## 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.

## Good Advice Given to Brother and Sister Kellogg Applicable Today

Ellen White

I wish you a happy New Year. The old year with its burden of record has passed into eternity. Now let every thought, every feeling be that of remembrance of God's love. Let us gather up one token after another.

We may visit some beautiful garden and look upon the opening buds and blooming flowers with delight; the very tints and grateful fragrance we enjoy. These we regard as an expression of God's love, and love

and gratitude spring up in our hearts to the gracious Giver as we behold them as a whole. But as we go close to these precious ministers speaking to our senses of the love of God, as we bend over them one by one and mark their variety and loveliness, as we inhale their perfume, we take in their preciousness, and feelings are awakened in our hearts of trust and confidence in that Saviour who has said, "Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow,

they toil not, neither do they spin; and yet I say unto you, that Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these." These precious flowers were given us of God to teach us lessons of perfect trust and confidence in Him.

As with the flowers, so with the promises of God. We look at them as a whole, presented to us in God's Word, and we find comfort and hope and joy as they speak to us words from the lips of the Infi-

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## Dear Brothers and Sisters ...

Jerry O'Donnell

"God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness" (Genesis 1:26), "So God created man in his [own] image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" (Genesis 1:27).

Sin marred that image of the human race. Sin reflects the image of Satan instead. What is worse is that the human race, which, in general, does not desire to completely give up their sins, have "changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man" (Romans 1:23). Though physically referring to idols, spiritually, the human race, especially in what is called the Christian churches, have made God to be more human than godly. They have justified the continuance of sin by nailing the commandments to the cross, downgraded the importance of the Bible, and overall, have been "turning the grace of our God into lasciviousness, and denying the only Lord God, and our Lord Jesus Christ" (Jude 1:4). And denying the Lord is not denying the existence but is "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away" (2 Timothy 3:5). "They profess that they know God; but in works they deny [him], being abominable, and disobedient, and unto every good work reprobate" (Titus 1:16).

But Jesus came to restore that original image. That means He came to "save his people from their sins" (Matthew 1:21). Therefore, "as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly" (1 Corinthians 15:49). In other words, we become born again to cease from reflecting the earthy image and choose to reflect the heavenly. Remember, "Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God" (1 John 3:9), for "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the works of the devil" (1 John 3:8). "Except a man be born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God" (John 3:3), and "Marvel not that I said unto thee, Ye must be born again" (John 3:7).

Now, keep in mind, we, "Being born again, not of corruptible seed, but of incorruptible, by the word of God, which liveth and abideth for ever" (1 Peter 1:23). That is because "we all, with open face beholding as in a glass the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image from glory to glory, [even] as by the Spirit of the Lord" (2 Corinthians 3:18).

Those who resist, "In whom the god of this world hath blinded the minds of them which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them" (2 Corinthians 4:4).

"But now ye also put off all these; anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy communication out of your mouth. Lie not one to another, seeing that ye have put off the old man with his deeds; And have put on the new [man], which is renewed in knowledge after the image

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## The mission of The Four Angels' Messages Minis-

try is to alert as many Seventh-day Adventists as possible to see the need of living the Three Angels' Messages, be wellstudied 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

"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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them more critically,
taking them in detail.
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joys we might bring
into our life. How much
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character if we would
make these promises
our own.

The evidence we have of God's care and love for us is expressed in the lessons Christ gave to His disciples upon the things in nature. God does so much for the flowers that have not souls. He makes them so perfect, so lovely which today is and tomorrow is cast into the oven. How much greater is His care and His love for those who will trust Him continually.

The eye is not to be fastened upon deformity, upon the curse, but upon the riches of the grace of Christ that have been provided so abundantly, that we may live in this world and act our part in the great web of humanity,

and yet not be of the world. As pilgrims, as strangers looking for the bright things of God, the joy that is set before us, seeking a city whose builder and maker is God, and by beholding the provisions made for us, the mansions Jesus has gone to prepare for us, talking of the blessed home, we forget the annoyances and the fretting cares of this life. We seem to breathe in the very atmosphere of that better, even the heavenly, country. We are soothed, we are comforted; we are more than this, we are joyful in God.

We could not know the gracious purposes of God toward us but for the promises, for it is from them alone we learn what He has prepared for those who love Him. As the flowers in God's wise economy are constantly drawing the properties from earth and air to develop into the pure and beautiful buds and flowers and give forth their fragrance to delight the senses, so shall it be with us. We draw from God's promises all that peace, that comfort, that hope that will develop in us the fruits of peace, joy, and faith. And by bringing these promises into our own life, we bring them always into the lives of others. Then let us appropriate these promises to ourselves.

Should these promises be blotted from the Word of inspiration, it would be like blotting out the sun from heaven, we should have nothing to gladden our earth. So with God's promises; they are like the precious flowers in the garden of God. They are to awaken our hope and expectation and lead us to a firm faith and reliance upon God. They are to strengthen us in trouble and teach us precious lessons of trust in God. He in these precious promises draws back from eternity and gives us a glimpse of the far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory. Let us then be quiet in God. Let us

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calmly trust in Him and praise Him that He has shown us such revelations of His will and purposes that we shall not build our hopes in this life, but keep the eye upward to the inheritance of light and see and sense the amazing love of Jesus which is expressed to us in the beautiful things of nature in His unerring Word.

He has given us precious promises to cheer and bless His people, that they may believe how great is His love toward them, and that they may consider Him their Almighty Friend in every trial, in every temptation. His loving kindness should call forth full and grateful response from our hearts. This love that is without a parallel reaches not only into the future life, but it is brought into the present life. As I consider these things, my heart bounds with gladness on this, the first day of the New Year, 1887.

I see that God scatters blessings all along our path, but if we will not gather the precious fragrant flowers and be happy, but will pass them by and grasp the thistles and thorns which sting and wound us, then we shall talk of the bruises we have

received and feel that we were hard used because there were thistles and thorns. We may weep and groan and mourn and stumble at every step if we choose, or we may gather up the precious, fragrant flowers and rejoice in the Lord for His goodness in making our path to heaven so pleasant.

God scatters blessings all along our path to brighten our journey and lead our hearts out to love and praise Him, and He wants us to draw water from the well of salvation, that our hearts may be refreshed. We may sing the songs of Zion, we may cheer our own hearts, and we may cheer the hearts of others; hope may be strengthened, darkness turned to light. God has not left us in a dark world as pilgrims and strangers, seeking a better country, even an heavenly, without giving us precious promises to lighten every burden. The borders of our path are strewn with fair flowers of promise. They blossom all around, sending forth rich fragrance.

It is our safe course if we desire happiness to not seek it in selfish amusement. This will divert our thoughts for a time. It is not wise to seek diversion in study, taxing the mental powers, for cares press more heavily as we return to burden ourselves afresh. We must look to Jesus who is the light of life. It is not what is around us, but what is in us; not what we have, but what we are that makes us really happy. We want a cheerful fire on the altar of our own hearts, then we shall view everything in a happy, cheerful light. We may have the peace of Christ. I want to send it to all our people: Jesus lives, His hand is upon the helm. This life will not be the Christian's summer, but it is his winter. But we have the sunbeams of Christ's righteousness.

