



The Four Angels' Messages

A Monthly Magazine

It is the Three Angels' Message of Revelation 14 empowered by "another angel" (Revelation 18:1) producing the Loud Cry, which is yet future, but now is the time of preparation, which is the purpose of this publication.

"In The Spirit and Power of Elias"

Ellen White

The closing words of Malachi are a prophecy regarding the work that should be done preparatory to the first and the second advent of Christ. This prophecy is introduced with the admonition, "Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.

"Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord; and he

shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse."

This prophecy was fulfilled by John the Baptist; for the Saviour himself declared to his disciples, "Elias is come already." Upon hearing this, the disciples "understood that he spake unto them of John the Baptist."

In every stage of this earth's history God has

had his agencies to carry forward his work, which must be done in his appointed way.

John the Baptist had a special work, for which he was born and to which he was appointed, – the work of preparing the way of the Lord.

The mission and the work of John the Baptist were specified by the angel of the Lord, as recorded by Luke: "And he shall go before him in the spirit and

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For Seventh-day Adventists**

Dear Brothers and Sisters ...

Jerry O'Donnell

The world is in chaos and does not seem to be letting up. We are not expecting it to let up of, course. All of this has seemed to spiral out of control so quickly, just like Ellen White stated, "The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones" {9T 11.2}. And it is all done on purpose. The agenda is fully on.

Just when things seem to be getting better, or promises of letting up on restrictions are stated, they invent new reasons to put pressure on us again. To those who have a watchful eye, it is so clear how even both parties are participating in the crisis and why we must divest ourselves from any political connection whatsoever.

How many news items have broken that show where the virus was created, how it was planned, who was involved, etc., in that several senators and house of representa-

tives have spoken out about and have gone as far as to threaten action just to go into silence, all being dropped, to disappear even? It is all for show. Doing nothing, despite saying a lot, is still compliance with the agenda. It is done for show, or as Ellen White states, "political schemes" {FE 475.2}.

We who see what is going on are the few in proportion to the rest, where they are not only being frightened into submission to the will of the governments but are happy that the governments are forcing more and more restrictions upon those who resist.

Numerous nations have made it mandatory between masks and vaccines and, in most of those nations, people are taking to the streets in protest. All of this because of an exaggerated illness that results in no different effect than the flu. Yes, people have died and are still dying. Yes, a virus that they call COVID-19 is still making people sick. But when the media keeps before the people the exagger-

ated stories, when politicians pretend to be concerned by passing all kinds of caring restrictions as they go about living however they want to live, as politicians are making bad decisions that actually are killing people, as the government keeps dumping money into the system using COVID as the reason, as every attempt to deal with the liars and every attempt to have a fair trial when in violation of the restrictions occurs is squashed, and the list goes on; no wonder people continue to live in panic because all they see and hear every day is how the politicians are doing their best, COVID is still out of control, and there are uncaring people who do not want to participate in the vaccines.

Again, all of this is developing character and showing what type of character we have in facing unsurmountable opposition. The government, the judicial branch, the media, including conservative media, and much of society are already

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The mission of The Four Angels' Messages Ministry 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, to get ready and be ready very soon to go and preach them, even being active now. 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. Keep in mind, the final movements of the message are described thus:

"Are we hoping to see the whole church revived? That time will never come." {1SM 122.1}

"We must enter upon the work individually." {1SM 122.2}

We are not against conference churches as there are some still faithful, but most are not.

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power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord." The Holy Ghost was to be upon him.

The wilderness-ministry of John the Baptist was a most striking, literal fulfilment of prophecy. Isaiah had foretold his work as "the voice of him that crieth in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord, make straight in the desert a highway for our God."

John, as a prophet, stood forth as God's representative, to show the connection between the law and the prophets and the Christian dispensation. Like Malachi, he pleaded with the Jews: "Remember ye the law of Moses, . . . with all the statutes and judgments." His work and ministry pointed back to the law and the prophets, while he, at the same time, pointed the people forward to Christ as the Saviour of the world. He called upon them to "behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world."

The forerunner of Christ lifted up his voice in the wilderness of Judea, crying, "Repent ye; for the kingdom of heaven is at hand. For this is he which was spoken of by the prophet Esaias, saying, The voice of one crying in the wilderness, Prepare ye the way of the Lord." "Make straight in the desert a highway for our God. Every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain and hill shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain. And the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. . . . O Zion, that bringest good tidings, get thee up into the high mountain; O Jerusalem, that bringest good tidings, lift up thy voice with strength; lift it up, be not afraid; say unto the cities of Judah, Behold your God! behold, the Lord will come with strong hand, and his arm shall rule for him; behold, his reward is with him, and his work before him. He shall feed his flock like a shepherd; he shall gather the lambs with his arm, and carry them in his bosom."

In the spirit, and with the power, of Elijah, John the Baptist denounced the corruptions of the Jews, and reproved their prevailing sins. His discourses were plain, pointed, and convincing. Many were brought to repentance, and, as evidence of their repentance, were baptized by him in Jordan. This was the work necessary in order to prepare the way for the earthly ministry of Christ.

The work of John the Baptist, and the work of those who in the last days go forth in the spirit and power of Elijah to arouse the people from their apathy, are in many respects the same. His work is a type of the work that must be done in this age. Christ is to come the second time to judge the world in righteousness. The messengers of God who bear the last message of warning to be given to the world, are to prepare the way for Christ's second advent, as John prepared the way for his first advent. In this preparatory work, "every valley shall be exalted, and every mountain shall be made low; and the crooked shall be made straight, and the rough places plain;" for histo-

ry is to be repeated, and once again "the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see it together; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."

In this age, just prior to the second coming of Christ in the clouds of heaven, God calls for men who will prepare a people to stand in the great day of the Lord. Just such a work as that which John did, is to be carried on in these last days. The Lord is giving messages to his people, through the instruments he has chosen, and he would have all heed the admonitions and warnings he sends. The message preceding the public ministry of Christ was, Repent, publicans and sinners; repent, Pharisees and Sadducees; "for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Our message is not to be one of peace and safety. As a people who believe in Christ's soon appearing, we have a definite message to bear, – "Prepare to meet thy God."

Our message must be as direct as was that of John. He rebuked kings for their iniquity. Notwithstanding the peril his life was in, he never allowed truth to lan-

guish on his lips. Our work in this age must be as faithfully done.

Look at the picture that the world presents today. Dishonesty and fraud, violence and bloodshed, are seen on every hand. The widows and the fatherless are often robbed of their all. The theater, the race-track, and questionable amusements of every kind engage the attention of multitudes. In many churches sins have become fashionable. They are glossed over and excused. The right hand of fellowship is given to the very men who bring in false theories and sentiments. Right principles are no longer cherished. The conscience has become insensible to the counsel and reproofs that have been given. Messages calling for repentance are unheeded.

In this time of well-nigh universal apostasy, God calls upon his messengers to proclaim his law in the spirit and power of Elias. As John the Baptist, in preparing a people for Christ's first advent, called their attention to the ten commandments, so we are to give, with no uncertain sound, the message: "Fear God, and give glory to him;

for the hour of his judgment is come." With the earnestness that characterized Elijah the prophet and John the Baptist, we are to strive to prepare the way for Christ's second advent. Resolution, self-denial, and consecrated effort are required of every laborer. Alertness and consecrated zeal must take the place of listless indifference. The prayerful, earnest appeals that come from a heart imbued with the spirit that actuated Elijah, will bring conviction to the honest in heart.

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world."

"Behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be. He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen, Even so, come, Lord Jesus." {The Southern Watchman, March 21, 1905}



Elijah the Prophet

James White

"Behold I send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord." – Mal.iv,5. Said Jesus, 'Elias truly shall first come and restore all things;' The work of Elijah, in the last days, is to restore, to 'raise up the foundations of many generations, repair the breach in the law of God, and to restore the true worship of the true God.' Those who are engaged in this restoration, are the Elijah that was to immediately precede the second advent, the same as was John the Baptist, who went before Jesus, in the spirit and power of Elijah, at the first advent.

Let me here call your attention to some of the most important points in the very interesting history of Elijah, in the days of Ahab, and his wife Jezebel. This history is one of the most important things of old to be remembered as declaring, from ancient times, the things that are now being done. Please read the entire history in 1 Kings, xvi, 29, to Chap. xxii: II Kings i and ii Chap's: also Chap's ix and x. Compare I Kings

xvi, 31-34, with Deut. vii, 3, 4; Jos. vi, 26.

Ahab did evil above all that were before him. This is an example of the wickedness in the end of the world, which is above all that has ever been before it. Jezebel, the wife of Ahab, is a figure or example of the Catholic Church, see Rev. ii, 20. Jezebel was finally thrown down from an upper loft, and trodden under-foot of horses, so that nothing but the skull and feet and palms of her hands were to be found, and her blood was upon the wall, and upon the horses, and her carcass was dung upon the face of the field.

This is a striking figure of Mystery Babylon, the Jezebel of these last days about to be thrown down, and trodden in the wine-press of the wrath of God. – Jezebel slew all the prophets of the Lord except Elijah. So Jezebel, the Catholic Church, has slain her millions of Christians.

Balaam was a magician, and used enchantments, and was sought unto by kings, to bless them, and to curse their enemies. See

Num. xxii, 6, 7. He seems to be a figure, or example of the pope, who has acted the part of Balaam in blessing and cursing. He has professed to be God's vicar on earth. For proof that Balaam is an example of the pope, read Rev. ii, 14. – Holding the 'DOCTRINE OF BALAAM', in this text, has reference to the doctrine of the Catholic Church.

