancient of Days, as presented in Daniel 7:13; and the coming of the Lord to His temple, foretold by Malachi, (Malachi 3:1-6) are descriptions of the same event; and this is also represented by the coming of the bridegroom to the marriage, described by Christ in the parable of the ten virgins, of Matthew 25." - *GC* 426

THE MARRIAGE OF THE LAMB

- MATT. 22:1-14 PARABLE OF THE WEDDING GARMENT / COL 307-319
- ► MATT. 25:1-13 PARABLE OF THE TEN VIRGINS / COL 405-421
- ► VS.15-18 THE INTERPRETATION
- VS.19-22 DANIEL INQUIRES ABOUT THE FORTH BEAST, THE TEN HORNS & THE LITTLE HORN
- VS.23-28 THE INTERPRETATION CONTINUES
- NOTE: SEE CHARTS

SYMBOLISM IN PROPHECY - REV. 1:1		
SYMBOL	TEXT	MEANING
SEAS, WATERS	REVELATION 17:15; ISAIAH 17:12-13	PEOPLES
WINDS	JEREMIAH 4:11-13; 25:32-33; 49:36-37	STRIFE, WAR
BEASTS	DANIEL 7:17, 23	NATIONS, KINGDOMS
HORNS	DANIEL 7:24	KINGDOMS
HEADS	EPHESIANS 1:22; 5:23	RULERSHIP
WINGS	HABAKKUK 1:6-8	SPEED
DAY	EZEKIEL 4:6; NUMBERS 14:34	YEAR

THE FOUR BEASTS OF DANIEL 7			
DANIEL 7:4	LION	BABYLON 606-538 BC	JEREMIAH 50:43-44
DANIEL 7:5	BEAR	MEDO-PERSIA 538-331 BC	DANIEL 5:25-31
DANIEL 7:3	THREE RIBS	LYDIA, BABYLON, EGYPT	DANIEL 3:23-31
	LEOPARD	GREECE 331-168 BC	
DANIEL 7:6	FOUR WINGS FOUR HEADS	CASSANDER, LYSIMACHUS, SELEUCUS, PTOLEMY	DANIEL 8:20-21
DANIEL 7:7	FOURTH BEAST	PAGAN ROME 168 BC-476 AD	LUKE 2:1

THE TEN HORNS OF DANIEL 7		
1 - HERULI	PLUCKED UP BY THE ROOTS	DANIEL 7:8,20,24
2 - VANDALS	PLUCKED UP BY THE ROOTS	DANIEL 7:8,20,24
3 - OSTROGOTHS	PLUCKED UP BY THE ROOTS	DANIEL 7:8,20,24
4 - ANGLO-SAXONS	ENGLISH	
5 - FRANKS	FRENCH	
6 - ALAMANI	GERMAN	
7 - VISIGOTHS	SPANISH	
8 - SUEVI	PORUGUESE	
9 - LOMBARDS	ITALIAN	
10 - BURGUNDIANS	SWISS	

THE LITTLE HORN - 11 IDENTIFYING MARKS		
DANIEL 7:8	COMES TO POWER AMONG THE TEN HORNS - WESTERN EUROPE	
DANIEL 7:24	COMES TO POWER AFTER THE TEN HORNS - AFTER AD 476	
DANIEL 7:24	IS A DIVERSE POWER - A RELGIO-POLITICAL POWER - SEE REVELATION 13:4; 17:2-3	
DANIEL 7:25	SHALL REIGN AS A RELGIO-POLITICAL POWER FOR "TIME, TIMES & THE DIVIDING OF TIME" - 1260 YEARS	
DANIEL 7:8	"A MAN" or RATHER A SUCCESSION OF MEN WOULD BE AT THE HEAD OF THIS POWER	

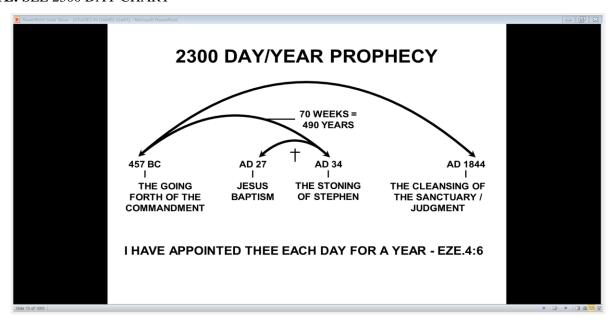
THE LITTLE HORN - 11 IDENTIFYING MARKS		
DANIEL 7:20	STOUT - SUPERIOR	
DANIEL 7:25; REVELATION 13:5	BLASPHEMES ———————————————————————————————————	
DANIEL 7:25	THINKS TO CHANGE TIMES & LAWS	
DANIEL 7:25; REVELATION 13:7	PERSECUTES THE SAINTS	
DANIEL 7:8,20,24	UPROOTS or SUBDUES THREE OF THE HORNS	
REVELATION 17:18,9	A WOMAN OCCUPIES IN A CITY ON SEVEN MOUNTAINS	

DANIEL 8 - TWO SECTIONS

- VS.1-14 THE VISION
- VS.15-27 THE INTERPRETATION

DANIEL 8

- VS.1 THE 3RD YEAR OF BELSHAZZAR 551 BC
- VS.2 THE PLACE OF THE VISION SHUSHAN IN ELAM, BY THE RIVER ULAI
- ► VS.3-14 THE VISION:
 - 1) VS.3-4 THE RAM
 - 2) VS.5-8 THE HE-GOAT
 - 3) VS.9-13 THE LITTLE HORN
 - 4) VS.14 THE 2300 DAYS
- VS.15 DANIEL SEEKS AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE VISION
- VS.16-19 GABRIEL SENT TO MAKE DANIEL UNDERSTAND THE VISION
- VS.20-22 THE INTERPRETATION OF THE RAM & HE-GOAT
 - 1) VS.20 THE RAM = MEDES & PERSIANS
 - 2) VS.21-22 THE HE-GOAT = GREECE
- VS.23-25 THE INTERPRETATION OF THE LITTLE HORN (PAGAN & PAPAL ROME)
- VS.26 THE VISION SHALL BE FOR MANY DAYS
- VS.27 DANIEL FAINTS
- NOTE: SEE 2300 DAY CHART



THE LITTLE HORN OF DANIEL 8

DANIEL 8

- DAN. 8:9-13 THE LITTLE HORN PAGAN & PAPAL ROME:
 - 1) DAN. 8:9-11a THE LITTLE HORN (PAGAN ROME)
 - 2) DAN. 8:11b-13 THE LITTLE HORN (FROM PAGAN TO PAPAL ROME)
 - 3) VS.13 HOW LONG SHALL BE THE VISION?

- ► 1) DAN. 8:9-11a THE LITTLE HORN (PAGAN ROME)
 - a) VS.9 THE RISE OF PAGAN ROME ROME CONQUERS MACEDONIA & IT CONQUERS TOWARDS THE SOUTH, EAST & THE PLEASANT LAND, ISRAEL
 - b) VS.10 PAGAN ROME PERSECUTES THE SAINTS & ITS LEADERS
 - c) VS.11a PAGAN ROME CRUCIFIES CHRIST
- 2) DAN. 8:11b-12 THE LITTLE HORN (PAGAN & PAPAL ROME)
 - a) VS.11b TRANSITION OF THE LITTLE HORN FROM PAGAN TO PAPAL
 - b) VS.12 MILITARY STRENGTH ASSISTS PAPAL ROME IN TAKING AWAY THE "DAILY" THE CONTINUAL PAGANISM IN REBELLION or TRANSGRESSION
 - c) VS.12 NOW THAT PAGANISM HAS BEEN "TAKEN AWAY" or TRANSFERRED & ABSORBED BY PAPAL ROME, IT "PRACTICED AND PROSPERED"
 - d) VS.12 PAPAL ROME THINKS "TO CHANGE TIMES AND LAWS" WHEN IT "CAST DOWN THE TRUTH

CASTING DOWN THE SABBATH TRUTH

"Among the leading causes that had led to the separation of the true church from Rome was the hatred of the latter toward the Bible Sabbath. As foretold by prophecy, the papal power cast down the truth to the ground. The law of God was trampled in the dust, while the traditions and customs of men were exalted." - GC 65

- 3) VS.13 HOW LONG SHALL BE THE VISION CONCERNING
 - a) THE DAILY AND
 - b) THE TRANSGRESSION OF DESOLATION TO GIVE BOTH
 - c) THE SANCTUARY AND
 - d) THE HOST TO BE TRODDEN UNDER FOOT?
- IDENTIFYING THE "DAILY"
- IDENTIFYING THE POWERS OF DANIEL 8:13
 - a) THE "DAILY" = ?
 - b) THE TRANSGRESSION OF DESOLATION = PAPACY
 - c) THE SANCTUARY = THE HIGH PRIESTLY MINISTRY OF JESUS
 - d) THE HOST = THE SAINTS
- IS THE "DAILY" GOOD or EVIL?

THE DAILY - GOOD

- ► 3) VS.13 HOW LONG SHALL BE THE VISION CONCERNING:
 - a) THE HIGH PRIESTLY MINISTRY OF JESUS AND
 - b) THE PAPACY TO GIVE BOTH
 - c) THE HIGH PRIESTLY MINISTRY OF JESUS AND
 - d) THE SAINTS TO BE TRODDEN UNDER FOOT?

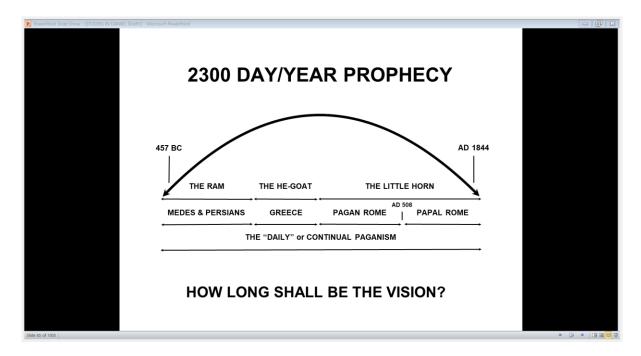
THE DAILY - EVIL

- 3) VS.13 HOW LONG SHALL BE THE VISION CONCERNING:
 - a) PAGANISM AND

- b) THE PAPACY TO GIVE BOTH
- c) THE HIGH PRIESTLY MINISTRY OF JESUS AND
- d) THE SAINTS TO BE TRODDEN UNDER FOOT?

DANIEL 8

- DAN. 8:13 HOW LONG SHALL BE THE VISION?
- DAN. 8:14 UNTO 2300 DAYS



THE CORRECT VIEW

"Then I saw in relation to the "daily" (Daniel 8:12) that the word "sacrifice" was supplied by man's wisdom, and does not belong to the text, and that the Lord gave the correct view of it to those who gave the judgment hour cry. When union existed, before 1844, nearly all were united on the correct view of the "daily"; but in the confusion since 1844, other views have been embraced, and darkness and confusion have followed. Time has not been a test since 1844, and it will never again be a test." - EW 74,75

THE "DAILY"	THE "DAILY"
BEFORE 1844	AFTER 1844
THE LORD GAVE THE CORRECT VIEW OF IT TO THOSE WHO GAVE THE JUDGMENT HOUR CRY	CONFUSION SINCE 1844
WHEN UNION EXISTED BEFORE 1844	OTHER VIEWS (OF THE "DAILY") HAVE BEEN EMBRACED
NEARLY ALL (THE MAJORITY) WERE UNITED ON THE CORRECT VIEW OF THE "DAILY"	DARKNESS AND CONFUSION HAVE FOLLOWED
WILLIAM MILLER, JOSIAH LITCH, SYLVESTER BLISS, HIRAM EDSON, JOSEPH BATES, JAMES WHITE, URIAH SMITH, ETC.	TIME SETTING FOLLOWED

DANIEL 8

- VS.8 AND GREECE WAXED VERY GREAT AND WHEN ALEXANDER THE GREAT WAS AT THE
 HEIGHT OF HIS POWER, HE DIED, AND FROM THAT TIME THE GRECIAN EMPIRE WAS DIVIDED
 AMONG HIS FOUR LEADING GENERALS CASSANDER (GREECE / MACEDONIA WEST),
 LYSIMACHUS (ASIA MINOR / THRACE NORTH), SELEUCUS (SYRIA & BABYLON EAST),
 PTOLEMY (EGYPT SOUTH)
- VS.9 AND THE PAGAN ROMAN EMPIRE WOULD ARISE AND IN 168 BC IT CONQUERED
 MACEDONIA, THE KINGDOM OF CASSANDER AND OUT OF THIS IT CAME FORTH AND GREW
 EXCEEDING GREAT BY CONQUERING EGYPT IN THE SOUTH, AND SYRIA IN THE EAST AND THE
 PLEASANT LAND OF ISRAEL
- VS.10 AND PAGAN ROME GREW GREAT AGAINST THE PEOPLE OF GOD AND PERSECUTED THEM AND THEIR LEADERS
- VS.11 YES, PAGAN ROME EVEN MAGNIFIED ITSELF AGAINST THE LORD JESUS CHRIST, OUR
 PRINCE BY CRUCIFYING HIM. AND FROM IMPERIAL ROME PAGANISM WAS TRANSFERRED AND
 ABSORBED BY THE PAPACY AND THE PAPACY OCCUPIED THE ROMAN PANTHEON, THE PLACE
 OF PAGAN WORSHIP
- VS.12 AND CLOVIS AND HIS ARMY ASSISTED THE PAPACY AGAINST THE PAGANISM IN TRANSGRESSION. IN AD 496 CLOVIS DEFEATED THE ALEMANNI. THE SAME YEAR HE WAS BAPTIZED INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH. THE TITLES OF "MOST CHRISTIAN MAJESTY" AND "ELDEST SON OF THE CHURCH" WERE BESTOWED UPON HIM
- VS.12 FROM AD 496 TO AD 508 CLOVIS DEFEATED AND SUBJUGATED THE REMAINS OF PAGANISM IN THE WEST. FROM AD 508 THE PAPACY WAS TRIUMPHANT OVER PAGAN POWERS
- VS.12 AND THE PAPACY PRACTICED AND PROSPERED BY CASTING THE TRUTH OF THE SEVENTH-DAY SABBATH TO THE GROUND AND INSTITUTED IN ITS PLACE SUNDAY WORSHIP
- VS.13 THEN I HEARD ONE SAINT SPEAKING, AND ANOTHER SAINT SAID UNTO HIM, "HOW LONG WILL PAGANISM AND THE PAPACY CONTINUE TO USURP THE HIGH PRIESTLY MINISTRY OF JESUS AND OPPRESS THE PEOPLE OF GOD?"
- VS.14 AND HE SAID UNTO ME, FROM THE AUTUMN OF 457 BC TO OCTOBER 22, 1844 THERE
 WILL BE 2300 YEARS; STARTING ON OCTOBER 22, 1844 THERE WILL BE AN INVESTIGATIVE
 JUDGMENT OF ALL WHO PROFESS TO BE THE PEOPLE OF GOD. AND WHEN THE JUDGMENT IS
 FINISHED THEN THE HEAVENLY SANCTUARY WILL BE CLEANSED OF THE RECORD OF SIN.

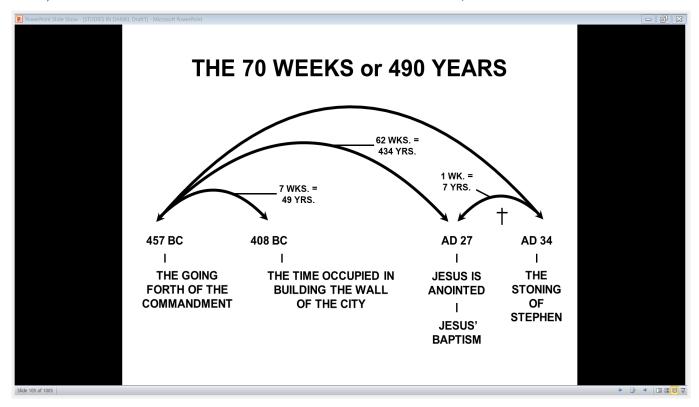
DANIEL 9

- VS.1 IN THE 1ST YEAR OF DARIUS 538 BC
- VS.2 DANIEL STUDIES JEREMIAH'S PROPHECY OF JUDAH'S CAPTIVITY JER.29:10
- VS.3-19 DANIEL'S SINCERE PRAYER:
 - 1) VS.3-6 DANIEL'S CONFESSION IN BEHALF OF HIS PEOPLE
 - 2) VS.7-9 CONFUSION BELONG'S TO ISRAEL BUT FORGIVENESS & RIGHTEOUSNESS TO GOD
 - 3) VS.10-5 A CURSE IS UPON ISRAEL BECAUSE OF TRANSGRESSION
 - 4) VS.16-19 A PLEA THAT GOD'S ANGER BE TURNED FROM JERUSALEM & THE TEMPLE
- VS.20-23 GABRIEL SENT TO GIVE DANIEL AN UNDERSTANDING OF THE VISION
- ► VS.24-27 THE 70 WEEKS 7+62+1=70
- VS. 24 THE GREAT WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE 70 WEEK PERIOD:
 - 1) "TO FINISH TRANSGRESSION"
 - 2) "TO MAKE AN END OF SINS"
 - 3) "TO MAKE RECONCILIATION FOR INIQUITY"
 - 4) "TO BRING IN EVERLASTING RIGHTEOUSNESS"

- VS.24 THE GREAT WORK TO BE ACCOMPLISHED IN THE 70 WEEK PERIOD:
 - 5) "TO SEAL UP THE VISION & PROPHECY"
 - 6) "TO ANOINT THE MOST HOLY"

NOTE: "THE ANOINTING OF THE HEAVENLY SANCTUARY PRIOR TO THE TIME OF CHRIST'S INAUGURATION AS HIGH PRIEST." - 4BC 852 / "THE ANOINTING OF THE HEAVENLY TABERNACLE, or THE OPENING OF THE MINISTRATION THERE." - D&R BY U. SMITH

- VS.25 THE BEGINNING OF THE 70 WEEKS
- ► EZRA 6:14 THE THREE DECREES:
 - 1) THE 1ST DECREE BY CYRUS IN 536 BC 2 CHRON. 36:22-23; EZRA 1:1-4; 5:13,17; 6:3
 - 2) THE 2ND DECREE BY DARIUS IN 519 BC EZRA 6:1,8-11
 - 3) THE 3RD DECREE BY ARTAXERXES IN 457 BC EZRA 7:6-26; 9:9



ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 10

DANIEL 10

- VS.1-3 DANIEL MOURNS & FASTS FOR THREE WEEKS
 - 1) VS.1 THE THIRD YEAR OF CYRUS 535 BC
 - 2) VS. 2-3 DANIEL MOURNS READ SL 49-50

NO LESS PERSONAGE THAN THE SON OF GOD

"Upon the occasion just described (Daniel 9), the angel Gabriel imparted to Daniel all the instruction which he was then able to receive. A few years afterward, however, the prophet desired to learn more of subjects not yet fully explained, and again set himself to seek light and wisdom from God. (Quotes Daniel 10:2-6)

"This description is similar to that given by John when Christ was revealed to him upon the Isle of Patmos. No less a personage than the Son of God appeared to Daniel. Our Lord comes with another heavenly messenger to teach Daniel what would take place in the latter days." - *SL* 49-50

DANIEL 10:4-6 - DANIEL IN VISION		
DANIEL	JOHN IN THE REVELATION	
VS.5 - A CERTAIN MAN	REV. 1:13 - ONE LIKE UNTO THE SON OF MAN	
VS.5 - CLOTHED IN LINEN	REV. 1:13 - CLOTHED WITH A GARMENT DOWN TO HIS FEET	
VS.5 - GIRDED WITH FINE GOLD	REV. 1:13 - A GOLDEN GIRDLE	
VS.6 - HIS BODY LIKE BERYL & HIS FACE APPEARS AS LIGHTING		
VS.6 - EYES AS LAMPS OF FIRE	REV. 1:14 - EYES AS THE FLAME OF FIRE	
VS.6 - ARMS & FEET LIKE POLISHED BRASS	REV. 1:15 - FEET LIKE UNTO FINE BRASS	
VS.6 - WORDS LIKE THE VOICE OF A MULTIUDE	REV. 1:15 - VOICE AS THE SOUND OF MANY WATERS	

THE SON OF GOD APPEARS TO DANIEL

"The prophet Daniel was an example of true sanctification. His long life was filled up with noble service for his Master. He was a man 'greatly beloved' (Daniel 10:11) of Heaven...And when at a later time the Son of God appeared, to give him instruction, Daniel says: 'My comeliness was turned in me into corruption, and I retained no strength.' Daniel 9:18, 15, 20; 10:8." - GC 470-471

DANIEL 10:7-9 - DANIEL'S CONDITION IN VISION		
DANIEL IN VISION	PAUL ON THE ROAD TO DAMASCUS	
VS.7 - DANIEL ALONE SAW THE VISION	ACTS 9:7 - MEN WITH HIM SAW NO MAN	
VS.7 - MEN WITH HIM SAW NOT THE VISION		
VS.7 - MEN FLED TO HIDE THEMSELVES	ACTS 9:7 - MEN WITH HIM STOOD SPEECHLESS	
VS.7 - GREAT QUAKING FELL ON THEM	ACTS 9:6 - PAUL TREMBLES & IS ASTONISHED	
VS.8 - LEFT ALONE & NO STRENGTH IN HIM		
VS.8 - COMELINESS TURNED TO CORRUPTION		
VS.9 - HEARD THE VOICE OF HIS WORDS	ACTS 9:4 - HEARD A VOICE SPEAKING TO HIM	
VS.9 - IN A DEEP SLEEP, HIS FACE TOWARD THE GROUND	ACTS 9:4 - PAUL WALKING, FALLS TO THE EARTH	

- VS.10-21 GABRIEL APPEARS TO DANIEL:
 - 1) VS.10-12 GABRIEL SENT TO DANIEL SEE SL 51-52
 - 2) VS.13 GABRIEL WRESTLES FOR THREE WEEKS SEE PK 571-572
 - 3) VS.14 GABRIEL'S MESSAGE TO DANIEL
 - 4) VS.13, 21 "MICHAEL YOUR PRINCE" SEE JUDE 9; 1 THESS. 4:16; JOHN 5:28; 1 JOHN 2:1-2; DANIEL 12:1

GABRIEL APPEARS TO DANIEL

- "Gabriel now appeared to the prophet, and thus addressed him: (Quotes Daniel 10:11,12).
- "What great honor is shown to Daniel by the Majesty of heaven! He comforts His trembling servant and assures him that his prayer has been heard in heaven. He comforts His trembling servant and assures him that his prayer has been

heard in heaven. In answer to that fervent petition the angel Gabriel was sent to affect the heart of the Persian king. The monarch had resisted the impressions of the Spirit of God during the three weeks while Daniel was fasting and praying, but heaven's Prince, the Archangel, Michael, was sent to turn the heart of the stubborn king to take some decided action to answer the prayer of Daniel.

