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In this his last letter to Timothy, Paul held up before the younger worker a high ideal, pointing out the duties devolving on him as a minister of Christ. "Study to show thyself approved unto God," the apostle wrote, "a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth." "Flee also youthful lusts: but follow righteousness, faith, charity, peace, with them that call on the Lord out of a pure heart. But foolish and unlearned questions avoid, knowing that they do gender strifes. And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth."

{The Acts of the Apostles, page 501.2}

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Dear Reader,

I want to take a moment and explain why many times when you call, you hit voicemail right away. Each month I receive a number of phone calls from people who finally read the part that if they are trashing the magazine that they ought to have respect and contact us to be removed. Although they may think we have had disrespect by putting them on the mailing list to begin with, God does not see it that way. Most of those callers would like to just leave a message and not deal with a live human being who may make them feel guilty to have their name removed, and that is why a lot of callers hit the voice mail right away.

But here is a second reason. In the spirit of "very gladly spend and be spent for you" (2 Corinthians 12:15) as well as generally being gospel

missionaries, several of us have increased our responsibilities sensing the nearness of time. Many of us do not believe we are going to grow much older than what we are as the devil is repeatedly speaking to us his time frame if we listen, as well as seeing the actual prophecies that Ellen White made clear are coming true without reading into as many have done in the decades prior, and though we may be shortening our lives by working so hard for the gospel sake, we gladly take on the newer responsibilities. Like many pioneers, the message simply has to go forth. James White met such an early death through his hard labor, but then I look at Jesus who frequently prayed all night and Paul made tents overnight.

David House has recently taken upon himself a radio ministry; the Henriques' have broadened their presence on YouTube and other means, with not only their teams, but they themselves; Rodgers' have been traveling more in distribution of their literature; Genobia Simpson as well as Renee Bushor have increased their health ministry presence; and David Rehm is taken on more responsibilities in his ministry as well. Though I do not know the specifics of each person or their personal ministry, what I

do know is my own new schedule.

Like I said, that is the second reason you may hit voice mail, and it may be days until I can return your phone call. As of the end of March this year, I have taken on a teaching position with Adventist children in 4th and 5th grade. I now work for Remnant Preparatory School as an online elementary teacher. I obviously still maintain the ministry, and I still have my secular position of internet (web) programming that funds everything as a primary financial source. God has been well-blessing that secular self-employment work as well. With limited hours to be shared with raising a family, there is a request on my part: do be patient, my fellow saints, for I will return your phone call. Do not hesitate to call, but do realize that time is very precious, and it is a matter of time before I can return your phone call. This, by no means, is to discourage anyone from calling, but simply an awareness that I do prioritize the calls by urgency as well as first come first serve, but I will be faithful and return your

May God bless your efforts as well to share the gospel and be spent for the Lord for the time is short, and we are living in the most exciting times ever in history.

May God bless you. 🕮

The mission of The Four Angels' Messages Minis-

try is to alert as many Seventh-day Adventists as possible to see the need of living the Three Angels' Messages, be well studied in the messages of all four angels, and get ready very soon to go and preach them. It is our belief that not only are we the last generation, but the mark is soon to be forced upon us, and publications like this shall be targeted. So while the presses can run, let us awake to our high calling despite others who want to remain asleep.

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360 TO 365 DAYS: Part 1



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God wants to share with the world another clear and distinct sign that He is real, powerful, and all the promises in His Word are true. This sign has to do with time. Since God is the Creator of time, He has ALL power over time. Remember, the sun and the moon are a part of God's universal clock system to keep track of time. What determines a day is a complete 24-hour day from sunset to sunset. As the Earth is revolving around the sun it is spinning on its axis.

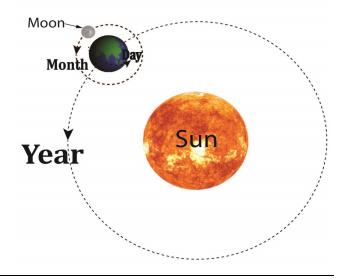
During daylight about half of the Earth is facing the sun for about 12 hours. At the end of the daylight from our vantage point it appears that the sun is going down as it spins away from the sunlight to face the dark space. One complete 24-hour rotation on the Earth's axis determines a day.

The moon determines our months. God designed the moon to revolve around the Earth in 30 days. The moon goes around the Earth in about 30 days and it does this 12 times per year. When the moon has made one complete revolution around a new month begins. When the Earth makes one complete circle around the sun that represents a year in time.

Currently, it takes approximately 365 days for the Earth to make a complete circle around the sun, BUT originally there were only 360 days in a year. Did you know from the beginning when the sun and moon were created, it only took 360 days for the Earth to make a complete revolution around the sun? Originally, all the world was based on the 360-day calendar year. This is really good, so read carefully and pay close attention.

What is proof that 360 days was used for over 3000 years? According to the Bible, there were originally exactly 30 days in a month for 12 months for a total of 360 days per year.

THE CREATOR'S CLOCK

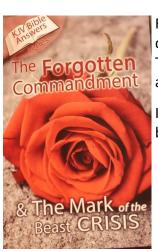


This can be proven by looking at Noah's account of the worldwide flood recorded in the book of Genesis. Genesis 7:11, 24 says, 1"In the six hundredth year of Noah's life, in the second month, the seventeenth day of the month, the same day were all the fountains of the great deep broken up, and the windows of heaven were opened. And the waters prevailed upon the earth an **hundred** and fifty days." The flood started on the second month and seventeenth day. The Earth was completely covered with water for 150 days. When did the floodwaters recede? Let us read Genesis 8:3, 4. It says, "And the waters returned from off the

Earth continually: and after the end of the hundred and fifty days the waters were abated. And the ark rested in the seventh month, on the seventeenth day of the month, upon the mountains of Ararat." The water receded on the seventh month and seventeenth day, five months later. To figure out how many days were in each month during the time the floodwaters covered the Earth, divide 5 months into 150 days which equals to 30 days per month (150/5 = 30). 1 Chronicles 27:1, 15 shows us clearly that "all the months of the year" were 12. There are ancient records that Egyptians, Babylonians, Chinese, Indians, Mayans, and the Jewish cultures used the 360-day calendars. Then a major change took place that affects us even today. However, this change did not interfere with God's seven-day weekly cycle.

At the beginning of time, the revolution of the moon around the Earth and the 360 days of the Earth's revolution around the sun were in perfect harmony. Every 30 days was a month, a complete revolution of the moon around the Earth. It did that perfectly 12 times per year (12 x 30 days = 360 days). This harmonized perfectly with the exact amount of time it took for the Earth to revolve around the sun. The sun and moon were

The Forgotten Commandment and the Mark of the Beast Crisis



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Pathway to Peace Ministries 11775 NC 109 South Peachland, NC 28133 synchronized in perfect harmony like a big clock in the sky as the Earth rotated on its axis.

In math a circle is di-

vided into 360 degrees. All circles, whether they are big or small, have 360 degrees. The 360 degrees of a circle is based on the 360 days that it took for the Earth to circle around the sun. Each degree corresponded to a day around the sun. The Bible says that the Earth is a round ball shaped circle. Isaiah 40:21, 22 says, "Have ye not known? have ye not heard? hath it not been told you from the beginning? have ye not understood from

the foundations of the earth? It is he that sitteth upon the circle of the earth, and the inhabitants thereof are as grasshoppers; that stretcheth out the heavens as a curtain, and spreadeth them out as a tent to dwell in." The circle of the Earth was clearly known in Bible days and taught from generation to generation.

This Earth spins on its axis one complete rotation in 24 hours. As

it spins, it is also revolving around the sun. It took 360 days for the Earth to completely revolve around the sun to determine a year. It took 30 days for the moon to revolve around the Earth to determine a month. It took 12 months of 30 days each for the Earth to revolve around the

at 360 days by the hands of the Creator. Just like beautiful music, this melody of time was understood by people around the world regardless of their different languages.

Since you know what determines time, let us look at a time when

> time stood still. In order for time to stand still the "big clock" in the heavens would have to stop. The Earth's revolution around the sun, the moon's revolution around the Earth, and the Earth

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Isaiah 40:21-22

sun as the moon revolves around the Earth for a total of 360 days a year. Man did not make this process, they simply watched this natural occurring phenomenon as time was displayed. All around the world it was the same. This was very simple and easily understood. There was perfect harmony between the Earth and the moon going around the sun like clockwork. The year was synchronized

spinning on its axis must ALL stop at the same time for the same length of time in order for time to stand still. This is totally impossible for us to do. Remember, since God is the Creator of time, ONLY He has the power to stop time.