Jannes and Jambres, according to Jasher, were the two sons of Balaam. He was present when they withstood Moses. They exercised the same power of enchantment that their father, Balaam, had exercised. They deceived Pharaoh and the Egyptians, by means of those miracles which they had power to do. - 'That which hath been is that which shall be.' This is an example of the two-horned beasts [Rev. xiii, 11-18] which 'exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down on the earth in the sight of men, and deceiveth them that dwell on the earth, by the means of those mira-

cles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast.' 'As Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these RESIST THE TRUTH, men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith: But they shall proceed no farther, for their folly shall be made manifest, as theirs also was.' Ii Tim. iii, 1-9.

The worshippers of Balaam made an image to supply the place of Balaam. So also the two-horned beast will cause them that dwell on the earth, to make an image to the first beast before him. And those who worship the beast and his image, may properly be called Balaam's worshippers, and the worshippers of Baal.

Elijah prophesied before Ahab, that there should 'be neither dew nor rain these years, but according to my word.' Then the Lord

said to Elijah 'Get thee hence and hide thyself by the brook Cherith, that is before Jordan.' There was a sore famine in Samaria. This was an example of the proclamation of the advent, up to 1844. From that time to 1848, three and a-half years, God's true people were hid and trodden underfoot; buried under the rubbish, and spurious coin, dust and shavings, as Br. Miller saw in his dream. And there was a sore famine in the land. 'Not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the words of the Lord,' Amos viii, 11. There was neither dew nor rain of the Spirit. The religious periodicals teemed with articles headed 'FAMINE OF THE SPIRIT' and 'GREAT SPIRITUAL DEARTH', etc.

While Elijah was hid by Jordan, the people supposed he was dead. So

also after '44, the funeral sermon of Millerism was preached, and many supposed, that Millerism was dead.

But the Lord said to Elijah, 'go shew thyself unto Ahab.' So at the end of three and a half years, Elijah went to shew himself unto Ahab.' So also, the word of the Lord contained in the sealing message of the third angel came to the true people of God, more clearly in 1848, after they had been hid in the wilderness of the people three and a half years. The angel began to ascend from the east, having the seal of the living God, even from the way that Elijah went to hide himself before Jordan. Yes, in 1848, the light of God's last sealing truth began to dawn upon the scattered church. And she began to look forth from the wilderness, as the morning,

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then fair as the moon,
next clear as the sun.
And is destined to
'receive power over the
nations', and be
'terrible as an army
with banners'. See Sol.
Songs iii, 6; viii, 5; vi,
10.

But when Elijah went to
show himself unto
Ahab: Ahab said unto
Elijah, 'Art thou he that
TROUBLETH ISRAEL?'
So also it is now, when
we urge the keeping of
all of the command-
ments of God, we are
charged with troubling
Israel, and sowing dis-
cord, and of causing
divisions, etc.

Some notices of this
character have ap-
peared in the 'Advent
Herald', and the
'Advent Harbinger'.

The most prominent
Advent preacher in
Canada West, said to
Br. Holt when we were
there, 'I wish you
would not present this
subject here, (referring
to the Sabbath ques-
tion,) for it will make
me so much more LA-
BOR** and TROUBLE.'

But we will answer
them in the language of
Elijah to Ahab, 'We
have not troubled Isra-
el: but thou and thy
father's house, in that
ye have FORSAKEN THE
COMMANDMENTS OF
THE LORD, AND THOU

HAST FOLLOWED BA-
LAAM' (the Pope). The
commandments of
God, then, was the
message of Elijah when
he came out of the wil-
derness. His work was
to restore the keeping
of the commandments
of the Lord, which con-
stituted the true wor-
ship of the true God.

By remembering these
former things of old,
declaring the end from
ancient times, the
things now being done,
we learn our present
position, present duty,
and the work before
us.

In contemplating this
subject, I am led to ex-
claim, 'O the depth of
the riches, both of the
wisdom and knowledge
of God! how unsearch-
able are his judgments,
and his ways past find-
ing out.'

But when Elijah had
called the people to-
gether he said unto
them, 'HOW LONG
HALT YE BETWEEN
TWO OPINIONS. If the
Lord be God, follow
him, [keep his com-
mandments] but if
Baal, then follow him.'

Now go with me back
of 1844, before the
Sabbath question came
up among us. Most if
not all of you then re-
garded Sunday as holy,
sanctified time, and

looked with religious
horror on those who
violated it. And why did
you regard it as holy
time? I answer, be-
cause the fourth com-
mandment in the deca-
logue, required you to
remember the Sabbath
day to keep it holy. But
when the Sabbath
question came up, your
leaders, instead of
stepping into the gap,
to help make up the
breach, for the house
of Israel to stand in the
battle in the day of the
Lord, went about to try
to prove that Jesus
Christ and his apostles
kept the first day of the
week as holy time, in-
stead of the Sabbath of
the Bible.

But being driven from
this false refuge, their
next resort was to take
shelter under the no
Sabbath wall, which
they themselves have
built, daubing it with
untempered mortar;
and they have made
many 'to hope that
they would confirm the
word.' [No Sabbath
position.]

But unless you speedily
make your escape from
this false refuge, the
storm of Jehovah's
burning wrath will very
soon overtake you,
which will not only de-
stroy the wall, but
those who have built it,
and daubed it with un-

tempered mortar. See Eze. xiii.

The two opinions, between which you are halting, are God's Holy Sabbath, and the Pope's Sunday – you are neither one thing nor the other – you neither follow God, in keeping his Sabbath, nor Balaam, by regarding the Pope's Sunday as holy time. You are neither cold nor hot, but lukewarm, thinking that you are rich, and increased in goods, and have need of nothing, and KNOW NOT that you are poor, and miserable, and blind, and naked. As the Lord liveth, and as thy soul liveth, there is no safety or salvation where you are. If you remain where you are, according to the testimony of the faithful and true Witness, He will spue you out of his mouth. O! will you, having come thus far, stop short of the kingdom? Break away from the enchanted ground.

With feeling hearts we say to you in the language of Moses, 'Come thou with us and we will do thee good, for the Lord hath spoken good concerning Israel.'

But we can take no middle ground with you. God has forbidden it, See Jer. xv. 19-21. Elijah wished to bring the truth of his mission to a test, and requested them to bring two bullocks and they would prepare the sacrifice and put the wood and sacrifice in order, but put no fire under, and they might call on Baal. And he would call on the name of the Lord, and the God that answered by fire, let him be God. So they made ready the sacrifice, and the prophets of Baal called on Baal from morning till noon. Then Elijah mocked them, and said 'cry aloud', he is a God, either he is talking, or pursuing, or in a journey, or peradventure he sleepeth and must

be awaked. So they cried aloud, and cut themselves saying 'O Baal, hear us.' But no answer came.

And at the time of the evening sacrifice, Elijah called the people unto him, and he repaired the altar of the Lord that was broken down, and dug a trench about the altar, and put on the wood and the sacrifice. And he told them to fill four barrels of water, and pour it on the burnt sacrifice, and on the wood. They did it the second time, and the third time. In all, twelve barrels full, and the water ran round about the altar, and filled the trench also with water.

Then Elijah prayed, saying 'Lord God of Abraham, Isaac, and of Israel, let it be known this day that thou art God in Israel, and that I am thy servant, and that I have done all these things at thy word. Hear me, O Lord, hear me, that this people

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may know that thou are the Lord God, and that thou hast turned their heart back again.'

'Then the fire of the Lord fell and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces, and they said the Lord, he is the GOD! the Lord, he is the GOD.'

Here Elijah finished his message, and work of restoring the commandments of God, and turning back the hearts of a remnant, to follow God in keeping his commandments: And proved his message and work to be of God, by fire; which was an example of every minister's work, being tried by fire in the end of the world.

As Paul teaches us, 'every man's [minister's] work, shall be manifest, for the day shall declare it, because

it shall be revealed by fire; and the fire shall try every man's [minister's] work, of what sort it is.

And then Elijah prayed seven times for the Lord to send rain. First, there was a cloud like a man's hand, and the heavens became black with clouds, and there was a great rain. And Ahab rode and went to JEZREEL, 'And the hand of the Lord was on Elijah; and he girded up his loins, and ran before Ahab, to the entrance of Jezreel.'

This was a figure of entering the great day of the Lord. 'For great shall be the day of Jezreel.' Hosea i, 11. The rain that was sent in answer to the prayer of Elijah, was a figure or example of the latter rain, the time of refreshing from the presence of the Lord, which will come upon the remnant, just at their entering the great day of the Lord, to prepare them to endure the time of trouble.

After entering Jezreel, (a figure of entering the great day of the Lord,) Ahab told Jezebel all that Elijah had done, that he had turned the hearts of the people from following Balaam, to follow the Lord in keeping his commandment; and had cut off the prophets of Baal. Then Jezebel sent a messenger unto Elijah, saying, 'So let the gods do to me, and more also, if I make not thy life as the life of one of them by to-morrow about this time.' Here then is a decree of Jezebel, that Elijah should be killed. Then Elijah 'arose, and went for his life,' and fled into the wilderness, and so ESCAPED the hand of Jezebel.

This is an example of the decree of Jezebel, the image of the beast, that will both speak, and cause that as many as will not worship the image should be killed. This will be in the great day of JEZREEL, or day of the Lord. As Elijah

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had to flee for his life, so also, all that will not worship the image, will have to flee for their lives. This is the time Jesus refers to when he says, 'But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day.' 'In that day (when the Son of man is revealed) he which is on the housetop and his stuff in the house, let him not come down to take it away; and he that is in the field, let him likewise not return back. REMEMBER LOT'S WIFE. Whosoever shall seek to save his life, [by submitting to worship the image,] 'shall lose it' [in drinking the wine of God's wrath in the seven last plagues,] and whosoever shall lose his life, [as Daniel and the three Hebrews did,] shall preserve it, [as their lives were preserved.]'

Some tell us that we must be subject to the

powers that be. This we mean to do.