What we fail to receive in this life, if we will be obedient, trustful in God, as a child in its simplicity trusts its earthly parent, we shall have peace. Not the peace that the world gives, but that peace which Jesus gives. Jesus is dishonored when we worry and fret, because it shows that we trust to our own finite powers and not in Him. He who has died for us shows that He loves us. What this life may be we can scarcely conceive because of our want of faith and look-

ing unto Jesus. Comfort, encouragement, and support have been provided for us for every circumstance and every condition. Jesus assures us His grace is sufficient. Today we have His grace, tomorrow we are placed in new circumstances of trial; but the promise stands fast: As thy day, so shall thy strength be. Jesus knows us by name. Promises are on every side.

There is no burden that we have to bear that Jesus is not by our side to lift from us its heaviest weight. Yes, life, this life has much brightness in it if we will gather the flowers and let the briers and thistles alone. How helpless we are without God's help. Bless His holy name. If we are Christ's, there is no temptation, no trial

which we may not bring to Jesus. The good hope of eternal life, how precious. The star in the East will guide us as it did the wise men, that we may find Him whom our souls love. It is a hard thing to endure unto the end, for duty involves a cross. Selfishness will have to be put away in all its varied croppings out. Distraction and cares confuse and dishearten, but there is light above. Look up. The unfailing promises of God will keep your heart in perfect peace. It will elevate you above all that can happen. I am happy in the love of God.

I hope that you are both rejoicing in His love and that the thought that you have a living, loving Saviour will melt your hearts in tenderness as it has melted mine, that the praise of God shall flow forth from finite lips to the infinite God who loves us and has made us royal gifts. Open the heart to gratitude. Let simplicity of the child be cultivated. Nestle in the arms of everlasting love. What we need is more heaven and more Jesus woven into our lives. We think of you, we pray for you. We want you should come off victorious and wear the crown of glory and bear the palm branch of victory. I do not feel as anxious that you should have earthly honor as that you should have the honor which God will bestow upon those who are faithful.

{Letter 91, 1887}

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## Changed By the Glory

E. J. Waggoner

"But we all, with open face, beholding as in a class the glory of the Lord, are changed into the same image, from glory to glory, and even as by the Spirit of the Lord." 2 Cor. iii. 18.

The heavens reveal the glory of God, which He has placed upon them. But this glory of God is seen only through Christ, for no one can know the Father except as the Son reveals Him. Christ is the light of the world, and His light is His life. His life is the law of God. But the light of the firmament is simply the light of Christ's life; and so, if we receive it, the sun shines the law of God directly into our lives. How this is in the case of the Sabbath, has been briefly indicated.

He who continually recognises the sunlight as light from Christ, thus acknowledging that his life comes wholly from Christ, will yield himself to the Lord, so that whatever he does may be to God's glory. Such recognition and yielding must kill all pride and self-exaltation. Christ will be considered in everything. Of course food and air, which come from God,

serve the same purpose, but we are now considering only the light.

It is by beholding the glory, that we are changed into the image of God, which is righteousness and true holiness. The influence of the sun is the most widely diffused of anything that God has made. It is emphatically the life of all things. Now he who daily and hourly recognises this, giving thanks not to the sun, but to the Creator, the power of whose life the sun reveals, will inevitably be led in the right way. "In all of thy ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct by paths." Prov. iii. 6.

So the Christian goes along, continually looking up, walking in the light, - "heaven's own light," - and rejoicing in it because God is in the light; and thus the transformation proceeds daily. He himself will be unconscious of the change, even as Moses was unconscious of the glory that shown in his face, because he will be absorbed in beholding the glory of God.

Peter described himself as a "partaker of the

glory that shall be revealed." This is the case with every true child of God; for Christ said in His prayer to the Father, "The glory which Thou gavest Me, I have given them." John xvii. 22. This glory is now imparted in the form of grace, awaiting the time when it shall be "revealed in us." Rom. viii. 18. Those who trust God for the accomplishment of this work, are content with it. They care not if their bodies are not attractive, because they have the promise that when He shall appear He will change their vile bodies that they may be fashioned like unto His glorious body; and they are content with the meek and quiet Spirit of Christ, with which that glory even now adorns them. Those who have not this hope, are driven to adorn their bodies with gold, pearls, diamonds, feathers, etc., as a substitute for the glory of God. A poor substitute it is indeed.

But while the Christian is looking up, lost to himself in the contemplation of the glory of God, the coming of the Lord draws near. Christ is soon to be revealed

in person in the heavens "in the glory of His Father," sitting upon the throne of His glory. The saints of God are looking up, expecting Him. In this looking up, beholding His glory, their characters become completely transformed, and made like Christ's. While still looking, the light in which they have walked blends into "the perfect day," as Christ appears in the fulness of His glory. They are not dazzled by the

sight, for it is the glory which they have been beholding, and as it bursts upon their vision, the first glance completes the transformation that has been going on, their vile bodies are changed "in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye," and thus "the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father."

And so the heavens which now declare the glory of God, and the

firmament, which showeth His handiwork, impart their glory to those who fully trust and acknowledge the Lord, until even their bodies shall shine "as the brightness of the firmament," and "as the stars for ever and ever."

{February 8, 1894 Ellet Joseph Waggoner, The Present Truth, Vol. 10 (1894), 87.8 to 88.3}

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## Proverbs 5, A Prophetic Perspective

Jerry O'Donnell

In April 2021, we presented Proverbs 7 in a prophetic perspective, especially using Proverbs 7:19-20 to connect with the ascension of Jesus along with the first fruit of those that slept: "For the goodman [is] not at home, he is gone a long journey: He hath taken a bag of money with him, [and] will come home at the day appointed." The bag of money or coins were the resurrected saints at the time of the first coming: "the graves were opened; and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, And came out of the graves after his resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many" (Matthew 27:52 -53). So, now we are going to approach Proverbs 5 in the same manner, verse-byverse.

Proverbs 5:1-2 My son, attend unto my wisdom, [and] bow thine ear to my understanding: That thou mayest regard discretion, and [that] thy lips may keep knowledge.

Here is our protection. Here is good counsel from God. We could stop right here and be safe. But too often we compare; we are unsure; and like Israel of old who wanted a king (1 Samuel 8:5), we fall prey to the devices of Satan by looking around at the other denominations. We do not need to go beyond God's Word found in the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy to learn of God. We would have perfect discretion, even discernment. What we speak would bring knowledge even to the world, specifically, saving knowledge. But that is just it. We, as a people, are not content. We are uncomfortable being unique in the religious world, in Christianity specifically. We think it is cultish to believe we are the only ones with as complete amount of light as humanly understood for this time.

So, we are going to read and study the rest of chapter 5 and see why we are in the mess that we are in.

Proverbs 5:3-4 For the lips of a strange woman drop [as] an honeycomb, and her mouth [is] smoother than oil: But her end is bitter as

## wormwood, sharp as a twoedged sword.

The strange woman, better known as a harlot. Depending upon which we may be attracted by, it may refer to either the "mother of harlots", the Roman Church, or her daughters, the apostate churches. We are enamored by the appearance, the enticing words used, the lure that draws us in. According to Revelation 8:11, "many men died" because of the wormwood. So, connecting with another denomination in any manner will lead to death. And when Jesus does return, "out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations" (Rev -elation 19:15).