Is there an example in the Bible in which God stopped time completely? Yes, you find the story in the book of Joshua during the time the Israelites were at war with the Amorites. Joshua, the commander of the Israelites, asked God to stop time so that they could have more day light in order to defeat the Amorites. Joshua 10:12-14.

"Then spake Joshua to the LORD in the day when the LORD delivered up the Amorites before the children of Israel, and he said in the sight of Israel, Sun, stand thou still upon Gibeon; and thou, Moon, in the valley of Ajalon. And the sun stood still, and the moon stayed, until the people had avenged themselves upon their enemies. Is not this written in the book of Jasher? So the sun stood still in

the midst of heaven, and hasted not to go down about a whole day. And there was no day like that before it or after it, that the LORD hearkened unto the voice of a man: for the LORD fought for Israel."

Notice, God stopped the revolution of the Earth around the sun, the revolution of the moon around the Earth's rotation! This stopped time! This never happened since. Since God is the author of time, He has ALL authority and power to

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stop time. This stoppage of time did not interfere with the synchronized harmony of the sun, moon, and the Earth.

We have no power to manipulate or change time. We can only WATCH and observe time made and displayed by God. We may be able to move the hands on a clock,

but that does not change real time.
Again, there were 30 days in a month determined by the moon, 12 months in a year determined by the Earth's circuit of the sun, and

7 days in a week established by God.

How did we go from 360 days to 365¼ days for the Earth to make a complete revolution around the sun in one year? In other words, how did we go from 360 to 365?

Friends, we do not have to go to the theories of men, the Bible has the answer. Since God is in control, God is the only one

who has authority to physically move time, Earth or moon. God explains to us in His Word how and when this change took place to display as proof to the whole world of His power, existence, and great authority. In next month's article we will continue this very exciting study, so stay tuned.

How to Study the Bible (part 1)



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The Bible is an organic whole in a spiritual unity. This is why the Bible is its own interpreter. The Bible explains itself. That's why we can preach Sola Scriptura: The Bible alone as our source of authority – not only in our personal life but also in the church.

I want to talk to you about how to study the Bible. I am finding that a number of Seventhday Adventists really do not know how to study God's Word for themselves. This will be a multiple part series of articles and I hope you can be blessed by the insights that God has revealed to me.

"You now have an opportunity to attain to the greatest intellectual power through the study of the Word of God. But if you are indolent, and fail to dig deep in the mines of truth, you will not be ready for the crisis that is soon to come upon us. O that you would realize that each moment is golden. If you live by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God, you will not be found unprepared. 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." (Mar, 253)

To start off our venture on how to study the Bible, here are few general principles to take into account when we approach the study of Scripture:

THE HOLY SPIRIT RE-VEALED THE MESSAGE TO THE PROPHET ORIGINALLY

This is known as "revelation". This does not mean that everything the prophet wrote was original. What we mean is God also gives the prophets the ability to do sanctified research. God reveals to the prophet which writings of others were useful to incorporate into the prophet's writings. Originality is not necessary for a prophet to be a prophet.

Mathew, Mark, Luke and John - somebody borrowed from somebody. Sometimes Luke would quote almost verbatim from Matthew (and vice-versa). The book of Luke is an example of this. There are also portions of the Old Testament that are quoted verbatim from one prophet to another. We also know the apostle Paul would use sayings even from pagan philosophers. God can guide the mind of the prophet and give that mind divine selectivity in other sources that the prophet can

use for God's purposes.

God did not "dictate" the Bible word for word. The Holy Spirit would give thoughts and concepts and the prophets would write them in their own words - guided by the Spirit of course. An example: If I were to tell a story, you might tell that story to someone else but in your own way - but yet it would still mean the same thing.

THE HOLY SPIRIT GUID-ED THE PROPHET IN WRITING OR SPEAKING WHAT GOD ORIGINAL-LY GAVE THE PROPHET

This here is known as "inspiration". The prophet not only receives "revelation" from God but also is inspired to write it (or speak it) in a faithful manner that can be trusted.

THE HOLY SPIRIT GUID-ED IN THE CHOICE OF BOOKS THAT WE FIND

IN THE BIBLE

Were there other books that were inspired that are not found in the Bible? Yes, you find several books that are mentioned in the Old Testament that did not make it into the Biblical Canon.

The 66 books we have in the Bible are the ones that God wants to be there. There is not one that did not make it **and** there is not one that made it, but was not supposed to. God wanted 66 books in the Bible.

Not only did God guide the process of giving the information to the prophets and guiding them in interpreting it in either written or spoken form but God also guided in the process of which books would be included in the Canon of Scripture. In other words, we have a complete Bible. We cannot add or take away from the Bible. It is a com-

plete book.

Man did not assemble the books of the Bible by his own wisdom. God guided and made sure of everything He wanted in this book would be included. The Roman Catholic Church added the books known as the Apocrypha to the Bible. One of the problems with this is they did it in the year 1546, at the Council of Trent, which is about 1500 years too late. Let us not even wonder or think if those books are important to the Canon of Scripture because they are not.

IF THE HOLY SPIRIT IS GOING TO SHOW ME WHAT GOD'S RE-VEALED WILL IS, I MUST BE WILLING TO ACCEPT AND OBEY

When we come to Scripture we must have the willingness to obey what we have discovered through study. If not, God will not reveal His truth to us.

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How do we know if something is from God or from a human being?

"If any man will do his will, he shall know of the doctrine, whether it be of God, or whether I speak of myself." (John 7:17)

If we have the willingness to perform God's will, God will show us and give us the ability to distinguish between truth and error and between right and wrong when it comes to what people teach.

Are there conditions for finding and knowing the knowledge of the Lord?

"Yea, if thou criest after knowledge, and liftest up thy voice for under-

standing; If thou seekest her as silver, and searchest for her as for hid treasures; Then shalt thou understand the fear of the Lord, and find the knowledge of God." (Proverbs 2:3-5)

The condition for understanding the fear of the Lord and finding the knowledge of God is crying out to God for discernment, lifting up the voice for understanding, and seeking her as silver, and searching for her as a

hidden treasure. Did not Jesus tell a parable about a hidden treasure?

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like unto treasure hid in a field; the which when a man hath found, he hideth, and for joy thereof goeth and selleth all that he hath, and buyeth that field." (Matthew 13:44)

We see the field is the Bible and the hidden treasure would be the gems of truth we find in

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the Bible. If we want to find the treasures of the Bible how much do we have to give up?
ALL!!! That means we have to dedicate all of our strength, time, and effort to study the Bible in order to find the treasures within.

PRAY FOR THE HOLY SPIRIT AND ASK GOD FOR HIS HELP WHEN STUDYING THE BIBLE

It only makes sense that if the Holy Spirit gave the Bible he would be the one to explain it to us.

How do we get in communion with the Holy Spirit? It is through prayer. The Bible should never be opened without prayer. Martin Luther stated that prayer is the better half of the Bible study. He knew this important principle.

SPEAK TO YOUR BIBLE

When we study a specific passage of the Bible we need to "speak" to our Bible. What I mean is we need to ask

the passage
that we are
reading questions. Think
about it – if we
do not ask the
passage questions then we
are not going to
get the answers
we are looking
for and need.

If you do not have a question – will you even seek for an answer? No, so we see the extreme importance to ask questions. You may be thinking "What kind of questions do you mean?" Here is an example using Revelation 17:

(vs. 1) "And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:"

A question we could ask is concerning the angel who has one of the seven last plagues who comes to John is the following: Which of the seven angels comes back to John to explain things?

Remember there are seven angels who bring seven plagues. Which angel returns to John, since it says "One of the angels...?" Is it the angel who poured out the 1st plague, the 2nd plague, 3rd, etc...?

How we figure this out

is by reading what the angel has to say to John. In verse 1, this angel speaks about "a great whore that sits upon many waters" (vs. 15). This is an important detail.

This same angel also mentions the name of the great whore that sits upon many waters:

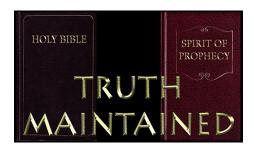
(verse 5) "And upon her forehead was a name written, Mystery, BAB-YLON THE GREAT"

Let us start to put this together. Her name is Babylon and she sits on many waters. We know that in the Old Testament Babylon was a literal city. Now we could ask "Did Babylon (the literal city) sit on a body of water?" The answer is yes, literal Babylon rested on the literal Euphrates River.

Here comes the key: We know this whore in Revelation 17 is called Babylon and the waters she sits on, since her name is Babylon, is the River Euphrates. This is all because the literal city of Babylon, in the Old Testament, sat on the literal River Euphrates. The question we can now ask is this: Does one of the seven

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angels that have the seven last plagues have anything to do with Babylon and the river Euphrates? The answer is yes – it is **the sixth angel** (Rev. 16:12). Now we know it was the sixth angel who came back to John to explain.