The decree of Darius was that all men should cease praying for thirty days, to any God or king but Darius, or be cast into the den of lions. Daniel submitted to the latter. The decree of Nebuchadnezzar was that all should worship the image which he had set up, or be cast into the burning fiery furnace. The three Hebrews submitted to the latter. Thus they were subject to the powers that were. This image and decree was but an example of the image of the beast, and the decree, that as many as will not worship the image of the beast, shall be killed. 'That which hath been, is that which shall be done.'

But Jesus said 'I tell you in that night there shall be two in one bed, one will be seized and the other will escape.' 'And two at the mill, and

two in the field; one will be seized and the other will ESCAPE.' This will be the time of Jacob's trouble; as it was with Elijah when he escaped the hand of Jezebel, and fled into the wilderness, and came and sat down under a juniper tree, and wished for himself that he might die. And as he slept, the angel touched him, saying, 'arise and eat', and he arose and did eat, and went in the strength of that meat forty days and forty nights, unto Horeb, the Mount of God. Here Elijah saw the mountains rent, and the rocks broken to pieces, and a mighty earthquake, etc. This is an example of our coming, not to Horeb, that might be touched, and that burned with blackness and darkness, etc., but as Paul says, ye are come unto Mount Zion, and unto the city of the living God, the Heavenly Jerusalem, etc., where we shall hear

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the voice of God, when he shall 'roar out of Zion and utter his voice from Jerusalem', and shake the heavens and the earth.

Then the Lord said to Elijah, go and anoint Hazael, Jehu and Elisha. The object of this anointing was that they should slay all the house of Ahab and Jezebel, and all the prophets and worshippers of Baal, and break down the image and house of Baal, and destroy Baal out of Israel. This was accomplished in Jezreel. See ii Kings ix, 6-10, 30-37; x, 1-38. This was a striking example of the anointing of the saints. [Isa. x, 26, 27] and their receiving power over the nations. 'And he that overcometh and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations; And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter, shall they be broken to shivers; even as I received of my father.' Rev. ii, 26, 27.

The fury of Jehu, is but an example of the fury which will be manifested in the great day of the Lord's wrath. The Lord also told Elijah that he had reserved him 'all the knees which had not bowed

unto Baal.' These were an example of those who will not now worship the beast nor his image. 'That which hath been is that which

shall be.' {The Advent Review, September 1850, The Advent Review Extra, pages 5 - 8}



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Will the Real 144,000 Stand Up Please?

Jerry O'Donnell

We are pausing our Isaiah series for a moment to address a very important issue.

Many times, the world tries to use deception to hide the real identity of an individual. Finally, when confronted with no other options, the question to provoke the real identity to come forward is then asked, "Will the real person, please stand up?" Back in the day of watching TV and movies, game shows would be built around the concept of identity and deception. Movies have shown where false figures were in place of the heads of state to protect them from attacks by enemy armies that were breaking through the fortified positions.

Now, instead of an identity of a person, we have what appears to be an allusive identity of a group of people known as the 144,000. It seems that the subject matter that we even presented on the 144,000 was not complete. There seems to be a wide misunderstanding of who the 144,000 are. And so, in piecing together addi-

tional quotations than already presented, we hope to be in the right light on the matter and may be able to eliminate the false theories.

The General Conference would have everyone believe that the 144,000 are part of a symbolic group, where there will be an exodus of only some members during trying times, but not a great portion, and then we shall see others join by the multitude. The problem with that belief is that Ellen White states, "The living saints, 144,000 in number, knew and understood the voice, while the wicked thought it was thunder and an earthquake" {EW 14.1}. So, it is a literal number. We have stated that prior to this article, so that is nothing new.

By the way, as also stated before in a different article about the 144,000, this eliminates all the false beliefs on thinking the counting of the 144,000 began in 1844, where even Ellen White is going to be one of them. Ellen White clearly penned that it is the "living saints" and

not the "resurrected saints" who are in that number. So, all those that she may have implied were part of the 144,000 and all of the pioneers that expected to be part of them as well, being laid to sleep because the expected return of Christ in the late 1800s did not occur, means nothing. So, stop quoting the pioneer version of the 144,000. They are dead saints now. And now all of that is a whole different story of why that happened which we have mentioned before, and we will not get distracted with mentioning again here in this article. The point of bringing it up is simply to show that they do not make up the 144,000, since none of them make up the "living saints".

Besides, Ellen White further pens "this was the time of Jacob's trouble. Then all the saints cried out with anguish of spirit, and were delivered by the voice of God. The 144,000 triumphed" {EW 36.2}. Jacob's trouble happens before the special resurrection, yet the 144,000 go through Jacob's trou-

ble. Therefore, Ellen White and all those that died under the third angel's message cannot be part of the 144,000 but would be "with the 144,000" {EW 39.3}. There is a big difference between being "with" and "of".

After eliminating the lie from the General Conference designed to keep the members asleep, most self-supporting preachers and teachers today do not believe that theory. Most believe that the 144,000 are indeed an exact number, however, most of these ministries, including at one point, ourselves, believed that the 144,000 are existing Seventh-day Adventists which, under Sunday law, are dwindled down to that exact number from where we are today.

We calculate such because we know that "Not one in twenty of those who have a good standing with Seventh-day Adventists is living out the self-sacrificing principles of the word of God" {1T 632.2}. We also know that "It is a solemn statement that I make to the church that not one in twenty whose names are registered upon the church books are prepared to close their earthly history, and would be as

verily without God and without hope in the world as the common sinner. They are professedly serving God, but they are very earnestly serving mammon. This half and half work is a constant denying of Christ rather than a confessing of Christ. So many have brought their own unsubdued spirit, unrefined, their spiritual taste is perverted by their own immoral, debasing corruptions, symbolizing the world in spirit, in heart, in purpose, confirming themselves in lustful practices, and are full of deception through and through in their professed Christian life; living as sinners claiming to be Christians" {PC 347.5}.

So, if one plays with those numbers, where there is a little over 20 million Seventh-day Adventists today, more than ninety-five percent are going to be lost. That means that there are less than 1 million that are inside that "not one in twenty". How much less than 1 million are truly right with God, well, only God knows. The belief is then that many shall be laid to rest peacefully while still others will be martyred along the way up until the seven last plagues

begin because we are told "I saw that if the wicked were permitted to slay the saints, Satan and all his evil host, and all who hate God, would be gratified. And oh, what a triumph it would be for his satanic majesty to have power, in the last closing struggle, over those who had so long waited to behold Him whom they loved! Those who have mocked at the idea of the saints' going up will witness the care of God for His people and behold their glorious deliverance" {EW 284.1}. So, none of the 144,000 will die once the plagues begin because God is not going to give Satan any satisfaction whatsoever.

The theory of a mass exodus of Seventh-day Adventists during the time of the straight testimony is also founded in the following quote: "I was pointed to the providence of God among His people and was shown that every trial made by the refining, purifying process upon professed Christians proves some to be dross. The fine gold does not always appear. In every religious crisis some fall under temptation. The shaking of God blows away multitudes like dry leaves. Prosperity multiplies a mass of profes-

sors. Adversity purges them out of the church. As a class, their spirits are not steadfast with God. They go out from us because they are not of us; for when tribulation or persecution arises because of the word, many are offended" {4T 89.2}.

We know the vast majority will make an exodus because "The church may appear as about to fall, but it does not fall. It remains, while the sinners in Zion will be sifted out – the chaff separated from the precious wheat. This is a terrible ordeal, but nevertheless it must take place. None but those who have been overcoming by the blood of the Lamb and the word of their testimony will be found with the loyal and true, without spot or stain of sin, without guile in their mouths. We must be divested of our self-righteousness and arrayed in the righteousness of Christ" {2SM 380.2}.

Now, get your mind off of the General Conference. The General Conference is a structure. "When the storm and tempest shall come the structure will be swept away" {MR760 8.3}. Couple that with the fact that "Those who have rendered su-

preme homage to "science falsely so called" will not be the leaders then" {5T 80.1}, we basically are looking at just about every pastor, president, officer, etc., being lost.

And, as a side note, just about everyone in those positions believe in the "science falsely so called" today. It all comes down to the COVID response and climate change movement. Any church that complied with the vaccines, became outposts for the vaccines, encouraged the wearing of masks, etc., all believe in the "science falsely so called" because the government leaders have been, for months, telling us to trust the science, which is full of false information, just to push the agenda along. This whole COVID thing has become a big reveal of who are faithful and who are ready to sell out the members, which is to turn them over to the authorities, in other words.

Now, the only reason the church does not completely fall is because of individuals loyal to the truths given to us even before 1863, prior to the raising up of the structure. That is what people are to be part of and that is why

we cannot go and form another organization, another human structure. Human structures fail. Our trust today is in God for "In the last great conflict of the controversy with Satan those who are loyal to God will see every earthly support cut off" {DA 121.3}.

"Every truth that He has given for these last days is to be proclaimed to the world. Every pillar that He has established is to be strengthened. We cannot now step off the foundation that God has established. We cannot now enter into any new organization; for this would mean apostasy from the truth. – Manuscript 129, 1905" {2SM 390.1}.

Continuing on with the belief, and where it goes off track, the thought is that the 144,000 "are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins" (Revelation 14:4), being understood as the 144,000 are not inclusive of those coming into the church under Sunday law because they were defiled with other women, other denominations, during testing time. In other words, right now it is fine to leave the other denom-

inations to come into the message, but once Sunday law starts, then only those that were already Seventh-day Adventists at that moment will make up the 144,000. All those who come in under Sunday law will simply make up an additional multitude. In fact, the Bible text used is the statement of “a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues” (Revelation 7:9).

Now, that may sound wonderful. That may be encouraging to think we have a good possibility of being one of the 144,000 seeing most General Conference church attending Adventists are lax in their beliefs increasing our opportunity. We can almost sense that in a lot of churches; only a handful, if that, are actually faithful.