And remember, "the word of God [is] quick, and powerful, and sharper than any twoedged sword" (Hebrews 4:12). Therefore, the test against these other denominations is not if they are doing a good work in addressing the poor and unfortunate, if they have a good choir, if the have a great children's program, if..., if..., etc. It all comes

down to whether a denomination is following the Word of God or not. And if we are linked with those who do not teach the complete understanding of the Word, including mixing light and darkness, we shall face the same fate that they will – death.

Remember, it was the lips of Judas that betrayed Jesus, for he had said, "Whomsoever I shall kiss, that same is he; take him, and lead [him] away safely" (Mark 14:44). And it is "Pleasant words [are as] an honeycomb, sweet to the soul, and health to the bones" (Proverbs 16:24) and not the words from this strange womb!

And lest we forget that activity of the antichrist with the saints, we shall be ensnared as in the dark ages, for "[The words] of his mouth were smoother than butter, but war [was] in his heart: his words were softer than oil,

yet [were] they drawn swords" (Psalms 55:21).

The activity then that will be repeated is that "the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them" (Daniel 7:21). "And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations" (Revelation 13:7).

## Proverbs 5:5 Her feet go down to death; her steps take hold on hell.

Here is confirmation of the destination of connecting up with any strange woman, be it the Roman church or apostate Protestants. The reason both death and hell are separately identified is to depict that the teachings, the path walked, leads to death and not to eternal life. And then in the end, the second death will be experienced.

Proverbs 5:6 Lest thou shouldest ponder the path of life, her ways are moveable, [that] thou canst not know [them].

God's ways are not changeable. They do not adjust over time. And just when one evaluates the situation, the teachings, and one determines if it is the path of life or not, the strange woman, one of the false churches that we may have an eye on, will alter their ways, their teachings.

Many think that the doctrine on the method of baptism is correct if a church accepts both sprinkling and immersion. That church simply broadened their acceptance but are still teaching the error regarding the baptismal practice. Some teachings become so confusing that the average person cannot figure it out. And then there is the challenge of the Bible trying to match with the doctrines of

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the denomination. When opposing verses to the church's doctrines are brought forth, excuses are made to cast away that light. Some go as far as to state that the average person cannot understand the scriptures without a minister present.

# Proverbs 5:7 Hear me now therefore, O ye children, and depart not from the words of my mouth.

Again, warning is given from God's perspective that if we take heed, the other denominations would not be able to wield their sophistries over us. Today, those words are written down in the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy.

## Proverbs 5:8 Remove thy way far from her, and come not nigh the door of her house:

We are not to be getting close at all. We are not to even come nigh to their house. Yet, in general, we are not only near, but fully inside with the ecumenical movement participating in their efforts to be in unison. Jesus said, "I am the door: by me if any man enter in, he shall be

saved, and shall go in and out, and find pasture" (John 10:9). Therefore, the door of their houses teach other ways to be saved like "once saved, always saved", "just believe", "faith and grace replace obedience to the law", etc.

## Proverbs 5:9 Lest thou give thine honour unto others, and thy years unto the cruel:

And honor indeed is being given by working closely with other denominations. We have Seventh-day Adventist representatives giving honor to pagan gods, the statue of Mary, even the pope, all of which we have documented in the "Church Watch" section of this publication over the years so will not provide the evidence here taking up valuable space and your time. Great abominations have entered the church giving honor to human teachings instead of to God and His teachings.

## Proverbs 5:10 Lest strangers be filled with thy wealth; and thy labours [be] in the house of a stranger;

In the effort to conduct these ecumenical prac-

tices, funds to support the activity of the Seventh-day Adventist church are being funneled into these churches instead of putting them to God's purpose. Even labor is put forth building up these other denominations by serving on various joint committees with them, participating in their celebrations, even conducting joint evangelism.

## Proverbs 5:11 And thou mourn at the last, when thy flesh and thy body are consumed,

This is what God is trying to cause us to see — the end result. He does not want us be mournful in that day when hell fire is unleashed. He wants us to be alert to the end result and avoid all paths leading to the final destination of hell, where "they shall consume; into smoke shall they consume away" (Psalms 37:20).

## Proverbs 5:12 And say, How have I hated instruction, and my heart despised reproof;

And once again, as a reminder, it comes down to being instructed in God's way through the Bible and

the Spirit of Prophecy. All despising of Ellen White's writings has to cease if one is going to avoid the fires of hell. That includes acknowledging our sins and repenting. That includes ceasing the attitude when the faithful point out the sins of the church thinking that we are attacking the church and going as far as labeling us as "the accusers of the brethren"!

# Proverbs 5:13 And have not obeyed the voice of my teachers, nor inclined mine ear to them that instructed me!

Do we see yet how important it is to be taught correctly from God's Word and the Spirit of Prophecy? This is the fourth reference at this point either directly or indirectly to obeying God's Word. We need to stop heading toward fulfilling the prophecy: "the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears: And they shall turn away [their] ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." (2 Timothy 4:3-4).

## Proverbs 5:14 I was almost in all evil in the midst of the congregation and assembly.

And this reveals the perspective of God. Despite showing up to church on Sabbath, participating in Sabbath School and the church service, there is an evil of undermining the doctrines, downplaying the messages, avoiding real conversion, etc. In other words, people are just "playing" church. We have a mission, a purpose, a prophetic command to be active laborers in the gospel. Anything short of fulfilling our calling is evil. And it is in the midst of the congregation today.

# Proverbs 5:15 Drink waters out of thine own cistern, and running waters out of thine own well.

Jesus said, "If thou knewest the gift of God, and who it is that saith to thee, Give me to drink; thou wouldest have asked of him, and he would have given thee living water" (John 4:10). Therefore, we ought to be content with the fact that we have the "living water" despite all other denominations claiming to have it, too. Many denominations have

our truths but none have as much truth as we do. And, "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, [it is] because [there is] no light in them" (Isaiah 8:20). The source of the "living water" is found in the well that God placed in the church. Drink from there instead of manmade wells offering water that is not for salvation. "Therefore with joy shall ye draw water out of the wells of salvation" (Isaiah 12:3).

## Proverbs 5:16 Let thy fountains be dispersed abroad, [and] rivers of waters in the streets.

Go forth with the living water abroad and into the streets! In fact, "Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage" (Matthew 22:9). "Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel [them] to come in, that my house may be filled" (Luke 14:23).

## Proverbs 5:17 Let them be only thine own, and not strangers' with thee.

Our resource should be from the Seventh-day Adventist church and not teamed up with the ecumenical partnerships. We ought not be conducting joint evangelism, participating in group efforts to bring awareness to the issues of the day, etc.

"If God has any new light to communicate, He will let His chosen and beloved understand it, without their going to have their minds enlightened by hearing those who are in darkness and error" {EW 124.2}.

"The Protestant churches are in great darkness, or they would discern the signs of the times" {GC 565}.

"The Lord says to us, Seventh-day Adventists are not to place themselves under the counsel and instruction of teachers who know not the truth for this time. The molding and fashioning of minds should not be left to men who have not comprehended the importance of a preparation for that life which measures with the life of God" {CT 401.1}.

## Proverbs 5:18 Let thy fountain be blessed: and rejoice with the wife of thy youth.

If you were born into a Seventh-day Adventist family, rejoice in the wife or church of Jesus Christ and look not to another. For those who have joined the Seventh-day Adventist church, being a youth at that moment in spiritual understanding, do not let the years go by that permit a loss of that sensation back then. Continue to rejoice as you did in that youthful stage. In other words, may it not be spoken of God towards us: "Nevertheless I have [somewhat] against thee, because thou hast left thy first love" (Revelation 2:4).