Do you see how important it is to ask the Bible questions as you read and study? Always ask the text questions. Never think for one moment that any question is too "stupid" to ask. Do not be embarrassed to ask any question – no matter how simplistic it may seem to be.

THE BIBLE IS TO DIC-TATE TO YOU - YOU ARE NOT TO DICTATE TO THE BIBLE

Let us take salt as an example. Is it salt because I have declared it to be salt? No, so is the meaning of a Bible text necessarily the correct meaning of a Bible text just because I say so? That answer is no also.

Is the Bible God's Word? Yes, it is. But does it become God's Word because the preacher said so? The answer is no. Then why is it God's Word? It's because, like salt, it authenticates itself by its flavor.

The Protestant Reformer John Calvin once said

the trouble with the Roman Catholic Church is that they say "The Church has to authenticate Scripture."

SALT AND SUGAR ---

You can declare salt sugar and sugar salt. But that will not make the salt sweet and the sugar salty! They are salty and sweet in themselves – inherently.

Just like the Bible is God's Word and it has nothing to do in whether I believe it is the Word of God, or whether I pronounce it to be the Word of God, or even whether I declare it to be the word of God – that has nothing to do with it. It is the Word of God simply because it is.

It's just like – God IS because He IS.

"Our salvation depends upon our knowledge of God's will as it is contained in His word. Never cease asking and searching for Truth. You need to know your du-

ty. You need to know what you must do to be saved. And it is God's will that you shall know what He has said to you. But you must exercise faith. As you search the Scriptures, you must believe that God is, and that He rewards those who diligently seek Him. O search the Bible with a heart hungry for spiritual food! Dig into the word as a miner digs into the earth to find the veins of gold. Do not give up your search till you have learned your relation to God and His will concerning you." (MYP, 260-261)

HOW DO WE ALLOW THE BIBLE TO INTER-PRET OR EXPLAIN IT-SELF?

In the next part of "How to Study the Bible" we will start to explore the two tools we can put into action to help us to allow one verse of Scripture explain another verse (or other verses) of Scripture.

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God's Desire And Your Purpose



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Many are living without a true purpose and are following a path "that leadeth to destruction." (Matthew 7:13) They have many worldly ambitions which fulfills the plan that Satan has for them that leads to perdition. God has a path that He desires you to travel "which leadeth unto life" (Matthew 7:14). Jesus is crying out to all "saying, If any man thirst, let him come unto me, and drink" (John 7:37). "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I

will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30). "Look unto me, and be ye saved, all the ends of the earth: for I am God, and there is none else. I have sworn by myself, the word is gone out of my mouth in righteousness, and shall not return, that unto me every knee shall bow, every tongue shall swear. Surely, shall one say, in the LORD have I righteousness and strength: even to him shall men come; and all that are incensed against him shall be ashamed. In the LORD shall all the seed of Israel be justified, and shall glory" (Isaiah 45:22-25). The first step that you must take in order to be saved is to come to Christ. But, does salvation end here? No. You must let go the yoke of bondage, and take on His yoke "For," He says "my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Surrender your will to him completely and allow God to work in you to "will and to do of His good pleasure," that is to have the desire to become a child of God and He will give

you power to be an overcomer of the world through Jesus Christ. When you come to Christ you must do an exchange; you must repent of your sin, see your error, see that you have gone astray, give up sin and accept the gift of salvation. 2 Peter 3:9 says, "The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to usward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

After you have come to Christ there must be a continual walk with God. We are to become His disciples, and "as newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:2).

As a child of God, He has a plan for you. 1 Peter 2:9 says, "But ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people; that ve should shew forth the praises of him who hath called you out of darkness into his marvellous light." You are to be a representative for Jesus. Your character must reflect the character of Christ. Your lifestyle is to be ordered after the way of the Lord.

The character of Christ is not only to be manifested at home but also among this godless society. **Philippians 2:15** says, "That ye may be blameless and harmless, the sons of God, without rebuke, in the midst of a crooked and perverse nation, among whom ye shine as lights in the world."

Jesus says in Matthew 5:14-16, "Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid." He continues and says, "Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven." How can we have the light? We must abide in the light, Jesus Christ, and allow the light to abide in us. We must daily study the word of God which is "...a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path" (Psalms 119:105). We must keep the commandments of God. "For the commandment is a lamp; and the law is light; and reproofs of instruction are the way of life" (Proverbs 6:23). "If thy whole body therefore be full of light, having no part dark, the whole shall be full of light, as when the bright shining of a candle doth give thee light" (Luke 11:36). This is the light that we are to impart to others. "But he that doeth truth cometh to the light, that his deeds may be made manifest, that they are wrought in God" (John 3:21). If the light is truly abiding in us we will reflect the character of Christ and our daily life will be inline with the Bible.

Why have many who profess to be children of God, hidden their light and have let their lights go out? How does this happen? If your character is not in-line with Christ's character, if your daily life is not matching up with the word of God, if you are not studying the words of God in the Bible and sharing Bible truth with others, your light will go out. Jesus says, "Ye are the salt of the earth:" What is salt? Salt is a seasoning that flavors our food. Salt is essential to our body and is very valuable with many uses. The salt, just as the light, represents the daily life of Christ's followers, which reflects the character of Christ to others. Our life presented to the world should show forth the character of God and be a light and flavor unto the world. Jesus continues and says, "but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be

salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men" (Matthew 5:13). "The light of the righteous rejoiceth: but the lamp of the wicked shall be put out" (Proverbs 13:9).

The light and savor that the children of God present to the world that shows the character of Christ, calls forth the hatred of the ungodly. The sinless character of Christ is a continual reproof to them. Sin cannot abide with righteousness. Jesus says, "And this is the condemnation, that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil. For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved" (John 3:19,20). The ungodly hate the Light, Jesus Christ, and the children of the light, but will you accept the light and hold on to the light no matter what the ungodly say, think, or do? Be a bold witness for Christ to the world. "For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth" (Acts 13:47).

The Health Benefits of Elderberry



Genobia Simpson

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Desire to live a healthy lifestyle came after studying the health message through the Bible and the Spirit Of Prophecy, where true health principles are perfectly outlined.

Being a full time wife and mother, my duty has always been in the kitchen. But now, as the Lord has given me a greater understanding of what it means to live a healthy lifestyle, I am able to supply nutritious meals for my family and natural remedies whenever it is necessary.

I now have a great passion to share this wonderful truth with others who may not know where to start. "There are simple herbs and roots that every family may use for themselves, and need not call in a physician any sooner than they would call a lawyer."

- The Place of Herbs in Rational Therapy, 8

Elderberry at a Glance

Known by several names – elderberry, elder, sambuca – this medicinally-versatile flowering plant of the adoxaceae family is best-known worldwide for its immunostimulant properties and its remedial use as a cough syrup.

Both the elderberry's fruit and flowers are used as dietary supplements in capsule form, as well as teas and extracts. Elderberries themselves are extremely low in saturated fat, cholesterol, and sodium, but provide a good source of vitamin A, vitamin B6, iron, potassium, and vitamin C.

What's most impressive about its basic nutritional value is its whopping 11 grams of

dietary fiber per 1-cup serving. That's nearly three times the amount of fiber as 1 cup of carrots and a little over twice as much as spinach! One cup of apples or pears does not even come close, and raspberries in all their fibery glory only manage 8 grams!

A single serving of elderberries provides over 40% of the body's daily requirements for fiber. A diet rich in soluble and insoluble fiber is a preventative against disease and cancer as it aids the gastrointestinal system in nutrient uptake and eliminating waste and toxins.

Elderberry and the Immune System

"These old-fashioned, simple herbs, used intelligently, would have

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recovered many sick, who have died under drug medication." – The Place of Herbs in Rational Therapy, 144

Within each fiber-rich elderberry are immune system-boosting chemical compounds called *anthocyanidins*. These immunostimulant compounds have been shown to shorten the duration, and reduce the symptoms, of common ailments, such as the cold and flu.

When it comes to various strains of the flu, elderberry extract, in particular, is most effective due to its antiinflammatory and antioxidal flavonoids - phytonutrients that provide pigmentation, as well as a potent defense against bacteria and a strong resistance to disease. These flavonoids phytochemically bind themselves to specific proteins on the surface of the influenza virus. Thus, the virus is enveloped by the elderberry flavonoid and restricted from attaching to and infiltrating the host's cells. Studies have concluded that taking elderberry extract at the first signs of the flu has the capacity to reduce symptoms and duration by about 4 days.