Personally, it does not matter if I am dead or alive when Jesus comes again. If I am called out of the grave in the first resurrection or part of the 144,000 who never see death and are translated, I will be satisfied. Being “caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air: and so shall we ever be

with the Lord” (1 Thessalonians 4:17) is all that matters.

But now let us introduce something that most of us were unaware of until we dug deeper into the 144,000; thanks to a sermon from another self-supporting minister. This is why we need to assemble in one method or another. Iron sharpens iron. And what we found out, just like the people of Berea, who “received the word with all readiness of mind, and searched the scriptures daily, whether those things were so” (Acts 17:11), is that what was heard was so.

Overall, there are enough false theories inside the Conference that have an influence even to outside of the conference. With that said, here is possibly a shocking reality to many while some may just receive confirmation of something they knew before we did.

“There can be only two classes. Each party is distinctly stamped, either with the seal of the living God, or with the mark of the beast or his image. Each son and daughter of Adam chooses either Christ or Barabbas as his general. And all who place themselves on the side

of the disloyal are standing under Satan's black banner, and are charged with rejecting and despitefully using Christ. They are charged with deliberately crucifying the Lord of life and glory” {RH, January 30, 1900 par. 4}.

Let that sink in for a moment. Who has the Seal of the Living God? “And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads” (Revelation 7:2-3). Keep in mind, “I saw that the four angels would hold the four winds until Jesus' work was done in the sanctuary, and then will come the seven last plagues” {EW 36.2}.

The four winds that will be let go are the seven last plagues. God's people, 144,000 in number, are sealed with the Seal of the Living God to make it through that time. There are only two classes left on earth. Those who have the Seal and those who have the Mark of the

Beast. Everyone else is dead. That means, those joining the truth under the third angel's message in the late hour potentially also make up the 144,000. In other words, the 144,000 do not all come from existing Seventh-day Adventists unless every single one that joins under the proclamation of the third angel's message during Sunday law also enters the grave. Once the plagues pour out, there are only 144,000 of God's people.

Now, regarding the faithfulness of the Three Angels' Messages, "By every teacher in our schools the only true God is to be uplifted, but many of the watchmen are asleep. They are as the blind leading the blind. Yet the day of the Lord is right upon us. As a thief it is coming with stealthy tread, and it will take unawares all who are not watching. Who among our teachers are awake and as faithful stewards of the grace of God are giving the trumpet a certain sound? Who are proclaiming the message of the third angel, calling the world to make ready for the great day of God? The message we bear has the seal of the living God" {6T 166.1}.

Did you catch that last part? We are not currently receiving the Seal of the Living God that is intended for the 144,000. Yes, we are a receiving a seal for none that are unsealed get to go to Heaven. But as it was in the days of Paul, so it is today. "In whom ye also [trusted], after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise, which is the earnest of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, unto the praise of his glory" (Ephesians 1:13-14).

When the Mark of the Beast is being enforced, faithful Seventh-day Adventists will be combating it with a message that has the Seal of the Living God.

Our work is often compared to as being like that of John the Baptist. "The publications sent forth from our printing houses are to prepare a people to meet God. Throughout the world they are to do the same work that was done by John the Baptist for the Jewish nation. By startling messages of warning, God's prophet awakened men from worldly

dreaming. Through him God called backsliding Israel to repentance. By his presentation of truth he exposed popular delusions. In contrast with the false theories of his time, truth in his teaching stood forth as an eternal certainty. 'Repent ye: for the kingdom of heaven is at hand,' was John's message. Matthew 3:2. This same message, through the publications from our printing houses, is to be given to the world today" {7T 139.1}. "And in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory" {7T 140.3}. That "other angel" is the additional angel found in Revelation 18, from which we derive our name for the ministry and publication.

The point is that while faithfully executing his message, John the Baptist was a martyr. That is very likely the fate of most of the faithful Seventh-day Adventists who will not simply be laid to sleep.

"The 'time of trouble such as never was,' is soon to open upon us; and we shall need an experience which we

do not now possess, and which many are too indolent to obtain. It is often the case that trouble is greater in anticipation than in reality; but this is not true of the crisis before us. The most vivid presentation cannot reach the magnitude of the ordeal. In that time of trial, every soul must stand for himself before God. Though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in the land, 'as I live, saith the Lord God, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter;

they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness.' [Ezekiel 14:20.]" {GC88 622.3}.

"It is not His will that they shall get into controversy over questions which will not help them spiritually, such as, Who is to compose the hundred and forty-four thousand? This those who are the elect of God will in a short time know without question" {1SM 174.3}.

"Let us strive with all the power that God has given us to be among

the hundred and forty-four thousand. And let us do all that we can to help others to gain heaven. We are to have an intense interest in Christ Jesus; for he is our Saviour. He came to this world to be tempted in all points as we are, to prove to the universe that in this world of sin human beings can live lives that God will approve" {RH, March 9, 1905 par. 4}.



How Do You Resolve It?

It is one thing to know some verses that help a person stay in the faith, but it is another thing to know the Word in such a way that when a verse seems contradictory to know how to resolve it. True Seventh-day Adventists do not ignore verses. It is our hope that this section will help answer some of those challenges that we may come across personally or be used by others against our beliefs.

Does God Repent or Not?

Numbers 23:19 God [is] not a man, that he should lie; neither the son of man, that he should repent: hath he said, and shall he not do [it]? or hath he spoken, and shall he not make it good?

Exodus 32:14 And the LORD repented of the evil which he thought to do unto his people.

In addition to Exodus 32:14, there are other

verses that point to God stating that He repents. So, does God repent or not? He declares that He does not, when it appears that He does.

Looking at the context, the apparent inconsistency works itself out. To lie is to break the commandment, "Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour" (Exodus 20:16). So, the question then should be asked, does God sin? And the answer is no, of course

for the Bible says that Jesus "was in all points tempted like as [we are, yet] without sin" (Hebrews 4:15). Also, "God, that cannot lie" (Titus 1:2).

Therefore, the statement in Numbers 23:19 is true. God is not like man or the son of man where, "all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). Therefore, the implication is that God does not repent of sin because He does not sin.

Now, looking at Exodus 32:14, bringing evil upon people seems sinful, but is that what was going on? Was God literally just wanting to commit evil upon the people? In the context, the Bible says, “They have turned aside quickly out of the way which I commanded them: they have made them a molten calf, and have worshipped it, and have sacrificed thereunto, and said, These [be] thy gods, O Israel, which have brought thee up out of the land of Egypt” (Exodus 32:8). So, the evil is actually a punishment. In fact, looking at the Hebrew word for “evil”, we have other words that could have been put in place that bring out the punish-

ment action as opposed to doing something sinful, like, committing evil. They include: unhappiness, misery, giving pain, displeasing, injury, calamity, and distress. There are other words as well, but these words show more of a corrective action being given as opposed to a sinful act.

Getting a spanking probably would result in some pain, injury where one cannot sit down for a while, a bit of distress because no child likes being spanked, and much unhappiness and misery at that.

So, in the case of Exodus 32:14, the word repent regarding the evil simply means “to

change His mind”, which is in the scope of God. He changed His mind about destroying Nineveh (Jonah 3:10). Why? Because they repented. God will not destroy all human beings. Why? “If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us [our] sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9).

So, look at the object of what God is repenting of to determine if there is a contradiction or not. God cannot repent of sin because He does not sin, especially in lying, but He will mercifully repent of pouring out His wrath when people repent.



Keep the Sabbath Holy

This regularly scheduled column is to enlighten us to proper keeping of the Sabbath through the writings of Ellen White and then additional comments by us, the publishers of this publication since we have so many surface readers as well as those that do not know how to apply certain statements.

Ellen White wrote, “**It means eternal salvation to keep the Sabbath holy unto the Lord. God says: ‘Them that honor Me I will honor.’ 1 Samuel 2:30**” {6T 356.4}.

As we continue to take a testimony written by Ellen White regarding to how to keep the Sabbath holy and going only paragraph by paragraph we are met with the last paragraph in the section, and a short one at that, how-

ever, it is very powerful.

In keeping the Sabbath holy, are we keeping in mind the true importance beyond it being one of the Ten Commandments? Do we see it as being the

Seal of the Living God as opposed to the Mark of the Beast in which the final people on earth will have to decide which to have? Although many shall be laid to sleep by the grace of God, others who will not be alive but resurrected will enter the grave having been martyred for the faith. In other words, do we realize and love the Sabbath so much that we may, one day, have to offer our life for it?

Turning to the honor part, in keeping the Sabbath holy, do we do so in a manner that honors God? Or is Sabbath keeping something routinely done as if it were a mere day off from the rest of the schedule where we do our own thing? Is the Sabbath looked upon with desire or drudgery? Is the Sabbath arrival and departure a matter of simply looking at the clock or the sky, or is it joyously brought in and out with prayer, song, and/or readings?

During the morning, do we use it as time that we do not have to get up so early, called "sleeping in", or time which is devoted to personal time with God more so than any other day?

For those who are able to congregate in a Sabbath school and church service, are you enjoying the fellowship with others in God's Word and study time or just enjoying catching up and looking forward to greeting one another who you have not seen for a week? For those who then spend time eating together, is that the object of Sabbath fellowship as a reward for enduring Sabbath school and the church service, or as an informal continuation in God's Word?