Proverbs 5:19 [Let her be as] the loving hind and pleasant roe; let her breasts satisfy thee at all times; and be thou ravished always with her love.

A loving hind or deer, a pleasant roe or goat, both are clean animals. Just as the sheep and the goats parable (Matthew 25:32-46) speaks of clean animals, these are references to the inside of the church. May the church appear to be loving and pleasant. May the milk of the word be satisfying to the soul "As newborn babes, desire the sincere milk of the word, that ye may grow thereby" (1 Peter 2:2). May the love be experienced, keeping in mind

that it equates to the love of the truth. As the truth is spoken, may we appreciate the love God has for us through His messengers.

# Proverbs 5:20 And why wilt thou, my son, be ravished with a strange woman, and embrace the bosom of a stranger?

So, here is a good series of questions. With the Seventh-day Adventist church bestowed with so much, why would we even consider connecting with another denomination at all? Why would we seek the milk of the Word from a stranger when all they have is water anyways? It is because we cannot tolerate being called names, especially that "C" word – "cult". Ever since that first compromise to rid ourselves of that stigma, it has been a downward slide into perdition, even running back to the "son of perdition" (2 Thessalonians 2:3).

Do keep in mind that we are not pressing people to fill the pews of conference churches despite the new theology and practices. We are encouraging to be part of the church in the manner of practicing the true beliefs and

being selective in hearing proper messages and studies be it in isolation or home church or a ministry not sanctioned by the Conference.

Proverbs 5:21 For the ways of man [are] before the eyes of the LORD, and he pondereth all his goings.

Keep in mind that God is watching all of this. He prophesied that this would happen. He sees where it is headed. He even gives us a last moment wake-up call: "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues" (Revelation 18:4).

"Let us ever bear in mind that our work is to be one of advancement. We are to follow on to know the Lord. God understands the actuating principle of every mind. He has witnessed the persistent, rebellious course of some whom he has warned and counseled. His all-seeing eye has noted the determined following of human devisings. 'The ways of man are before the eves of the Lord.' He 'knoweth the thoughts.' 'The eyes of the Lord are in every place, beholding the

evil and the good.' 'He looketh to the ends of the earth, and seeth under the whole heaven.' 'The Lord searcheth all hearts'" {RH, January 11, 1912 par. 17}.

Proverbs 5:22 His own iniquities shall take the wicked himself, and he shall be holden with the cords of his sins.

One of the connections towards other denominations, and probably the strongest, is that sin has not been completely surrendered. Therefore, the lure of many of these churches is that they are more welcoming to sinners, since they do not do much in encouraging people to give up their sins. To be saved in sin is the greatest lie that draws many supposed Christians. The cords of connecting the lust of sin in our lives to the permissive sin in other denominations is the binding connection.

"Even one wrong trait of character, one sinful desire, persistently cherished, will eventually neutralize all the power of the gospel. Every sinful indulgence strengthens the soul's aversion to God. The man who manifests an infidel hardihood, or a stolid indifference to

divine truth, is but reaping the harvest of that which he has himself sown. In all the Bible there is not a more fearful warning against trifling with evil than the words of the wise man that the sinner 'shall be holden with the cords of his sins'" Proverbs 5:22 {SC 34.1}.

Proverbs 5:23 He shall die without instruction; and in the greatness of his folly he shall go astray.

And yet another call to get us back into the Word and the Spirit of Prophecy pointing to the fact that there is no hope for any that do not return. "He shall die" is the conclusion, a sad conclusion. What folly of a choice to make! And even now, all they that even read literature from other denominations "shall go astray." "They will not endure sound doctrine" (2 Timothy 4:3).

Do you personally see the importance of God's Word keeping us from the snares of "MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" and her daughters?

## 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.

#### To Sin or Not to Sin?

1 John 1:10 If we say that we have not sinned, we make him a liar, and his word is not in us.

1 John 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous

In fact, there are stronger verses that really drive the point home regarding putting away sin: "He that committeth sin is of the devil; for the devil sinneth from the beginning. For this purpose the Son of God was manifested, that he might destroy the

works of the devil. Whosoever is born of God doth not commit sin; for his seed remaineth in him: and he cannot sin, because he is born of God" (1 John 3:8-9).

So, if we put away all sin and declare that we are not sinning, then according to 1 John 1:10, it appears that we are a liar. Yet, according to 1 John 2:1, it is God's intent that we do not sin. And as stated in 1 John 3:8-9, if we do sin, we are of the devil and will be lost, while there are people evidently who are able to live without sinning.

This is easily rectified by the tense of the verse in 1 John 1:10. "If we say that we have not sinned" is past tense. Of course, everyone should admit to having at least one sin in their lives, "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God" (Romans 3:23). But we do not have to be presently or in the future committing sin.

And 1 John 2:1 sets the expectation that from hence forth that we do not sin, but if there was a failure on our part and we sin, then immediately go to the Advocate, for "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).

Now, there is one complication and that is 1

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John 1:8, which says, "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." That looks like it is present tense, but it is not. Put it in a more understandable phrase, "If we say that we have no history of sin in our life, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us." Now, before anyone accuses us of adding to the verse, understand that there are two

ways of reading the verse.

There is "the current evaluation where if we are currently sinning and admit to it but are unable to stop sinning" version. However, this would contradict so many verses of the Bible to understand it that way.

The other option is treating the words of "have no sin" as in examining the whole history realizing that our

past does contain sin, therefore, we are not deceived and it matches all of the other verses in the Bible on that particular perspective.

Besides, if we realize that 1 John 1:8 and 10 are saying the same thing with slightly different wording, since 1 John 1:10 is clearly past tense, then 1 John 1:8 must be also past tense as there is no intent to switch tenses.

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## 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 penned,
"Thus parents can
make the Sabbath, as
it should be, the most
joyful day of the week.
They can lead their
children to regard it as
a delight, the day of
days, the holy of the
Lord, honorable" {6T

359.2}.

Let us not confuse the words "joyful" and "delight" with "exciting". The Sabbath is not an "exciting" day, but rather, it is a "joyful" and "delightful" day.

The reason that is stat-

ed is because too many children seem bored on the Sabbath because they are looking to compete with the other six days of the week. And many parents get frustrated because they do not know how to make it more exciting for them, to make it a day preferred over the other six days.

The direct answer to this growing problem is that it cannot be done, not if we are careless about the other six days. Who can compete with video games, television, running with friends, playing sports, having access to all kinds of toys and especially those that are of the electronic type? The more stimulating the ordinary days are the more difficult it is to appreciate the one day that was set aside for a holy purpose. Therefore, be careful of how stimulating one makes the rest of the week is the advice.

The devil was very tricky and even Seventh-day Adventists fell for it. The commandment states that "Six



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days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work" (Exodus 20:9) and up through the 1800s, that was true for most children as well. When a child was old enough, somewhere around five, they were in the field working most of the day outside of education and minimal play time. Chores were long and enduring. So, when the Sabbath came around, a child would be glad they were not out in the field, in the kitchen, out in the shed working on something. But turning to the 1900s and up through today, play time expanded, distractive methods of being entertained grew, convenience made it possible to have the unnatural stimulants right in the home, and finally, the excuse of "but it is educational" came about.