(Quotes Daniel 10:15-19). "So great was the divine glory revealed to Daniel that he could not endure the sight. Then the messenger of heaven veiled the brightness of his presence and appeared to the prophet as "one like the similitude of the sons of men" (verse 16). By his divine power he strengthened this man of integrity and of faith, to hear the message sent to him from God." - *SL* 51-52

GABRIEL WRESTLES THE POWER OF DARKNESS FOR THREE WEEKS

"While Satan was striving to influence the highest powers in the kingdom of Medo-Persia to show disfavor to God's people, angels worked in behalf of the exiles. The controversy was one in which all heaven was interested. Through the prophet Daniel we are given a glimpse of this mighty struggle between the forces of good and the forces of evil. For three weeks Gabriel wrestled with the powers of darkness, seeking to counteract the influences at work on the mind of Cyrus; and before the contest closed, Christ Himself came to Gabriel's aid. (Quotes Daniel 10:13). All that heaven could do in behalf of the people of God was done. The victory was finally gained; the forces of the enemy were held in check all the days of Cyrus, and all the days of his son Cambyses, who reigned about seven and a half years." - *PK 571-572*

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11

WE HAVE NO TIME TO LOSE

"We have no time to lose. Troublous times are before us. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place. The prophecy in the eleventh of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfilment. Much of the history that has taken place in fulfilment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that (Quotes Daniel 11:30-36)

"Scenes similar to those described in these words will take place. We see evidence that Satan is fast obtaining the control of human minds, who have not the fear of God before them. Let all read and understand the prophecies of this book, for we are now entering upon the time of trouble spoken of: (Quotes Daniel 12:1-4)" - Lt. 103, 1904

THE CHRONOLOGY OF DANIEL 11

DANIEL 11

- VS.1-2 THE MEDO-PERSIAN EMPIRE 538-331 BC
- VS.3-14a THE GRECIAN EMPIRE 331-168 BC
- VS.14b-30 THE ROMAN EMPIRE 168 BC-AD 476 NOTE: THE FALL OF WESTERN ROME
- VS.31-40 THE PAPAL EMPIRE (1ST PHASE) AD 538-1798
- VS.40-45 THE PAPAL EMPIRE (2ND PHASE) 1798-THE LAST DAYS OF EARTHS HISTORY

TRANSITIONS IN DANIEL 11

DANIEL 11 - TWO SECTIONS

- VS.1-22 BRINGS YOU DOWN TO THE FIRST COMING OF CHRIST
- VS.23-45 BRINGS YOU DOWN TO THE SECOND COMING OF CHRIST

TRANSITIONS IN DANIEL 11

- VS.1-4 MEDO-PERSIA GREECE FOUR KINGDOMS / (POLITICAL POWERS IN A SECULAR CONFLICT INVOLVING LITERAL ISRAEL)
- VS.5-15 THE KING OF THE NORTH (THE SELEUCIDAE KINGDOM) vs THE KING OF THE SOUTH (THE PTOLEMY KINGDOM) / (POLITICAL POWERS IN A SECULAR CONFLICT INVOLVING LITERAL ISRAEL)

- VS.16-22 THE KING OF THE NORTH (PAGAN ROME) vs THE KING OF THE SOUTH (EGYPT) / (POLITICAL POWERS IN A SECULAR CONFLICT INVOLVING LITERAL ISRAEL)
- READ NOTE
- VS.22 MARKS THE TIME OF CHRIST'S CRUCIFIXION
- ► TWO IMPORTANT EVENTS TAKE PLACE:
 - 1) THE JEWS REJECT JESUS RESULTING IN THE TRANSFERENCE OF THE COVENANT
 - 2) SATAN LOSES HIS KINGDOM

THE TRANSFERRING OF THE COVENANTS

- GENESIS 12 GOD ESTABLISHES HIS COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM
- GOD'S COVENANT WITH ABRAHAM WAS BASED ON THE FOLLOWING: 1)
 LITERAL ABRAHAM & HIS DESCENDANTS 2) LOCAL THE LAND OF PALESTINE
 3) THE COVENANT IS CONDITIONAL
- DID THE JEWS RETAIN THEIR COVENANT RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD?
- ▶ JOHN 1:11 HE CAME UNTO HIS OWN, & HIS OWN RECEIVED HIM NOT
- ► JOHN 19:15 WE HAVE NO KING BUT CAESAR
- READ YI Feb. 1, 1900

"WE HAVE NO KING BUT CAESAR"

"What was Christ's grief to see the Jews fixing their own destiny beyond redemption! He alone could comprehend the significance of their rejection, betrayal, and condemnation of the Son of God. His last hope for the Jewish nation was gone. Nothing could avert her doom. By the representatives of the nation God was denied as their Ruler. By worlds unfallen, by the whole heavenly universe, the blasphemous utterance was heard, "We have no king but Caesar."

The God of heaven heard their choice. He had given them opportunity to repent, and they would not. Forty years afterward Jerusalem was destroyed, and the Roman power ruled over the people. Then they had no deliverer. They had no king but Caesar. Henceforth the Jewish nation, as a nation, was as a branch severed from the vine--a dead, fruitless branch, to be gathered up and burned--from land to land throughout the world, from century to century, dead--dead in trespasses and sins--without a Saviour!" - YI Feb. 1, 1900

- JEREMIAH 18:5-10 GOD WILL IS SOVEREIGN SEE ROMANS 9-11
- MATTHEW 21:33-44 THE PARABLE OF THE VINEYARD
- 1 PETER 2:4-10 A CHOSEN GENERATION, AN HOLY NATION
- ISAIAH 5 THE VINEYARD OF WILD GRAPES
- LUKE 13:1-9 THE PARABLE OF THE BARREN FIG TREE
- READ COL THE LORD'S VINEYARD, PG.284-306
- PK 17-22; DA 596-; DA 675-; AA 15-16
- ► HEBREWS 8:8; 10:16 A NEW COVENANT
- DEUTERONOMY, THE BOOK OF THE COVENANT:
 - 1) DEUTERONOMY "IF" 75 TIMES
 - 2) DEUTERONOMY 4:9; 8:19; 28:1-2,13 "IF"
 - 3) DEUTERONOMY 28:63-64 MOSES DESCRIBES ISRAEL'S TRAGIC END
- DANIEL 9:24-27 THE 70 WEEKS CONFIRMS THE TRANSFERENCE OF THE COVENANT

THE CHURCH IS ISRAEL NOW		
GALATIANS 6:16	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"THE ISRAEL OF GOD"
REVELATION 7:4-8; 21:12	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"THE 12 TRIBES OF ISRAEL"
ROMANS 2:28-29	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"A JEW, WHICH IS ONE INWARDLY"
GALATIANS 3:27-29	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"ABRAHAM'S SEED & HEIRS ACCORDING TO THE PROMISE"
1 COR. 3:16-17; 2 COR. 6:16; EPH. 2:19-22	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"THE TEMPLE OF GOD"
REVELATION 11:2	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"THE HOLY CITY"
1 PETER 2:4-10	THE CHURCH IS DESCRIBED AS	"A HOLY & ROYAL PRIESTHOOD" / "AN HOLY NATION"

• THE PROMISES & PROPHECIES THAT GOD ORIGINALLY GAVE TO ISRAEL (LITERAL & LOCAL) ARE NOW TO BE UNDERSTOOD IN THE LIGHT OF HIS CHURCH (SPIRITUAL & WORLDWIDE)

SATAN LOSES HIS KINGDOM

- ► REV. 12:7-12 THE GREAT CONTROVERSY
- JOB 1:6 SATAN COMES BEFORE THE LORD TO REPRESENT THE EARTH
- DA 834 "THE SONS OF GOD, THE REPRESENTATIVES OF THE UNFALLEN WORLDS"

ADAM'S DOMINION RESTORED

"At his creation Adam was placed in dominion over the earth. But by yielding to temptation, he was brought under the power of Satan. 'Of whom a man is overcome, of the same is he brought in bondage.' 2 Peter 2:19. When man became Satan's captive, the dominion which he held, passed to his conqueror. Thus Satan became 'the god of this world.' 2 Corinthians 4:4. He had usurped that dominion over the earth which had been originally given to Adam. But Christ, by His sacrifice paying the penalty of sin, would not only redeem man, but recover the dominion which he had forfeited. All that was lost by the first Adam will be restored by the second." - *PP 67*

IT IS FINISHED

"Christ did not yield up His life till He had accomplished the work which He came to do, and with His parting breath He exclaimed, 'It is finished.' John 19:30. The battle had been won...As a Conqueror He planted His banner on the eternal heights...All heaven triumphed in the Saviour's victory. Satan was defeated, and knew that his kingdom was lost.

"To the angels and the unfallen worlds the cry, 'It is finished,' had a deep significance...Not until the death of Christ was the character of Satan clearly revealed to the angels or to the unfallen worlds. The archapostate had so clothed himself with deception that even holy beings had not understood his principles. They had not clearly seen the nature of his rebellion...Satan saw that his disguise was torn away. His administration was laid open before the unfallen angels and before the heavenly universe. He had revealed himself as a murderer. By shedding the blood of the Son of God, he had uprooted himself from the sympathies of the heavenly beings. Henceforth his work was restricted. Whatever attitude he might assume, he could no longer await the angels as they came from the heavenly courts, and before them accuse Christ's brethren of being clothed with the garments of blackness and the defilement of sin. The last link of sympathy between Satan and the heavenly world was broken." - DA 758-761

SATAN DEFEATED

"At the death of Christ, Satan saw that he was defeated. He saw that his true character was clearly revealed before all heaven, and that the heavenly beings and the worlds that God had created would be wholly on the side of God. He saw that his prospects of future influence with them would be entirely cut off." - ST, June 9, 1898

SATAN UPROOTED

"In carrying out his enmity to Christ until He hung upon the cross of Calvary, with wounded, bruised body and broken heart, Satan completely uprooted himself from the affections of the universe." - MS 50, 1900

THE DEATH KNELL OF SATAN

"In the Saviour's expiring cry, 'It is finished," the death knell of Satan was rung. The great controversy which had been so long in progress was then decided, and the final eradication of evil was made certain." - GC 503

CRUSHING THE SERPENT'S HEAD

"When Christ hung in agony upon the cross, while evil spirits rejoiced and evil men reviled, then indeed His heel was bruised by Satan. But that very act was crushing the serpent's head. Through death He destroyed 'him that had the power of death, that is, the devil.' Hebrews 2:14. This act decided the destiny of the rebel chief, and made forever sure the plan of salvation." - *PK 701*

TRANSITIONS IN DANIEL 11

- VS.23-30 THE KING OF THE NORTH (PAGAN ROMAN) vs THE KING OF THE SOUTH (EGYPT) / (POLITICAL POWERS IN A SECULAR CONFLICT INVOLVING GOD'S PEOPLE, ISRAEL & THE CHURCH)
- READ STATEMENTS

THE NATURE OF THE CONFLICT

THE NATURE & FOCUS OF THE CONFLICT CHANGES

"In Paul's day, that is, in the first century after Christ, the mystery of iniquity was at work. Until now (vs.1-30) the history as recorded in the book of Daniel dealt with earthly kingdoms, but from this time on (vs.30-45) history handles this "mystery of iniquity" which worked through the various governments. The distinction between the various kingdoms of the north and the south remains as it was in the past, but we pass from governments as governments to a power which is swaying these governments. On one side in this controversy is the church of God; on the other side is the mystery of iniquity, which often lays hold of earthly governments for the purpose of destroying the church. - Story of Daniel The Prophet by Stephen N. Haskell, pg. 253, 1908

DANIEL 11:23 - THE JEWISH LEAGUE

"Having taken us down through the secular events of the empire to the end of the seventy weeks, the prophet, in verse 23 takes us back to the time when the Romans became directly connected with the people of God by the Jewish league, 161 BC; from which point we are then taken down in a direct line of events to the final triumph of the church, and the setting up of God's everlasting kingdom." - Daniel & Revelation by Uriah Smith, pg. 245, 1897

PALESTINE, THE CROSSROADS OF THE EAST

"Palestine has been one of the great points of history. Situated as it was at the crossroads of the East, the great struggles for supremacy have almost invariably involved the possession of Palestine, for the power that controlled that strategic area was in a position to control largely the East & the World. Thus we find the following powers among those that at some time or other were in control of this area: Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Pagan Rome, Etc. The attacks on Palestine have come either from the north or the south, for to the west is the Mediterranean & to the east the Arabian desert." - Outline Studies in Daniel by Edwin Thiele, pg. 115

PALESTINE, A SPECIAL TARGET

"God had established His people Israel in this strategic location. Israel was to grow until it became a great world state. Jerusalem was to be the capital of this earthly kingdom of God. But the forces of evil have ever been determined to thwart

God's purpose, & thus Palestine & Jerusalem have through the ages been special targets of those powers endeavoring to control the earth." - Outline Studies in Daniel by Edwin Thiele, pg. 115

TRANSITIONS IN DANIEL 11

- VS.31-40 THE KING OF THE NORTH (THE PAPACY) vs GOD'S CHURCH (SPIRITUAL ISRAEL) / (THE PAPACY WITH THE AID OF POLITICAL POWERS, SPAIN, ITALY, FRANCE, ETC. ARE IN A SPIRITUAL CONFLICT WITH GOD'S CHURCH)
- NOTE: THIS PERIOD COVERS THE HISTORY OF THE 1260 DAY / YEAR PROPHECY AD 538-1798
- VS.40-45 THE KING OF THE NORTH (THE PAPACY) vs THE KING OF THE SOUTH (FRANCE / ?*) /
 (POLITICAL POWERS INVOLVED IN A GLOBAL CONFLICT WITH EACH OTHER / THE KING OF THE
 NORTH vs GOD'S CHURCH)
- * IN VS.40a THE KING OF THE SOUTH IS FRANCE. BUT IN VS.40b-43 IT REMAINS TO BE SEEN WHO THE KING OF THE SOUTH REPRESENTS.

A NOTE ON THE TRANSITIONS IN DANIEL 11

From vs.5-22 the <u>nature</u> of the conflict between the king of the north & the king of the south is for world domination. The main <u>focus</u> of this conflict revolves around these two powers. The land of Palestine is at the crossroads of this conflict. And whoever controls the land of Palestine will control the world.

In vs.23-45 the <u>nature</u> of the conflict between the king of the north & the king of the south for world domination remains the same as in vs.5-22. But they are no longer the main <u>focus</u> of this conflict, instead it revolves around God's church. The king of the north knows that he must not only conquer the king of the south but more importantly he must conquer God's church if he wishes to be the undisputed ruler of the world.

According to Daniel 11:42-43 once the king of the north subdues the king of the south the only one left to challenge his authority is God's church. The great controversy involves the king of the north, who represents Satan & God's church who are representatives of Jesus Christ.

Daniel 11:40-45 describes the climatic moment in the great controversy. For six thousand years the great controversy has been between Christ & Satan. At the center of this controversy is the law of God, especially the fourth commandment.

"From the very beginning of the great controversy in heaven it has been Satan's purpose to overthrow the law of God. It was to accomplish this that he entered upon his rebellion against the Creator, and though he was cast out of heaven he has continued the same warfare upon the earth. To deceive men, and thus lead them to transgress God's law, is the object which he has steadfastly pursued. Whether this be accomplished by casting aside the law altogether, or by rejecting one of its precepts, the result will be ultimately the same...The last conflict between truth and error is but the final struggle of the long-standing controversy concerning the law of God. Upon this battle we are now entering—a battle between the laws of men and the precepts of Jehovah, between the religion of the Bible and the religion of fable and tradition." - GC 582. – RCD

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:40-45

DANIEL 11:40

VS.40 - AND IN 1798 SHALL FRANCE PUSH AT THE PAPACY, & THE PAPACY SHALL COME
AGAINST HIM LIKE A WHIRLWIND, WITH CHARIOTS & WITH HORSEMEN, & WITH MANY SHIPS,
& THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE COUNTRIES, & SHALL OVERFLOW & PASS OVER

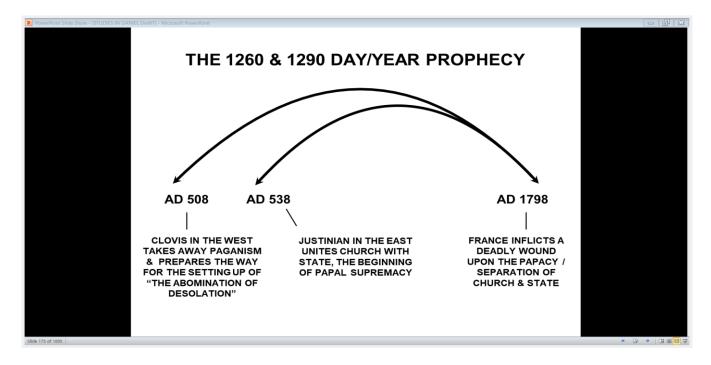
DANIEL 11:40 - THREE SECTIONS

- 1 AND IN 1798 SHALL FRANCE PUSH AT THE PAPACY
- 2 AND THE PAPACY SHALL COME AGAINST HIM LIKE A WHIRLWIND, WITH CHARIOTS & WITH HORSEMEN, & WITH MANY SHIPS
- 3 AND THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE COUNTRIES, & SHALL OVERFLOW & PASS OVER

A PARALLEL BETWEEN DANIEL 11:40 & REVELATION 13:3		
DANIEL 11:40	REVELATION 13:3	
AND IN 1798 SHALL FRANCE PUSH AT THE PAPACY	AND I SAW ONE OF HIS HEADS AS IT WERE WOUNDED TO DEATH	
AND THE PAPACY SHALL COME AGAINST HIM LIKE A WHIRLWIND, WITH CHARIOTS, & WITH HORSEMEN, & WITH MANY SHIPS	AND HIS DEADLY WOUND WAS HEALED	
AND THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE COUNTRIES, & SHALL OVERFLOW & PASS OVER	AND ALL THE WORLD WONDERED AFTER THE BEAST	

DANIEL 11

- ► 1 AND IN 1798 SHALL FRANCE PUSH AT THE PAPACY
- READ STATEMENT & SHOW CHART
- GENERAL BRETHIER WITH HIS FRENCH TROOPS ENTERED ROME ON FEBRUARY 10, 1798. HE DEMANDED THAT POPE PIUS VI SURRENDER HIS AUTHORITY, PIUS VI REFUSED. ON FEBRUARY 15, 1798 GENERAL BRETHIER DISSOLVED THE PAPAL GOVERNMENT & PROCLAIMED IN ITS STEAD A ROMAN REPUBLIC, THUS ENDING PAPAL SUPREMACY WHICH BEGAN IN AD 538. FRANCE HAD INFLICTED A DEADLY WOUND UPON THE PAPACY - REV.13:3.10 – RCD



- ► 2 AND THE PAPACY SHALL COME AGAINST HIM LIKE A WHIRLWIND, WITH CHARIOTS & WITH HORSEMEN, & WITH MANY SHIPS
- NOTE: THE PAPACY SHALL BE REVIVED (REV. 13:3b). HE SHALL ALSO ENTER INTO AN ALLIANCE WITH A NATION THAT HAS A POWERFUL MILITARY & WITH THE AID OF THIS MILITARY POWER, THE PAPACY WILL STRIKE BACK AT THE KING OF THE SOUTH

THE PAPAL-U.S.A. ALLIANCE		
REVELATION 17:1-2,12-14 - AN UNHOLY ALLIANCE	THE WOMAN & THE BEAST = UNION OF CHURCH & STATE	
REVELATION 13:1-10,18 - THE PAPACY	"ALL THAT DWELL UPON THE EARTH SHALL WORSHIP HIM"	
REVELATION 13:11-17 - THE U.S.A.	HE "CAUSETH THE EARTH & THEM WHICH DWELL THEREIN TO WORSHIP THE FIRST BEAST"	
REVELATION 16:13-16 - THE THREE FOLD UNION	THE DRAGON = SPIRITUALISM THE BEAST = THE PAPACY THE FALSE PROPHET = APOSTATE PROTESTANTISM IN THE U.S.A.	
REVELATION 19:19-20 - THE BEAST & THE FALSE PROPHET	NOTE: SEE CHART	

A PARALLEL BETWEEN REV. 19:19-20 & REV. 13:11-17		
REVELATION 19:19-20——THE FALSE PROPHET	REVELATION 13:11-17—THE UNITED STATES	
VS.20 - WROUGHT MIRACLES	VS.13 - HE DOES GREAT MIRACLES	
VS.20 - WROUGHT MIRACLES BEFORE THE BEAST	VS.14 - HE DOES GREAT MIRACLES IN THE SIGHT OF THE BEAST	
VS.20 - USES MIRACLES TO DECEIVE	VS.14 - USES MIRACLES TO DECEIVE	
VS.20 - USES MIRACLES TO DECEIVE THE PEOPLE TO RECEIVE THE MARK OF THE BEAST	VS.16-17 - THE MARK OF THE BEAST	
VS.20 - WORSHIP	VS.12, 15 - WORSHIP	
VS.20 - MAKES AN IMAGE TO THE BEAST	VS.14-15 - MAKES AN IMAGE TO THE BEAST	

AMERICA LEADS OUT

"Foreign nations will follow the example of the United States. Though she leads out, yet the same crisis will come upon our people in all parts of the world." - 6T 395

Our Attitude Toward the Civil Authorities

"By some of our brethren many things have been spoken and written that are interpreted as expressing antagonism to government and law. It is a mistake thus to lay ourselves open to misunderstanding. It is not wise to find fault continually with what is done by the rulers of government. It is not our work to attack individuals or institutions. We should exercise great care lest we be understood as putting ourselves in opposition to the civil authorities. It is true that our warfare is aggressive, but our weapons are to be those found in a plain "Thus saith the Lord." Our work is to prepare a people to stand in the great day of God. We should not be turned aside to lines that will encourage controversy or arouse antagonism in those not of our faith.