Are conversations throughout the Sabbath day honoring God or the things of the world? It is so easy to continue the outside pressures we hear in the news right into the Sabbath hours justified by keeping an eye on prophecy. We are not talking about something that just happened a short time ago that may be shocking the world; what we are referring to is the speculation of what the government's moves will be because of the continued manufactured crisis. Do we really need to be constantly bringing up COVID, the purposeful out of stock items that seem to change from month to month, the forced

injections coming and are already here, especially on the Sabbath? In other words, are the news articles receiving the honor in prepping people during the Sabbath hours to be part of "Men's hearts failing them for fear, and for looking after those things which are coming on the earth" (Luke 21:26). All these stresses from the news media that are repeated over and over during Sabbath hours in no way honor God and certainly do not create an escape from the world to rest a while. There are real issues coming and being experienced, but if we stay in hyped-up mode seven days a week, our health is going to fail.

You see, part of the Sabbath hours is not for us to share our latest speculations. The Sabbath is to rest from our labors, including the mental ones. By focusing on the latest headlines on issues that have been well established does not allow the Sabbath hours to be a period of refreshing, which honors God, but causes unnecessary continual stress. We have six days to stress about the political moves. Again, let us be balanced. Talking about

the Biden administration's efforts for everyone to be injected is well established and should not be continuously discussed over the Sabbath. If, on the other hand, a news item breaks late on Friday which will make an impact on our lives, that may be different. So, a pastor bringing up a brand new news article on Sabbath that makes an impact on us is one thing, but just using different headlines to keep the same

topics before the people to simply keep them engaged is different and is stealing away the rest of the Sabbath and replacing it with worldly stress.

Listen to Jesus, "Come ye yourselves apart into a desert place, and rest a while" (Mark 6:31). "If thou turn away thy foot from the sabbath, [from] doing thy pleasure on my holy day; and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honoura-

ble; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking [thine own] words: Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken [it]" (Isaiah 58:13-14).



Healthy Living

Ellen White

Periodically, we need reminded that our bodies are not our own. And sometimes we need to get back to the basics. We need to hear from the words of inspiration, the Spirit of Prophecy.

Just General Encouragement to Not Defile the Body Temple

Indulgence of the baser passions will lead very many to shut their eyes to the light, for they fear that they will see sins which they are unwilling to forsake. All may see if they will. If they choose darkness rather than light, their criminality will be none the less. Why do not men and women read, and become intelligent upon these things which so decidedly affect their physical, intellectual, and moral

strength? God has given you a habitation to care for and preserve in the best condition for His service and glory. Your bodies are not your own. "What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If

any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." {2T 352.2}

Our dress should be cleanly. Uncleanliness in dress is unhealthful, and thus defiling to the body and to the soul. "Ye are the temple of God. . . . If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy." 1 Corinthians 3:16, 17. {CT 303.1}

In all respects the dress should be healthful.

"Above all things," God desires us to "be in health" (3 John 2)-- health of body and of soul. And we are to be workers together with Him for the health of both soul and body. Both are promoted by healthful dress. It should have the grace, the beauty, the appropriateness, of natural simplicity. {CT 303.2}

By a most beautiful and impressive figure, God's word shows the regard He places upon our physical organism and the responsibility resting on us to preserve it in the best condition: "Know ye not that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit which is in you, which ye have from God? and ye are not your own." "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." 1 Corinthians 6:19, R.V., margin; 3:17. {Ed 200.3}

The same obligation rests upon every follower of Christ. The apostle Peter declares, "Ye are a chosen generation, a royal priesthood, an holy nation, a peculiar people." 1 Peter 2:9. We are required by God to preserve every power in

the best possible condition, that we may render acceptable service to our Creator. When intoxicants are used, the same effects will follow as in the case of those priests of Israel. The conscience will lose its sensibility to sin, and a process of hardening to iniquity will most certainly take place, till the common and the sacred will lose all difference of significance. How can we then meet the standard of the divine requirements?" "Know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are Gods." 1 Corinthians 6:19, 20. "Whether therefore ye eat, or drink, or whatsoever ye do, do all to the glory of God." 1 Corinthians 10:31. To the church of Christ in all ages is addressed the solemn and fearful warning, "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." 1 Corinthians 3:17. {PP 362.1}

"Know ye not," Paul asks, "that ye are the temple of God, and

that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." Man is God's workmanship, His masterpiece, created for a high and holy purpose; and on every part of the human tabernacle God desires to write His law. Every nerve and muscle, every mental and physical endowment, is to be kept pure. {Te 142.1}

God designs that the body shall be a temple for His Spirit. How solemn then is the responsibility resting on every soul. . . . How many there are, blessed with reason and intelligence, talents which should be used to the glory of God, who willfully degrade soul and body. Their lives are a continual round of excitement. Cricket and football matches and horse racing absorb the attention. The liquor curse, with its world of woe, is defiling the temple of God. . . . By the use of liquor and tobacco men are debasing the life given them for high and holy purposes. Their practices are represented by wood, hay, and stubble. Their God-given powers are perverted, their senses degraded,

to minister to the desires of the carnal mind. {Te 142.2}

The drunkard sells himself for a cup of poison. Satan takes control of his reason, his affections, his conscience. Such a man is destroying the temple of God. Tea drinking helps to do this work. Yet how many there are who place destroying agencies on their tables. {Te 142.3}

Principles are here presented that should be prayerfully considered. God has given to every man his work; and if any one turns from the work that God has given him, to do the work of Satan, to defile his own body or lead another into sin, that man's work is cursed, and the brand of Cain is placed upon him. The ruin of his victim will cry unto God, as did the blood of Abel. The whole energies of evil, as in the days of Noah, have gathered themselves together, to make a final effort to obliterate the image of God from the souls of men. What kind of builders are we individually? As human agents, are we strengthening the kingdom of the powers of darkness, seducing men, and leading them

in the path of destruction? or are we, by precept and example, seeking to win the feet of the straying into the paths of truth and righteousness? Are we, for the sake of gain, defiling the temple of the Holy Spirit, by putting the bottle to our neighbor's lips? Are we acting a part under the great deceiver who tempted Adam to transgress the law of God? Let us hear the word of the Lord: "If any man defile the temple of God [be it his own or another man's soul], him shall God destroy." The fire shall try every man's work, and it will be seen of what sort it is. If we are laborers with God, our work will not be consumed; for we shall lead the feet of men to Jesus Christ, and direct them in the way to heaven. In the heavenly courts he who does this is registered as a laborer together with God. He is known as one who is wearing the yoke and bearing the burden of Christ; he is building upon the true foundation, and if any man's work which he buildeth thereupon shall abide, he shall receive a reward. {RH, March 6, 1894 par. 9}

Life is a gift of God. Our

bodies have been given us to use in God's service, and he desires that we shall care for and appreciate them. We are possessed of physical as well as mental faculties. Our impulses and passions have their seat in the body, and therefore we must do nothing that would defile this entrusted possession. Our bodies must be kept in the best possible condition physically, and under the most spiritual influences, in order that we may make the best use of our talents. "Know ye not," asks Paul, "that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own? For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's." {RH, Dec. 1, 1896 par. 7}

We are living in a most solemn, awful moment of this earth's history. Not a soul whose life is one of careless self-degradation, through transgression of physical laws, will stand in the great day of trial just before us. There is a terrible account to be rendered to God by those who have but little regard for the human body, and treat it

ruthlessly. Transgression of God's law is sin, and the punishment is death. "Know ye not that ye are the temple of God, and that the Spirit of God dwelleth in you? If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which temple ye are." {RH, November 12, 1901 par. 8}

Reform, continual reform, must be kept before the people, and by our example we must enforce our teachings. True religion and the laws of health go hand in hand. It is impossible to work for the salvation of men and women without presenting to them the need of breaking away from sinful gratifications, which destroy the health, debase the soul, and prevent divine truth from impressing the mind. Men and women must be taught to take a careful review of every habit and every practice, and at once put away those things that cause an unhealthy condition of the body, and thus cast a dark shadow over the mind. {RH, November 12, 1901 par. 9}

This world is the place wherein we are fitting up for the future, immortal world, and a

solemn charge has been given to us, that we should in no case defile the temple of the Holy Spirit. Our heavenly Father constantly provides for our wants. Our time, talents, influence, property, are his, and by devoting ourselves to the service of God, our capabilities will be ever growing in strength, in efficiency, and in power to do more advanced work. But if the body is abused, it becomes diseased, and the relation between soul and body is so intimate that one suffers with the other, and the temple of God is defiled. By virtue of creating us, God has a right to our bodies, our souls, our spirit. "Hath not the potter power over the clay?" God has actually produced the entire being of man, and therefore ye are not your own. But we are his by virtue of a still greater reason. He has paid an infinite price, in order that we might render obedience to his requirements, and keep his commandments. "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life." {YI, August 24, 1893 par. 5}

There is no mystery in these words. If the human agent is a doer of the word he will be a laborer together with God in keeping his body free from defilement. If he loves God with all his heart and mind and soul and strength, he cannot defile his body, which is the temple of God. {4MR 366.1}

Read the third chapter of First Corinthians, for it contains a lesson for the church in every place. {2SAT 130.2}

To know what constitutes purity of mind, soul, and body is the highest class of education. Paul the apostle sums up in his letter to Timothy the attainments possible for him, by saying, "Keep thyself pure." Impurity of thought or action will never be seen in the child of God. The body is represented as the temple of the Holy Spirit. Every encouragement and the richest blessings are held up before the overcomers of evil practices, but the most fearful penalties are laid upon those who profane the body and defile the soul. {PC 89.1}



Healthy And Delicious Recipes

Cashew "Sour Cream"

Ingredients

- 1 cup raw cashews, soaked for about 4 hours
- 1/2 cup water
- 2 tablespoons extra virgin olive oil

- 2 tablespoons lemon juice
- 1 garlic clove, peeled
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/4 teaspoon onion powder

Instructions

- Place all ingredients in a high-speed blender and blend until completely smooth and creamy.