Wholesome television

shows still give a false excitement to an impressionable child making the watching of "Sabbath appropriate" shows not so exciting. The church in general, while recognizing this issue, have upped the entertainment by introducing puppet shows, providing comedian style shows, bringing in superhero characters along with other worldly entertainment personalities to visit camp meetings, increasing the pop style music, and more.

Oh, much of what parents try to do to keep the child engaged in "Sabbath keeping" may have the appearance of such but is it really what God would approve of? Oh, we may, through the modern style Sabbath activities, keep youth attending church or appearing to be engaged, but are they representatives of

God or of the world?

Satan does not mind if the youth appear to be keeping the Sabbath outwardly, as long as true study of God's Word is being neglected because it has been made to appear as something that is boring; as long as listening to real content-filled messages are traded in for entertainment style activities; as long as God's second book (being nature) full of spiritual lessons is ignored, etc., Satan has won for they all are "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof" (2 Timothy 3:5).

So, in all that is done through the week and on the Sabbath, does it contribute to making the Sabbath joyful and a delight?

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## **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.

## The Results of Too Much Sugar

Some use milk and a large amount of sugar on mush, thinking that they are carrying out health reform. But the sugar and milk combined are liable to cause fermentation in the stomach, and are thus harmful. The free use of sugar in any form tends to clog the system, and is not unfrequently a cause of disease. Some think that they must eat only just such an amount, and just such a quality, and confine themselves to two or three kinds of food. But in eating too small an amount, and that not of the best quality, they do not receive sufficient nourishment. {CTBH 56.4}

Large quantities of milk and sugar eaten together are injurious. They impart impurities to the system. Animals from which milk is obtained are not always healthy. Could we know that animals were in perfect health, I would recommend

that people eat fleshmeats sooner than large quantities of milk and sugar. It would not do the injury that milk and sugar do. {CTBH 158.1}

Far too much sugar is ordinarily used in food. Cakes, sweet puddings, pastries, jellies, jams, are active causes of indigestion. Especially harmful are the custards and puddings in which milk, eggs, and sugar are the chief ingredients. The free use of milk and sugar taken together should be avoided. {MH 301.4}

The less sugar introduced into the food in its preparation, the less difficulty will be experienced because of the heat of the climate. – Letter 91, 1898. {MM 296.3}

For household canning, glass, rather than tin cans, should be used whenever possible. It is especially necessary that the fruit for can-

ning should be in good condition. Use little sugar, and cook the fruit only long enough to ensure its preservation. Thus prepared, it is an excellent substitute for fresh fruit. {MH 299.4}

It is well to leave sugar out of the crackers that are made. Some enjoy best the sweetest crackers, but these are an injury to the digestive organs. Butter should not be placed on the table, for if it is some will use it too freely, and it will obstruct digestion. But for yourself, you should occasionally use a little butter on cold bread, if this will make the food more appetizing. This would do you far less harm than to confine yourself to preparations of food that are not palatable. {12MR 173.1}

Sugar is not good for the stomach. It causes fermentation, and this clouds the brain and brings peevishness into the disposition. {CD 327.1}

I frequently sit down to the tables of the brethren and sisters and see that they use a great amount of milk and sugar. These clog the system, irritate the digestive organs, and affect the brain. Anything that hinders the active motion of the living machinery, affects the brain very directly. And from the light given me, sugar, when largely used, is more injurious than

meat. – 2T 370.1 {HL 167.1}

You cannot live too plainly when you are studying so constantly. Your father and I have dropped milk, cream, butter, sugar, and meat entirely since we came to California. We are far clearer in mind and far better in body. We live very plainly. We cannot write unless we do live simply. Your father bought meat once for May while she was sick, but not a penny have we expended

on meat since. We have the most excellent fruit of all kinds. Do you want we should send you some figs? How is your clothing? Let us know just how you are feeling; and is your clothing well taken care of? Are you happy? {14MR 322.2}

Frank and George are doing well. Frank does not eat butter or sugar, and his face is better. {14MR 336.4}

## Healthy And Delicious Recipes

## **Deviled Potatoes**

## Ingredients

- 12 small peeled yellow or white potatoes
- 6 tablespoons vegan mayonnaise
- 1/2 teaspoon garlic powder
- 1/2 teaspoon lemon juice
- 1/2 teaspoon black salt (also called kala namak) or your regular salt
- 1/4 teaspoon turmeric
- Paprika or smoked paprika, for garnish

#### Instructions

- Add the potatoes to a pot of water and bring to a boil for about 20 minutes until the potatoes are tender and you can easily pierce them to the center with a sharp knife. The time it takes to boil the potatoes will vary depending on their size. Drain the potatoes and rinse with cool water.
- When the potatoes are cool enough to handle, cut each one in half

- lengthwise. Then use the large scoop of a melon baller or small spoon to scoop out a little crater in each potato. Put the scooped out potato flesh in a medium bowl.
- of potato flesh and add the vegan mayonnaise, garlic powder, lemon juice, black salt, and turmeric. Mix together with a potato masher or fork until completely smooth and mixed well. As

the potato mixture can vary in quantity due to the size of potatoes and the amount you scoop out, feel free to adjust the ingredient quantities to taste.

You can either use

 a pastry bag or just
 a spoon to fill each
 potato. If using a
 pastry bag: attach
 a large star tip and
 fill a pastry bag
 with the mashed
 potato mixture.
 Squeeze a dollop
 into the crater of

each potato half. If using a spoon: simply scoop a small spoonful of the mashed potato mixture into the well of each potato half. Garnish the filled potatoes with paprika as desired. Serve right away, or cover and store in the fridge until ready to serve.

#### Notes:

 When selecting potatoes make a point of picking out potatoes that are

- about the same size as an egg.
- Black salt (also called kala namak) is a salt commonly used in South Asian cuisine. It is actually pink in colour, but it has an amazingly egglike flavour. Using it in this recipe will give the potatoes an eggy taste. If you do not want this you can substitute regular salt.

## Natural Vitamins

## The Benefits of Onions

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The third benefit is that of reducing the likelihood of developing

cancer. Eating vegetables of the Allium genus like garlic and onions has been linked to a lower risk of certain cancers, including stomach and colorectal.

## **NEED A RECEIPT?**

We will be happy to provide you with a receipt but please indicate that you would like to receive one. Many give without claiming it on their taxes.

Personally, I would so as to have more to give. But for us to mail a receipt to those that do not use such would be a waste of God's funds. So do not hesitate to ask, and even if you already gave, we have record of it, so if you still want a receipt, just ask.

The fourth benefit is the ability to regulate blood sugar levels.

The fifth benefit will assist in getting off the lies from the dairy industry telling us that milk makes the body grow, but in reality on-

ions help increase bone density much better.

The sixth benefit is the antibacterial properties making even E. coli more challenging to express.

The seventh benefit is in the area of digestion. Onions are a rich source of fiber and prebiotics, which are necessary for optimal gut health.

## 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.

## Was Joseph the Father of Jesus

Many would quickly declare the answer to be yes, even if they are thinking that Joseph was a parent raising Jesus, was a stepfather, or was a human father figure. That may all be true, however, to establish the true Father from any ordinary set of parents, some translations declare that it is Joseph and the child's mother, referring to Mary (Luke 2:33). Mary was the mother but Joseph technically was not the father. As the mother, it is stated, "that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost" (Matthew 1:20). In other words, by

stating Joseph and mother, it is another form of a declaration of the virgin birth.