"We should not work in a manner that will mark us out as seeming to advocate treason. We should weed out from our writings and utterances every expression that, taken by itself, could be so misrepresented as to make it appear antagonistic to law and order. Everything should be carefully considered, lest we place ourselves on record as encouraging disloyalty to our country and its laws. We are not required to defy authorities. There will come a time when, because of our advocacy of Bible truth, we shall be treated as traitors; but let not this time be hastened by unadvised movements that stir up animosity and strife.

"The time will come when unguarded expressions of a denunciatory character, that have been carelessly spoken or written by our brethren, will be used by our enemies to condemn us. These will not be used merely to condemn those who made the statements, but will be charged upon the whole body of Adventists. Our accusers will say that on such and such

a day one of our responsible men said thus and so against the administration of the laws of this government. Many will be astonished to see how many things have been cherished and remembered that will give point to the arguments of our adversaries. Many will be surprised to hear their own words strained into a meaning that they did not intend them to have. Then let our workers be careful to speak guardedly at all times and under all circumstances. Let all beware lest by reckless expressions they bring on a time of trouble before the great crisis which is to try men's souls.

"The less we make direct charges against authorities and powers, the greater work we shall be able to accomplish, both America and in foreign countries. Foreign nations will follow the example of the United States. Though she leads out, yet the same crisis will come upon our people in all parts of the world.

"It is our work to magnify and exalt the law of God. The truth of God's holy word is to be made manifest. We are to hold up the Scriptures as the rule of life. In all modesty, in the spirit of grace, and in the love of God we are to point men to the fact that the Lord God is the Creator of the heavens and the earth, and that the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord.

"In the name of the Lord we are to go forward, unfurling His banner, advocating His word. When the authorities command us not to do this work, when they forbid us to proclaim the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, then it will be necessary for us to say as did the apostles: "Whether it be right in the sight of God to hearken unto you more than unto God, judge ye. For we cannot but speak the things which we have seen and heard." Acts 4:19, 20.

"The truth is to be set forth in the power of the Holy Spirit. This alone can make our words effective. Only through the Spirit's power will victory be gained and held. The human agent must be worked by the Spirit of God. The workers must be kept by the power of God through faith unto salvation. They must have divine wisdom, that nothing may be uttered which would stir up men to close our way. Through the inculcation of spiritual truth we are to prepare a people who shall be able, in meekness and fear, to give a reason for their faith before the highest authorities in our world.

"We need to present the truth in its simplicity, to advocate practical godliness; and we should do this in the spirit of Christ. The manifestation of such a spirit will have the best influence upon our own souls, and it will have a convincing power upon others. Give the Lord opportunity to work through His own agents. Do not imagine that it will be possible for you to lay out plans for the future; let God be acknowledged as standing at the helm at all times and under every circumstance. He will work by means that will be suitable, and will maintain, increase, and build up His own people.

"The Lord's agents should have a sanctified zeal, a zeal that is wholly under His control. Stormy times will come rapidly enough upon us, and we should take no course of our own that will hasten them. Tribulation will come of a character that will drive to God all who wish to be His, and His alone. Until tested and proved in the furnace of trial, we do not know ourselves, and it is not proper for us to measure the characters of others and to condemn those who have not yet had the light of the third angel's message.

"If we wish men to be convinced that the truth we believe sanctifies the soul and transforms the character, let us not be continually charging them with vehement accusations. In this way we shall force them to the conclusion that the doctrine we profess cannot be the Christian doctrine, since it does not make us kind, courteous, and respectful. Christianity is not manifested in pugilistic accusations and condemnation.

"Many of our people are in danger of trying to exercise a controlling power upon others and of bringing oppression upon their fellow men. There is danger that those who are entrusted with responsibilities will acknowledge but one power, the power of an unsanctified will. Some have exercised this power unscrupulously and have caused great discomfiture to those whom the Lord is using. One of the greatest curses in our world (and it is seen in churches and in society everywhere) is the love of supremacy. Men be come absorbed in seeking to secure power and popularity. This spirit has manifested itself in the ranks of Sabbathkeepers, to our grief and shame. But spiritual success comes only to those who have learned meekness and lowliness in the school of Christ.

"We should remember that the world will judge us by what we appear to be. Let those who are seeking to represent Christ be careful not to exhibit inconsistent features of character. Before we come fully to the front, let us see to it that the Holy Spirit is poured upon us from on high. When this is the case, we shall give a decided message, but it will be of a far less condemnatory character than that which some have been giving; and all who believe will be far more earnest for the salvation of our opponents. Let God have the matter of condemning authorities and governments wholly in His own keeping. In meekness and love let us as faithful sentinels defend the principles of truth as it is in Jesus." - 6T 394-398

- 3 AND THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE COUNTRIES. & SHALL OVERFLOW & PASS OVER
- NOTE: THE PAPACY BEGINS TO REGAIN ITS LOST DOMINION REVELATION 13:3c

DANIEL 11:41

 VS.41 - THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE GLORIOUS LAND, & AS A RESULT MANY SHALL BE OVERTHROWN, BUT THESE SHALL ESCAPE OUT HIS HAND, EVEN EDOM, MOAB, & THE CHIEF OF THE CHILDREN OF AMMON

ALTERNATIVE TRANSLATION

"HE SHALL ENTER ALSO INTO THE LAND OF GLORY AND THOUGH MANY SHALL BE RUINED, THESE SHALL ESCAPE" - A Literal Translation of the Prophets - Daniel by Thomas Wintle, Vol.4, pg. 221 - 1836

DANIEL 11:41 - THREE SECTIONS

- 1 THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE GLORIOUS LAND
- 2 MANY SHALL BE OVERTHROW
- 3 BUT THESE SHALL ESCAPE OUT HIS HAND, EVEN EDOM, MOAB, & THE CHIEF OF THE CHILDREN OF AMMON

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:41

- ▶ 1 THE PAPACY SHALL ENTER INTO THE GLORIOUS LAND
- TWO IMPORTANT ISSUES:
 - 1) WHO & WHAT IS "THE GLORIOUS LAND"?
 - 2) HOW DOES THE PAPACY "ENTER" THE GLORIOUS LAND?

STUDIES IN TYPOLOGY

- MALACHI 3 RETURN UNTO THE LORD & GOD WILL POUR OUT HIS BLESSINGS & YOU SHALL BE A DELIGHTSOME LAND (VS.12)
- JOEL 2 THE EARLY & LATTER RAIN IS TO FALL UPON THE LAND (VS.18)
- ISAIAH 44:1-4 GOD WILL POUR OUT HIS SPIRIT LIKE A FLOOD UPON THE DRY GROUND
- ZECHARIAH 10:1 GOD SHALL GIVE THEM RAIN, TO EVERY ONE GRASS IN THE FIELD
- EZEKIEL 34 GOD REBUKES THE UNFAITHFUL PASTORS, THE LORD WILL MAKE A COVENANT OF PEACE WITH HIS PEOPLE & THERE SHALL BE SHOWERS OF BLESSING & THEY SHALL BE SAFE IN THEIR LAND (22-31)
- SEE CHART

STUDIES IN TYPOLOGY			
THE EARLY & LATTER RAIN	REPESENTS	THE WORK OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	
THE LITERAL & LOCAL OUTPOURING OF THE EARLY & LATTER RAIN	REPESENTS	THE SPIRITUAL & WORLDWIDE OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	
THE EARLY & LATTER RAIN FALLS UPON THE LAND	REPESENTS	THE HOLY SPIRIT IS POURED OUT UPON THE CHURCH	
THE GRASS, FIELDS, PLANTS & ANIMALS SHALL FLOURISH	REPESENTS	THE SPIRITUAL BLESSINGS OF OUTPOURING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT	
ISRAEL SHALL BE BLESSED OF GOD	REPRESENTS	THE CHURCH SHALL BE BLESSED OF GOD	

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:41

- NOTE: "THE GLORIOUS LAND" REPRESENTS THE CHURCH IN ITS MILITANT PHASE. IT DOES NOT REPRESENT LITERAL ISRAEL or ANY OTHER COUNTRY or ENTITY.
- NOTE: THE PAPACY "ENTERS" THE CHURCH BY INFILTRATION, SUBVERSION, & INDOCTRINATION, ETC. & AS A RESULT...
- ► 2 MANY SHALL BE OVERTHROWN
- NOTE: THE SHAKING OF ADVENTISM
- THE THREE PHASES OF THE SHAKING:
 - 1) HERESIES
 - 2) THE STRAIGHT TESTIMONY
 - 3) PERSECUTION
- READ STATEMENTS

THE SHAKING OF ADVENTISM

THE SHAKING BLOWS AWAY MULTITUDES LIKE DRY LEAVES

"I was pointed to the providence of God among His people and was shown that every trial made by the refining, purifying process upon professed Christians proves some to be dross. The fine gold does not always appear. In every religious crisis some fall under temptation. The shaking of God blows away multitudes like dry leaves. Prosperity multiplies a mass of professors. Adversity purges them out of the church. As a class, their spirits are not steadfast with God. They go out from us because they are not of us; for when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, many are offended.

"Let these look back a few months to the time when they were sitting on the cases of others who were in a condition similar to that which they now occupy. Let them carefully call to mind the exercise of their minds in regard to those tempted ones. Had anyone told them then that notwithstanding their zeal and labor to set others right, they would at length be found in a similar position of darkness, they would have said, as did Hazael to the prophet: "Is thy servant a dog, that he should do this great thing?"

"Self-deception is upon them. During the calm, what firmness they manifest! what courageous sailors they make! But when the furious tempests of trial and temptation come, lo! their souls are shipwrecked. Men may have excellent gifts, good ability, splendid qualifications; but one defect, one secret sin indulged, will prove to the character what the wormeaten plank does to the ship--utter disaster and ruin!" - 4T 89,90

PERSECUTION CAUSES SOME TO LEAVE

"It is always difficult to hold fast the beginning of our confidence firm unto the end, and the difficulty increases when there are hidden influences constantly at work to bring in another spirit, a counterworking element, on Satan's side of the question.

"In the absence of the persecution there have drifted into our ranks men who appear sound and their Christianity unquestionable, but who, if persecution should arise, would go out from us. In the crisis they would see force in specious reasons that have had an influence on their minds. Satan has prepared various snares to meet varied minds.

"When the law of God is made void, the church will be sifted by fiery trials, and a larger proportion than we now anticipate will give heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. Instead of being strengthened when brought into strait places, many prove that they are not living branches of the true Vine, they bear no fruit, and the husbandman taketh them away." - Ev 360,361 / Letter 3, 1890

FIERY TRIALS WILL PROVE A GREAT PROPORTION TO BE BASE METAL

"Soon God's people will be tested by fiery trials, and the great proportion of those who now appear to be genuine and true will prove to be base metal. Instead of being strengthened and confirmed by opposition, threats, and abuse, they will cowardly take the side of the opposers." - RH, January 11, 1887

THE STORM OF PERSECUTION WILL CAUSE A SEPARATION & UNITY

"As trials thicken around us, both separation and unity will be seen in our ranks. Some who are now ready to take up weapons of warfare will in times of real peril make it manifest that they have not built upon the solid rock; they will yield to temptation. Those who have had great light and precious privileges, but have not improved them, will, under one pretext or another, go out from us. Not having received the love of the truth, they will be taken in the delusions of the enemy; they will give heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, and will depart from the faith. But, on the other hand, when the storm of persecution really breaks upon us, the true sheep will hear the true Shepherd's voice. Self-denying efforts will be put forth to save the lost, and many who have strayed from the fold will come back to follow the great Shepherd. The people of God will draw together and present to the enemy a united front. In view of the common peril, strife for supremacy will cease; there will be no disputing as to who shall be accounted greatest. No one of the true believers will say: "I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas." The testimony of one and all will be: "I cleave unto Christ; I rejoice in Him as my personal Saviour."

"Thus will the truth be brought into practical life, and thus will be answered the prayer of Christ, uttered just before His humiliation and death: "That they all may be one" John 17:21. The love of Christ, the love of our brethren, will testify to the world that we have been with Jesus and learned of Him. Then will the message of the third angel swell to a loud cry, and the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord." - 6T 400,401

MANY A STAR WILL GO OUT IN DARKNESS

"The time is not far distant when the test will come to every soul. The observance of the false sabbath will be urged upon us. The contest will be between the commandments of God and the commandments of men. Those who have yielded step by step to worldly demands and conformed to worldly customs will then yield to the powers that be, rather than subject themselves to derision, insult, threatened imprisonment, and death. At that time the gold will be separated from the dross. True godliness will be clearly distinguished from the appearance and tinsel of it. Many a star that we have admired for its brilliance will then go out in darkness. Those who have assumed the ornaments of the sanctuary, but are not clothed with Christ's righteousness, will then appear in the shame of their own nakedness." - *PK 188*

WHOLE FAMILIES WILL BE SHAKEN OUT

"The conflict is to wax fiercer and fiercer. Satan will take the field and personate Christ. He will misrepresent, misapply, and pervert everything he possibly can, to deceive, if possible, the very elect. Even in our day there have been and will continue to be entire families who have once rejoiced in the truth, but who will lose faith because of calumnies and falsehoods brought to them in regard to those whom they have loved and with whom they have had sweet counsel. They opened their hearts to the sowing of tares; the tares sprang up among the wheat; they strengthened; the crop of wheat became less and less; and the precious truth lost its power to them. For a time a false zeal accompanied their new theories, which hardened their hearts against the advocates of truth as did the Jews against Christ."- TM 411

EDOM, MOAB, & AMMON

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:41

- > 3 BUT THESE SHALL ESCAPE OUT HIS HAND, EVEN EDOM, MOAB, & THE CHIEF OF THE CHILDREN OF AMMON
- WHO ARE EDOM, MOAB & AMMON ?

DANIEL 11

- EDOM GENESIS 25:30 ESAU SELLS HIS BIRTHRIGHT TO HIS BROTHER JACOB
- MOAB & AMMON GENESIS 19:30-38 THE CHILDREN OF LOT, ABRAHAM'S NEPHEW
- NOTE: EDOM, MOAB, & AMMON ARE DIRECTLY RELATED TO GOD'S PEOPLE
- AMOS 9:8-15 THE SHAKING & REBUILDING OF THE TABERNACLE OF DAVID
- NOTE: SEE ACTS 15 DISPUTE OVER PAUL & BARNABAS' WORK AMONG THE GENTILES
- READ ACTS 15:12-18 JAMES QUOTES AMOS 9:11-12
- ISAIAH 11:11-16 THE GATHERING OF ISRAEL
- NOTE: SEE EW 74-76 THE GATHERING TIME

READ EW 74

GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE

"The Lord showed me that He had stretched out His hand the second time to recover the remnant of His people, and that efforts must be redoubled in this gathering time. In the scattering, Israel was smitten and torn, but now in the gathering time God will heal and bind up His people. In the scattering, efforts made to spread the truth had but little effect, accomplished but little or nothing; but in the gathering, when God has set His hand to gather His people, efforts to spread the truth will have their designed effect." - *EW 74*

DANIEL 11

NOTE: EDOM, MOAB, & AMMON REPRESENT GOD'S PEOPLE WHO HAVE YET TO HEAR THE THREE ANGEL'S MESSAGE. BUT WHEN "THE LORD SHALL SET HIS HAND AGAIN THE SECOND TIME TO RECOVER THE REMNANT OF HIS PEOPLE," THEY SHALL PROCLAIM TO THEM THE MESSAGE OF REV. 18:1-4 - "COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE" & "THEY SHALL LAY THEIR HAND UPON EDOM & MOAB, & THE CHILDREN OF AMMON SHALL OBEY THEM."

"COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE"

GOD'S PEOPLE FOUND IN THE PROTESTANT CHURCHES

"In the eighteenth chapter of the Revelation the people of God are called upon to come out of Babylon. According to this scripture, many of God's people must still be in Babylon. And in what religious bodies are the greater part of the followers of Christ now to be found? Without doubt, in the various churches professing the Protestant faith." - GC 383

GOD'S PEOPLE ARE IN ALL THE CHURCHES

"The Lord has His representatives in all the churches. These persons have not had the special testing truths for these last days presented to them under circumstances that brought conviction to heart and mind; therefore they have not, by rejecting light, severed their connection with God." - 6T 70-71

GOD'S JEWELS

"God has jewels in all the churches, and it is not for us to make sweeping denunciation of the professed religious world." - 4BC 1184

EVEN AMONG CATHOLICS

"Among the Catholics there are many who are most conscientious Christians and who walk in all the light that shines upon them, and God will work in their behalf." - 9T 243

COMPANY AFTER COMPANY SHAKEN OUT & TRIBE AFTER TRIBE COME IN

"In vision I saw two armies in terrible conflict. One army was led by banners bearing the world's insignia; the other was led by the bloodstained banner of Prince Immanuel. Standard after standard was left to trail in the dust as company after company from the Lord's army joined the foe and tribe after tribe from the ranks of the enemy united with the commandment-keeping people of God."- 8T 41

OUR RANKS WILL NOT BE DIMINISHED

"We are now living in the last days, when the truth must be spoken, when in reproof and warning it must be given to the world, irrespective of consequences. If there are some who will become offended and turn from the truth, we must bear in mind that there were those who did the same in Christ's day. When the greatest Teacher the world has ever known spoke the truth, many of His disciples became offended and walked no more with Him.

"But truth will bear away the victory. Those who will maintain the truth, irrespective of consequences, will offend some whose hearts are not in harmony with the truth as it is in Jesus. These persons cherish theories of their own, which are not the truth. The truth does not harmonize with their sentiments, and rather than give up their own ideas, they walk away from those who obey the truth. But there are men who will receive the truth, and these will take the places made vacant by those who become offended and leave the truth.

"They went out from us, but they were not of us' [1 John 2:19]. Men of true Christian principle will take their place, and will become faithful, trustworthy householders, to advocate the Word of God in its true bearings and in its simplicity. The Lord will work so that the disaffected ones will be separated from the true and loyal ones. Those who, like

Cornelius, will fear God and glorify Him, will take their places. The ranks will not be diminished. Those who are firm and true will close up the vacancies that are made by those who become offended and apostatize." - 13MR 10-11

DANIEL 11:42

- VS.42 THE PAPACY SHALL STRETCH FORTH HIS HAND UPON THE COUNTRIES, & THE LAND OF EGYPT SHALL NOT ESCAPE.
- NOTE: FROM THIS TIME FORWARD THE KING OF THE SOUTH WILL NO LONGER BE ABLE TO OPPOSE THE KING OF THE NORTH
- NOTE: HOW DOES THE KING OF THE NORTH CONQUER EGYPT, THE KING OF THE SOUTH?

DANIEL 11:43

VS.43 - BUT THE PAPACY SHALL HAVE POWER OVER THE TREASURES OF GOLD & SILVER, &
OVER ALL THE PRECIOUS THINGS OF EGYPT: & THE LIBYANS & ETHIOPIANS SHALL BE AT HIS
STEPS.