Natural Remedies

COMMENT: *In these times we live in, even access to natural supplements will become increasingly difficult to access, so we are going to try our best to use the most natural means possible to deal with health situations.*

Apples for Heartburn

We've all heard that "an apple a day keeps the doctor away", well, that daily apple can also keep heartburn away. Avoiding foods like sodas, tea, coffee, meats, and anything fried is a good way to prevent acid reflux in the first place, but apples have pectin, a sol-

uble fiber that's really great at absorbing excess stomach acid. The fruit also contains two types of acid, malic and tartaric, that work to beat back any digestive juices that might flow up from your stomach. Apples like red or golden delicious apples that are sweeter than the

tart granny smiths, are the ones you want since sweet apples are more alkaline and work at a cellular level to restore pH balance in the stomach and prevent GERD, which is gastroesophageal reflux disease.



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Natural Vitamins

Basil

There are many types of Basil (Italian, Thai, Sweet, Holy, Lettuce) with different flavors and aromas, but it is not just a delicious herb. The basil leaves are rich in vitamins and essential minerals such as magnesium, vitamin K, copper, vitamin A, vitamin C, calcium, folate, iron, omega-3 fatty acid, and manganese.

Basil has been shown to make an impact on brain function, too, helping those who suffer from depression. It also contains flavonoid antioxidants which

help protect white blood cells responsible for immune function, helps fight oxidation, and slows down the effects of aging.

Do you have tummy issues? Basil will help! It balances acid within the body, improves digestion and immunity by decreasing harmful bacteria in the gut while helping healthy bacteria flourish. Basil reduces bloating, water retention and appetite loss as well as stomach cramps. It will also kill stomach worms or parasites.

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Authorized KJV vs Catholic Bible

If you are using anything but the KJV, you are using a Catholic influenced Bible, which strategically twists and leaves out key words and verses so as to make even the ecumenical movement between religions outside of Christianity possible. And Ellen White does identify not to use them for reliability: "Wycliffe's Bible had been translated from the Latin text, which contained many errors." {GC 245.1}. Latin is Catholic or which most modern versions rely upon.

Although Philippians 3:12 is a similar issue to last month's Philippians 3:15 issue, it seems to be worse in a handful of versions for this particular verse. The word "goal", especially when in the context of "my goal", is very different from the word

"perfect", which is God's goal.

King James Version:
Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I follow after, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am ap-

prehended of Christ Jesus.

In Error:
Anderson New Testament: Not that I have already attained, or have already reached the goal; but I am

pressing forward, that I may lay hold on that for which I was laid hold on by Christ Jesus.

Contemporary English Version: I have not yet reached my goal, and I am not perfect. But Christ has taken hold of me. So I keep on running and struggling to take hold of the prize.

Coverdale Bible of 1535: Not that I haue attayned vnto it all ready, or that I am allready perfecte: but I folowe, yf I maye com- prehende that, wherin I am comprehended off Christ Iesu.

GOD'S WORD® Trans-lation: It's not that I've already reached the goal or have already completed the course. But I run to win that which Jesus Christ has already won for me.

Holman Christian Standard Bible: Not that I have already reached the goal or am already fully mature, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have been taken hold of by Christ Jesus.

Mace New Testament: for I am not yet secure of the prize, I have not yet finish'd my course: but I press to obtain the reward, which Jesus Christ invited me to.

New International Ver- sion: Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already arrived at my goal, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

Correct, This Time:

A Faithful Version: Not as though I have al- ready received, or have already been perfect- ed; but I am striving, so that I may also lay hold on that for which I also was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

American Standard Version: Not that I have already obtained, or am already made perfect: but I press on, if so be that I may lay hold on that for which also I was laid hold on by Christ Jesus.

Amplified Bible: Not that I have already ob- tained it [this goal of being Christlike] or have already been made perfect, but I ac- tively press on so that I may take hold of that [perfection] for which Christ Jesus took hold of me and made me His own.

Aramaic Bible in Plain English: I have not yet received it, neither am I yet perfect, but I run so that I may obtain that thing for which Yeshua

The Messiah appre- hended me.

Berean Literal Bible: Not that already I have obtained it or already have been perfected, but I am pursuing, if also I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

Berean Study Bible: Not that I have already obtained all this, or have already been made perfect, but I press on to take hold of that for which Christ Jesus took hold of me.

Bishops' Bible of 1568: Not as though I had alre dy attayned, either were alre dy perfect: but I folowe, yf that I may comprehende, wherein also I am com- prehended of Christe Iesus.

Catholic Public Domain Version: It is not as though I have already received this, or were already perfect. But rather I pursue, so that by some means I might attain, that in which I have already been attained by Christ Je- sus.

Christian Standard Bi- ble: Not that I have already reached the goal or am already per- fect, but I make every effort to take hold of it because I also have

been taken hold of by Christ Jesus.

Darby Bible Translation: Not that I have already obtained [the prize], or am already perfected; but I pursue, if also I may get possession [of it], seeing that also I have been taken possession of by Christ [Jesus].

Douay-Rheims Bible: Not as though I has already attained, or were already perfect; but I follow after, if I may by any means apprehend, wherein I am also apprehended by Christ Jesus.

English Revised Version: Not that I have already obtained, or am already made perfect: but I press on, if so be that I may apprehend that for which also I was apprehended by Christ Jesus.

English Standard Version: Not that I have already obtained this or am already perfect, but I press on to make it my own, because Christ Jesus has made me his own.

Geneva Bible of 1587: Not as though I had already attained to it, either were already perfect: but I follow, if that I may comprehend that for whose sake also I am comprehended of Christ Jesus.

Godbey New Testament: Not that I already received it, or have already been made perfect: but I persevere, if I may receive that for which I have indeed been received by Christ Jesus.

Good News Translation: I do not claim that I have already succeeded or have already become perfect. I keep striving to win the prize for which Christ Jesus has already won me to himself.

Haweis New Testament: Not that I have already attained, or am now perfect: but I pursue, that I may overtake that for which also by his apprehension of me I am destined by Christ Jesus.

International Standard Version: It's not that I have already reached this goal or have already become perfect. But I keep pursuing it, hoping somehow to embrace it just as I have been embraced by the Messiah Jesus.

Lamsa Bible: Not as though I had already attained or were already perfect; but I am striving, that I may reach that for which Jesus Christ appointed me.

Literal Emphasis Translation: Not that I have already obtained it or

have already been perfected; however I am pursuing if also I may lay hold upon that which also I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

Literal Standard Version: Not that I already obtained, or have already been perfected, but I pursue, if I also may lay hold of that for which I was also laid hold of by Christ Jesus;

NET Bible: Not that I have already attained this--that is, I have not already been perfected--but I strive to lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus also laid hold of me.

New American Standard Bible: Not that I have already grasped it all or have already become perfect, but I press on if I may also take hold of that for which I was even taken hold of by Christ Jesus.

New Heart English Bible: Not that I have already obtained, or am already made perfect; but I press on, if it is so that I may take hold of that for which also I was taken hold of by Christ Jesus.

New King James Version: Not that I have already attained, or am already perfected; but I press on, that I may lay hold of that for which Christ Jesus has also laid hold of me.

New Living Translation: I don't mean to say that I have already achieved these things or that I have already reached perfection. But I press on to possess that perfection for which Christ Jesus first possessed me.

Smith's Literal Translation: Not that I have already attained or have been already perfected: and I pursue, if I also may overtake, for which also I was overtaken by Christ Jesus.

Tyndale Bible of 1526: Not as though I had all redy attayned to it Ether were all redy parfected: but I folowe yf yt I maye comprehende that wherin I am comprehended of Christ lesu.

Webster's Bible Translation: Not as though I had already attained, either were already perfect: but I pursue, if that I may apprehend that for which also I am apprehended by Christ Jesus.

Weymouth New Testament: I do not say that I have already won the race or have already reached perfection. But I am pressing on, striving to lay hold of the prize for which also Christ has laid hold of me.

World English Bible: Not that I have already obtained, or am already made perfect; but I press on, if it is so that I may take hold of that for which also I was taken hold of by Christ Jesus.

Worrell New Testament: Not that I already obtained, or have already been made perfect; but I am pressing on, if I may lay hold of that for which I was laid hold of by Christ Jesus.

Worsley New Testament: not that I have yet won the prize, or am already perfect: but I press forward to acquire that perfection, for which also I have been apprehended by Christ Jesus.

Young's Literal Translation: Not that I did already obtain, or have been already perfected; but I pursue, if also I may lay hold of that for which also I was laid hold of by the Christ Jesus;



Questions And Answers

QUESTION: Why are you promoting four angels, and not the ones holding back the winds of strife, instead of what we are to be focused upon – The Three Angels' Messages? In short, there is no fourth angel.

ANSWER: First, the Four Angels' Messages do not contradict or replace the Three Angels' Messages, but the Bible and Ellen White

do identify a fourth angel, maybe not by name, but indeed by reference.

The four angels, once again (because this is not the first time we have addressed this) comes from the three angels of Revelation 14, and the other one from Revelation 18.

In the Bible, we are told, "I saw another angel come down from

heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice" (Revelation 18:1-2). Another angel means "in addition to prior ones". And this angel has something to say, making it the fourth message, though it is similar to the second angel, it is not identical: "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. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies" (Revelation 18:3).

Ellen White states, "I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven, descending to the earth, and again ascending to heaven, preparing for the fulfillment of some important event. Then I saw another mighty angel commissioned to descend to the earth, to unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which attended this angel penetrated everywhere, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, '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.' The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by

the second angel, is repeated, with the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844. The work of this angel comes in at the right time to join in the last great work of the third angel's message as it swells to a loud cry. And the people of God are thus prepared to stand in the hour of temptation, which they are soon to meet. I saw a great light resting upon them, and they united to fearlessly proclaim the third angel's message" {EW 277.1}.

For Ellen White to see "another mighty angel ... unite his voice with the third angel" means one (another) plus three (third angel) equals four.