## King James Version: And Joseph and his mother marvelled at those things which were spoken of him.

#### In Error:

American Standard Version: And his father and his mother were marvelling at the things which were spoken concerning him;

Amplified Bible: And His [legal] father and His mother were amazed at what was said about Him.

#### **Berean Literal Bible:**

And His father and mother were marveling at the things having been spoken concerning Him.

#### **Berean Study Bible:**

The Child's father and mother were amazed at what was spoken about Him.

#### Bishops' Bible of 1568:

And loseph and his mother marueyled at those thinges which were spoken of hym.

Catholic Public Domain Version: And his father and mother were wondering over these things, which were spoken about him. Christian Standard Bible: His father and mother were amazed at what was being said about him.

**Contemporary English Version:** Jesus' parents
were surprised at what
Simeon had said.

Coverdale Bible of 1535: And his father and mother marueyled at the thinges that were spoke of him.

Darby Bible Translation: And his father and mother wondered at the things which were said concerning him.

Douay-Rheims Bible: And his father and mother were wondering at those things which were spoken concerning him.

English Revised Version: And his father and his mother were marveling at the things which were spoken concerning him;

English Standard Version: And his father and his mother marveled at what was said about him.

Godbey New Testament: And His father and His mother were marveling at the words spoken concerning Him.

GOD'S WORD® Translation: Jesus' father and mother were amazed at what was said about him.

Good News Translation: The child's father and mother were amazed at the things Simeon said about him.

Holman Christian Standard Bible: His father and mother were amazed at what was being said about Him.

International Standard Version: Jesus' father and mother kept wondering at the things being said about him.

Literal Emphasis Translation: And His father and mother were marveling upon the things having been spoken concerning Him.

**NET Bible:** So the child's father and mother were amazed at what was said about him.

New American Standard Bible: And His father and mother were amazed at the things which were being said about Him.

New Heart English Bible: And his father and his mother were marveling at the things which were spoken concerning him,

New International Version: The child's father and mother marveled at what was said about him.

New Living Translation: Jesus' parents were amazed at what was being said about him.

Tyndale Bible of 1526: And his father and mother mervelled at those thinges which were spoke of him.

Weymouth New Testament: And while the child's father and mother were wondering at the words of Symeon concerning Him,

Worrell New Testament: And His father and mother were wondering at the things spoken concerning Him.

#### **Correct, This Time:**

A Faithful Version: And Joseph and His mother wondered at the things that were being spoken concerning Him.

Anderson New Testament: And Joseph and his mother wondered at the things which were spoken of him.

Aramaic Bible in Plain English: But Yoseph and his mother were marveling at those things which were spoken about him.

## Geneva Bible of 1587:

And loseph and his mother marueiled at those things, which were spoken touching him.

Haweis New Testament: And Joseph and his mother were amazed at the things spoken concerning him.

Lamsa Bible: And Joseph and his mother marvelled about these things which were spoken concerning him.

Literal Standard Version: And Joseph and His mother were wondering at the things spoken concerning Him,

Mace New Testament: Joseph and the mother of Jesus were surprized to hear such things pronounc'd concerning him.

New King James Version: And Joseph and His mother marveled at those things which were spoken of Him. Smith's Literal Translation: And Joseph and his mother were wondering at the things spoken of him.

Webster's Bible Translation: And Joseph and his mother marveled at those things which were spoken concerning him.

World English Bible: Joseph and his mother were marveling at the things which were spoken concerning him,

Worsley New Testament: And Joseph and his mother were amazed at the things that were spoken concerning Him.

Young's Literal Translation: And Joseph and his mother were wondering at the things spoken concerning him,

## **Questions And Answers**

Allow at least three (3) months before your question may appear.

QUESTION: Is there anything wrong with "one last time" when a person discovers that a change is to happen in a person's life, a new

discovery of what is considered sin?

**ANSWER:** Many of the world have the inclina-

tion to enjoy some sinful practice one last time before giving it up. This is as bad as the old traditional bachelor party which involved one last sexual fling right before the wedding night. What should the bride think about such an act regarding the strength and commitment of the relationship? If a guy needs one last fling, that insults the bride. She should be the one and only.

The same is true regarding sin at any stage of our life. If we are truly espoused to Christ, we would not want to have one last fling with sin before making the commitment. It is not like we can look back years later on the fondness of the event. That in itself would be sinful. We are to be repulsed by the thought of sin. In other words, if we regarded sin in the truest light, we would never ask for one last experience of it. We would immediately be running away from it.

So, to have one last lobster dinner, one more trip to Las Vegas, one more experience of sin, is indeed wrong. Further, it undermines the commitment of moving forward, especially if that last experience was exceptional. There will be a constant reminder to the soul of how "good" that one last experience was. Feeding the

"flesh" the day before the commitment weakens the walk in the Spirit afterwards. Satan will constantly be bringing up the questions: "Are you sure you want to stop doing that?", "Didn't you enjoy that?", "Why don't you have one more, one last time?", etc.

Therefore, hurt not Jesus with the desire for one last experience, undermine not the walk in the Spirit, and overall, if one recognizes that it is sinful, just stop, otherwise such a person does not really recognize how sinful it really is.

Besides, it shows that one would rather continue doing the sinful act if allowed but are only giving it up because it is the rule. That is definitely not the experience David had: "O how love I thy law! it [is] my meditation all the day" (Psalms 119:97). This would be the same attitude if a person were to allow to know when their name will come up in the judgment or death occurs. Our fleshly tendency then would be to continue to sin right up to that moment and then make the commitment. No wonder none of us is told the day or the hour when Jesus will return. If we think

society is bad enough with the sinful practices, how many churches would empty out of practicing Christians, knowing that information?

May our attitude be, "the times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent" (Acts 17:30) and repent immediately because we love Him, as opposed to just following the rules. This is the difference between obedience from legalism and obedience that is not legalism but based upon love for God.

**QUESTION:** What are deep fakes as compared to malicious impersonations?

ANSWER: Deep fakes are usually associated with taking existing video or pictures and replacing the character in the video or image with someone else's image. Malicious impersonation is the external features of a person are made to appear as someone that they are not and trying to pass off as being that person.

Today, it is a very serious matter. Anyone can

take a pornographic movie or image, replace the characters with a religious, political, or other important person's face, and pass it off as being real. They can do the same with news clips as well, but porn and compromising situations seems to be the most popular uses. Nonetheless, it creates a very compromising, undermining situation. People are made to appear as even saying something completely opposite from what their personal stance happens to be. In other words, video and images do lie and lie seriously because it is so easily manipulated. It can cost politicians their positions, cause divorces among couples, and remove ministers from pulpits even by the mere embarrassment of it all.

Malicious impersonations are no less dangerous and in fact, it is said that people have been paid to pull off political speeches when the politician was not available to do so themselves. Now, you may wonder if that is really true? Do governments do that? God only knows.

All we know is that we have definitely entered into the time in which

"we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7) is being tested as never before. All of it will be used in the most satanic efforts imaginable. What will a person say when brought to court for our faith and being provided with images and video in a most compromising position? If it is possible, Satan will make sure that is carried out.