DANIEL 11:43 - TWO SECTIONS

- 1 BUT THE PAPACY SHALL HAVE POWER OVER THE TREASURES OF GOLD & SILVER, & OVER ALL THE PRECIOUS THINGS OF EGYPT
- 2 AND THE LIBYANS & ETHIOPIANS SHALL BE AT HIS STEPS

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:43

- ▶ 1 BUT THE PAPACY SHALL HAVE POWER OVER THE TREASURES OF GOLD & SILVER, & OVER ALL THE PRECIOUS THINGS OF EGYPT
- NOTE: REVELATION 13:15-17 NO MAN MIGHT BUY OR SELL / REVELATION 18 THE PAPACY CONTROLS THE COMMODITIES OF THE WORLD
- 2 AND THE LIBYANS & ETHIOPIANS SHALL BE AT HIS STEPS
- READ STATEMENTS

READILY OBEY

"SHALL BE AT HIS STEPS.] THAT IS, 'SHALL READILY OBEY HIM' BY FOLLOWING WHEREVER HE CHOOSES TO LEAD THEM." - Commentaries & Annotations on the Holy Scriptures by Rev. J. Hewlett - Vol.3, pg. 426 - 1816

BE AT HIS STEPS

"AND THE LIBYANS AND THE ETHIOPIANS SHALL BE AT HIS STEPS—OR, FOLLOW HIM; THAT IS, AS CAPTIVES, BEING OVERCOME IN WAR; FOR THAT SEEMS TO BE THE MEANING OF THE EXPRESSION, BE AT HIS STEPS." - The Holy Bible, With Critical, Explanatory, & Practical Notes: by Rev. Joseph Benson, Vol.3, pg. 840 - 1846

ALLIES OF EGYPT

"THE LIBYANS & THE ETHIOPIANS - THESE NATIONS WERE CONSIDERED THE ALLIES OF EGYPT, IN THE TIME OF DANIEL." - Analysis of the Book of Daniel, pg. 49 - 1881

BE AT HIS DEVOTION

"IN GENERAL THE COUNTRIES BEYOND EGYPT IN THE MORE SOUTHERN AS WELL AS WESTERN PARTS OF AFRICA, WHICH WERE CONFEDERATE WITH EGYPT, (SEE EZE. 30:5) THESE BECAME OBEDIENT TO THE (KING OF THE NORTH) WERE EITHER, READY TO FOLLOW HIS COMMANDS, OR SHOULD BE AT HIS DEVOTION." - A Literal Translation of the Prophets - Daniel by Thomas Wintle, Vol.4, pg. 222,223 - 1836

BE AT HIS TRAIN

"THE LIBYANS & THE ETHIOPIANS (SHALL BE) AT HIS STEPS] I.E. WILL FOLLOW IN HIS TRAIN. THE LIBYANS, ON THE WEST OF EGYPT, AND THE ETHIOPIANS ON THE SOUTH, ARE MENTIONED EITHER AS HELPING THE EGYPTIANS, OR AS SERVING IN THEIR ARMY, NAH. 3:9; JER. 46:9 (cf. EZE. 30:4,5). HERE

THEY ARE REPRESENTED AS JOINING THE ARMY OF THE CONQUEROR." - The Book of Daniel by Rev. S. R. Driver, pg. 199 - 1900

INROADS ON EGYPT

"NOTICE IS HERE TAKEN LIKEWISE OF THE USE HE (THE KING OF THE NORTH) HAD MADE OF THE LIBYANS & ETHIOPIANS, WHO BORDERED ON EGYPT; THEY WERE AT HIS STEPS, HE HAD THEM AT HIS FOOT, HAD THEM AT HIS BECK, AND THEY MADE INROADS ON EGYPT TO SERVE HIM." - The Comprehensive Commentary on the Holy Bible by Rev. William Jenks, Vol.3, pg. 809 - 1837

DANIEL 11:44

 VS.44 - BUT TIDINGS OUT OF THE EAST & OUT OF THE NORTH SHALL TROUBLE HIM, THEREFORE THE PAPACY SHALL GO FORTH WITH GREAT FURY TO DESTROY, & UTTERLY TO MAKE AWAY MANY.

DANIEL 11:44 - TWO SECTIONS

- 1 BUT TIDINGS OUT OF THE EAST & OUT OF THE NORTH SHALL TROUBLE HIM
- 2 THEREFORE THE PAPACY SHALL GO FORTH WITH GREAT FURY TO DESTROY, & UTTERLY TO MAKE AWAY MANY

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:44

- ► 1a TIDINGS OUT OF EAST REV. 7:2; MATT. 24:27; EZE. 43:1-2
- ► 1b OUT OF THE NORTH PS. 48:1,2; ISA. 14:12-14
- NOTE: THE MESSAGES OUT OF THE EAST & NORTH = THE LOUD CRY
- 1c SHALL TROUBLE THE PAPACY
- 2 THEREFORE THE PAPACY SHALL GO FORTH WITH GREAT FURY TO DESTROY, & UTTERLY TO MAKE AWAY MANY
- READ STATEMENT ON "TO MAKE AWAY MANY"

A RELIGIOUS WAR

"THE WORD RENDERED, "TO MAKE AWAY," SIGNIFIES TO CURSE, OR TO DEVOTE TO UTTER DESTRUCTION, AND MAY INTIMATE, THAT THE WAR WOULD BE ON A RELIGIOUS ACCOUNT." - The Holy Bible by Thomas Scott, Vol.4, pg. 698 - 1827

- ALTERNATIVE READING THEREFORE THE PAPACY SHALL GO FORTH WITH GREAT FURY TO DESTROY, & UTTERLY DO AWAY WITH MANY
- 2 THE PAPACY WILL PERSECUTE ALL WHO OPPOSE HER REV. 13:15; REV. 20:4
- READ STATEMENTS "THE LOUD CRY"

THE LOUD CRY

THE MESSAGE IS TO BE GIVEN WITH A LOUD VOICE

"The third angel's message will go forth, not in whispered tones, but with a loud voice." - 5T 252

"This message (Revelation 14:9-12) embraces the two preceding messages. It is represented as being given with a loud voice; that is, with the power of the Holy Spirit." - 7BC 980

A MOST PRECIOUS MESSAGE

"The Lord in His great mercy sent a most precious message to His people through Elders Waggoner and Jones. This message was to bring more prominently before the world the uplifted Saviour, the sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. It presented justification through faith in the Surety; it invited the people to receive the righteousness of Christ, which is made manifest in obedience to all the commandments of God....This is the message that God commanded to be

given to the world. It is the third angel's message, which is to be proclaimed with a loud voice, and attended with the outpouring of His Spirit in a large measure." - TM 91-92

THE MESSAGE SWELLS TO A LOUD CRY

"As the third message swells to a loud cry and as great power and glory attend the closing work, the faithful people of God will partake of that glory. It is the latter rain which revives and strengthens them to pass through the time of trouble." - 7BC 984

THE FINAL WARNING

"As foretold in the eighteenth of Revelation, the third angel's message is to be proclaimed with great power by those who give the final warning against the beast and his image." - 8T 118

THE GLORY OF GOD

"The message of Christ's righteousness is to sound from one end of the earth to the other to prepare the way of the Lord. This is the glory of God, which closes the work of the third angel." - 6T 19

A REVELATION OF GOD'S CHARACTER

"The last message of mercy to be given to the world is a revelation of His character of love. The children of God are to manifest His glory. In their own life and character they are to reveal what the grace of God has done for them." - COL 415-416

GOD WILL TAKE THE REIGNS INTO HIS OWN HANDS

"Let me tell you that the Lord will work in this last work in a manner very much out of the common order of things, and in a way that will be contrary to any human planning. There will be those among us who will always want to control the work of God, to dictate even what movements shall be made when the work goes forward under the direction of the angel who joins the third angel in the message to be given to the world. God will use ways and means by which it will be seen that He is taking the reins in His own hands. The workers will be surprised by the simple means that He will use to bring about and perfect His work of righteousness." - $TM\ 300$

THE COMMON PEOPLE

"He will raise up from among the common people men and women to do His work, even as of old He called fishermen to be His disciples. There will soon be an awakening that will surprise many. Those who do not realize the necessity of what is to be done will be passed by, and the heavenly messengers will work with those who are called the common people, fitting them to carry the truth to many places." - 15MR 312

THE ILLITERATE DISCIPLE

"Those who receive Christ as a personal Saviour will stand the test and trial of these last days. Strengthened by unquestioning faith in Christ, even the illiterate disciple will be able to withstand the doubts and questions that infidelity can produce, and put to blush the sophistries of scorners.

"The Lord Jesus will give the disciples a tongue and wisdom that their adversaries can neither gainsay nor resist. Those who could not, by reasoning, overcome satanic delusions will bear an affirmative testimony that will baffle supposedly learned men. Words will come from the lips of the unlearned with such convincing power and wisdom that conversions will be made to the truth. Thousands will be converted under their testimony." - Ms 53, 1905

THE HUMBLE & UNEDUCATED WILL PROCLAIM THE MESSAGE

"God will move upon men of humble position in society....Many such will be seen hurrying hither and thither, constrained by the Spirit of God to bring the light to others. The truth, the word of God, is as a fire in their bones, filling them with a burning desire to enlighten those who sit in darkness. Many, even among the uneducated, now proclaim the words of the Lord. Children are impelled by the Spirit to go forth and declare the message from Heaven. The Spirit is poured out upon all who will yield to its promptings, and, casting off all man's machinery, his binding rules and cautious methods, they will declare the truth with the might of the Spirit's power. Multitudes will receive the faith and join the armies of the Lord." - RH, July 23, 1895

CHILDREN WILL PROCLAIM THE TRUTH FOR THIS TIME

"According to the light which has been given me, when the heavenly intelligences see that men will no longer present the truth in its simplicity, as Jesus did, these very children will be moved upon by the Spirit of God, and will go forth proclaiming the truth for this time." - Ms 22a, 1895

NOT SINCE 1844

"In visions of the night, representations passed before me of a great reformatory movement among God's people. Many were praising God. The sick were healed, and other miracles were wrought. A spirit of intercession was seen, even as was manifested before the great Day of Pentecost. Hundreds and thousands were seen visiting families and opening before them the word of God. Hearts were convicted by the power of the Holy Spirit, and a spirit of genuine conversion was manifest. On every side doors were thrown open to the proclamation of the truth. The world seemed to be lightened with the heavenly influence. Great blessings were received by the true and humble people of God. I heard voices of thanksgiving and praise, and there seemed to be a reformation such as we witnessed in 1844." - 9T 126

THE BACKSLIDDEN WILL RETURN

"As trials thicken around us, both separation and unity will be seen in our ranks. Some who are now ready to take up weapons of warfare will in times of real peril make it manifest that they have not built upon the solid rock; they will yield to temptation. Those who have had great light and precious privileges, but have not improved them, will, under one pretext or another, go out from us. Not having received the love of the truth, they will be taken in the delusions of the enemy; they will give heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, and will depart from the faith. But, on the other hand, when the storm of persecution really breaks upon us, the true sheep will hear the true Shepherd's voice. Self-denying efforts will be put forth to save the lost, and many who have strayed from the fold will come back to follow the great Shepherd. The people of God will draw together and present to the enemy a united front. In view of the common peril, strife for supremacy will cease; there will be no disputing as to who shall be accounted greatest. No one of the true believers will say: 'I am of Paul; and I of Apollos; and I of Cephas.' The testimony of one and all will be: 'I cleave unto Christ; I rejoice in Him as my personal Saviour.' " - 6T 400-401

FEW GREAT MEN WILL BE ENGAGED

"The days are fast approaching when there will be great perplexity and confusion. Satan, clothed in angel robes, will deceive, if possible, the very elect. There will be gods many and lords many. Every wind of doctrine will be blowing. Those who have rendered supreme homage to "science falsely so called" will not be the leaders then. Those who have trusted to intellect, genius, or talent will not then stand at the head of rank and file. They did not keep pace with the light. Those who have proved themselves unfaithful will not then be entrusted with the flock. In the last solemn work few great men will be engaged. They are self-sufficient, independent of God, and He cannot use them. The Lord has faithful servants, who in the shaking, testing time will be disclosed to view. There are precious ones now hidden who have not bowed the knee to Baal. They have not had the light which has been shining in a concentrated blaze upon you. But it may be under a rough and uninviting exterior the pure brightness of a genuine Christian character will be revealed. In the day time we look toward heaven but do not see the stars. They are there, fixed in the firmament, but the eye cannot distinguish them. In the night we behold their genuine luster.

"The time is not far distant when the test will come to every soul. The mark of the beast will be urged upon us. Those who have step by step yielded to worldly demands and conformed to worldly customs will not find it a hard matter to yield to the powers that be, rather than subject themselves to derision, insult, threatened imprisonment, and death. The contest is between the commandments of God and the commandments of men. In this time the gold will be separated from the dross in the church. True godliness will be clearly distinguished from the appearance and tinsel of it. Many a star that we have admired for its brilliancy will then go out in darkness. Chaff like a cloud will be borne away on the wind, even from places where we see only floors of rich wheat. All who assume the ornaments of the sanctuary, but are not clothed with Christ's righteousness, will appear in the shame of their own nakedness.

"When trees without fruit are cut down as cumberers of the ground, when multitudes of false brethren are distinguished from the true, then the hidden ones will be revealed to view, and with hosannas range under the banner of Christ. Those who have been timid and self-distrustful will declare themselves openly for Christ and His truth. The most weak and hesitating in the church will be as David--willing to do and dare. The deeper the night for God's people, the more brilliant the stars. Satan will sorely harass the faithful; but, in the name of Jesus, they will come off more than

conquerors. Then will the church of Christ appear "fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners." - 5T 80-82

QUALIFIED BY THE UNCTION OF GOD'S SPIRIT

"As the time comes for it (The third angel's message) to be given with greatest power, the Lord will work through humble instruments, leading the minds of those who consecrate themselves to His service. The laborers will be qualified rather by the unction of His Spirit than by the training of literary institutions. Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal, declaring the words which God gives them. The sins of Babylon will be laid open. The fearful results of enforcing the observances of the church by civil authority, the inroads of spiritualism, the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power--all will be unmasked. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred. Thousands upon thousands will listen who have never heard words like these. In amazement they hear the testimony that Babylon is the church, fallen because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth sent to her from heaven. As the people go to their former teachers with the eager inquiry, Are these things so? the ministers present fables, prophesy smooth things, to soothe their fears and quiet the awakened conscience. But since many refuse to be satisfied with the mere authority of men and demand a plain 'Thus saith the Lord,' the popular ministry, like the Pharisees of old, filled with anger as their authority is questioned, will denounce the message as of Satan and stir up the sin-loving multitudes to revile and persecute those who proclaim it." - GC 606-607

SATAN & HIS FOLLOWERS ARE ASTIR

"As the controversy extends into new fields and the minds of the people are called to God's downtrodden law, Satan is astir. The power attending the message will only madden those who oppose it. The clergy will put forth almost superhuman efforts to shut away the light lest it should shine upon their flocks. By every means at their command they will endeavor to suppress the discussion of these vital questions. The church appeals to the strong arm of civil power, and, in this work, papists and Protestants unite. As the movement for Sunday enforcement becomes more bold and decided, the law will be invoked against commandment keepers. They will be threatened with fines and imprisonment, and some will be offered positions of influence, and other rewards and advantages, as inducements to renounce their faith. But their steadfast answer is: 'Show us from the word of God our error'--the same plea that was made by Luther under similar circumstances. Those who are arraigned before the courts make a strong vindication of the truth, and some who hear them are led to take their stand to keep all the commandments of God. Thus light will be brought before thousands who otherwise would know nothing of these truths." - GC 607

THE HEART CAN BE VERY CRUEL

"Conscientious obedience to the word of God will be treated as rebellion. Blinded by Satan, the parent will exercise harshness and severity toward the believing child; the master or mistress will oppress the commandment-keeping servant. Affection will be alienated; children will be disinherited and driven from home. The words of Paul will be literally fulfilled: "All that will live godly in Christ Jesus shall suffer persecution." 2 Timothy 3:12. As the defenders of truth refuse to honor the Sunday-sabbath, some of them will be thrust into prison, some will be exiled, some will be treated as slaves. To human wisdom all this now seems impossible; but as the restraining Spirit of God shall be withdrawn from men, and they shall be under the control of Satan, who hates the divine precepts, there will be strange developments. The heart can be very cruel when God's fear and love are removed." - *GC* 608

AS THE STORM APPROACHES

"As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third angel's message, but have not been sanctified through obedience to the truth, abandon their position and join the ranks of the opposition. By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they have come to view matters in nearly the same light; and when the test is brought, they are prepared to choose the easy, popular side. Men of talent and pleasing address, who once rejoiced in the truth, employ their powers to deceive and mislead souls. They become the most bitter enemies of their former brethren. When Sabbathkeepers are brought before the courts to answer for their faith, these apostates are the most efficient agents of Satan to misrepresent and accuse them, and by false reports and insinuations to stir up the rulers against them." - GC 608

GOD'S SERVANTS WILL BE TRIED

"In this time of persecution the faith of the Lord's servants will be tried. They have faithfully given the warning, looking to God and to His word alone. God's Spirit, moving upon their hearts, has constrained them to speak. Stimulated with holy zeal, and with the divine impulse strong upon them, they entered upon the performance of their duties without coldly

calculating the consequences of speaking to the people the word which the Lord had given them. They have not consulted their temporal interests, nor sought to preserve their reputation or their lives. Yet when the storm of opposition and reproach bursts upon them, some, overwhelmed with consternation, will be ready to exclaim: "Had we foreseen the consequences of our words, we would have held our peace." They are hedged in with difficulties. Satan assails them with fierce temptations. The work which they have undertaken seems far beyond their ability to accomplish. They are threatened with destruction. The enthusiasm which animated them is gone; yet they cannot turn back. Then, feeling their utter helplessness, they flee to the Mighty One for strength. They remember that the words which they have spoken were not theirs, but His who bade them give the warning. God put the truth into their hearts, and they could not forbear to proclaim it....They cannot remain silent, except at the peril of their souls. Christ's ambassadors have nothing to do with consequences. They must perform their duty and leave results with God." - GC 608-610

SOME LEADING MEN WILL STAND WITH THE PEOPLE OF GOD

"But so long as Jesus remains man's intercessor in the sanctuary above, the restraining influence of the Holy Spirit is felt by rulers and people. It still controls to some extent the laws of the land. Were it not for these laws, the condition of the world would be much worse than it now is. While many of our rulers are active agents of Satan, God also has His agents among the leading men of the nation. The enemy moves upon his servants to propose measures that would greatly impede the work of God; but statesmen who fear the Lord are influenced by holy angels to oppose such propositions with unanswerable arguments. Thus a few men will hold in check a powerful current of evil. The opposition of the enemies of truth will be restrained that the third angel's message may do its work. When the final warning shall be given, it will arrest the attention of these leading men through whom the Lord is now working, and some of them will accept it, and will stand with the people of God through the time of trouble." - GC 610-611

THE WORK OF GOD WILL CLOSE WITH POWER

"The angel who unites in the proclamation of the third angel's message is to lighten the whole earth with his glory. A work of world-wide extent and unwonted power is here foretold....The work will be similar to that of the Day of Pentecost....The great work of the gospel is not to close with less manifestation of the power of God than marked its opening. The prophecies which were fulfilled in the outpouring of the former rain at the opening of the gospel are again to be fulfilled in the latter rain at its close." - GC 611-612

SIGNS & WONDERS WILL FOLLOW THE BELIEVERS

"Servants of God, with their faces lighted up and shining with holy consecration, will hasten from place to proclaim the message from heaven. By thousands of voices, all over the earth, the warning will be given. Miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and signs and wonders will follow the believers. Satan also works, with lying wonders, even bringing down fire from heaven in the sight of men. Revelation 13:13. Thus the inhabitants of the earth will be brought to take their stand." - *GC* 612

LARGE NUMBERS TAKE THEIR STAND UPON THE LORD'S SIDE

"The message will be carried not so much by argument as by the deep conviction of the Spirit of God. The arguments have been presented. The seed has been sown, and now it will spring up and bear fruit. The publications distributed by missionary workers have exerted their influence, yet many whose minds were impressed have been prevented from fully comprehending the truth or from yielding obedience. Now the rays of light penetrate everywhere, the truth is seen in its clearness, and the honest children of God sever the bands which have held them. Family connections, church relations, are powerless to stay them now. Truth is more precious than all besides. Notwithstanding the agencies combined against the truth, a large number take their stand upon the Lord's side."- GC 612

GOD ALONE WILL BE GLORIFIED

"Thousands in the eleventh hour will see and acknowledge the truth....These conversions to truth will be made with a rapidity that will surprise the church, and God's name alone will be glorified." - Lt. 43, 1890

THOUSANDS CONVERTED IN A DAY

"There will be thousands converted to the truth in a day, who at the eleventh hour see and acknowledge the truth and the movements of the Spirit of God." 1888 Materials, 754

ELEVENTH HOUR LABORERS

"There are many souls to come out of the ranks of the world, out of the churches—even the Catholic church—whose zeal will far exceed that of those who have stood in rank and file to proclaim the truth heretofore. For this reason the eleventh hour laborers will receive their penny. These will see the battle coming and will give the trumpet a certain sound. When the crisis is upon us, when the season of calamity shall come, they will come to the front, gird themselves with the whole armor of God, and exalt His law, adhere to the faith of Jesus, and maintain the cause of religious liberty which Reformers defended with toil and for which they sacrificed their lives." - Ms 30, 1889

BROUGHT BEFORE COUNCILS

"It does not seem possible to us now that any should have to stand alone; but if God has ever spoken by me, the time will come when we shall be brought before councils and before thousands for his name's sake, and each one will have to give the reason of his faith. Then will come the severest criticism upon every position that has been taken for the truth. We need, then, to study the word of God, that we may know why we believe the doctrines we advocate. We must critically search the living oracles of Jehovah." - RH, December 18, 1888

STANDING BEFORE KINGS

"The world is to be warned, and no soul should rest satisfied with a superficial knowledge of truth. You know not to what responsibility you may be called. You know not where you may be called upon to give your witness of truth. Many will have to stand in the legislative courts; some will have to stand before kings and before the learned of the earth, to answer for their faith. Those who have only a superficial understanding of truth will not be able clearly to expound the Scriptures, and give definite reasons for their faith. They will become confused, and will not be workmen that need not to be ashamed. Let no one imagine that he has no need to study, because he is not to preach in the sacred desk. You know not what God may require of you." - RH, February 14, 1893

ARE YOU FOLLOWING GOD?

"In the visions of the night a very impressive scene passed before me. I saw an immense ball of fire fall among some beautiful mansions, causing their instant destruction. I heard someone say: 'We knew that the judgments of God were coming upon the earth, but we did not know that they would come so soon.' Others, with agonized voices, said: 'You knew! Why then did you not tell us? We did not know.' On every side I heard similar words of reproach spoken.