The anthocyanidins and

flavonoids in elderberries are so potent, in fact, that elderberry extract is used to battle autoimmune diseases and AIDS, alleviating and preventing many of the painful symptoms and flare ups so common in conditions directly affecting the immune system. Elderberry's disease-resistant antioxidants specifically defend the white blood cells responsible for immune function. By protecting the structure of DNA from free radical pollutants, elderberries prevent chromosomal alteration, cell mutations, and cancerous cell growth.

Note: Elderberry may help certain autoimmune issues but, depending on the condition, its stimulation of the immune system could cause further problems, especially for those suffering from rheumatoid arthritis. (Those who have received organ transplants should avoid elderberry entirely.)

Elderberry as a Detoxifier

The more pure the blood and the more perfect its circulation, the better "it carries life and vigor to every part of the sys-

tem" (Counsels on Diets and Foods, 91).

The anti-inflammatory and antioxidant compounds of elderberries make for excellent blood and kidney detoxification. Elderberries are a natural diuretic, laxative, and circulation stimulant.

As a diuretic, they assist in the work of the kidneys to remove and process toxins and impurities from the blood. Their ability to relieve fluid retention and promote the passing of urine permits greater success in expelling toxins more quickly from the kidneys through to the urinary tract.

As a laxative, elderberry compounds (and its fiber) encourage more productive and efficient bowel movements, leaving less toxic residue – if any at all – within the large intestine.

As a circulation stimulant, elderberry promotes another detoxifying process: sweating.

Any time waste – whether liquid or solid – is more efficiently evicted from the body, the blood is made more pure and the waste management organs are freed to focus more

energy on other vital functions. Overall, the detoxifying elements of elderberry compounds are successful because they activate the full potential of the body's waste management systems. This increases the efficiency of all organs and raises energy levels throughout the body as a whole.

Elderberry and Blood Sugar

As an extract, the elderberries and elderflowers are useful in maintaining normal blood sugar levels because they increase glucose transportation and glucose oxidation, which directly affects the pancreas and its insulin regulation (without actually increasing insulin levels). A watered-down, solvent-like extract, specifically, promotes glycogenesis, which is the process by which excess sugar is transferred from the bloodstream to the muscles and liver where it can be more properly utilized and cleared out of the body.

Note: Even the high fiber levels of elderberries are a tremendous aid in the reduction of blood sugar.

Elderberry and Skin Care

The bioflavonoids, anti-

oxidants, and high levels of vitamin A in the elderberry nurture skin health. Its vitamin A content makes it particularly effective as a skin care agent. Vitamin A's compounds – unlike other vitamins - are readily-available in their activated form and conversion, depending on the source, is not always necessary for absorption. Betacarotene - and every other carotenoid - is the vitamin A form sourced directly through plant foods and is the most potent in terms of skin health. Within the body, betacarotene is easily converted to retinol, which protects the skin's cells and promotes healing. The less fruits and vegetables in one's diet, the more likely the skin will suffer from premature aging, increased sensitivity to the sun, loss in elasticity, a dull tone, and chronic and hormonal acne.

As for elderberries themselves, a reversal in perceived skin aging – wrinkles and age spots – has been noted in several studies. This seems to indicate that the consumption of edible elderberry prod-

ucts could improve the tone and elasticity of skin and somewhat prevent the speed at which it naturally degrades and ages, due to its antioxidative and circulation-promoting properties.

Elderberry as a Cough Syrup

"The less the coughing allowed, the less the inclination to cough. Where this effort cannot succeed, then some resort must be had to palliatives in the form remedial agents. When this shall be done, let the mildest palliatives be which are able to give relief, and as few opiates as possible. If a homeopathic medicine will operate, so much the better." Health, or, How to Live, 298

Most natural respiratory medicines – namely cough syrups and cough suppressants contain elderberry. This is because the elderberry flowers are antispasmodic – they relax bronchial spasms, which significantly reduces the sufferer's inclination to cough. Elderberry's antispasmodic and antiinflammatory properties also have a soothing and shrinking effect

on the mucous membranes and surrounding blood vessels. This relieves nasal congestion and encourages the expectoration (productive coughingup) of phlegm.

Bronchitis, pneumonia, and even asthma are all alleviated through the use of elderberry cough syrup.

Note: The elderberry flowers are the gentlest and safest part of the plant. All other portions contain cyanideproducing compounds and should not be consumed without proper cooking. If preparing a DIY elderberry cough syrup for children above the age of 4, please be mindful of this and become informed on proper techniques for food and medicinal preparations. (See further warnings below.)

Elderberry and Cancer

The anthocyanins contained within elderberry extracts have proven to be a potential treatment against cancer, as well as a cancer preventative. The term *chemopreventive* is used when discussing the possibilities of elderberry as a natural

treatment option because laboratory studies have revealed elderberry contains chemopreventive compounds that slow and even reverse cancer formation. More studies are needed to better understand its efficacy, but the ever-present censorship of sincere scientific research will no doubt be an obstacle in the future for those who seek a more natural approach to cancer treatment and prevention.

Elderberry Caution

Safe, edible elderberry species should not be confused with the American Elder, Elderflower, or Dwarf Elder. (Be mindful that "Elderflower" is the name of a species and "elderflowers" are simply the flowers on the elderberry bush.)

While the flowers are safe in any form, only ripe, cooked berries (specifically of the *Sambucus* family) are safe for consumption. This is because raw elderberries contain traces of cyanide. Mild toxicity symptoms include diarrhea, vomiting, and dehydration. Commercially prepared dried berries and elder-

berry powders must meet safety standards and very rarely cause adverse reactions when ingested at the recommended dosages. Still, take consideration of the fact that few elder species are edible and, therefore, elderberry products should only be purchased from licensed and reputable stores/brands.

Even though elderberry has recently been removed from the honey-suckle family and has been recategorized as a member of Adoxaceae, it may still be relevant to be wary if one is allergic to any species of honeysuckle, as the elderberry plant still shares many of their traits.

Elderberry in any form (even tea and juice) **should not** be ingested if pregnant or breastfeeding because very young children are particularly sensitive in a negative way to it potent properties, much like they are to honey until they reach a certain age.

In addition, elderberry's natural diuretic capabilities can cause a serious dehydrating effect upon the organs, which is why the more condensed and potent extracts and medicinal syrups should not be taken for more than 5 consecutive days.

Lastly, certain medications are either counteractive or become toxic when elderberry products are also introduced into the system. These medications include diuretics, laxatives, chemotherapy, diabetes medication, theophylline (or TheoDur), any immunesuppressing drugs, as well as topical and internal steroids

(specifically prednisone), and autoimmune disease medications.

Conclusion

Elderberry has a long history of natural medicinal use as both a disease preventative and a "cure all" for various ailments and conditions. It is antiviral, antibacterial, antifungal, antioxidal, and anti-inflammatory, which

truly makes it one of the most versatile medicinal plants on the planet. Though caution should be used depending on preexisting conditions, age, or preparatory methods, elderberry is safe and effective for the treatment of colds, flus, infections, respiratory conditions, skin care, and as an immune-boosting detoxifier.

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Authorized KJV vs Catholic Bible



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If you are using anything but the KJV, you are using a Catholic influenced Bible [see June 2017 issue for details], which strategically twists and leaves out key words and verses so as to make even the ecumenical movement between religions outside of Christianity possible.

This month we will look at Revelation 1:1 because there is a key word that is left out of the verse in most modern translations that makes the Book of Revelation challenging to understand. In the King James Version, the word is "signified", which means symbolic, symbols representing

the literal. By leaving this off, people try to literally interpret Revelation, hence why when the word "church" disappears and "Jews" are now being referenced in the book, the conclusion is that it is the secret rapture of Christians leaving the Jews to take on the Antichrist. And that is error.

King James Version:

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John

Below are the versions that state that the Book of Revelation is a literal interpretation of prophecy:

New International

Version: The revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his

New Living Translation: This is a revelation from Jesus Christ, which God gave him to

servant John,

show his servants the events that must soon take place. He sent an angel to present this revelation to his servant John,

English Standard Version: The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants the things that must soon take place. He made it known by sending his angel to his servant John,

Berean Study Bible:

This is the revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show His servants what must soon come to pass. He made it known by sending His angel to His servant John,

New American Standard Bible: The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bondservants, the things which must soon take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bondservant John,

Christian Standard
Bible: The revelation of
Jesus Christ that God
gave him to show his
servants what must
soon take place. He
made it known by
sending his angel to his

servant John,

John.