Further, in connection with the publishing work, which we are a part of, Ellen White states, "And in a large degree through our publishing houses is to be accomplished the work of that other angel who comes down from heaven with great power and who lightens the earth with his glory" {7T 140.3}.

If we have three angels and there is an angel referred to as "that other angel", that is a single angel in addition to the three prior angels. In other words, the sim-

ilar formula of three plus one is four is applied once again. The description of "that other angel" is right out of Revelation 18. That is the one that the publishing work is to be operating under, or at least prepare people to be working under, which is exactly what our mission is all about. So, clearly, we are in line with Ellen White's writings.

The Four Angels Ministry is trying to prepare a people to go forth under the loud cry, which comes as a result of this angel being commissioned. Please take note that according to *Early Writings*, it is a separate message for it contains "the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844".

So, the bottom line is that nowhere does the Bible call it the fourth angel and Ellen White does not say "four angels" or "fourth angel" in reference to the angel of Revelation 18, but using the verbiage in both the Bible and Ellen White, we have the intelligence to know that three plus an "additional", "another", or "other angel" makes four. And this formula of three plus one is what the cover of our publication declares.

QUESTION: I have been watching a very outspoken preacher who has a wonderful team connected with him along with daily messages of keeping us aware of things going on in the world, but I am concerned about the style in which things are presented. They seemed a bit hyped up and have grown in theatrics. Should I be concerned, or is the message sufficient to test by?

ANSWER: "I have a message for those in charge of our work. Do not encourage the men who are to engage in this work to think that they must proclaim the solemn, sacred message in a theatrical style. Not one jot or tittle of anything theatrical is to be brought into our work. God's cause is to have a sacred, heavenly mold. Let everything connected with the giving of the message for this time bear the divine impress. Let nothing of a theatrical nature be permitted, for this would spoil the sacredness of the work" {Ev 137.2}.

"I am instructed that we shall meet with all kinds of experiences and that men will try to bring strange performances into the work of God. We have met

such things in many places. In my very first labors the message was given that all theatrical performances in connection with the preaching of present truth were to be discouraged and forbidden. Men who thought they had a wonderful work to do sought to adopt a strange deportment and manifested oddities in bodily exercise. The light given me was, 'Give this no sanction.' These performances, which savored of the theatrical, were to have no place in the proclamation of the solemn messages entrusted to us" {Ev 137.3}.

QUESTION: Are the 144,000 only ones sealed?

ANSWER: The ones "having the seal of the living God" are only the 144,000 in number.

"As the people of God afflict their souls before Him, pleading for purity of heart, the command is given, 'Take away the filthy garments' from them, and the encouraging words are spoken, "Behold, I have caused thine iniquity to pass from thee, and I will clothe thee with change of raiment." The spotless robe of Christ's righteousness is placed upon the tried,

tempted, yet faithful children of God. The despised remnant are clothed in glorious apparel, nevermore to be defiled by the corruptions of the world. Their names are retained in the Lamb's book of life, enrolled among the faithful of all ages. They have resisted the wiles of the deceiver; they have not been turned from their loyalty by the dragon's roar. Now they are eternally secure from the tempter's devices. Their sins are transferred to the originator of sin. And the remnant are not only pardoned and accepted, but honored. "A fair miter" is set upon their heads. They are to be as kings and priests unto God. While Satan was urging his accusations and seeking to destroy this company, holy angels, unseen, were passing to and fro, placing upon them the seal of the living God. These are they that stand upon Mount Zion with the Lamb, having the Father's name written in their foreheads. They sing the new song before the throne, that song which no man can learn save the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. 'These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He

goeth. These were re-deemed from among men, being the first fruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God" {5T 475.2}.

Please note that the paragraph describes that the last people on earth are those having the Seal of the Living God, and such with the Seal of the Living God are they that only know the song.

Now, does that mean everyone else is not sealed? No, it does not mean that, for "In whom ye also [trusted], after that ye heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation: in whom also after that ye believed, ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise" (Ephesians 1:13).

"Just as soon as the people of God are sealed in their foreheads, – it is not any seal or mark that can be seen, but a settling into the truth, both intellectually and spiritually, so they cannot be moved, – just as soon as God's people are sealed and prepared for the shaking, it will come. Indeed, it has begun already; the judgments of God are now upon the land, to give us warning, that we may know what is coming" {1MR 249.2}.

This sealing is not the Seal of the Living God as we know that back in the day, all of them died. The "Seal of the Living God" is only for "The living saints, 144,000 in number" {EW 14.1}.

So, there is sealing in the truth of which people may be laid to sleep

or martyred while having that seal, but the "Seal of the Living God" is intended just for the 144,000 to stand in contrast to those that have the "Mark of the Beast" for "There can be only two classes. Each party is distinctly stamped, either with the seal of the living God, or with the mark of the beast or his image. Each son and daughter of Adam chooses either Christ or Barabbas as his general. And all who place themselves on the side of the disloyal are standing under Satan's black banner, and are charged with rejecting and despitefully using Christ. They are charged with deliberately crucifying the Lord of life and glory" {RH, January 30, 1900 par. 4}.



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Watchman, Let Him Declare What He Seeth

This section is not about revealing the apostasy and creating ill feeling towards the conference. It is to make sure that no one is caught up in those that participate in the apostasy. That is what it means to “Declare What I See” because God says, “When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the same wicked [man] shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand” (Ezekiel 3:18). We have enough to worry about our own life; we do not need your (in general) blood to be on us too.

July 11

Advent Review

South American Division Votes to Allow Women Elders

The second substantial change is the recommendation to affirm women’s participation in the local church leadership by recognizing what they are already doing. Part of that recognition is allowing pastors across the region to ordain women as elders.

EGW: “If women do the work that is not the most agreeable to many of those who labor in word and doctrine, and if their works testify that they are accomplishing a work that has been manifestly neglected, should not such labor be looked upon as being as rich in results as the work of the ordained ministers? Should it not command the hire of the laborer?” . . . {Ev 493.1}

Comment: The Bible and Ellen White do not speak in the positive of ordained women. In the quote above, clearly she believed that ordained ministers were male, as the quote refers to women being compensated equally, but did not advocate ordaining.

July 18

Fulcrum 7

Shocking Ecumenical Development In Italy Involving Two Adventist Pastors

It was held on the 20th anniversary of the European Ecumenical Charter, and the tenth anniversary of the Council of Christian Churches. This meeting was claimed to be done in a ‘spirit of Pentecost.’

Two Adventist pastors were in attendance.

Michele Abiusi “You can’t be a Christian without being ecumeni-

cal,” says pastor Abiusi of the Adventist Church. He wants to ecumenize all Adventist churches.

Gionatan Breci (associate Pathfinder AISA for central Italy).

EGW: “It has been the continual endeavor of the enemy to introduce into the church persons who assent to much that is truth, but who are not converted. Professed Christians who are false to their trust are channels through whom Satan works. He can use unconverted church members to advance his own ideas and retard the work of God. Their influence is always on the side of wrong. They place criticism and doubt as stumbling blocks in the way of reform. They introduce unbelief because they have closed their eyes to the righteousness of Christ and have not the glory of the Lord as their reward.” {2SM 159.2}

July 25

Fulcrum 7

Kingscliff SDA Church in Australia Threatens to Have Police Remove Sabbath School Teacher If He Doesn't Wear A Mask

Oddly, instead of waiting for the church

business meeting to give the matter a fair hearing, the Kingscliff Church board issued another letter the next day (July 23) removing Brendan from his position as Sabbath School teacher. One of the provisions of our church manual is that a person is innocent until

proven guilty, but that is not being followed here.

Bible: "We ought to obey God rather than men (Acts 5:29)."



News And Comments

June 25

LA Times

Supreme Court rules no right to sue for some wrongly labeled as terrorists by credit agency

They are gearing up to be able to "call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness" (Isaiah 5:20). If a credit agency, like the social media corporations, looks upon certain religious beliefs as unfavorable, it does not matter if that religious person would hurt no one, credit agencies, like in China, can just label that person however they want without risk of a lawsuit.

June 30

The Hill

Vaccination disparities could lead to 'two Americas,' Fauci says

And this is the attitude of the process to set up the Image of Revelation 13 so much so that not only will one side – the vaccinated, pressure the other side – the non-vaccinated, the Image will involve one side – those in favor of the Image, to want to kill the other side – those with the Seal of God. "And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be

killed" (Revelation 13:15).

July 1

Reuters

Facebook asks: Are your friends becoming extremists?

Combine this with "Biden Administration Asks Americans to Report 'Potentially' Radicalized Friends and Family" (Breitbart, June 15, 2021), and we have yet another effort to get society ready to fulfill Matthew 24:10, "And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another."

July 2

Yahoo News

NYPD hunting for man involved in apparent broad daylight sexual assault of woman: Video

The boldness of crimes these days just shows that we are as the days of Noah. "And GOD saw that the wickedness of man [was] great in the earth, and [that] every imagination of the thoughts of his heart [was] only evil continually" (Genesis 6:5). "The earth also was corrupt before God, and the earth was filled with violence" (Genesis 6:11).

July 3

NY Daily News

Vatican seeks to combat 'myths and disinformation' about coronavirus vaccine, vows all-out effort to tackle vaccine hesitancy

Why does a religious organization have interest in the vaccine push? Could it be part of the fulfillment between the religious organization that influences the world being connected with the predicted deception through the pharmaceutical industry? "By thy sorceries were all nations deceived" (Revelation 18:23) – the word "sorceries" being the Greek word

"pharmakeia". And 2 Thessalonians 2:4 tells us about the religious power involved as anti-christ: "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." There is definitely an agenda going on.