"In great distress I awoke. I went to sleep again, and I seemed to be in a large gathering. One of authority was addressing the company, before whom was spread out a map of the world. He said that the map pictured God's vineyard, which must be cultivated. As light from heaven shone upon anyone, that one was to reflect the light to others. Lights were to be kindled in many places, and from these lights still other lights were to be kindled....I saw jets of light shining from cities and villages, and from the high places and the low places of the earth. God's word was obeyed, and as a result there were memorials for Him in every city and village. His truth was proclaimed throughout the world.

"Then this map was removed and another put in its place. On it light was shining from a few places only. The rest of the world was in darkness, with only a glimmer of light here and there. Our Instructor said: 'This darkness is the result of men's following their own course. They have cherished hereditary and cultivated tendencies to evil. They have made questioning and faultfinding and accusing the chief business of their lives. Their hearts are not right with God. They have hidden their light under a bushel.' "-9T28-29

DANIEL 11:45

 VS.45 - AND THE PAPACY SHALL PLANT THE TABERNACLES OF HIS PALACE BETWEEN THE SEAS IN THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN; YET HE SHALL COME TO HIS END, & NONE SHALL HELP HIM.

DANIEL 11:45 - TWO SECTIONS

- 1 AND THE PAPACY SHALL PLANT THE TABERNACLES OF HIS PALACE BETWEEN THE SEAS IN THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN
- ► 2 YET HE SHALL COME TO HIS END, & NONE SHALL HELP HIM

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:45

- ► 1a AND THE PAPACY SHALL PLANT THE TABERNACLES OF HIS PALACE BETWEEN THE SEAS IN THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN
- NOTE: "BETWEEN THE SEAS"

ZECHARIAH 14:8 - JERUSALEM IS BETWEEN TWO SEAS

NOTE: THE TWO SEAS - THE GREAT SEA & THE DEAD SEA

NOTE: JERUSALEM IS IN THE MOUNTAINS OF JUDAH, WHICH HAD THOSE TWO SEAS AS ITS BORDER



ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:45

- ALTERNATIVE READING THE PAPACY SHALL PLANT THE CANOPY OF HIS PALACE IN THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN (JERUSALEM) WHICH IS BETWEEN TWO SEAS
- NOTE: WHAT IS THE MEANING OF "PLANT THE TABERNACLE OF HIS PALACE"?
- JEREMIAH 43:10-11 NEBUCHADREZZAR PLANTS HIS ROYAL CANOPY OVER EGYPT
- NOTE: THE TABERNACLE OF HIS PALACE SIGNIFIES ROYAL AUTHORITY. IT IS PLANTED AS A SIGN OF ITS POWER OVER THE VANOUISHED
- READ STATEMENTS

AN ENTIRE CONQUEST

THE KING OF THE NORTH "SHALL PLACE THE ENSIGNS OF HIS SOVEREIGNTY AS A CONQUEROR AT JERUSALEM...DENOTING AN ENTIRE CONQUEST" - A Critical Commentary & Paraphrase on Daniel, Vol.4, pg. 130 - 1822

A SIGN OF FULL POWER

THE KING OF THE NORTH "SHALL ENTRENCH ITSELF, HAVING THE ROYAL TENT SET UP FOR A SIGN OF FULL POWER" - Pious & Learned Annotations Upon the Holy Bible by John Diodati - Vol.2 - 1651

A SIGN or MARK OF HIS AUTHORITY

"HE SET UP HIS ROYAL PAVILION....IN TOKEN (SIGN or MARK), THAT THOUGH HE COULD NOT BE PRESENT HIMSELF, YET HE GAVE FULL POWER TO HIS CAPTAINS TO PROSECUTE THE WAR AGAINST THE JEWS WITH THE UTMOST RIGOR. HE PLACED HIS TENT THERE, AS IF HE HAD TAKEN POSSESSION OF THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN, AND CALLED IT HIS OWN. NOTE, WHEN IMPIETY GROWS VERY

IMPUDENT, WE MAY SEE ITS RUIN NEAR." - An Exposition of The Old & New Testaments by Matthew Henry, Vol.3, 1809

WHOM WILL YOU OBEY?

• THE PAPACY REACHES THE HEIGHT OF ITS POWER BY PLANTING HIS CANOPY OF AUTHORITY OVER THE INHABITANTS OF THE WORLD & ESPECIALLY GOD'S CHURCH BY ESTABLISHING ITS ENSIGN OR MARK OF AUTHORITY, SUNDAY WORSHIP. IT IS AT THIS TIME WHEN GOD'S CHURCH IS GLORIOUS & HOLY & IS CONFRONTED WITH ITS GREATEST CHALLENGE, WHOM WILL THEY OBEY, GOD OR THE PAPACY? – RCD

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 11:45

- ► 2 YET HE SHALL COME TO HIS END, & NONE SHALL HELP HIM.
- ► REV. 18:7-8 I SIT A QUEEN & AM NO WIDOW
- ISAIAH 47 THE FALL OF BABYLON (VS.6-9)
- ► JEREMIAH 50-51 THE FALL OF BABYLON
- ► 1 THESS. 5:3 SUDDEN DESTRUCTION

THE FALL OF BABYLON

THE FALL OF LITERAL BABYLON —— TYPE	THE FALL OF SPIRITUAL BABYLON —— ANTI-TYPE
DANIEL 4:30 - GREAT	REVELATION 16:19; 17:5; 18:10,21 - GREAT
ISAIAH 47:5,7,8 - LADY OF KINGDOMS	REVELATION 18:7 - QUEEN
ISAIAH 47:9 - HAS CHILDREN	REVELATION 17:5 - MOTHER
JEREMIAH 51:8; ISAIAH 47:9 - DESTRUCTION IN ONE DAY	REVELATION 18:8 - DESTRUCTION IN ONE DAY
ISAIAH 47:8,10,12,13,15 - FEELS SECURE	REVELATION 18:8 - SHALL SEE NO SORROW / 1 THESS. 5:3 - PEACE & SAFETY
ISAIAH 47:9,11; JEREMIAH 51:8; 50:44 - DESTRUCTION COMES SUDDENLY	REV. 18:8 - IN ONE DAY / REV. 18:10 - IN ONE HOUR / 1 THESS. 5:3 - SUDDEN DESTRUCTION
JEREMIAH 50:43,44; ISAIAH 13:8 - AS TRAVAIL UPON A WOMAN WITH CHILD	1 THESS. 5:3 - AS TRAVAIL UPON A WOMAN WITH CHILD
ISAIAH 47:11-13,15 - NONE SHALL SAVE THEE / THOU SHALT NOT BE ABLE TO PUT IT OFF	1 THESS. 5:3; REVELATION 18:8 - THEY SHALL NOT ESCAPE
JEREMIAH 51:49 - GUILTY OF ALL SLAIN	REVELATION 18:24 - GUILTY OF ALL SLAIN
JEREMIAH 51:7 - GOLDEN CUP - NATIONS DRUNK	REVELATION 17:2,4 - GOLDEN CUP - NATIONS DRUNK
JEREMIAH 50:29 - REWARD HER ACCORDING TO HER WORKS	REVELATION 18:6 - REWARDED ACCORDING TO HER WORKS
JEREMIAH 50:8; 51:6; 51:46 - GOD'S THREE MESSAGES - COME OUT OF HER MY PEOPLE	REVELATION 14:6-12; 18:1-4 - GOD'S THREE MESSAGES LINKED TO THE LOUD CRY MESSAGE OF REV. 18
JEREMIAH 51:8; ISAIAH 21:9 - BABYLON IS FALLEN	REVELATION 14:8; 18:2 - BABYLON IS FALLEN
JEREMIAH 51:9 - HER JUDGMENT HAS REACHED UNTO HEAVEN	REVELATION 18:5 - HER SINS HAVE REACHED UNTO HEAVEN
JEREMIAH 50:46 - THE NATIONS CRY AT THE NOISE OF THE TAKING OF BABYLON	REVELATION 18:9,11-19 - THE KINGS & THE MERCHANTS OF THE EARTH WEEP OVER HER

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 12

DANIEL 12

- VS.1-3 THE CLOSE OF PROBATION, THE RESURRECTION, THE SECOND COMING, ETC.
- VS.4.9 THE SEALING OF THE BOOK OF DANIEL
- ► VS.5-13 THE EPILOGUE, 1260,1290 & 1335, ETC.
- VS.1a THE CLOSE OF PROBATION & THE TIME OF TROUBLE, ETC.
- VS.1b MICHAEL THE GREAT PRINCE SEE JUDE 9; 1 THESS. 4:16; JOHN 5:28; 1 JOHN 2:1-2; DANIEL 10:13; PK 571-572
- VS.2 THE SPECIAL, MIXED, LIMITED RESURRECTION
- **NOTE**: SEE EW 285; GC 637; REV. 1:7; MATT. 26:64; REV. 14:13
- VS.3 THE REWARD OF THE RIGHTEOUS
- READ STATEMENTS

THE CLOSE OF PROBATION

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 12:1-3

- VS.1a THE CLOSE OF PROBATION & THE TIME OF TROUBLE
- REV. 22: 11 THE FINAL DECREE
- ZEPH. 2:1-3 THE FINAL CALL

ARE WE WATCHING & PRAYING?

"Jesus has left us word: (Quotes Mk. 13:35-37) We are waiting and watching for the return of the Master, who is to bring the morning, lest coming suddenly He find us sleeping. What time is here referred to? Not to the revelation of Christ in the clouds of heaven to find a people asleep. No; but to His return from His ministration in the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary, when He lays off His priestly attire and clothes Himself with garments of vengeance, and when the mandate goes forth: "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still; and he that is holy, let him be holy still."

"When Jesus ceases to plead for man, the cases of all are forever decided. This is the time of reckoning with His servants. To those who have neglected the preparation of purity and holiness, which fits them to be waiting ones to welcome their Lord, the sun sets in gloom and darkness, and rises not again. Probation closes; Christ's intercessions cease in heaven. This time finally comes suddenly upon all, and those who have neglected to purify their souls by obeying the truth are found sleeping. They became weary of waiting and watching; they became indifferent in regard to the coming of their Master. They longed not for His appearing, and thought there was no need of such continued, persevering watching. They had been disappointed in their expectations and might be again. They concluded that there was time enough yet to arouse. They would be sure not to lose the opportunity of securing an earthly treasure. It would be safe to get all of this world they could. And in securing this object, they lost all anxiety and interest in the appearing of the Master. They became indifferent and careless, as though His coming were yet in the distance. But while their interest was buried up in their worldly gains, the work closed in the heavenly sanctuary, and they were unprepared.

"If such had only known that the work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary would close so soon, how differently would they have conducted themselves, how earnestly would they have watched! The Master, anticipating all this, gives them timely warning in the command to watch. He distinctly states the suddenness of His coming. He does not measure the time, lest we shall neglect a momentary preparation, and in our indolence look ahead to the time when we think He will come, and defer the preparation. "Watch ye therefore: for ye know not." Yet this foretold uncertainty, and suddenness at last, fails to rouse us from stupidity to earnest wakefulness, and to quicken our watchfulness for our expected Master. Those not found waiting and watching are finally surprised in their unfaithfulness. The Master comes, and instead of their being ready to open unto Him immediately, they are locked in worldly slumber, and are lost at last." - 2T 190-192

WATCH AND PRAY

- ► MATT. 24:32-35 THE PARABLE OF THE FIG TREE
- MATT. 24:36-39 THE DAYS OF NOAH
- MATT. 24:42-44 WATCH!
- REV. 3:3 I WILL COME AS A THIEF

THE SECRET THINGS BELONG TO GOD

"God has not revealed to us the time when this message will close, or when probation will have an end. Those things that are revealed we shall accept for ourselves and for our children; but let us not seek to know that which has been kept secret in the councils of the Almighty. It is our duty to watch and work and wait, to labor every moment for the souls of men that are ready to perish. We are to keep walking continually in the footsteps of Jesus, working in His lines, dispensing His gifts as good stewards of the manifold grace of God. Satan will be ready to give to anyone who is not learning every day of Jesus, a special message of his own creating, in order to make of no effect the wonderful truth for this time." - 1SM 191

NOAH'S DAY

"As the people of Noah's day 'knew not until the Flood came, and took them all away; so,' in the words of our Saviour, 'shall also the coming of the Son of man be.' Matthew 24:39. When the professed people of God are uniting with the world, living as they live, and joining with them in forbidden pleasures; when the luxury of the world becomes the luxury of the church; when the marriage bells are chiming, and all are looking forward to many years of worldly prosperity--then, suddenly as the lightning flashes from the heavens, will come the end of their bright visions and delusive hopes." - GC 338-339

WHEN WE LEAST EXPECT IT

"The Lord is anxious to save us. He is anxious that everything separating us from Him should be put away, that our hearts may beat in unison with heaven. It is time to be in Harmony with God....When probation ends, it will come suddenly, unexpectedly—at a time when we are least expecting it." - Ms 95, 1906

WHOLLY UNPREPARED

"God warned the inhabitants of the old world of what he purposed to do in cleansing the earth of its impurity. But they laughed to scorn what they regarded as a superstitious prediction. They mocked at Noah's warning of a coming flood.

"When Christ was upon the earth, he gave warning of what was coming upon Jerusalem because the people had rejected truth, despising the messages that God had sent. But his warning was unheeded.

"The Lord has sent us by his ambassadors messages of warning, declaring that the end of all things is at hand. Some will listen to these warnings, but by the vast majority they will be disregarded.

"When Lot warned the members of his family of the destruction of Sodom, they would not heed his words, but looked upon him as a fanatical enthusiast. The destruction that came found them unprepared.

"Thus will it be when Christ comes. Farmers, merchants, lawyers, tradesmen, will be wholly engrossed in business, and upon them the day of the Lord will come as a snare." - RH March 10, 1904

ENTRAPPED BY A SNARE

"When ministers, farmers, merchants, lawyers, great men, and professedly good men shall cry, Peace and safety, sudden destruction cometh. Luke reports the words of Christ, that the day of God comes as a snare—the figure of an animal prowling in the woods for prey—and lo, suddenly he is entrapped in the concealed snare of the fowler." - Ms 5, 1876

RELIGIOUS TEACHERS, FULL OF OPTIMISM

"When the reasoning of philosophy has banished the fear of God's judgments; when religious teachers are pointing forward to long ages of peace and prosperity, and the world are absorbed in their rounds of business and pleasure, planting and building, feasting and merrymaking, rejecting God's warnings and mocking His messengers--then it is that sudden destruction cometh upon them, and they shall not escape. 1 Thessalonians 5:3" - PP 104

THEY KNEW IT NOT

"When God's presence was finally withdrawn from the Jewish nation, priests and people knew it not. Though under the control of Satan, and swayed by the most horrible and malignant passions, they still regarded themselves as the chosen of God. The ministration in the temple continued; sacrifices were offered upon its polluted altars, and daily the divine blessing was invoked upon a people guilty of the blood of God's dear Son and seeking to slay His ministers and apostles. So when the irrevocable decision of the sanctuary has been pronounced and the destiny of the world has been forever fixed, the inhabitants of the earth will know it not. The forms of religion will be continued by a people from whom the Spirit of God has been finally withdrawn; and the satanic zeal with which the prince of evil will inspire them for the accomplishment of his malignant designs, will bear the semblance of zeal for God." - GC 615

MULTITUDES ARE IGNORANT

"In the prophecies the future is opened before us as plainly as it was opened to the disciples by the words of Christ. The events connected with the close of probation and the work of preparation for the time of trouble, are clearly presented. But multitudes have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed. Satan watches to catch away every impression that would make them wise unto salvation, and the time of trouble will find them unready." - GC 594

EXAMINE YOURSELVES, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

"We are now living in the great day of atonement. In the typical service, while the high priest was making the atonement for Israel, all were required to afflict their souls by repentance of sin and humiliation before the Lord, lest they be cut off from among the people. In like manner, all who would have their names retained in the book of life should now, in the few remaining days of their probation, afflict their souls before God by sorrow for sin and true repentance. There must be deep, faithful searching of heart. The light, frivolous spirit indulged by so many professed Christians must be put away. There is earnest warfare before all who would subdue the evil tendencies that strive for the mastery. The work of preparation is an individual work. We are not saved in groups. The purity and devotion of one will not offset the want of these qualities in another. Though all nations are to pass in judgment before God, yet He will examine the case of each individual with as close and searching scrutiny as if there were not another being upon the earth. Everyone must be tested and found without spot or wrinkle or any such thing.

"Solemn are the scenes connected with the closing work of the atonement. Momentous are the interests involved therein. The judgment is now passing in the sanctuary above. For many years this work has been in progress. Soon--none know how soon--it will pass to the cases of the living. In the awful presence of God our lives are to come up in review. At this time above all others it behooves every soul to heed the Saviour's admonition: 'Watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is.' Mark 13:33. 'If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.' Revelation 3:3.

"When the work of the investigative judgment closes, the destiny of all will have been decided for life or death. Probation is ended a short time before the appearing of the Lord in the clouds of heaven. Christ in the Revelation, looking forward to that time, declares: Quotes Revelation 22:11, 12.

"The righteous and the wicked will still be living upon the earth in their mortal state--men will be planting and building, eating and drinking, all unconscious that the final, irrevocable decision has been pronounced in the sanctuary above. Before the Flood, after Noah entered the ark, God shut him in and shut the ungodly out; but for seven days the people, knowing not that their doom was fixed, continued their careless, pleasure-loving life and mocked the warnings of impending judgment. 'So,' says the Saviour, 'shall also the coming of the Son of man be.' Matthew 24:39. Silently, unnoticed as the midnight thief, will come the decisive hour which marks the fixing of every man's destiny, the final withdrawal of mercy's offer to guilty men.

"'Watch ye therefore: . . . lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping.' Mark 13:35, 36. Perilous is the condition of those who, growing weary of their watch, turn to the attractions of the world. While the man of business is absorbed in the pursuit of gain, while the pleasure lover is seeking indulgence, while the daughter of fashion is arranging her adornments-it may be in that hour the Judge of all the earth will pronounce the sentence: 'Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting.' Daniel 5:27." - GC 489-491

EVERY JEWEL NUMBERED

"I was pointed down to the time when the third angel's message was closing. The power of God had rested upon His people; they had accomplished their work and were prepared for the trying hour before them. They had received the latter

rain, or refreshing from the presence of the Lord, and the living testimony had been revived. The last great warning had sounded everywhere, and it had stirred up and enraged the inhabitants of the earth who would not receive the message.

"I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven. An angel with a writer's inkhorn by his side returned from the earth and reported to Jesus that his work was done, and the saints were numbered and sealed. Then I saw Jesus, who had been ministering before the ark containing the ten commandments, throw down the censer. He raised His hands, and with a loud voice said, "It is done." And all the angelic host laid off their crowns as Jesus made the solemn declaration, "He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still."

"Every case had been decided for life or death. While Jesus had been ministering in the sanctuary, the judgment had been going on for the righteous dead, and then for the righteous living. Christ had received His kingdom, having made the atonement for His people and blotted out their sins. The subjects of the kingdom were made up. The marriage of the Lamb was consummated. And the kingdom, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, was given to Jesus and the heirs of salvation, and Jesus was to reign as King of kings and Lord of lords.

"As Jesus moved out of the most holy place, I heard the tinkling of the bells upon His garment; and as He left, a cloud of darkness covered the inhabitants of the earth. There was then no mediator between guilty man and an offended God. While Jesus had been standing between God and guilty man, a restraint was upon the people; but when He stepped out from between man and the Father, the restraint was removed and Satan had entire control of the finally impenitent. It was impossible for the plagues to be poured out while Jesus officiated in the sanctuary; but as His work there is finished, and His intercession closes, there is nothing to stay the wrath of God, and it breaks with fury upon the shelterless head of the guilty sinner, who has slighted salvation and hated reproof. In that fearful time, after the close of Jesus' mediation, the saints were living in the sight of a holy God without an intercessor. Every case was decided, every jewel numbered." - EW 279-280

PROBATIONARY TIME

"It is a solemn thing to die, but a far more solemn thing to live. Every thought and word and deed of our lives will meet us again. What we make of ourselves in probationary time, that we must remain to all eternity. Death brings dissolution to the body, but makes no change in the character. The coming of Christ does not change our characters; it only fixes them forever beyond all change." - 5T466

NO SECOND PROBATION

". . .The message presented is the last message of mercy for a fallen world. Those who have the privilege of hearing this message, and yet refuse to be enlightened, throw away their last chance. All will be tested and tried, according to the light they have had.