Contemporary English Version: This is what God showed to Jesus Christ, so that he could tell his servants what must happen soon. Christ then sent his angel with the message to his servant

Good News Translation: This book is the record of the events that Jesus Christ revealed. God gave him this revelation in order to show to his servants what must happen very soon. Christ made these things known to his servant John by sending his angel to him,

International Standard Version: This is the revelation of Jesus the Messiah, which God gave him to show his servants the things that must happen soon. He made it known by sending his messenger to his servant John,

NET Bible: The revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show his servants what must happen very soon. He made it clear by sending his angel to his servant John,

New Heart English Bible: This is the Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to show to his servants the things which must happen soon, which he sent and made known by his angel to his servant, John,

GOD'S WORD® Translation: This is the revelation of Jesus Christ. God gave it to him to show his servants the things that must happen soon. He sent this revelation through his angel to his servant John.

New American Standard 1977: The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bondservants, the things which must shortly

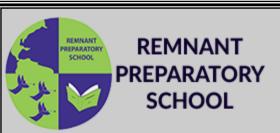
take place; and He sent and communicated it by His angel to His bond-servant John,

Weymouth New Testament: The revelation given by Jesus Christ, which God granted Him, that He might make known to His servants certain events which must shortly come to pass: and He sent His angel and communicated it to His servant John.

World English Bible:
This is the Revelation
of Jesus Christ, which
God gave him to show
to his servants the
things which must happen soon, which he
sent and made known
by his angel to his servant, John,

Below are the versions that correctly state that the Book of Revelation is "signified" or "symbolized":

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Christ, which God gave Him to show to His bond-servants what things it behooves to take place in quickness. And He signified it through having sent His angel to His servant, John,

Holman Christian
Standard Bible: The
revelation of Jesus
Christ that God gave
Him to show His slaves
what must quickly take
place. He sent it and
signified it through His
angel to His slave John,

Aramaic Bible in Plain English: The Revelation of Yeshua The Messiah, which God gave to him, to show his Servants what had been given to soon occur, and he symbolized it when he sent by his Angel to his Servant Yohannan,

Jubilee Bible 2000:

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his slaves things which are convenient to do quickly, and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his slave John,

American Standard
Version: The Revelation of Jesus Christ,
which God gave him to
show unto his servants, even the things
which must shortly
come to pass: and he
sent and signified it by
his angel unto his servant John;

Douay-Rheims Bible:

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to make known to his servants the things which must shortly come to pass: and signified, sending by his angel to his servant John,

Darby Bible Translation: Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave to him, to shew to his bondmen what must shortly take place; and he signified [it], sending by his angel, to his bondman John,

English Revised Version: The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave him to shew unto his servants, even the things which must shortly come to pass: and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John;

Webster's Bible Translation: The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave to him, to show to his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel to his servant John:

Young's Literal Translation: A revelation of Jesus Christ, that God gave to him, to shew to his servants what things it behoveth to come to pass quickly; and he did signify it, having sent through his messenger to his servant John,

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Healthy And Delicious Recipes



Renee Bushor, Restoration, Remedies, & Recipes Ministry

Wife, mom of 4 adult children, grandmom of 6.

Work part-time for a company my son owns, called Inmate Scribes. Helps prisoners to communicate with the outside world, and provide them with Christian literature and sign them up for Bible studies.

Studied health for over 25 years; extensively trained Medical Missionary helping people get to the root of health issues without masking symptoms; enjoy teaching people different methods for healing: diet, water treatments, essential oils, herbs, charcoal, etc.

25 years of experience teaching healthful cooking from scratch showing how to prepare their favorite meals, but in a new way, without sacrificing taste. Everything is plant based, including all condiments, salad dressings, dips, cheeses, crackers, breads, and even laundry soap.

Guacamole

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- 3 ripe avocados
- 2 cloves fresh garlic minced
- 2 T. fresh cilantro, chopped
- 1 ½ t. fresh lime juice
- ½ t. salt
- ¼ c. diced fresh

tomatoes

Mash avocados, add garlic, cilantro, fresh lime and salt and mix. Mix in tomatoes. Cover tightly and chill until ready to serve. Garnish with fresh cilantro and diced tomatoes.

Black Beans and Rice

- 1 ½ c. dried black beans in 8 c. water
- 1 ½ c. dry rice
- 2 t. chicken seasoning, homemade
- 2 t. cumin
- 3-4 garlic cloves or 2 t. powder
- 2 bay leaves or 2 t. bay leaf powder

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 - 2 t. oregano
 - 1 t. salt
 - 2 T. onion powder
 - 1 green pepper, chopped
 - 2 T. lemon juice
 - 1-16 oz. can tomatoes, chopped

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Cooked brown rice

- 1 c. zucchini, shredded, opt.
- 1 c. tomatoes, chopped
- 2 T. sour cream

Rinse beans and soak overnight. Drain water, rinse beans and place in 8 c. water. Add chicken seasoning, cumin, garlic, bay leaves, oregano, and salt.

Bring to boil, reduce heat.
Simmer covered for 2 hours. Stir in onion, green pepper, lemon juice, and canned tomatoes. Cook 30 minutes or until beans are done. Discard bay leaves if using.

Serve with sour cream, zucchini, and fresh tomatoes over cooked brown rice.

Leaves of Autumn!

The truth must not be muffled now. Plain statements must be made. Unvarnished truth must be spoken, in leaflets and pamphlets, and these must be scattered like the leaves of autumn.--Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 231.

Capitalizing On Headline News, we put together a pamphlet based upon Trump's recognition of Jerusalem as the capital of Israel by moving the embassy.

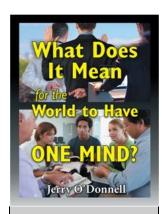
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April 1—St. Cloud Visitor

Catholics like much of U.S. in their regard for the Ten Commandments

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

comment: "The only commandment not to win a clear majority still had plurality support: keeping the Sabbath holy, with 49 percent saying it was an important principle, with 37 percent disagreeing, and 13 percent saying they didn't know."

So, if the majority do not want to recognize the Sabbath, does that not make it the Nine Commandments instead? And then when you couple that with the fact that the antichrist would "think to change times and laws" (Daniel 7:25), even of the 49% that stated such was important, most are not keeping the right day anyways.

April 1—Catholic New Service

Update: Pope: Jesus' church offers truth, comfort despite efforts to discredit it

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: The article states that the church (Catholic Church of course) is the source of truth as the pope stated. The Bible says, "it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practised, and prospered" (Daniel 8:12).

The second point is that she is trying to play the victim by stating, "Despite efforts to discredit it." That is similar to her saying, "I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow" (Revelation 18:7).

April 5—Vatican News

Pope Francis and Armenian Patriarchs bless a bronze statue of St Gregory of Narek

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: Exodus 20:4-6 says, "Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness [of any thing] that [is] in heaven above, or that [is] in the earth beneath, or that [is] in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God [am] a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto

the third and fourth [generation] of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments."

People can gloss over the actions taken here but blessing a graven statue is a type of serving, bowing down, even worship.

April 3—The Catholic Spirit

NCAA championship is a win-win for Catholic universities

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

comment: Although outcomes of simultaneous sporting events is hard to fix the outcome, between the movie of Pope Francis, CNN's documentary on the "Most Powerful Man", this just adds to the adoration. And it continues that "all the world wondered after the beast" (Revelation 13:3).

April 2—Jamaica Gleaner

Sabbath Agony - US State Department Report Highlights Job Challenges For Saturday Churchgoers

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: Here is a taste of what is coming in fulfillment of prophecy.

"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.] {GC88 592.3}

April 24—Crux Now

Body of St. John XXIII to make brief return to his home diocese

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: "And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" (Revelation 18:2). And one of those foul spirits is going against Deuteronomy 18:10-11, "There shall not be found among you [any one] that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, [or] that useth divination, [or] an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a

charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer." Basically, this is nothing short of worshiping the dead, which "the dead know not any thing" (Ecclesiastes 9:5).

April 17—Crux Now

Church needs prophets, not critics, pope says at morning Mass

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: Does the pope not know the definition of a prophet? "Cry aloud, spare not, lift up thy voice like a trumpet, and shew my people their transgression, and the house of Jacob their sins" (Isaiah 58:1). That surely looks like criticism to me!

April 25—Catholic News Service

Pope leads prayers for inter-Korean summit

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: The description of antichrist is that "the ten horns out of this kingdom [are] ten kings [that] shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings" (Daniel 7:24), meaning, that the European power that would arise would not just be a political power like the rest of the leaders of Europe nor would it not be recognized as such being just a religious power but would be recognized as both a religious and political power. And then once

again, the papacy claims involvement and possible solution to bring peace to the Korean peninsula (implied).

But did you also take note in the actual article what Pope Francis prayed? "I ask you to pray to our father, God the father of all, for the Korean people, both those of the South as well as those of the North." There is a list going on here. He is encouraging people to pray to "our father" and then "God the Father". He did not say, "Pray to our Father, which is God the Father." He being referred to "our father" from time to time basically put himself in the list above God the Father! Is that not what Satan tried? "I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High" (Isaiah 14:14).