But I am so glad that we are told to "Take therefore no thought for the morrow: for the morrow shall take thought for the things of itself. Sufficient unto the day [is] the evil thereof" (Matthew 6:34).

**QUESTION:** What writings are not inspired?

**ANSWER:** We will let Ellen White alone answer this one:

"I have my work to do, to meet the misconceptions of those who suppose themselves able to say what is testimony from God and what is human production. If those who have done this work continue in this course, satanic agencies will choose for them...." {3SM 70.3}

"Those who have helped souls to feel at liberty to specify what is of God in the Testimonies and what are the uninspired words of Sister White, will find that they were helping the devil in his work of deception. Please read Testimony No. 33, page 211 [Testimonies, vol. 5, p. 682], 'How to Receive Reproof." -Letter 28, 1906. {3SM 70.4}

"How Can God Reach Them? – What reserve power has the Lord with which to reach those who have cast aside His warnings and reproofs, and have accredited the testimonies of the Spirit of God to no higher source than human wisdom? In the judgment, what can you who have done this, offer to God as an excuse for turning from the evidences He has given you that God was in the work?" - Testimonies to Ministers, p. 466. {3SM 70.5}

**QUESTION:** How shall we survive in the mountains?

ANSWER: The same way the Israelites survived the desert, Elijah survived the drought, the four and five thou-

sand men (without counting women and children) survived that afternoon with Jesus: God will make provision. We will not be killing wildlife, like deer, to feed ourselves.

That much is for certain.

## Prophecy Made Plain

In this new article, as requested by our readership, we will address one last day event at a time and try to put it into plain speak.

## The Prophesied Purification Time

Daniel 12:9 And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words [are] closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

Daniel 12:10 Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.

The purification process began in 1844 when Jesus moved from the Holy Place in Heaven to the Most Holy Place. The process is to end with a body of believers that have been made pure and eventually judged to be holy and righteous (Revelation 22:11). Those not saved will have no clue what is going on and will certainly continue to live wickedly, which is not

extreme sinning but retaining any selfishness. They will use every excuse as they do now to not have to change their lives and will most certainly attack obedience from every angle that they can.

"The remnant people of God, who keep His commandments, will understand the word spoken by Daniel, 'Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand' (Daniel 12:10)." {OFC 230.2}

"Daniel stood in his lot to bear his testimony which was sealed until the time of the end, when the first angel's message should be proclaimed to our world. These matters are of infinite importance in these last days; but while 'many shall be purified, and made white, and tried," "the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand.' How true this is! Sin is the transgression of the law of God; and those who will not accept the light in regard to the law of God will not understand the proclamation of the first, second, and third angel's messages. The book of Daniel is unsealed in the revelation to John, and carries us forward to the last scenes of this earth's history." {TM 115.3}

"There is a work to be done in our world.
'Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand.' The inability to understand is because of the strong unwillingness to confess and forsake error and accept the truth which involves a cross.

Satan will strive to retain every soul in his strong power. He will not willingly let go his dominion over men who have influence upon other minds. Therefore God's own methods of advancing the gospel in his dominion are met by great opposition from the whole synagogue of the satanic agencies. As the last conflict with Satan will be the most decisive, the most deceptive and terrible that has ever been, so also will his overthrow be the most complete.' {BTS, September 1, 1902 par. 5}

"God permits men to work out the purposes he would have saved them from had they kept his commandments. When in the face of light and evidence, they refuse to obey, they must reap the harvest of the seed they have sown. 'Many shall be purified, and made white and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand.' The wicked have chosen Satan as their leader. Under his control the wonderful faculties of the mind are used to construct agencies of destruction. God has given the human mind great power, power to show that the Creator has

endowed man with ability to do a great work against the enemy of all righteousness, power to show what victories may be gained in the conflict against evil. To those who fulfill God's purpose, for them will be spoken the words, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord.' The human machinery has been used to do a work that is a blessing to humanity; and God is glorified." {BTS, February 1, 1903 par. 5}

"God requires of his people a zeal according to knowledge. He desires them to be doers of the word. The outer appearance testifies of the inward working of the heart. The truth received into the heart accomplishes the transformation of the mind and heart and character. To Daniel the Lord revealed the condition of the inhabitants of the earth in these last days. 'Many shall be purified,' he said, 'and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand." {RH, March 7, 1899 par. 8}

"Nothing has been so difficult for the people of God to learn as lovalty to the pure, elevated, unselfish principles of heaven. And as a result, sin and suffering make up a large part of their history. The words spoken to Daniel by the angel are positive: 'Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly, and none of the wicked shall understand.' Be assured that Satan, as a strong man armed, is continually on the watch, seeking to penetrate to the very heart of God's working force, striving to bring in questionable methods of dealing, and thereby mar the work of God. He works with all his power to bring his suspicious, evil theories into the business dealing of God's people. He would be well pleased to eclipse the brightness of God's principles by the selfishness of the principles on which he works. If he possibly can, he will tarnish the pure gold of character. If he can place the false where the true should be, his object is gained." {ST, November 6, 1901 par. 6}

## 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.

#### April 15

## Instagram

AdventHealth University: Join us for a reflective Good Friday service for our last worship of the term. We will meditate on the last moments of Jesus' life through the stations of the Cross and participate in communion together. Dinner is provided.

Bible: "Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD'S house which [was] toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz" (Ezekiel 8:14).

#### March 14

The Church of Latterday Saints of Jesus Christ

Ceremony of Peace Brings Religious Leaders Together in French Polynesia

The president of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, Roger Tetuanui, said, "We are gathered here to express our prayer of intercession for our Ukrainian and Russian brothers and sisters. Prayer is the best weapon of the Christian. In all our uncertainties, the only solution lies in trusting in God's love and care for us. When fear gives way to trust, peace floods our lives." In conclusion, President Fritch told the religious leaders: "I feel like I am Adventist, I am Protestant, I am Catholic, I am Latter-day Saint. Above all, I believe in Christ."

EGW: "The term Babylon, derived from Babel, and signifying confusion, is applied in Scripture to the various forms of false or apostate religion. But the message announcing the fall of Babylon must apply to some religious body that was once pure, and has become corrupt. It cannot be the Romish Church which is here meant;

for that church has been in a fallen condition for many centuries. But how appropriate the figure as applied to the Protestant churches, all professing to derive their doctrines from the Bible, vet divided into almost innumerable sects. The unity for which Christ prayed does not exist. Instead of one Lord, one faith, one baptism, there are numberless conflicting creeds and theories. Religious faith appears so confused and discordant that the world know not what to believe as truth. God is not in all this; it is the work of man, - the work of Satan." {4SP 232.2}

#### April 11

**Advent Messenger** 

Church-owned AdventHealth has struck an Alliance with the Diabolical Disney Corporation

**EGW:** "Even in business relations we cannot,

without involving principle, connect ourselves with those who are not loyal to God. What the one party feels that conscience forbids, the other allows. And this not merely in regard to religious matters, but in business transactions. The one acts from selfish motives, regardless of God's law or the salvation of the soul; and if the other sincerely loves God and the truth, there must be either a sacrifice of principle or frequent and painful differences. It will require a continual struggle to resist the worldly influence and example of his ungodly associate. He has great difficulties to meet; for he has placed himself on the enemy's ground. The only safe course is to give heed to the inspired injunction: "Be ye not unequally voked together with unbelievers; for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?" "Come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean; and I will receive you."" {HS 215.4}

**Comment:** For those that do not know, Disney has moved beyond teaching magic. There

is an all-out agenda admitted by Disney to indoctrinate children below third grade level into the LGBQ+ movement. They are actively working against the Florida law that prevents any sexual orientation being mentioned in public school for those children under the level of third grade. Further, it is their intent to work around this through the movies and publications as well as themes at their park. On top of that, they have admitted to undermining Christian positions.