"Those who turn from the truth to fables can look for no second probation. There will be no temporal millennium. If, after the Holy Spirit has brought conviction to their hearts, they resist the truth, and use their influence to block the way so that others will not receive it, they will never be convinced. They did not seek for transformation of character in the probation given them, and Christ will not give them opportunity to pass over the ground again. The decision is a final one." - Lt 25, 1900

THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES

RECOMMENDED READING

- REVELATION 15 THE CLOSE OF PROBATION
- REVELATION 16 THE 7 LAST PLAGUES
- GC CHAPTER

GOD'S STRANGE ACT

"God's judgments will be visited upon those who are seeking to oppress and destroy His people. His long forbearance with the wicked emboldens men in transgression, but their punishment is nonetheless certain and terrible because it is long delayed. 'The Lord shall rise up as in Mount Perazim, He shall be wroth as in the valley of Gibeon, that He may do His work, His strange work; and bring to pass His act, His strange act.' Isaiah 28:21. To our merciful God the act of punishment is a strange act. 'As I live, saith the Lord God, I have no pleasure in the death of the wicked.' Ezekiel 33:11. The Lord is 'merciful and gracious, long-suffering, and abundant in goodness and truth, . . . forgiving iniquity and

transgression and sin.' Yet He will 'by no means clear the guilty.' 'The Lord is slow to anger, and great in power, and will not at all acquit the wicked.' Exodus 34:6, 7; Nahum 1:3. By terrible things in righteousness He will vindicate the authority of His downtrodden law. The severity of the retribution awaiting the transgressor may be judged by the Lord's reluctance to execute justice. The nation with which He bears long, and which He will not smite until it has filled up the measure of its iniquity in God's account, will finally drink the cup of wrath unmixed with mercy." - GC 627

THE 1ST & 2ND PLAGUES

"When Christ ceases His intercession in the sanctuary, the unmingled wrath threatened against those who worship the beast and his image and receive his mark (Revelation 14:9, 10), will be poured out. The plagues upon Egypt when God was about to deliver Israel were similar in character to those more terrible and extensive judgments which are to fall upon the world just before the final deliverance of God's people. Says the revelator, in describing those terrific scourges: Quotes Revelation 16:2-6." - GC 627-628

TOO LATE! TOO LATE!

"As Jesus moved out of the most holy place, I heard the tinkling of the bells upon His garment; and as He left, a cloud of darkness covered the inhabitants of the earth. There was then no mediator between guilty man and an offended God. While Jesus had been standing between God and guilty man, a restraint was upon the people; but when He stepped out from between man and the Father, the restraint was removed and Satan had entire control of the finally impenitent. It was impossible for the plagues to be poured out while Jesus officiated in the sanctuary; but as His work there is finished, and His intercession closes, there is nothing to stay the wrath of God, and it breaks with fury upon the shelterless head of the guilty sinner, who has slighted salvation and hated reproof. In that fearful time, after the close of Jesus' mediation, the saints were living in the sight of a holy God without an intercessor. Every case was decided, every jewel numbered. Jesus tarried a moment in the outer apartment of the heavenly sanctuary, and the sins which had been confessed while He was in the most holy place were placed upon Satan, the originator of sin, who must suffer their punishment.

"Then I saw Jesus lay off His priestly attire and clothe Himself with His most kingly robes. Upon His head were many crowns, a crown within a crown. Surrounded by the angelic host, He left heaven. The plagues were falling upon the inhabitants of the earth. Some were denouncing God and cursing Him. Others rushed to the people of God and begged to be taught how they might escape His judgments. But the saints had nothing for them. The last tear for sinners had been shed, the last agonizing prayer offered, the last burden borne, the last warning given. The sweet voice of mercy was no more to invite them. When the saints, and all heaven, were interested for their salvation, they had no interest for themselves. Life and death had been set before them. Many desired life, but made no effort to obtain it. They did not choose life, and now there was no atoning blood to cleanse the guilty, no compassionate Saviour to plead for them, and cry, 'Spare, spare the sinner a little longer.' All heaven had united with Jesus, as they heard the fearful words, 'It is done. It is finished.' The plan of salvation had been accomplished, but few had chosen to accept it. And as mercy's sweet voice died away, fear and horror seized the wicked. With terrible distinctness they heard the words, 'Too late! too late!' " - EW 280-281

THE WICKED SEARCH IN VAIN

"Those who had not prized God's Word were hurrying to and fro, wandering from sea to sea, and from the north to the east, to seek the Word of the Lord. Said the angel, 'They shall not find it. There is a famine in the land; not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but for hearing the words of the Lord.* What would they not give for one word of approval from God! but no, they must hunger and thirst on. Day after day have they slighted salvation, prizing earthly riches and earthly pleasure higher than any heavenly treasure or inducement. They have rejected Jesus and despised His saints. The filthy must remain filthy forever.' "- EW 281-282 - *(Amos 8:11-14; Matt. 25:1-13)

THE 3RD PLAGUE

"And 'the rivers and fountains of waters . . . became blood.' Terrible as these inflictions are, God's justice stands fully vindicated. The angel of God declares: 'Thou art righteous, O Lord, . . . because Thou hast judged thus. For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and Thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.' Revelation 16:2-6. By condemning the people of God to death, they have as truly incurred the guilt of their blood as if it had been shed by their hands. In like manner Christ declared the Jews of His time guilty of all the blood of holy men which had been shed since the days of Abel; for they possessed the same spirit and were seeking to do the same work with these murderers of the prophets." - GC 627

THE WICKED WERE ENRAGED

"Many of the wicked were greatly enraged as they suffered the effects of the plagues. It was a scene of fearful agony. Parents were bitterly reproaching their children, and children their parents, brothers their sisters, and sisters their brothers. Loud, wailing cries were heard in every direction, 'It was you who kept me from receiving the truth which would have saved me from this awful hour.' The people turned upon their ministers with bitter hate and reproached them, saying, 'You have not warned us. You told us that all the world was to be converted, and cried, Peace, peace, to quiet every fear that was aroused. You have not told us of this hour; and those who warned us of it you declared to be fanatics and evil men, who would ruin us.' But I saw that the ministers did not escape the wrath of God. Their suffering was tenfold greater than that of their people." - EW 282

THE 4TH PLAGUE

"In the plague that follows, power is given to the sun "to scorch men with fire. And men were scorched with great heat." Verses 8, 9. The prophets thus describe the condition of the earth at this fearful time: Quotes Joel 1:10-12, 17-20; Amos 8:3." - GC 628

PLAGUES 1-4 ARE NOT UNIVERSAL

"These plagues are not universal, or the inhabitants of the earth would be wholly cut off. Yet they will be the most awful scourges that have ever been known to mortals. All the judgments upon men, prior to the close of probation, have been mingled with mercy. The pleading blood of Christ has shielded the sinner from receiving the full measure of his guilt; but in the final judgment, wrath is poured out unmixed with mercy." - GC 628

THE SEVEN LAST PLAGUES

- 1 A DEADLY & SEVERE SORE FELL UPON THOSE WHO HAD THE MARK OF THE BEAST & WORSHIPPED HIS IMAGE
- 2 THE SEA BECAME AS BLOOD & EVERY LIVING SOUL DIED IN THE SEA
- 3 THE RIVERS & FOUNTAINS OF WATERS BECAME BLOOD
- 4 THE SUN SCORCHES MEN WITH FIRE & GREAT HEAT
- 5 DARKNESS FELL UPON THE SEAT OF THE BEAST & HIS KINGDOM
- 6 THE DRYING UP OF THE GREAT RIVER EUPHRATES / PREPARING THE WAY FOR THE KINGS OF THE EAST ARMAGEDDON
- 7 A VOICE FROM THE TEMPLE OF HEAVEN, SAYING, IT IS DONE. THERE WAS A GREAT EARTHQUAKE. EVERY ISLAND & MOUNTAIN FLED AWAY & THEN GREAT HAIL FELL FROM HEAVEN ABOUT 50-100 LBS.

THE 5TH PLAGUE

"With shouts of triumph, jeering, and imprecation, throngs of evil men are about to rush upon their prey, when, lo, a dense blackness, deeper than the darkness of the night, falls upon the earth. Then a rainbow, shining with the glory from the throne of God, spans the heavens and seems to encircle each praying company. The angry multitudes are suddenly arrested. Their mocking cries die away. The objects of their murderous rage are forgotten. With fearful forebodings they gaze upon the symbol of God's covenant and long to be shielded from its overpowering brightness." - GC 635-636

THE 6TH PLAGUE

- REV. 16:12 THE DRYING UP OF THE GREAT RIVER EUPHRATES
- NOTE: SEE CHART ON TYPOLOGY

ANCIENT BABYLON	MODERN BABYLON
JER. 51:12-13 - DWELLS UPON MANY WATERS	REV. 17:15 - SITS ON THE WATERS
ISA. 44:27-28; 45:1 - DRY UP THY RIVERS	REV. 16:12 - THE WATERS ARE DRIED UP / REV. 17:16-17; GC 655-656
JER. 51:28-29; ISA. 41:2; 46:11 - KINGS FROM THE EAST COME & DESTROY BABYLON	MATT. 24:27; EZE. 43:1-2; EW 15, 41; GC 640-642 - JESUS CHRIST COMES FROM THE EAST & DESTROYS SPIRITUAL BABYLON

- REV. 16:13-16 THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON
- NOTE: SEE STUDY ON ARMAGEDDON

ARMAGEDDON

RECOMMENDED READING

- ARMAGEDDON BEFORE PROBATION CLOSES:
 - 1) GC CHAPTER 34-38
 - 2) 4SP CHAPTER 30-33
 - 3) EW 262-279
- ARMAGEDDON AFTER PROBATION CLOSES:
 - 1) GC CHAPTER 39-40
 - 2) 4SP CHAPTER 34-35
 - 3) EW 279-289

ARMAGEDDON

- ► REV. 16:13-16 THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON
- THE THREEFOLD UNION:
 - 1)THE BEAST REV. 13:1-10
 - 2)THE DRAGON REV. 12:9; GEN. 3:1-4
 - 3)THE FLASE PROPHET REV. 19:19-20; 13:11-17
- READ STATEMENTS:

WE ARE TO UNDERSTAND THE BATTLE OF ARMAGEDDON

"We are to understand the progress of events in the marshalling of the nations for the final conflict of the great controversy." - 8T 307

ALL THE WORLD WILL BE INVOLVED

"Every form of evil is to spring into intense activity. Evil angels unite their powers with evil men and, as they have been in constant conflict and attained an experience in the best modes of deception and battle, and have been strengthening for centuries, they will not yield the last great final contest without a desperate struggle. All the world will be on one side or the other of the question. The battle of Armageddon will be fought. And that day must find none of us sleeping....the Captain of the Lord's host will stand at the head of the angels of heaven to direct the battle." - Lt. 112, 1890

THE 7TH VIAL & ARMAGEDDON

"We need to study the pouring out of the seventh vial. The powers of evil will not yield up the conflict without a struggle. But Providence has a part to act in the battle of Armageddon. When the earth is lighted with the glory of the angel of Revelation eighteen, the religious elements, good and evil, will awake from slumber, and the armies of the living God will take the field." - MS. 175, 1899

THE FINAL CONTROVERSY IS OVER THE LAW OF GOD

"The last great conflict between truth and error is but the final struggle of the long-standing controversy concerning the law of God. Upon this battle we are now entering--a battle between the laws of men and the precepts of Jehovah, between the religion of the Bible and the religion of fable and tradition." - GC 582

THE SABBATH IS THE ISSUE

"The Sabbath question is to be the issue in the great final conflict in which all the world will act a part." - 6T 352

UNITED OPPOSITION TO THE SABBATH

"Revelation 17:13, 14 quoted. 'These have one mind.' There will be a universal bond of union, one great harmony, a confederacy of Satan's forces. 'And shall give their power and strength unto the beast.'In the warfare to be waged in the last days there will be united, in opposition to God's people, all the corrupt powers that have apostatized from allegiance to the law of Jehovah. In this warfare the Sabbath of the fourth commandment will be the great point at issue." - 7BC 983

ENFORCING THE PAPAL SABBATH

"It is no time now for God's people to be fixing their affections or laying up their treasure in the world. The time is not far distant, when, like the early disciples, we shall be forced to seek a refuge in desolate and solitary places. As the siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies was the signal for flight to the Judean Christians, so the assumption of power on the part of our nation, in the decree enforcing the papal sabbath, will be a warning to us. It will then be time to leave the large cities, preparatory to leaving the smaller ones for retired homes in secluded places among the mountains." - 5T 464-465

THE THREEFOLD UNION

"Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of Spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of Spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience." - *GC* 588

GIVING LIFE TO TYRANNY

"When our nation shall so abjure the principles of its government as to enact a Sunday law, Protestantism will in this act join hands with popery; it will be nothing else than giving life to the tyranny which has long been eagerly watching its opportunity to spring again into active despotism." - 5T 712

THE MARVELOUS WORKING OF SATAN

"By the decree of enforcing the institution of the Papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with Spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and Republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan, and that the end is near.

"As the approach of the Roman armies was a sign to the disciples of the impending destruction of Jerusalem, so may this apostasy be a sign to us that the limit of God's forbearance is reached, that the measure of our nation's iniquity is full, and that the angel of mercy is about to take her flight, never to return. The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction and distress which prophets have described as the time of Jacob's trouble." - 5T 451

SATAN COUNTERFEITS DEPARTED FRIENDS

"He [Satan] has power to bring before men the appearance of their departed friends. The counterfeit is perfect; the familiar look, the words, the tone, are reproduced with marvelous distinctness. Many are comforted with the assurance that their loved ones are enjoying the bliss of heaven, and without suspicion of danger, they give ear "to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils."

"When they have been led to believe that the dead actually return to communicate with them, Satan causes those to appear who went into the grave unprepared. They claim to be happy in heaven and even to occupy exalted positions there, and thus the error is widely taught that no difference is made between the righteous and the wicked. The pretended

visitants from the world of spirits sometimes utter cautions and warnings which prove to be correct. Then, as confidence is gained, they present doctrines that directly undermine faith in the Scriptures. With an appearance of deep interest in the well-being of their friends on earth, they insinuate the most dangerous errors. The fact that they state some truths, and are able at times to foretell future events, gives to their statements an appearance of reliability; and their false teachings are accepted by the multitudes as readily, and believed as implicitly, as if they were the most sacred truths of the Bible." - *GC* 552

DEVILS PERSONATING RELATIVES

"Many will be confronted by the spirits of devils personating beloved relatives or friends and declaring the most dangerous heresies. These visitants will appeal to our tenderest sympathies and will work miracles to sustain their pretensions. We must be prepared to withstand them with the Bible truth that the dead know not anything and that they who thus appear are the spirits of devils.

"Just before us is 'the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.' Revelation 3:10. All whose faith is not firmly established upon the word of God will be deceived and overcome." - *GC* 560

SATAN APPEARS AS AN ANGEL OF LIGHT

"As spiritualism more closely imitates the nominal Christianity of the day, it has greater power to deceive and ensnare. Satan himself is converted, after the modern order of things. He will appear in the character of an angel of light.

Through the agency of spiritualism, miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and many undeniable wonders will be performed. And as the spirits will profess faith in the Bible, and manifest respect for the institutions of the church, their work will be accepted as a manifestation of divine power." - GC 588

SATAN INCITES NATIONS TO WAR

"Through spiritualism, Satan appears as a benefactor of the race, healing the diseases of the people, and professing to present a new and more exalted system of religious faith; but at the same time he works as a destroyer. His temptations are leading multitudes to ruin. Intemperance dethrones reason; sensual indulgence, strife, and bloodshed follow. Satan delights in war, for it excites the worst passions of the soul and then sweeps into eternity its victims steeped in vice and blood. It is his object to incite the nations to war against one another, for he can thus divert the minds of the people from the work of preparation to stand in the day of God." - GC 589

THE SAINTS ARE ACCUSED OF BRING ON THE CALAMITIES

"While appearing to the children of men as a great physician who can heal all their maladies, Satan will bring disease and disaster, until populous cities are reduced to ruin and desolation. Even now he is at work. In accidents and calamities by sea and by land, in great conflagrations, in fierce tornadoes and terrific hailstorms, in tempests, floods, cyclones, tidal waves, and earthquakes, in every place and in a thousand forms, Satan is exercising his power. He sweeps away the ripening harvest, and famine and distress follow. He imparts to the air a deadly taint, and thousands perish by the pestilence. These visitations are to become more and more frequent and disastrous. Destruction will be upon both man and beast

"And then the great deceiver will persuade men that those who serve God are causing these evils. The class that have provoked the displeasure of Heaven will charge all their troubles upon those whose obedience to God's commandments is a perpetual reproof to transgressors. It will be declared that men are offending God by the violation of the Sunday sabbath; that this sin has brought calamities which will not cease until Sunday observance shall be strictly enforced; and that those who present the claims of the fourth commandment, thus destroying reverence for Sunday, are troublers of the people, preventing their restoration to divine favor and temporal prosperity." - *GC* 589-590

EVIL SPIRITS WILL ENCOURAGE SUNDAY OBSERVANCE

"The miracle-working power manifested through spiritualism will exert its influence against those who choose to obey God rather than men. Communications from the spirits will declare that God has sent them to convince the rejecters of Sunday of their error, affirming that the laws of the land should be obeyed as the law of God. They will lament the great wickedness in the world and second the testimony of religious teachers that the degraded state of morals is caused by the desecration of Sunday. Great will be the indignation excited against all who refuse to accept their testimony....While Satan seeks to destroy those who honor God's law, he will cause them to be accused as lawbreakers, as men who are dishonoring God and bringing judgments upon the world." - GC 590-591

THE SOON-COMING CONFLICT

"Those who honor the Bible Sabbath will be denounced as enemies of law and order, as breaking down the moral restraints of society, causing anarchy and corruption, and calling down the judgments of God upon the earth. Their conscientious scruples will be pronounced obstinacy, stubbornness, and contempt of authority.

They will be accused of disaffection toward the government. Ministers who deny the obligation of the divine law will present from the pulpit the duty of yielding obedience to the civil authorities as ordained of God. In legislative halls and courts of justice, commandment keepers will be misrepresented and condemned. A false coloring will be given to their words; the worst construction will be put upon their motives.

"As the Protestant churches reject the clear, Scriptural arguments in defense of God's law, they will long to silence those whose faith they cannot overthrow by the Bible. Though they blind their own eyes to the fact, they are now adopting a course which will lead to the persecution of those who conscientiously refuse to do what the rest of the Christian world are doing, and acknowledge the claims of the papal sabbath.

"The dignitaries of church and state will unite to bribe, persuade, or compel all classes to honor the Sunday. The lack of divine authority will be supplied by oppressive enactments. Political corruption is destroying love of justice and regard for truth; and even in free America, rulers and legislators, in order to secure public favor, will yield to the popular demand for a law enforcing Sunday observance. Liberty of conscience, which has cost so great a sacrifice, will no longer be respected. In the soon-coming conflict we shall see exemplified the prophet's words: 'The dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.' Revelation 12:17." - GC 592

NATIONAL APOSTASY LEADS TO NATIONAL RUIN

"Our land (USA) is in jeopardy. The time is drawing on when its legislators shall so abjure the principles of Protestantism as to give countenance to Romish apostasy. The people for whom God has so marvelously wrought, strengthening them to throw off the galling yoke of popery, will by a national act give vigor to the corrupt faith of Rome, and thus arouse the tyranny which only waits for a touch to start again into cruelty and despotism. With rapid steps are we already approaching this period. When Protestant churches shall seek the support of the secular power, thus following the example of that apostate church, for opposing which their ancestors endured the fiercest persecution, then will there be a national apostasy which will end only in national ruin." - 4SP 410

FALSE SHEPHERDS

"The wrath of God in the seven last plagues had been visited upon the inhabitants of the earth, causing them to gnaw their tongues from pain and to curse God. The false shepherds had been the signal objects of Jehovah's wrath. Their eyes had consumed away in their holes, and their tongues in their mouths, while they stood upon their feet." - EW 289-290

THE 7TH PLAGUE - GREAT HAILSTONES

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SUFFERING, BUT NOT FORSAKEN

"The people of God will not be free from suffering; but while persecuted and distressed, while they endure privation and suffer for want of food they will not be left to perish. That God who cared for Elijah will not pass by one of His self-sacrificing children. He who numbers the hairs of their head will care for them, and in time of famine they shall be

satisfied. While the wicked are dying from hunger and pestilence, angels will shield the righteous and supply their wants." - GC 629

OUR GOD WILL PROVIDE

- ISAIAH 33:15-16
- ► ISAIAH 41:17
- HABAKKUK 3:17-18
- PSALM 121:5-7
- PSALM 91:3-10
- ► 2 CORINTHIANS 4:8-9

JACOB'S TIME OF TROUBLE

ANALYSIS OF DANIEL 12:1-3

- VS.1a THE CLOSE OF PROBATION & THE TIME OF TROUBLE
- RECOMMENDED READING GC CHAP. 39 THE TIME OF TROUBLE; 4SP CHAP. 34 THRE TIME OF TROUBLE
- READ SOP STATEMENTS

NATIONS ARE EAGER FOR WAR

"Four mighty angels hold back the powers of this earth till the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads. The nations of the world are eager for conflict; but they are held in check by the angels. When this restraining power is removed, there will come a time of trouble and anguish. Deadly instruments of warfare will be invented. Vessels, with their living cargo, will be entombed in the great deep. All who have not the spirit of truth will unite under the leadership of satanic agencies. But they are to be kept under control till the time shall come for the great battle of Armageddon." - *Lt.* 79, 1900

NO PEN CAN PICTURE

"Today the signs of the times declare that we are standing on the threshold of great and solemn events. Everything in our world is in agitation....

"The present is a time of overwhelming interest to all living. Rulers and statesmen, men who occupy positions of trust and authority, thinking men and women of all classes, have their attention fixed upon the events taking place about us. They are watching the strained, restless relations that exist among the nations. They observe the intensity that is taking possession of every earthly element, and they recognize that something great and decisive is about to take place--that the world is on the verge of a stupendous crisis.