April 19—Crux Now

Pope calls German cardinal to Rome to discuss eucharistic sharing

HIGHLIGHT: (see title)

COMMENT: Of course this would be in the pope's best interest because that is part of the papal goal: In paragraph,237 of "ENCYCLICAL LETTER LAUDATO SI' OF THE HO-LY FATHER FRANCIS ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME", "On Sunday, our participation in the Eucharist has special importance." And the main goal is to have "all the world wondered after the beast" (Revelation 13:3).

Questions And Answers



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QUESTION: What are your thoughts on *Unholy War ...and the King of the South is...*

ANSWER: Basically, the document is declaring that the King of the North is Turkey and the King of the South is Egypt. Being that the huge climax is at the end of Daniel 11, we have to question is that really an issue today?

I have personally seen Adventists post on Face-Book, articles, and other items declaring, "The weight of evidence is in" and being in support of the Turkey/Egypt concept, but what weight is it? Eliminate all the nonprophets who can be erring, and the argument is reduced to a few of the Ellen White quotes out of proper dating, place, and even context including the phrase "Eastern Question", a reference to Uriah Smith's book, and other things. So, I do not care which pioneers were for this theory and even the fact that it is referenced in the Sabbath school quarterly of the time. Sunday keepers could do the same thing creating a double standard to rely on such arguments. Just because the vast majority of church founders of other denominations and even Ellen White's own early impression, Sunday is where the weight of evidence is. So, why do we not keep Sunday? Because inspiration direct from God to the prophets tell us otherwise. And that is my position as I approach this subject.

Let us use inspired weight of evidence then. First off, we are historical interpreters of the Bible, which means that things are interpreted from the origination of the prophecy through until the end. Secondly, we also believe prophecy that is repeated in one form or another is based upon repeat and enlarge. This concept example is like Genesis 1 being repeated in Genesis 2 in which chapter 2 is the repeat of chapter 1 though the beginning of chapter 2 as the Sabbath is part of creation and should be part of chapter 1. Chapter 2 provides the enlarged detail of chapter 1. I use this example because many other Christians treat chapter 1 and chapter 2 as two different versions of creation and use it to declare why creation cannot be taken literally.

Now let us apply this last concept to the book of Daniel. None would disagree that Daniel 2 is the overall view of a specific prophecy starting with Babylon (the head of gold), then Medo-Persia (the arms and chest of silver), Greece (the thighs of brass), Rome (the legs of iron), and Europe (the feet and toes of iron and clay) followed by Christ's kingdom (the stone). Now, before we move away from Daniel 2, let us make sure we get the entire concept here. First, we have the feet mixed with iron and clay (Daniel 2:33). What does the iron represent? Rome or the state of Rome. That is what all of us know from the iron in the legs. What does the clay represent? Jeremiah 18:6 states, "O house of Israel, cannot I do with you as this potter? saith the LORD. Behold, as the clay [is] in the potter's hand, so [are] ye in mine hand, O house of Israel." Israel represents religion or the church. In other words. the feet and toes are not just referring to Europe but the church and state or papal authority. Ellen White confirms this by stating, "The mingling of churchcraft and statecraft is represented by the iron and the clay. This union is weakening all the power of the churches. This in-

vesting the church with the power of the state will bring evil results. Men have almost passed the point of God's forbearance. They have invested their strength in politics, and have united with the papacy. But the time will come when God will punish those who have made void His law, and their evil work will recoil upon themselves" {15MR 39.2}. Seeing we are in the feet and toes time-frame, what part of Europe do they represent? Western part. Where is Turkey? Eastern. So, it is safe to conclude that Daniel 2 has no mention of Turkey, but the papacy is mentioned.

Now, let us repeat the prophecy in Daniel 7 using beasts. We repeat Babylon (the lion), Medo-Persia (the bear), Greece (the leopard), Rome (the dragon or ugly beast), and Europe (the ten horns). Then a little horn comes up among Europe. The event is followed by Christ and His kingdom. Again, before moving away from chapter 7, we see the focus upon the ten horns and the little horn. Which part of Europe are we focused upon then? Western of course. Where is Turkey? Eastern. Again, being intelligent people of prophecy, the pattern concludes that Turkey is not part of the prophecies, but the papa-

Now, before we get to the next enlargement, which starts in Daniel 8 and runs through 12 in one continuous prophecy, at least 11 and 12 basically go together, let us pause here and jump to Revelation 13 for a moment, which is another writer about the same events from the same Author – God. So, what do we see? We see the same pieces of Daniel 7 being repeated with even the specific interpretation through Revelation 13:10. We have the teachings of Babylon (mouth of lion), crushing power of Medo-Persia (feet of a bear), the speed in which it spreads (body of the leopard), the support of Europe (ten horns), and the power of dominance given to it by Rome (dragon giving the power or Justinian writing a decree). Even the number of seven heads interestingly adds up (1 lion head, 1 bear head, 4 leopard heads, and 1 dragon beast head). Where is Turkey? Again, it is left out, but papal Rome again is the focus. So why does anyone conclude that Turkey is a major end time player in Daniel 11?

One reason is because of an obscure reference: "yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him" (Daniel 11:45). The Turkey/Egypt people conclude that it cannot be the papacy because the papacy is to last all the way until the second coming. We do not disagree with that statement however, we disagree with the implication that the placement of this reference has to be in sequence. That is the mistake.

Will the papacy come to

an end and will none be able to help him? Yes. The part of the verse is just that. It is a statement not necessarily to be in a sequence, despite pretty much all of the other verses appearing that way. The ending verses of Daniel 11 is a description of the papacy and while the description is going on, the one-liner of, "And don't worry. It will come to an end" is thrown in there. Look at the conclusion of events, which end in Daniel 12 before verse 5 breaks out into other conversation. There is no easy place to have moved those words without confusion, so therefore, while the last words of the subject matter, the papacy, is being detailed, the whole matter is simply concluded with "yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him". We are thrown off because most of the other items, like almost all of it, is in sequence, but if absolute sequence was a rule of prophecy, then we have a big issue in Revelation 13 and that is why I brought it into this discussion above.

How can the papacy, even Protestant America which lasts until the second coming, be seen as "yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him" (Daniel 11:45) and yet this be "at that time shall Michael stand up" (Daniel 12:1)? Again, that is very easily answered because the actual fulfillment of "come to his end" is a reference to the very end and not a

ward moment of the ultimate conclusion. He will come to his end and no one shall help him. This seen in vision by John as well happening. "Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong [is] the Lord God who judgeth her. And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning, Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas, that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come" (Revelation 18:8-10). Obviously, taken literally, this happens before 2 Thessalonians 2:8.

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This same "has to be in sequence" thinking is the second fallacy in which Evangelicals use. Study the end of Daniel 7 and see that the sequence does not completely work out. This causes Evangelicals to throw the last week of time into the future.

Let us actually study the real example from what we have read so far. Go ahead and read Revelation 18 about the destruction of the whore. It appears that we have her merchants, and kings, and others mourning her death as if it happens

before the second coming, just like Daniel 11:45 implies. Therefore, if the people who say that Daniel 11:45 cannot refer to the papacy, then Revelation 18 does not either. You cannot discredit 11:45 without doing the same with Revelation 18. Therefore, since we know for a fact that 18 is a symbolic representation and indeed the papacy does last until the second coming, and we know symbolism is strongly used in chapter 18, we conclude the same pattern is set for 11:45 of Daniel. It is a reference to the death but is not necessarily (though mentioned before Daniel 12:1) before the close of probation. That is human insinuation, not God-intended understanding.

Let us investigate another Bible sequence issue regarding the same main character, the papacy as found in Revelation 13. If prophecy is in sequence regarding the antichrist, that means the antichrist receives a deadly wound. And we all agree, so there is no challenge yet. But that wound would be completely healed. Again, we all agree, so there is no challenge yet. Then after the wound is healed (Revelation 13:3) and all the world wonders after the beast (Revelation 13:4), it continues 42 months. Turkey/Egypt people logic would have to believe that the 42 months are after the healing wound and not beforehand. And that is Evangelical understand-

ing. That is exactly why the papacy is ruled out as being the antichrist in their eyes. They believe that antichrist makes nice with people, dies, comes back to life and rules tyrannically for 42 literal months. That means all those that take 11:45 of Daniel as a literal sequence not simply taking it as, "Well, we're done with describing the King of the North, let's just conclude the matter here and not later in chapter 12."