July 4

Business Insider

Hobby Lobby advocates for a Christian-run government Independence Day ads placed in many national newspapers

According to Revelation 13, we are expecting church and state to unite to form the image to the beast, which is church and state united. Climate change, despite some trying to call it a religion, is not what Ellen White foresaw and truly is an atheistic theology. Revelation 13 does not see atheism and state uniting. It is *church* and state. "The "image to the beast" represents that form of apostate Protestantism which will be developed when the Protestant churches shall seek the aid of the civil power for the enforcement of their dogmas" {GC88 445.2}.

Some point to how protestant churches are embracing climate change. Stop being deceived. Climate change to celebrate Sunday is to bring on board unbelievers into the Sunday movement. This article along with "God and Country: Chattanooga churches celebrate July 4 with messages to fight for freedoms" (Chattanooga Times Free Press, July 4), clearly shows the spirit of what Ellen White foresaw. Again, we take the stance that the current administration is purposely antagonizing Protestants in which this country will be forced back into Christianity with forced Sunday worship. Those involved with Climate Change will go along with it because they get what they want, and of course the Vatican always plays, not only both sides, but every side. Keep in mind, the Vatican wants worship of Sunday, not just a "don't work day". That is all that Climate Change offers ... "don't work". The Vatican wants active church attendance.

July 6

The Washington Post

Biden announces door-to-door outreach, out-

lines other strategies to boost vaccinations

Only an agenda pressures people to participate. Watch what continues to unfold, because the Mark of the Beast is sure to follow the path. This spirit is practicing the fulfillment of "cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed" (Revelation 13:15). If you do not participate, you will be forced, and if resistance still continues, death eventually.

July 7

The Guardian

FBI infiltrates militia-style group formed under 'Bible study' cover

The bigger concern is the tarnishing of legitimate Bible study groups. The reactionary government, mostly on the left of the political spectrum, will not hesitate to try and shut down all legitimate study groups, at the very least, place them in a bad light. "Abstain from all appearance of evil" (1 Thessalonians 5:22). We need to make sure true Bible study groups do their best to stay above such prospects of being labeled for anarchism,

but do consider, "Not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as the manner of some [is]; but exhorting [one another]: and so much the more, as ye see the day approaching" (Hebrews 10:25).

July 10

The Washington Examiner

Activists hang 'God Bless Abortions' banner on massive Arkansas Jesus statue

Galatians 6:7 says, "Be not deceived; God is not mocked: for whatsoever a man soweth, that shall he also reap." Sin is so blatant today. There is no respect in the world. But, God will be moving upon the whole world soon. And eventually, "In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ" (2 Thessalonians 1:8).

July 12

BBC

Jovenel Moïse: Foreign hit squad killed Haiti's president, police say

Who killed the Hattian president is a cover-up for the real story. Just a few months ago, the

administration of Haiti was stated by Reuters, "Haiti, yet to begin vaccinations" (June 9, 2021). We ask, when does a coincidence become an agenda? In Africa News, January 27, 2021, "President Magufuli warns Tanzanians against Covid-19 vaccines" and then mysteriously dies of COVID. We are told of the second beast in Revelation that a nation that has influence over all other nations would "causeth the earth" (Revelation 13:12). The context is to worship or obey the first beast, but until that worship is pushed forward, we have practice runs in which, if a nation objects to the agenda, remove the leader. That is what is being practiced. And we know that "by thy sorceries were all nations deceived" or "by thy pharmaceuticals were all nations deceived", as the word sorceries is the Greek word "pharmakeia".

July 23

The Hill

Cases of the plague confirmed in Colorado, including in the death of a 10-year-old

On top of that, "More than 200 people in 27

states now being monitored for monkey-pox" (The Hill, July 23). Basically, Matthew 24:7 states, "and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places."

July 23

Politico

Alabama governor says 'it's time to start blaming the unvaccinated folks' as pandemic worsens

The unvaccinated are not the problem – the agenda is. If vaccinations work, then why are so many vaccinated people getting COVID still? If masks and double masks work, why are so many vaccinated people getting COVID still? And why are we being told that so many people are getting COVID when, in the past when colds and flus used to exist, such people numbered quite a bit higher? Overall, there will be no solution until the final achievement of the Mark of the Beast is arrived at in which this attitude on vaccinations will transfer over to the Mark as well. "Men in responsible positions will not only ignore and despise the Sabbath themselves,

but from the sacred desk, will urge upon the people the observance of the first day of the week, pleading tradition and custom in behalf of this man-made institution. They will point to calamities on land and sea--to the storms of wind, the floods, the earthquakes, the destruction by fire--as judgments indicating God's displeasure because Sunday is not sacredly observed. These calamities will increase more and more, one disaster will follow close upon the heels of another; and those who make void the law of God will point to the few who are keeping the Sabbath of the fourth commandment as the ones who are bringing wrath upon the world. This falsehood is Satan's device that he may ensnare the unwary" {ST, January 17, 1884 par. 12}.

July 26

Newsweek

New 'Medical Freedom' Law Bans Requiring COVID Vaccination to Access Public Spaces

At least he has the "Resist the devil" (James 4:7) part down pat. It is the devil that

forces people to comply and not listen to reason.

July 27

Daily Advent

The six surprising benefits of drinking alcohol

"Wine [is] a mocker, strong drink [is] raging: and whosoever is deceived thereby is not wise" (Proverbs 20:1). "Keep that which is committed to thy trust, avoiding profane [and] vain babblings, and oppositions of science falsely so called" (1 Timothy 6:20). Although this type of article, which appears quite often in one form or another, may express some benefits, though those benefits are usually found alternatively in non-alcoholic content as well, but that, of course, does not fit the agenda of pushing alcohol. There are benefits and drawbacks to everything. Eating animal waste has benefits, but we do not see such on any restaurant menus, neither is it in high demand. And if one thinks that we just became disgusting by suggesting the eating of animal dung, realize that alcohol is made from dead, rotting, de-

caying plants. Technically, there is no difference. By the way, the "Wine" that people see encouraged in the Bible to be drunk "is found in the cluster" (Isaiah 65:8), which we call grape juice or non-alcoholic wine. So, do not be telling us that Jesus made alcoholic wine or Paul recommended alcoholic wine to Timothy instead of water (1 Timothy 5:23). He recommended grape juice instead of water.

July 29

Business Insider

Nearly half of Republicans say 'a time will come when patriotic Americans have to take the law into their own hands,' new poll shows

The stage is silently being set for the religious version of the Mark of the Beast and not the scientific climate change one that everyone is expecting. "Through fraud and falsehood Satan is now using those who claim to be Christians to divorce the world from God's mercy. They are working in blindness. They do not see that if a Protestant government sacrifices the principles that have made them a free, in-

dependent nation, and through legislation brings into the Constitution, principles that will propagate papal falsehood and papal delusion, they are plunging into the Roman horrors of the Dark Ages." {RH, December 11, 1888 par. 13}.

July 30

Market Watch

Biden wants local, state governments to pay newly vaccinated people \$100 each

By these actions, there is definitely something in the vaccine or a purpose of the vaccine as part of the agenda. To now offer payment to get the vaccine after the number of other tricks promoted on the matter were offered means that some entity higher than our own government is pulling the strings. "The kings of the earth have committed fornication with her" (Revelation 18:3). And that would be the antichrist behind the scenes.

July 30

Idaho Statesman

The Idaho Way: Thanks a lot, anti-vaxxers, now we're back to wearing masks again

What happened to allowing people to have freedom? Why are anti-vaxxers to blame? Why are they not fighting back the agenda and misinformation because it is all exaggerated if not a lie? Even the vaccine is a lie. The notion that everyone else has to be vaccinated so a vaccinated person can have their vaccine work is ridiculous. It started with blaming anti-vaxxers with the measles, claiming herd immunity is necessary, a new invention of the agenda, and scaring people to hate those that treat their bodies like the temple of God (at least some are trying). Others may be involved in conspiracy theories. "If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which [temple] ye are" (1 Corinthians 3:17).



Ellen White Abbreviations In this Issue

1MR—Manuscript Releases Volume One

1SM—Selected Messages Book 1

1T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 1

2SAT—Sermons and Talks Volume Two

2SM—Selected Messages Book 2

2T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 2

4MR—Manuscript Releases Volume Four

4T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 4

5T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 5

6T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 6

7T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 7

9T—Testimonies for the Church Volume 9

CT—Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and
Students

DA—The Desire of Ages

ED—Education

EV—Evangelism

EW—Early Writings

FE—Fundamentals of Christian Education

GC—The Great Controversy (1911)

GC88—The Great Controversy (1888)

MR760—Manuscript Release 760

PC—The Paulson Collection of Ellen G. White
Letters

PP—Patriarchs and Prophets

RH—The Review and Herald

ST—The Signs of the Times

TE—Temperance

YI—The Youth's Instructor

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against those that are trying to do the right thing. What is going to happen when it becomes the Mark of the Beast?

With all that said, there are some concerns that have come to mind.

First, should we participate in the protests against the draconian rules? The answer is no. The only protest we are to participate in is not complying, like resisting the vaccine, and the other is by voting on issues (not people) that go against Protestant principles. In the meantime, we are to stay focus with ALL of our energy on the Three Angels' Messages.

Second, should we be following the governmental rules in churches? The answer is no, once again. If a person is concerned, then stay home, but to allow the government to dictate to the church various rules, which place the government in a position that God never intended.

Third, shall we be stockpiling supplies? The answer is no. Yes, we are to be in the country to live off the land as much as we can for many benefits, but I

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have yet to find a quote of Ellen White that encourages stockpiling. In fact, I find numerous quotes that discourage such. That does not mean we are to live day by day or not have a little extra set aside as the government plays games with what is and is not available at the stores, but to make sure we have five, or ten, or even beyond that in years of supplies shows lack of trust in God.

As always, in all things, let us keep balanced and just be about the

work we are to be about doing.



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