"Angels are now restraining the winds of strife, that they may not blow until the world shall be warned of its coming doom; but a storm is gathering, ready to burst upon the earth; and when God shall bid His angels loose the winds, there will be such a scene of strife as no pen can picture." - Ed 179-180

MANY WILL BE LAID TO SLEEP

"The Lord knows whether or not those for whom petitions are offered would be able to endure the trial and test that would come upon them if they lived. He knows the end from the beginning. Many will be laid away to sleep before the fiery ordeal of the time of trouble shall come upon our world." - CH 375

MANY LITTLE ONES

"The Lord has often instructed me that many little ones are to be laid away before the time of trouble. We shall see our children again. We shall meet them and know them in the heavenly courts. Put your trust in the Lord, and be not afraid." - 2SM 259

MANY CHILDREN

"Ere long we are to be brought into strait and trying places, and the many children brought into the world will in mercy be taken away before the time of trouble comes." - 3SM 419

ONE GREAT FINAL TROUBLE

"When the third angel's message closes, mercy no longer pleads for the guilty inhabitants of the earth. The people of God have accomplished their work. They have received 'the latter rain,' 'the refreshing from the presence of the Lord,' and they are prepared for the trying hour before them. Angels are hastening to and fro in heaven. An angel returning from the earth announces that his work is done; the final test has been brought upon the world, and all who have proved themselves loyal to the divine precepts have received 'the seal of the living God.' Then Jesus ceases His intercession in the sanctuary above. He lifts His hands and with a loud voice says, 'It is done;' and all the angelic host lay off their crowns as He makes the solemn announcement: Quotes Revelation 22:11. Every case has been decided for life or death. Christ has made the atonement for His people and blotted out their sins. The number of His subjects is made up; 'the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven,' is about to be given to the heirs of salvation, and Jesus is to reign as King of kings and Lord of lords.

"When He leaves the sanctuary, darkness covers the inhabitants of the earth. In that fearful time the righteous must live in the sight of a holy God without an intercessor. The restraint which has been upon the wicked is removed, and Satan has entire control of the finally impenitent. God's long-suffering has ended. The world has rejected His mercy, despised His love, and trampled upon His law. The wicked have passed the boundary of their probation; the Spirit of God, persistently resisted, has been at last withdrawn. Unsheltered by divine grace, they have no protection from the wicked one. Satan will then plunge the inhabitants of the earth into one great, final trouble. As the angels of God cease to hold in check the fierce winds of human passion, all the elements of strife will be let loose. The whole world will be involved in ruin more terrible than that which came upon Jerusalem of old." - GC 613-614

THE TIME OF JACOB'S TROUBLE

"The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction and distress described by the prophet as the time of Jacob's trouble. Quotes Jeremiah 30:5-7.

"Jacob's night of anguish, when he wrestled in prayer for deliverance from the hand of Esau (Genesis 32:24-30), represents the experience of God's people in the time of trouble....

"As Satan influenced Esau to march against Jacob, so he will stir up the wicked to destroy God's people in the time of trouble. And as he accused Jacob, he will urge his accusations against the people of God. He numbers the world as his subjects; but the little company who keep the commandments of God are resisting his supremacy. If he could blot them from the earth, his triumph would be complete. He sees that holy angels are guarding them, and he infers that their sins have been pardoned; but he does not know that their cases have been decided in the sanctuary above. He has an accurate knowledge of the sins which he has tempted them to commit, and he presents these before God in the most exaggerated light, representing this people to be just as deserving as himself of exclusion from the favor of God. He declares that the Lord cannot in justice forgive their sins and yet destroy him and his angels. He claims them as his prey and demands that they be given into his hands to destroy." - GC 616-618

A NIGHT OF AFFLICTION

"As Satan accuses the people of God on account of their sins, the Lord permits him to try them to the uttermost. Their confidence in God, their faith and firmness, will be severely tested. As they review the past, their hopes sink; for in their whole lives they can see little good. They are fully conscious of their weakness and unworthiness. Satan endeavors to terrify them with the thought that their cases are hopeless, that the stain of their defilement will never be washed away. He hopes so to destroy their faith that they will yield to his temptations and turn from their allegiance to God.

"Though God's people will be surrounded by enemies who are bent upon their destruction, yet the anguish which they suffer is not a dread of persecution for the truth's sake; they fear that every sin has not been repented of, and that through some fault in themselves they will fail to realize the fulfillment of the Saviour's promise: I 'will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world.' Revelation 3:10. If they could have the assurance of pardon they would not shrink from torture or death; but should they prove unworthy, and lose their lives because of their own defects of character, then God's holy name would be reproached.

"On every hand they hear the plottings of treason and see the active working of rebellion; and there is aroused within them an intense desire, an earnest yearning of soul, that this great apostasy may be terminated and the wickedness of the wicked may come to an end. But while they plead with God to stay the work of rebellion, it is with a keen sense of self-reproach that they themselves have no more power to resist and urge back the mighty tide of evil. They feel that had they always employed all their ability in the service of Christ, going forward from strength to strength, Satan's forces would have less power to prevail against them.

"They afflict their souls before God, pointing to their past repentance of their many sins, and pleading the Saviour's promise: 'Let him take hold of My strength, that he may make peace with Me; and he shall make peace with Me.' Isaiah 27:5. Their faith does not fail because their prayers are not immediately answered. Though suffering the keenest anxiety, terror, and distress, they do not cease their intercessions. They lay hold of the strength of God as Jacob laid hold of the Angel; and the language of their souls is: 'I will not let Thee go, except Thou bless me.'

"Had not Jacob previously repented of his sin in obtaining the birthright by fraud, God would not have heard his prayer and mercifully preserved his life. So, in the time of trouble, if the people of God had unconfessed sins to appear before them while tortured with fear and anguish, they would be overwhelmed; despair would cut off their faith, and they could not have confidence to plead with God for deliverance. But while they have a deep sense of their unworthiness, they have no concealed wrongs to reveal. Their sins have gone beforehand to judgment and have been blotted out, and they cannot bring them to remembrance." - *GC* 618-620

A SOLEMN WARNING

"Satan leads many to believe that God will overlook their unfaithfulness in the minor affairs of life; but the Lord shows in His dealings with Jacob that He will in no wise sanction or tolerate evil. All who endeavor to excuse or conceal their sins, and permit them to remain upon the books of heaven, unconfessed and unforgiven, will be overcome by Satan. The more exalted their profession and the more honorable the position which they hold, the more grievous is their course in the sight of God and the more sure the triumph of their great adversary. Those who delay a preparation for the day of God cannot obtain it in the time of trouble or at any subsequent time. The case of all such is hopeless." - *GC* 620

A PERSEVERING FAITH IS REQUIRED

"The season of distress and anguish before us will require a faith that can endure weariness, delay, and hunger--a faith that will not faint though severely tried. The period of probation is granted to all to prepare for that time. Jacob prevailed because he was persevering and determined. His victory is an evidence of the power of importunate [PERSISTENT, SEE LK. 18:1-8] prayer. All who will lay hold of God's promises, as he did, and be as earnest and persevering as he was, will succeed as he succeeded. Those who are unwilling to deny self, to agonize before God, to pray long and earnestly for His blessing, will not obtain it....

"Those who exercise but little faith now, are in the greatest danger of falling under the power of satanic delusions and the decree to compel the conscience. And even if they endure the test they will be plunged into deeper distress and anguish in the time of trouble, because they have never made it a habit to trust in God. The lessons of faith which they have neglected they will be forced to learn under a terrible pressure of discouragement." - GC 621-622

THE MAGNITUDE OF THE ORDEAL IS GREATER THEN WE THINK

"The 'time of trouble, such as never was,' is soon to open upon us; and we shall need an experience which we do not now possess and which many are too indolent to obtain. It is often the case that trouble is greater in anticipation than in reality; but this is not true of the crisis before us. The most vivid presentation cannot reach the magnitude of the ordeal." - GC 622

PERFECT IN CHRIST

"Now, while our great High Priest is making the atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ. Not even by a thought could our Saviour be brought to yield to the power of temptation. Satan finds in human hearts some point where he can gain a foothold; some sinful desire is cherished, by means of which his temptations assert their power. But Christ declared of Himself: "The prince of this world cometh, and hath nothing in Me." John 14:30. Satan could find nothing in the Son of God that would enable him to gain the victory. He had kept His Father's commandments, and there was no sin in Him that Satan could use to his advantage. This is the condition in which those must be found who shall stand in the time of trouble." - GC 623

SATAN DOES NOT KNOW THAT THE SAINTS ARE PARDONED

"As we approach the perils of the last days, the temptations of the enemy become stronger and more determined. Satan has come down in great power, knowing that his time is short; and he is working "with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish." The warning comes to us through God's Word that, if it were possible, he would deceive the very elect.

"Wonderful events are soon to open before the world. The end of all things is at hand. The time of trouble is about to come upon the people of God. Then it is that the decree will go forth forbidding those who keep the Sabbath of the Lord

to buy or sell, and threatening them with punishment, and even death, if they do not observe the first day of the week as the Sabbath.

"Quotes Daniel 12:1....In the time of trouble, Satan stirs up the wicked, and they encircle the people of God to destroy them. But he does not know that "pardon" has been written opposite their names in the books of heaven. He does not know that the command has been given, "Take away the filthy garments" from them, clothe them with "change of raiment," and set "a fair miter" upon their heads." - RH, November 19, 1908

THE CROWING ACT IN THE GREAT DRAMA*

"Fearful sights of a supernatural character will soon be revealed in the heavens, in token of the power of miracle-working demons. The spirits of devils will go forth to the kings of the earth and to the whole world, to fasten them in deception, and urge them on to unite with Satan in his last struggle against the government of heaven. By these agencies, rulers and subjects will be alike deceived....

"As the crowning act in the great drama of deception, Satan himself will personate Christ. The church has long professed to look to the Saviour's advent as the consummation of her hopes. Now the great deceiver will make it appear that Christ has come. In different parts of the earth, Satan will manifest himself among men as a majestic being of dazzling brightness, resembling the description of the Son of God given by John in the Revelation. Revelation 1:13-15. The glory that surrounds him is unsurpassed by anything that mortal eyes have yet beheld. The shout of triumph rings out upon the air: 'Christ has come! Christ has come!' The people prostrate themselves in adoration before him, while he lifts up his hands and pronounces a blessing upon them, as Christ blessed His disciples when He was upon the earth. His voice is soft and subdued, yet full of melody. In gentle, compassionate tones he presents some of the same gracious, heavenly truths which the Saviour uttered; he heals the diseases of the people, and then, in his assumed character of Christ, he claims to have changed the Sabbath to Sunday, and commands all to hallow the day which he has blessed. He declares that those who persist in keeping holy the seventh day are blaspheming his name by refusing to listen to his angels sent to them with light and truth. This is the strong, almost overmastering delusion....But the people of God will not be misled." - GC 624-625

THE SCRIPTURES OUR SAFEGUARD

"Only those who have been diligent students of the Scriptures and who have received the love of the truth will be shielded from the powerful delusion that takes the world captive. By the Bible testimony these will detect the deceiver in his disguise. To all the testing time will come. By the sifting of temptation the genuine Christian will be revealed. Are the people of God now so firmly established upon His word that they would not yield to the evidence of their senses? Would they, in such a crisis, cling to the Bible and the Bible only? Satan will, if possible, prevent them from obtaining a preparation to stand in that day. He will so arrange affairs as to hedge up their way, entangle them with earthly treasures, cause them to carry a heavy, wearisome burden, that their hearts may be overcharged with the cares of this life and the day of trial may come upon them as a thief." - GC 625-626

THE LAST CONFLICT*

"In the last conflict the Sabbath will be the special point of controversy throughout all Christendom. Secular rulers and religious leaders will unite to enforce the observance of the Sunday; and as milder measures fail, the most oppressive laws will be enacted. It will be urged that the few who stand in opposition to an institution of the church and a law of the land ought not to be tolerated, and a decree will finally be issued denouncing them as deserving of the severest punishment, and giving the people liberty, after a certain time, to put them to death. Romanism in the Old World, and apostate Protestantism in the New, will pursue a similar course toward those who honor the divine precepts." - 4SP 444-445

THE DEATH DECREE - GC

"As the decree issued by the various rulers of Christendom against commandment keepers shall withdraw the protection of government and abandon them to those who desire their destruction, the people of God will flee from the cities and villages and associate together in companies, dwelling in the most desolate and solitary places. Many will find refuge in the strongholds of the mountains....But many of all nations and of all classes, high and low, rich and poor, black and white, will be cast into the most unjust and cruel bondage. The beloved of God pass weary days, bound in chains, shut in by prison bars, sentenced to be slain, some apparently left to die of starvation in dark and loathsome dungeons. No human ear is open to hear their moans; no human hand is ready to lend them help." - GC 626

THE DEATH DECREE – EW

"I saw the saints leaving the cities and villages, and associating together in companies, and living in the most solitary places. Angels provided them food and water, while the wicked were suffering from hunger and thirst. Then I saw the leading men of the earth consulting together, and Satan and his angels busy around them. I saw a writing, copies of which were scattered in different parts of the land, giving orders that unless the saints should yield their peculiar faith, give up the Sabbath, and observe the first day of the week, the people were at liberty after a certain time to put them to death. But in this hour of trial the saints were calm and composed, trusting in God and leaning upon His promise that a way of escape would be made for them. In some places, before the time for the decree to be executed, the wicked rushed upon the saints to slay them; but angels in the form of men of war fought for them. Satan wished to have the privilege of destroying the saints of the Most High; but Jesus bade His angels watch over them....

"Soon I saw the saints suffering great mental anguish. They seemed to be surrounded by the wicked inhabitants of the earth. Every appearance was against them. Some began to fear that God had at last left them to perish by the hand of the wicked. But if their eyes could have been opened, they would have seen themselves surrounded by angels of God.

Next came the multitude of the angry wicked, and next a mass of evil angels, hurrying on the wicked to slay the saints. But before they could approach God's people, the wicked must first pass this company of mighty, holy angels. This was impossible. The angels of God were causing them to recede and also causing the evil angels who were pressing around them to fall back." - *EW* 282-283

THE HEAVENLY SENTINELS

"Could men see with heavenly vision, they would behold companies of angels that excel in strength stationed about those who have kept the word of Christ's patience. With sympathizing tenderness, angels have witnessed their distress, and have heard their prayers....

"The heavenly sentinels, faithful to their trust, continue their watch. In some cases, before the time specified in the decree, enemies will rush upon the waiting ones to put them to death. But none can pass the mighty guardians stationed about every faithful soul. Some are assailed in their flight from the cities and villages; but the swords raised against them break and fall as powerless as a straw. Others are defended by angels in the form of men of war." - 4SP 447

THE LORD WILL NOT FORGET

"Will the Lord forget His people in this trying hour? Did He forget faithful Noah when judgments were visited upon the antediluvian world? Did He forget Lot when the fire came down from heaven to consume the cities of the plain? Did He forget Joseph surrounded by idolaters in Egypt? Did He forget Elijah when the oath of Jezebel threatened him with the fate of the prophets of Baal? Did He forget Jeremiah in the dark and dismal pit of his prison house? Did He forget the three worthies in the fiery furnace? or Daniel in the den of lions?" - *GC* 626

THE LORD SHALL PROVIDE

"The Lord has shown me repeatedly that it is contrary to the Bible to make any provision for our temporal wants in the time of trouble. I saw that if the saints had food laid up by them or in the field in the time of trouble, when sword, famine, and pestilence are in the land, it would be taken from them by violent hands and strangers would reap their fields. Then will be the time for us to trust wholly in God, and He will sustain us. I saw that our bread and water will be sure at that time, and that we shall not lack or suffer hunger; for God is able to spread a table for us in the wilderness. If necessary He would send ravens to feed us, as He did to feed Elijah, or rain manna from heaven, as He did for the Israelites." - EW 56

SACRIFICE WHILE YOU CAN, BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE

"Houses and lands will be of no use to the saints in the time of trouble, for they will then have to flee before infuriated mobs, and at that time their possessions cannot be disposed of to advance the cause of present truth. I was shown that it is the will of God that the saints should cut loose from every encumbrance before the time of trouble comes, and make a covenant with God through sacrifice. If they have their property on the altar and earnestly inquire of God for duty, He will teach them when to dispose of these things. Then they will be free in the time of trouble and have no clogs to weigh them down.

"I saw that if any held on to their property and did not inquire of the Lord as to their duty, He would not make duty known, and they would be permitted to keep their property, and in the time of trouble it would come up before them like a mountain to crush them, and they would try to dispose of it, but would not be able." - EW 56-57

EVERYONE MUST STAND THE TEST FOR HIMSELF

"And the command goes forth to the angels to protect them. Then in the day of fierce trial he will say, 'Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy doors about thee: hide thyself as it were for a little moment, until the indignation be overpast.' (Isa. 26:20) What are the chambers in which they are to hide?--They are the protection of Christ and holy angels. The people of God are not at this time all in one place. They are in different companies, and in all parts of the earth; and they will be tried singly, not in groups. Every one must stand the test for himself." - *RH*, *November 19*, 1908

THE DELIVERANCE OF THE SAINTS

RECOMMENDED READING

- GC CHAP. 40 GOD'S PEOPLE DELIVERED
- 4SP CHAP. 35 GOD'S PEOPLE DELIVERED
- ► EW 285-288 DELIVERANCE OF THE SAINTS

DETERMINED TO STRIKE A DECISIVE BLOW

"When the protection of human laws shall be withdrawn from those who honor the law of God, there will be, in different lands, a simultaneous movement for their destruction. As the time appointed in the decree draws near, the people will conspire to root out the hated sect. It will be determined to strike in one night a decisive blow, which shall utterly silence the voice of dissent and reproof." - GC 635

THE HOUR OF UTMOST EXTREMITY

"The people of God--some in prison cells, some hidden in solitary retreats in the forests and the mountains--still plead for divine protection, while in every quarter companies of armed men, urged on by hosts of evil angels, are preparing for the work of death. It is now, in the hour of utmost extremity, that the God of Israel will interpose for the deliverance of His chosen. Saith the Lord; Quotes Isaiah 30:29, 30." - GC 635

A DENSE BLACKNESS

"With shouts of triumph, jeering, and imprecation, throngs of evil men are about to rush upon their prey, when, lo, a dense blackness, deeper than the darkness of the night, falls upon the earth. Then a rainbow, shining with the glory from the throne of God, spans the heavens and seems to encircle each praying company. The angry multitudes are suddenly arrested. Their mocking cries die away. The objects of their murderous rage are forgotten. With fearful forebodings they gaze upon the symbol of God's covenant and long to be shielded from its overpowering brightness." - GC 635-636

THE MIDNIGHT DELIVERANCE

"It is at midnight that God manifests his power for the deliverance of his people. The sun appears shining in its strength. Startling signs and wonders follow in quick succession. The wicked look with terror and amazement upon the scene, while the righteous behold with solemn joy the tokens of their deliverance. Everything in nature seems turned out of its course. The streams cease to flow. Dark, heavy clouds come up, and clash against each other. In the midst of the angry heavens is one clear space of indescribable glory, whence comes the voice of God like the sound of many waters, saying, 'It is done.' " - 4SP 453

THE 7TH PLAGUE - GREAT HAILSTONES

"That voice shakes the heavens and the earth. There is a mighty earthquake, 'such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.' Verses 17, 18. The firmament appears to open and shut. The glory from the throne of God seems flashing through. The mountains shake like a reed in the wind, and ragged rocks are scattered on every side. There is a roar as of a coming tempest. The sea is lashed into fury. There is heard the shriek of a hurricane like the voice of demons upon a mission of destruction. The whole earth heaves and swells like the waves of the sea. Its surface is breaking up. Its very foundations seem to be giving way. Mountain chains are sinking. Inhabited islands disappear. The seaports that have become like Sodom for wickedness are swallowed up by the angry waters. Babylon the great has come in remembrance before God, 'to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.' Great hailstones, every one 'about the weight of a talent,' are doing their work of destruction. Verses 19, 21. The proudest cities of the earth are laid low. The lordly palaces, upon which the world's great men have lavished their wealth in order to

glorify themselves, are crumbling to ruin before their eyes. Prison walls are rent asunder, and God's people, who have been held in bondage for their faith, are set free." - GC 636-637

THE 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. 'They also which pierced Him' (Revelation 1:7), those that mocked and derided Christ's dying agonies, and the most violent opposers of His truth and His people, are raised to behold Him in His glory and to see the honor placed upon the loyal and obedient.

"Thick clouds still cover the sky; yet the sun now and then breaks through, appearing like the avenging eye of Jehovah. Fierce lightnings leap from the heavens, enveloping the earth in a sheet of flame. Above the terrific roar of thunder, voices, mysterious and awful, declare the doom of the wicked. The words spoken are not comprehended by all; but they are distinctly understood by the false teachers. Those who a little before were so reckless, so boastful and defiant, so exultant in their cruelty to God's commandment-keeping people, are now overwhelmed with consternation and shuddering in fear. Their wails are heard above the sound of the elements. Demons acknowledge the deity of Christ and tremble before His power, while men are supplicating for mercy and groveling in abject terror." - GC 637-638

THEN APPEARS THE LAW OF GOD

"Through a rift in the clouds there beams a star whose brilliancy is increased fourfold in contrast with the darkness. It speaks hope and joy to the faithful, but severity and wrath to the transgressors of God's law. Those who have sacrificed all for Christ are now secure, hidden as in the secret of the Lord's pavilion. They have been tested, and before the world and the despisers of truth they have evinced their fidelity to Him who died for them. A marvelous change has come over those who have held fast their integrity in the very face of death. They have been suddenly delivered from the dark and terrible tyranny of men transformed to demons. Their faces, so lately pale, anxious, and haggard, are now aglow with wonder, faith, and love. Their voices rise in triumphant song: Quotes Psalm 46:1-3.

"While these words of holy trust ascend to God, the clouds sweep back, and the starry heavens are seen, unspeakably glorious in contrast with the black and angry firmament on either side. The glory of the celestial city streams from the gates ajar. Then there appears against the sky a hand holding two tables of stone folded together. Says the prophet: "The heavens shall declare His righteousness: for God is judge Himself." Psalm 50:6. That holy law, God's righteousness, that amid thunder and flame was proclaimed from Sinai as the guide of life, is now revealed to men as the rule of judgment. The hand opens the tables, and there are seen the precepts of the Decalogue, traced as with a pen of fire. The words are so plain that all can read them. Memory is aroused, the darkness of superstition and heresy is swept from every mind, and God's ten words, brief, comprehensive, and authoritative, are presented to the view of all the inhabitants of the earth.