So, the weight of biblical evidence is that Turkey is not in the first prophecy of Babylon through Jesus' Kingdom of Daniel 2, not part of Daniel 7 regarding Babylon through Jesus' Kingdom, not in Revelation 13 either, and therefore is not part of Daniel 11. Ellen White herself states:

"The judgments of God are in the land. The wars and rumors of wars, the destruction by fire and flood, say clearly that the time of trouble, which is to increase until the end, is very near at hand. We have no time to lose. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecies of the eleventh of Daniel have almost reached their final fulfilment." {RH, November 24, 1904 par. 8}

"The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecy of the eleventh chapter of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place." {9T 14.2}

So, Ellen White states that end of the prophecies are just about complete. Now, who is the major player at the end of Daniel 11? The next quote states that it is the same as found in verses 31 through 36 inclusive.

"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 fulfillment. Much of the history that has taken place in fulfillment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that 'shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant." [Verses 31-36, quoted.] {13MR 394.1}

I said above "inclusive". The reason I said that is because Uriah Smith differs from the prophet Ellen White for in his book he states:

"The king here introduced cannot denote the same power which was last noticed; namely, the papal power; for the specifications will not hold good if applied to that power." {1897 UrS, DAR 292.2}

So, already Uriah Smith's book is suspect, even

though Ellen White endorses the book.

On top of this, the King of the North is an important character found in prophecy. In fact, it clearly includes a major religious issue because "he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace" (Daniel 11:45). This has similar wording as 2 Thessalonians 2:4 does: "Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God." Should not Ellen White give us warning? If she completely agrees with Uriah on the matter, she would have stated more than just an implication. Look up the word "Turkey" in either GC88 or GC (The Great Controversy) and there is only one mention:

"At the very time specified, Turkey, through her ambassadors, accepted the protection of the allied powers of Europe, and thus placed herself under the control of Christian nations. The event exactly fulfilled the prediction. (See Appendix.) When it became known, multitudes were convinced of the correctness of the principles of prophetic interpretation adopted by Miller and his associates, and a wonderful impetus was given to the advent movement. Men of learning and position united with Miller, both in preaching and in publishing his views, and from 1840 to 1844 the work rapidly extended."

If she is willing to make mention of fulfilled prophecy here, God being the Author, would have also inspired the King of the North reference somewhere else in the book, even the updated version, but she does not. And do a complete word search on just the word "Turkey" of all of her writings and in all fifteen references between the main writings that were originally released along with the recent writings, half of them refer to the meat eaten and the other half refer to the country in past fulfillment. There is not one quote that hints at Turkey being an end time player or the King of the North. It is all by implication and to run with an implication is sandy soil to build a house.

As with all things, when taking it to the Spirit of Prophecy, more than just on an implication, it is easy to point out how supportive Ellen White was of Uriah Smith and how she helped promote his book as well as his speaking engagements, but implication is dangerous for that has been the argument for many of the last day prophecies to hit the SDA church as well as the excuse for Sunday by Sunday-keepers. Sunday is implied by Jesus through His resurrection.

Likewise, search all occurrences of Egypt, which is quite numerous (2,300+), and we see that none hint at being a last day major player either. If there is any reference that does apply, it is in a symbolic manner or "old life", atheism, paganism.

I use the phrase "major player" because if there is prophecy to be fulfilled, it is not going to be an insignificant event. Therefore, we see the application of the King of the North referring to Turkey and King of the South referring to Egypt in Uriah Smith's book as a present-day application in their day but not in our day, otherwise Ellen White herself would have given some type of prophetic application for our day. In our day, the major players seem to be clearly the United States and the Vatican as well as Russia, Iran, China, North Korea, Israel, Syria, and Iraq, for they are today's news makers. Of those, Ellen White repeatedly references the United States and the Vatican.

I also take issue with the book I reviewed of several quotes that were implied being from Ellen White that upon searching her writings were not there. One particular is a reference to Daniel 11:40-45 at all. It is not there. In fact, when regarding Daniel 11, Ellen White is very limited in her references.

Turning now to Uriah Smith, is he a prophet? Ellen White had this to say, "My brother, Uriah Smith, whom I have loved and respected in the Lord, you have been working at cross purposes with God, practicing upon yourself deceptions which, if you continue as you have

done, will be succeeded with deceptions and delusions which will end in irrevocable separation from God." {1888 793.2}

In 1888, Uriah Smith was quite upset in a very unchristian manner. Over what you may ask? Well, there were two major confrontations at the 1888 conference. There was righteousness by faith that Ellen White sided with Jones and Waggoner upon that even caused a stir from the president at that time. The second was calling into question the ten horns and ten toes referenced in Uriah's book. Uriah had written that such included the Huns. If such is true, what European country do we refer to them as today? Technically, they would be Bulgarians. We do not mention Bulgaria as the tenth horn because most Adventists believe that Huns were not the correct group and that the Alamani is the tenth horn that represents today's Germany. We understand this to be so because when Rome fell, it was split already into east (Constantinople) and west (Rome), meaning, it fell to make Western Europe. Of course, Uriah would have been upset, and may even have said, "But Ellen White supports me", like many try to use today. [Argument supplied by Standish brothers.]

Now, if Uriah's horn would be wrong, how could Ellen White endorse such error? It is the same way God could endorse such a king as King Saul. At the time, though imperfect, it met the needs. Even Miller's message was God ordained but ended in disappointment. Study Revelation 10 and see the allowed conclusion was endorsed despite being in error.

If God were about crossing every "t" and dotting every "i" with us humans, no message would ever be endorsed, let alone, preached. Us humans learn from our mistakes and get stronger and stronger in the truth. None of us have been endowed with perfect interpretation. And it certainly was not Ellen White's place to be an editor. The contents were sufficient enough to receive the endorsement, and even the initial hunger for truth was present and therefore, though not perfect, can be encouraged.

At the time, Ellen White was pleading and pleading for literature joining Revelation and Daniel together. There were all kinds of literature on one or the other but not both. "The books of Daniel and the Revelation should be bound together and published. A few explanations of certain portions might be added, but I am not sure that these would be needed." {PM 313.3}

Am I then in support of King of the North being the Vatican and King of the South being ISIS? Absolutely not. That is a swing to other side of

deception taking the heat off of Protestant America. If we are no longer calling the denominations that are not Seventh-day Adventists the churches of Babylon, then a new theory needs to redirect that label and thus was born the Vatican versus ISIS false theology that sadly has caught even Doug Batchelor in, of which there has been multiple attempts to reach him for discussion and silence has been the response. I can mention this publicly as he has made his belief public via YouTube.

"There are those now living who in studying the prophecies of Daniel and John, received great light from God as they passed over the ground where special prophecies were in process of fulfillment in their order. They bore the message of time to the people. The truth shone out clearly as the sun at noonday. Historical events, showing the direct fulfillment of prophecy, were set before the people, and the prophecy was seen to be a figurative delineation of events leading down to the close of this earth's history. The scenes connected with the working of the man of sin are the last features plainly revealed in this earth's history. The people now have a special message to give to the world, the third angel's message. Those who, in their experience, have passed over the ground acted a part in the proclamation of the first, second, and third angel's messages are not so liable to be led into false paths as are those who have not had an experimental knowledge of the people of God." {Ms31-1896} {2SM 102.1}

Please note the use of the word "figurative" and that it is in regards to the prophecies of Daniel and John. Is that inclusive of the prophecies of Daniel 11 or just 2, 7, 8, 9, 10, and 12? That means if literal Israel is part of prophecy for today, such is error for we are spiritual Israel today.

Now, it is said that Ellen White was in complete support of Uriah Smith's view on Turkey.

"Elder [Uriah] Smith spoke on the Sabbath question to a large congregation this morning, and this evening he speaks on the Eastern question. I feel so grateful that Brother Smith is not lost to the cause. He seems fully and thoroughly united with us; seems like Brother Smith of old. Oh, thank the Lord! Praise His Holy Name, that His love, His wondrous love has been exercised toward the children of men. It is so dark, I must stop. Will write you tomorrow." {Lt55-1884}

"Especially should the book Daniel and the Revelation be brought before people as the very book for this time. This book contains the message which all need to read and understand. Translated into many different languages, it will be a power to enlighten the world. This book has had

a large sale in Australia and New Zealand. By reading it may souls have come to a knowledge of the truth. I have received many letters expressing appreciation of this book." {Ms174-1899}

Remember, Jesus was expected to come by century's end. At the time, there was something called the "Eastern Question", but allowing for the fact that Jesus did not come then, Sunday law was defeated, God then sent the church into the wilderness because Jesus was supposed to come, and that also changed earlier quotation results, much like when Ellen White stated, "I was shown the company present at the Conference. Said the angel: 'Some food for worms, some subjects of the seven last plagues, some will be alive and remain upon the earth to be translated at the coming of Jesus.'"--1T 131, 132 (1856). Everyone is dead; they are all food for worms now. Oh, and I have heard some fancy takes on this as well to make this still become fulfilled prophecy, but my point is, "The Eastern Question" is no longer a question today. "The 'Eastern Question' refers to the strategic competition and political considerations of the European Great Powers in light of the political and economic instability in the Ottoman Empire from the late 18th to early 20th centuries." Theophilus C. Prousis. Review of Macfie, A. L., The Eastern Question,

1774-1923. HABSBURG, H Net Reviews. December, 1996. So, since 1923 is past, which is the end of the "Eastern Question", how can we stick to it. This situation is no different than all of Moses' promises given prior to the first visit to the Promised Land. All of those promises changed when they were told that they would wonder in the desert now because of unbelief. Jesus did not come at the end of the 1800's or the beginning of the 1900's, therefore what appeared to be political issues of the day and present truth is no longer present truth in our day as the political scenes have changed. Only that which was present truth has been forwarded to our time, namely keep your eyes on the papacy, the United States, and Sunday law.

As a side note, hopefully not to confuse anyone, but technically, Babylon, referring to Protestant America, just decided to plant its embassy in Jerusalem. So, on a physical political distraction, we do have a political scene change. Now I am not saying such is the fulfillment for it is the King of the North that plants the tabernacle.

Besides, "to plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain" (Daniel 11:45) requires such to exist, referring to the holy mountain. All of physical Israel or any portion is no longer

considered holy. Jesus said of Jerusalem, "your house is left unto you desolate" (Luke 13:35). Daniel prophesied, "the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof [shall be] with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined" (Daniel 9:26) and confirmed by Jesus in Matthew 24:15. Physical Israel is not a "player" in end time prophecy. It is no longer considered holy land by God.

So, let us place another take on things. The Bible defines the King of the North as Babylon (Ezekiel 26:7). King of the South is agreed to be Egypt (Genesis 13:1). Ellen White speaks figuratively of the Seventh-day Adventist church as Israel (2T 109.1). Ellen White speaks figuratively of Egypt being atheism (GC88 269.2). She and the Bible identify the "mother" of Babylon to be Rome but also applies Babylon to confusion, especially among Protestant America (GC 382.3). Putting the pieces together, atheism has been pushing against the churches, specifically the King of Babylon – the papacy, so much so that atheism is not just growing but growing rapidly and even affecting legislation. Evolution seems to have the upper hand so much so that even Christians combine creation and evolution together. But, the churches are finally going to push back

against atheism in the area of morality so hard that they will not rise, especially when Sunday law is enacted and Satan shows up appearing as Christ. Further, Babylon has planted her flag in Israel, even in the Seventh-day Adventist church. Only a fool believes there are no Jesuits among us. Jesuits are quoted in our quarterlies, invited into our pulpits, and those are just the blatant acts. It is said that all denominations have been infiltrated so much so that Rome controls them, and that includes our denomination.

Look and judge the fruit. Ecumenicalism controls all of the denominations, of which we are a part, though the Conference keeps telling the people of our denomination that it is just for observation when we are holding actual positions and even have taken a leading role. This movement just ended Protestantism, of which our own church leaders are not only silent about, but even apologize for when The Great Controversy is passed out (1), when billboards are blatant in identifying the antichrist, and when ads are taken out declaring the same. And the number of representatives accepting the pope's unifying letter that includes an apology but also identifies the goal of having everyone celebrate the eucharist together, including Andrews University, people from the GC, and leading pastors. On

top of that, the fruit of sending representatives to the Vatican giving the pope a medallion in the 1980's (2) and now shaking hands along with group photo opportunities with captions stating unity is what is happening (3), is ample evidence that the flag has been well-planted in spiritual Israel. And then there is the mutual respect document that was recently signed (4). More fruit includes backing off from explicitly stating what is the Mark of the Beast (video of Ted Wilson at ASI convention), blatantly agreeing that the medieval period was antichrist, but excusing her today since she has changed (despite the fact that Ellen White predicted the nice modern appearance but underneath she never changes), and much more.

There is a lot more detail that could be shared, such as gold and silver control (Daniel 11:43) is very similar to the Mark of the Beast control of no buying or selling (Revelation 13:17), but this is one review of the booklet, and hopefully it is food for thought at least.

So, in summary, Uriah did have an answer to the Eastern Question in that "Europe, England, Austria, Prussia, and Russia, assumed control of all the foreign affairs of the Government of Turkey" on August 11, 1840. The "Eastern Question" no longer exists. Uriah's book was endorsed purely because it was the only

book that combined Daniel and Revelation at the time and provided the necessary details to understand a good portion of prophecy, however, Uriah was not a prophet and subject to human error, although, as predicted, the contents of the book are still useful today.

Further, for the final fulfillment to literally take place between Turkey and Egypt, which are insignificant powers today, Egypt would have to wage war against Turkey first. And if there is anyone that is about to tell me that such has been already waged and that we are waiting for Turkey to come down through Israel to retaliate is nothing short of an exaggeration. All previous warfare outlined in Daniel 11 was with full-on assault. And so, if the King of the North is going to be Turkey, then King of the South, Egypt, has to march up through the countries in between and attack. Egypt is not even a blip of consideration in doing that. There are no known plans of intent. Besides, in today's world, any such movement would be dealt with through sanctions. Countries just do not retaliate on their own. And continual defying of UN orders would be met with stiffer and stiffer sanctions of which take months and years per sanction. Then we have the fact that even Israel has been restrained from lawful retaliation in the past, therefore, the UN would do the same with Turkey. Then there is the UN interference with sending in troops. I might not have all of the details laid out perfectly, but I think I made my point of time time. We do not have that much time left. Sunday law can be sprung on us in a matter of weeks or months. The pope wants worldwide compliance by 2020. Poland and others are lining themselves up in accordance with such already.

While those expecting Turkish involvement against Egypt in Daniel 11, many are being blinded to the fulfillment of prophecy happening now.

"By the decree 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." {5T 451.1}

"As the approach of the Roman armies was a sign to the disciples of the impending destruction of (Continued from page 34)
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.
The cries of the faithful, persecuted ones ascend to heaven.
And as the blood of Abel cried from the ground, there are voices also crying to God from mar-

tyrs' graves, from the sepulchers of the sea, from mountain caverns, from convent vaults: 'How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?'" {5T 451.2}

There is no mention of Turkey in those sequential paragraphs of which are fast fulfilling. Protestants have more than grasped the hand of Roman power since now as of October 31, 2017, Protestantism is dead and our own church leaders helped celebrate such. Spiritualism is rampant among both Protestants and Catholics, waxing bolder with Christian Yoga, accepting of Mary Apparitions, and more. Our country is in the process now of repudiating every principle of the Constitution. That does not mean they are removed, but freedom of speech is happening, cities are banning guns in the United States, executive powers are illegally broader than allowed, soldiers are now permitted to take up quarters in any private home without their consent, Trump is pushing to confiscate property first and then have a trial, citizens can be held without due process, people are sitting

Study to shew thyself approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed, rightly dividing the word of truth.

2 Timothy 2:15

in prison awaiting trial and have been so for years, excessive bails are being leveled against citizens, Federal government trumps state laws, the college of electors are under attack, slave wages despite minimum wage laws do exist called immigrant workers, there are members of congress that are in position despite being rebellious against our own country such as the Clintons, etc. And unfortunately, space does not permit detailed examples, but all of this was simply gathered by neutrally watching news for this purpose. We are to investigate for ourselves anyway; besides, those are just the amendments. Every principle is under repudiation.

The only thing missing from Ellen Whites' prophecy is Sunday law, referenced by stating, "By the

decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness." Sunday law and Jacob's trouble are next. That is it! That is how close we are.

And Ellen White links Jacob's Trouble with the Time of Trouble. "Jacob and Esau represent two classes. Jacob, the right-

> eous; and Esau, the wicked. Jacob's night of wrestling and anguish represents the time of trouble through which the people of God must pass just prior to the second coming

second coming of Christ. Jeremiah refers to this time: 'Wherefore do I see every man with his hands on his loins, as a woman in travail, and all faces are turned into paleness? Alas! for that day is great so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it.' Daniel, in prophetic vision looking down to this point, says: 'And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people; and there shall be a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time; and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.' Isaiah speaks of the same time: 'Come, my people, enter thou into thy chambers, and shut thy door about thee, hide thyself for a little moment, until

the indignation be overpast. For, behold, the Lord cometh out of his place to punish the inhabitants of the earth for their iniquity; the earth also shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain.'" {ST, November 27, 1879 par. 1}

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