"It is impossible to describe the horror and despair of those who have trampled upon God's holy requirements." - GC 638-639

UNFAITHFUL MINISTERS

"The enemies of God's law, from the ministers down to the least among them, have a new conception of truth and duty. Too late they see that the Sabbath of the fourth commandment is the seal of the living God. Too late they see the true nature of their spurious sabbath and the sandy foundation upon which they have been building. They find that they have been fighting against God. Religious teachers have led souls to perdition while professing to guide them to the gates of Paradise. Not until the day of final accounts will it be known how great is the responsibility of men in holy office and how terrible are the results of their unfaithfulness. Only in eternity can we rightly estimate the loss of a single soul. Fearful will be the doom of him to whom God shall say: Depart, thou wicked servant." - *GC* 640

GOD DECLARES THE DAY & THE HOUR OF HIS COMING - GC

"The voice of God is heard from heaven, declaring the day and hour of Jesus' coming, and delivering the everlasting covenant to His people. Like peals of loudest thunder His words roll through the earth. The Israel of God stand listening, with their eyes fixed upward. Their countenances are lighted up with His glory, and shine as did the face of Moses when he came down from Sinai. The wicked cannot look upon them. And when the blessing is pronounced on those who have honored God by keeping His Sabbath holy, there is a mighty shout of victory.

"Soon there appears in the east a small black cloud, about half the size of a man's hand. It is the cloud which surrounds the Saviour and which seems in the distance to be shrouded in darkness. The people of God know this to be the sign of the Son of man. In solemn silence they gaze upon it as it draws nearer the earth, becoming lighter and more

glorious, until it is a great white cloud, its base a glory like consuming fire, and above it the rainbow of the covenant. Jesus rides forth as a mighty conqueror....And "the armies which were in heaven" (Revelation 19:11, 14) follow Him.

....No human pen can portray the scene; no mortal mind is adequate to conceive its splendor. 'His glory covered the heavens, and the earth was full of His praise. And His brightness was as the light.' Habakkuk 3:3,4. As the living cloud comes still nearer, every eye beholds the Prince of life. No crown of thorns now mars that sacred head; but a diadem of glory rests on His holy brow. His countenance outshines the dazzling brightness of the noonday sun. 'And He hath on His vesture and on His thigh a name written, King of kings, and Lord of lords.' Revelation 19:16....

"The King of kings descends upon the cloud, wrapped in flaming fire. The heavens are rolled together as a scroll, the earth trembles before Him, and every mountain and island is moved out of its place. Quotes Psalm 50:3,4. Quotes Revelation 6:15-17

"The derisive jests have ceased. Lying lips are hushed into silence. The clash of arms, the tumult of battle, 'with confused noise, and garments rolled in blood' (Isaiah 9:5), is stilled. Nought now is heard but the voice of prayer and the sound of weeping and lamentation. The cry bursts forth from lips so lately scoffing: 'The great day of His wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?' The wicked pray to be buried beneath the rocks of the mountains rather than meet the face of Him whom they have despised and rejected." - GC 640-642

GOD DECLARES THE DAY & THE HOUR OF HIS COMING - EW

"As God spoke the day and the hour of Jesus' coming and delivered the everlasting covenant to His people, He spoke one sentence, and then paused, while the words were rolling through the earth. The Israel of God stood with their eyes fixed upward, listening to the words as they came from the mouth of Jehovah and rolled through the earth like peals of loudest thunder. It was awfully solemn. At the end of every sentence the saints shouted, 'Glory! Hallelujah!' Their countenances were lighted up with the glory of God, and they shone with glory as did the face of Moses when he came down from Sinai. The wicked could not look upon them for the glory. And when the never-ending blessing was pronounced on those who had honored God in keeping His Sabbath holy, there was a mighty shout of victory over the beast and over his image.

"Then commenced the jubilee, when the land should rest. I saw the pious slave rise in victory and triumph, and shake off the chains that bound him, while his wicked master was in confusion and knew not what to do; for the wicked could not understand the words of the voice of God." - EW 285-286

THOSE WHO MOCKED CHRIST

"There are those who mocked Christ in His humiliation. With thrilling power come to their minds the Sufferer's words, when, adjured by the high priest, He solemnly declared: 'Hereafter shall ye see the Son of man sitting on the right hand of power, and coming in the clouds of heaven.' Matthew 26:64. Now they behold Him in His glory, and they are yet to see Him sitting on the right hand of power.

"Those who derided His claim to be the Son of God are speechless now. There is the haughty Herod who jeered at His royal title and bade the mocking soldiers crown Him king. There are the very men who with impious hands placed upon His form the purple robe, upon His sacred brow the thorny crown, and in His unresisting hand the mimic scepter, and bowed before Him in blasphemous mockery. The men who smote and spit upon the Prince of life now turn from His piercing gaze and seek to flee from the overpowering glory of His presence. Those who drove the nails through His hands and feet, the soldier who pierced His side, behold these marks with terror and remorse.

"With awful distinctness do priests and rulers recall the events of Calvary. With shuddering horror they remember how, wagging their heads in satanic exultation, they exclaimed: 'He saved others; Himself He cannot save. If He be the King of Israel, let Him now come down from the cross, and we will believe Him. He trusted in God; let Him deliver Him now, if He will have Him.' Matthew 27:42, 43.

"Vividly they recall the Saviour's parable of the husbandmen who refused to render to their lord the fruit of the vineyard, who abused his servants and slew his son. They remember, too, the sentence which they themselves pronounced: The lord of the vineyard 'will miserably destroy those wicked men.' In the sin and punishment of those unfaithful men the priests and elders see their own course and their own just doom. And now there rises a cry of mortal agony. Louder than the shout, 'Crucify Him, crucify Him,' which rang through the streets of Jerusalem, swells the awful, despairing wail, 'He is the Son of God! He is the true Messiah!' They seek to flee from the presence of the King of kings. In the deep caverns of the earth, rent asunder by the warring of the elements, they vainly attempt to hide." - *GC* 643-644

A STARTLING DISCOVERY

"Wholehearted obedience God requires of His people as their only means of happiness and prosperity. Only through humbling themselves and exalting God by their devotion to Him can they find true prosperity....These are they whom man despiseth, whom the nation abhorreth, because they bear the sign of the original Sabbath. Exodus 31:12-18. God's commandment-keeping people are made to be a servant to rulers, they are required by man-made laws to disregard the law of God.

(Quotes Isaiah 49:7) "The hidden ones [God's people] have been scattered because of man's enmity against the law of Jehovah. They have been oppressed by all the powers of the earth. They have been scattered in the dens and caves of the earth through the violence of their adversaries, because they are true and obedient to the laws of Jehovah. But deliverance comes to the people of God. To their enemies God will show himself as a God of just retribution.

"[Read] Revelation 6:9-17. From the dens and the caves of the earth, that have been the secret hiding places of God's people, they are called forth as His witnesses, true and faithful.

"The people who have braved out their rebellion will fill the description given in Revelation 6:15-17. In these very caves and dens they find the very statement of truth in the letters and in the publications as witness against them.

"The shepherds who lead the sheep in false paths will hear the charge made against them, "It was you who made light of truth. It was you who told us that God's law was abrogated, that it was a yoke of bondage. It was you who voiced the false doctrines when I was convicted that these Seventh-day Adventists had the truth. The blood of our souls is upon your priestly garments. The persecution brought upon those who kept God's commandments did not destroy them or their influence. I could not read my Bible with its condemnatory words, and I laid it aside. Now will you pay the ransom for my soul? You said you would stand between my soul and God, but you are now full of anguish yourself. What shall we do who listened to your garbling of the Scriptures and your turning into a lie the truth that if obeyed would have saved us?"

"When Christ comes to take vengeance on those who have educated and trained the people to trample on God's Sabbath, to tear down His memorial, and tread down with their feet the feed of His pastures, lamentations will be in vain. Those who trusted in the false shepherds had the Word of God to search for themselves, and they find that God will judge every man who has had the truth and turned from the light because it involved self-denial and the cross. Rocks and mountains cannot screen them from the indignation of Him that sitteth on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb." - Lt. 86, 1900

A TERRIBLE AWAKENING

"When the voice of God turns the captivity of His people, there is a terrible awakening of those who have lost all in the great conflict of life. While probation continued they were blinded by Satan's deceptions, and they justified their course of sin. The rich prided themselves upon their superiority to those who were less favored; but they had obtained their riches by violation of the law of God. They had neglected to feed the hungry, to clothe the naked, to deal justly, and to love mercy. They had sought to exalt themselves and to obtain the homage of their fellow creatures. Now they are stripped of all that made them great and are left destitute and defenseless. They look with terror upon the destruction of the idols which they preferred before their Maker. They have sold their souls for earthly riches and enjoyments, and have not sought to become rich toward God. The result is, their lives are a failure; their pleasures are now turned to gall, their treasures to corruption. The gain of a lifetime is swept away in a moment. The rich bemoan the destruction of their grand houses, the scattering of their gold and silver. But their lamentations are silenced by the fear that they themselves are to perish with their idols.

"The wicked are filled with regret, not because of their sinful neglect of God and their fellow men, but because God has conquered. They lament that the result is what it is; but they do not repent of their wickedness. They would leave no means untried to conquer if they could.

"The world see the very class whom they have mocked and derided, and desired to exterminate, pass unharmed through pestilence, tempest, and earthquake. He who is to the transgressors of His law a devouring fire, is to His people a safe pavilion.

"The minister who has sacrificed truth to gain the favor of men now discerns the character and influence of his teachings. It is apparent that the omniscient eye was following him as he stood in the desk, as he walked the streets, as he mingled with men in the various scenes of life. Every emotion of the soul, every line written, every word uttered, every act that led men to rest in a refuge of falsehood, has been scattering seed; and now, in the wretched, lost souls around him, he beholds the harvest.

Quotes Jeremiah 8:11; Ezekiel 13:22; Jeremiah 23:1, 2; 25:34, 35.

"Ministers and people see that they have not sustained the right relation to God. They see that they have rebelled against the Author of all just and righteous law. The setting aside of the divine precepts gave rise to thousands of springs

of evil, discord, hatred, iniquity, until the earth became one vast field of strife, one sink of corruption. This is the view that now appears to those who rejected truth and chose to cherish error. No language can express the longing which the disobedient and disloyal feel for that which they have lost forever--eternal life. Men whom the world has worshiped for their talents and eloquence now see these things in their true light. They realize what they have forfeited by transgression, and they fall at the feet of those whose fidelity they have despised and derided, and confess that God has loved them.

"The people see that they have been deluded. They accuse one another of having led them to destruction; but all unite in heaping their bitterest condemnation upon the ministers. Unfaithful pastors have prophesied smooth things; they have led their hearers to make void the law of God and to persecute those who would keep it holy. Now, in their despair, these teachers confess before the world their work of deception. The multitudes are filled with fury. "We are lost!" they cry, "and you are the cause of our ruin;" and they turn upon the false shepherds. The very ones that once admired them most will pronounce the most dreadful curses upon them. The very hands that once crowned them with laurels will be raised for their destruction. The swords which were to slay God's people are now employed to destroy their enemies. Everywhere there is strife and bloodshed.

Quotes Jeremiah 25:31. "For six thousand years the great controversy has been in progress; the Son of God and His heavenly messengers have been in conflict with the power of the evil one, to warn, enlighten, and save the children of men. Now all have made their decisions; the wicked have fully united with Satan in his warfare against God. The time has come for God to vindicate the authority of His downtrodden law. Now the controversy is not alone with Satan, but with men. 'The Lord hath a controversy with the nations;' 'He will give them that are wicked to the sword.' " - GC 654-656

THE RESURRECTION OF THE JUST

"Amid the reeling of the earth, the flash of lightning, and the roar of thunder, the voice of the Son of God calls forth the sleeping saints. He looks upon the graves of the righteous, then, raising His hands to heaven, He cries: 'Awake, awake, awake, ye that sleep in the dust, and arise!' Throughout the length and breadth of the earth the dead shall hear that voice, and they that hear shall live. And the whole earth shall ring with the tread of the exceeding great army of every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. From the prison house of death they come, clothed with immortal glory, crying: 'O death, where is thy sting? O grave, where is thy victory?' 1 Corinthians 15:55. And the living righteous and the risen saints unite their voices in a long, glad shout of victory.

"All come forth from their graves the same in stature as when they entered the tomb. Adam, who stands among the risen throng, is of lofty height and majestic form, in stature but little below the Son of God. He presents a marked contrast to the people of later generations; in this one respect is shown the great degeneracy of the race. But all arise with the freshness and vigor of eternal youth....All blemishes and deformities are left in the grave....The last lingering traces of the curse of sin will be removed, and Christ's faithful ones will appear in 'the beauty of the Lord our God,' in mind and soul and body reflecting the perfect image of their Lord. Oh, wonderful redemption! long talked of, long hoped for, contemplated with eager anticipation, but never fully understood.

"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 His elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.' Little children are borne by holy angels to their mothers' arms. Friends long separated by death are united, nevermore to part, and with songs of gladness ascend together to the City of God." - GC 644-645

ENTERING THE HOLY CITY

"Before the ransomed throng is the Holy City. Jesus opens wide the pearly gates, and the nations that have kept the truth enter in. There they behold the Paradise of God, the home of Adam in his innocency. Then that voice, richer than any music that ever fell on mortal ear, is heard, saying: 'Your conflict is ended.' 'Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.'

"....As they gather about the great white throne, gladness unspeakable will fill their hearts, when they behold those whom they have won for Christ, and see that one has gained others, and these still others, all brought into the haven of rest, there to lay their crowns at Jesus' feet and praise Him through the endless cycles of eternity.

"As the ransomed ones are welcomed to the City of God, there rings out upon the air an exultant cry of adoration. The two Adams are about to meet. The Son of God is standing with outstretched arms to receive the father of our race--the being whom He created, who sinned against his Maker, and for whose sin the marks of the crucifixion are borne upon the Saviour's form. As Adam discerns the prints of the cruel nails, he does not fall upon the bosom of his Lord, but in humiliation casts himself at His feet, crying: 'Worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain!' Tenderly the Saviour lifts him up and bids him look once more upon the Eden home from which he has so long been exiled.

"... Transported with joy, he beholds the trees that were once his delight--the very trees whose fruit he himself had gathered in the days of his innocence and joy. He sees the vines that his own hands have trained, the very flowers that he once loved to care for. His mind grasps the reality of the scene; he comprehends that this is indeed Eden restored, more lovely now than when he was banished from it. The Saviour leads him to the tree of life and plucks the glorious fruit and bids him eat. He looks about him and beholds a multitude of his family redeemed, standing in the Paradise of God. Then he casts his glittering crown at the feet of Jesus and, falling upon His breast, embraces the Redeemer. He touches the golden harp, and the vaults of heaven echo the triumphant song: 'Worthy, worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain, and lives again!' The family of Adam take up the strain and cast their crowns at the Saviour's feet as they bow before Him in adoration.

"This reunion is witnessed by the angels who wept at the fall of Adam and rejoiced when Jesus, after His resurrection, ascended to heaven, having opened the grave for all who should believe on His name. Now they behold the work of redemption accomplished, and they unite their voices in the song of praise." - GC 646-648

THE DAYS OF PAIN & WEEPING ARE OVER

"In all ages the Saviour's chosen have been educated and disciplined in the school of trial. They walked in narrow paths on earth; they were purified in the furnace of affliction. For Jesus' sake they endured opposition, hatred, calumny. They followed Him through conflicts sore; they endured self-denial and experienced bitter disappointments. . .

"The heirs of God have come from garrets, from hovels, from dungeons, from scaffolds, from mountains, from deserts, from the caves of the earth, from the caverns of the sea. On earth they were 'destitute, afflicted, tormented.' Millions went down to the grave loaded with infamy because they steadfastly refused to yield to the deceptive claims of Satan. By human tribunals they were adjudged the vilest of criminals. But now 'God is judge Himself.' Psalm 50:6. Now the decisions of earth are reversed....They are no longer feeble, afflicted, scattered, and oppressed. Henceforth they are to be ever with the Lord. They stand before the throne clad in richer robes than the most honored of the earth have ever worn. They are crowned with diadems more glorious than were ever placed upon the brow of earthly monarchs. The days of pain and weeping are forever ended." - GC 649-650

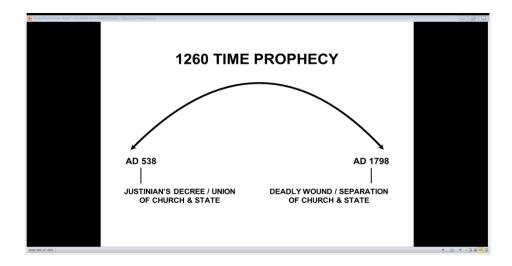
THE CROSS OF CHRIST WILL BE OUR SCIENCE & SONG

"In this life we can only begin to understand the wonderful theme of redemption. With our finite comprehension we may consider most earnestly the shame and the glory, the life and the death, the justice and the mercy, that meet in the cross; yet with the utmost stretch of our mental powers we fail to grasp its full significance. The length and the breadth, the depth and the height, of redeeming love are but dimly comprehended. The plan of redemption will not be fully understood, even when the ransomed see as they are seen and know as they are known; but through the eternal ages new truth will continually unfold to the wondering and delighted mind. Though the griefs and pains and temptations of earth are ended and the cause removed, the people of God will ever have a distinct, intelligent knowledge of what their salvation has cost.

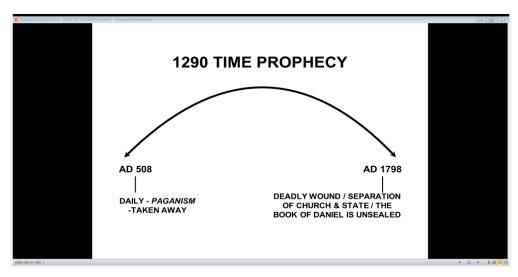
"The cross of Christ will be the science and the song of the redeemed through all eternity." - GC 651

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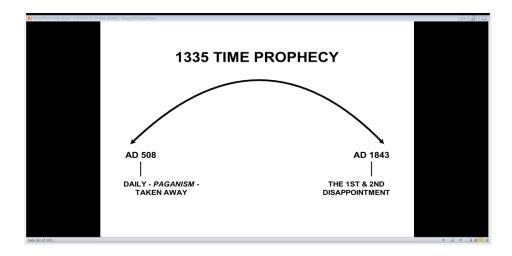
- VS.4,9 THE SEALING OF THE BOOK OF DANIEL
- **NOTE**: "THE TIME OF THE END" SEE DA 234; GC 356,360
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- VS.5-6 THE QUESTION, HOW LONG SHALL IT BE?
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- VS.8 DANIEL DOESN'T UNDERSTAND, AGAIN HE ASKED THE QUESTION
- VS.9 THE ANSWER, THE WORDS ARE CLOSED UP & SEALED TILL THE TIME OF THE END, 1798
- VS.10a MEANWHILE, GOD'S PEOPLE SHALL BE PURIFIED & MADE WHITE; WHILE THE WICKED SHALL CONTINUE TO DO WICKEDLY
- VS.10b THE WICKED SHALL NOT UNDERSTAND THE VISION, ONLY THE WISE WILL UNDERSTAND
- VS.11 1290 DAY / YEAR PROPHECY
- NOTE: THE 1290 BEGINS FROM THE TIME THAT THE "DAILY" DESOLATION IS TAKEN AWAY. IN AD 508 CLOVIS REMOVED THE LAST OPPOSING PAGAN POWER THAT HINDERED THE PAPACY. FROM AD 508 COUNTING DOWN 1290 YEARS WE ARRIVE AT AD 1798.
- NOTE: SEE 1290 CHART



- VS.12 1335 DAY / YEAR PROPHECY
- NOTE: BOTH 1290 & 1335 BEGIN FROM THE TIME THAT THE "DAILY" DESOLATION IS TAKEN AWAY IN AD 508. STARTING FROM AD 508 & COUNTING DOWN 1335 YEARS WE ARRIVE AT AD 1843
- NOTE: SEE 1335 CHART



- VS.13 DANIEL IS TO STAND IN HIS LOT AT THE END OF THE DAYS (1290 & 1335)
- READ PK 547; TM 114-115

THE BOOK OF DANIEL UNSEALED AT THE END OF THE DAYS

"His [Daniel] wonderful prophecies, as recorded by him in chapters 7 to 12 of the book bearing his name, were not fully understood even by the prophet himself; but before his life labors closed, he was given the blessed assurance that 'at the end of the days'--in the closing period of this world's history--he would again be permitted to stand in his lot and place. It was not given him to understand all that God had revealed of the divine purpose. 'Shut up the words, and seal the book,' he was directed concerning his prophetic writings; these were to be sealed 'even to the time of the end.' 'Go thy way, Daniel,' the angel once more directed the faithful messenger of Jehovah; 'for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. . . . Go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days. Daniel 12:4, 9, 13.'" - PK 547

DANIEL & THE 1ST ANGEL'S MESSAGE

"Twice Daniel inquired, How long shall it be to the end of time? (Quotes Daniel 11:8-13).

"It was the Lion of the tribe of Judah who unsealed the book and gave to John the revelation of what should be in these last days.

"Daniel stood in his lot to bear his testimony which was sealed until the time of the end, when the first angel's message should be proclaimed to our world." - *TM 114,115*