### April 1

#### **Advent Messenger**

Adventists in the North American Division Join Interfaith Support for Ketanji Brown Jackson's Radical Leftist Views and Appointment to the US Supreme Court

Seventh-day Adventists from the North America Division are standing in solidarity with proabortion, LGBT+, and feminist rights organizations. Many of the above-mentioned organizations support homosexual marriage and ordination. And it is with this group that the church's leadership wants to stand. We are supposed to be taking

the light of the gospel to the world, not joining radical left-wing political campaigns pushing unbiblical views on feminism, abortion, and the LGBT+ agenda.

EGW: "Let political questions alone. "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? and what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel?" [2 Corinthians 6:14, 15.] "What can there be in common between these parties? There can be no fellowship, no communion." {GW 392.2}

#### April 15

### Advent Messenger

Healing the Deadly
Wound: The Texas
Conference President
Participates in an Interfaith Week of Spiritual Renewal Leading
to an Ecumenical Communion on Good Friday

Texas Health Hospital in Mansfield, TX is a "joint venture" between AdventHealth, a Seventh-day Adventist health care system, and Texas Health Resources, a Protestant health care organization. [1] They hosted an interfaith week of spiritual renewal called "The Healer." Adventists, Baptists, Pentecostals, and nondenominational leaders participated in this event, which concluded with an ecumenical "communion" on Good Friday.

**Bible:** 2 Corinthians 6:14, "Be ye not une-

qually yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness?"

### April 27

### **Adventist Review**

#### **Viral Lies**

Today the extremism has infected our church, and it is

spreading one social media post at a time.

EGW: "When we reach the standard that the Lord would have us reach, worldlings will regard Seventh-day Adventists as odd, singular, strait-laced extremists. "We are made a spectacle unto the world, and to angels, and to men."" {FE 289.1}

## News And Comments

#### April 5

#### **Fox News**

## California city to give universal income to transgender, nonbinary residents

"Transgender residents in Palm Springs, California are eligible to receive a UBI of up to \$900 per month solely for identifying as transgender or nonbinary — no strings attached." So, they want to pay people to identify as transgender or nonbinary. Therefore, they are supporting the abomination. "The woman shall not wear that which pertaineth unto a man, neither shall a man put on a woman's garment: for all that do so [are] abomination unto the LORD thy God" (Deuteronomy 22:5).

#### April 5

#### Miami Herald

## FDA issues warning for oyster eaters in at least 13 states over a norovirus outbreak

No one would have to be concerned about the issue if they would adhere to God's health principles: "Whatsoever hath no fins nor scales in the waters, that [shall be] an abomination unto you" (Leviticus 11:12). This is a physical and not a spiritual application that Noah, who

we are all related to, knew and practiced (Genesis 7:2).

### April 5

#### **Fox News**

## Chicago church 'fasting from whiteness' during Lent by ditching hymns written by White people

Hypocrites and unchristian! "In the section of the church website that explains its 'values,' the church claims that its members support a covenant of practicing "inclusion" by 'valuing people of all races, ethnicities, cultural identities, gender identities, sexual orientations,

and abilities in every aspect of our congregational life." "God is no respecter of persons" (Acts 10:34). "There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither bond nor free, there is neither male nor female: for ye are all one in Christ Jesus" (Galatians 3:28). Besides, the practice of Lent is pagan. It is the Christian version of "weeping for Tammuz" (Ezekiel 8:14). Anyone still a member of this church is deceived and will be lost. Therefore, "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues" (Revelation 18:4).

#### April 5

#### Politico

'We see the storm coming': U.S. struggles to contain a deepening global food crisis

Jesus said, "For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places" (Matthew 24:7). When nation rises against nation and kingdom against kingdom and we have a connected economy

set up by the globalists where if one country fails, we are all in trouble, it is certain to bring on global shortages, even famines on a large scale.

### April 7

#### **US News**

## Russian Patriarch Says Orthodox Faithful Are Holding Back the Antichrist

ARTICLE: "Referring to a New Testament text in which intensifying conflict between good and evil culminates in the second coming of Christ, Kirill said 'the Book of Revelation mentions a certain force that holds back the coming into the world of the antichrist.' 'Some thought it is the church that is holding this back, and that is correct,' he was quoted as saying. 'The church keeps people from losing their bearings in life ... it is the Orthodox faith, living and acting in the Orthodox church - this is the force that holds back (the antichrist).' COMMENT: Not knowing exactly the force, and not knowing exactly who the antichrist is happens to be a big problem for the Orthodox Church and just about all denominations. It is a doctrinal thing (2 John 1:7-10). Antichrist is already here (2 Thessalonians 2:7, 1 John 2:18-19). And there are 80+ more points identifying antichrist that no one ought to miss except for willing ignorance. Speaking of which, that force to beat back antichrist is the church, specifically, "Here is the patience of the saints: here [are] they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus" (Revelation 14:12).

## April 25

## **Popular Mechanics**

## Aliens Created Our Universe in a Lab, Scientist Suggests

Genesis 1:26 states, "And God said, Let us make man in our image, after our likeness: and let them have dominion over the fish of the sea, and over the fowl of the air, and over the cattle, and over all the earth, and over every creeping thing that creepeth upon the earth." If scientists believe the garbage about aliens creating our universe, who created the aliens? Also, it seems a bit far out (pun intended) to believe aliens

are our creators instead of God. The bottom line is to not give credit to God being our Creator because if He is, which He really is, then we are responsible for following the "rules". These scientists simply are trying to justify guiltfree lifestyles.

#### April 26

#### PBS

## Climate change activist's self-immolation raises questions of faith and protest

Romans 1:25 states, "Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen." This activist did not worship the creature but the creation itself so much so that he was willing to lay down his life for the planet. Truly misplaced faith. God would rather have been worshipped and place all concerns, even planet earth, into His hands.

#### April 26

#### **Telegraph**

Life on Earth was started by a meteor-

## ite, new evidence suggests

Wait! Scientists yesterday declared they had evidence that aliens started our life and now it is a meteorite? If this does not prove that scientific evidence is nothing more than an opinion as dependable as dust – not stable at all. For nearly 6,000 years, we have been told one, and only one, true story - "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth" (Genesis 1:1), and "God created man in his [own] image, in the image of God created he him; male and female created he them" (Genesis 1:27). So, are we to believe ever changing science or God's consistent Word?

#### April 29

#### Yahoo News

## The Right's New Conspiracy Theory: Kamikaze Planes and Food Fires

ARTICLE: Carlson opened the segment by suggesting that a sinister plot was at play, even if no one could explain what it was. He then kicked it to his guest, Seattle talk radio host Jason Rantz, who called the

timing of recent fires "very suspicious."

COMMENT: We know that antichrist (Revelation 13) conspires with her daughters (Revelation 17:5) to have the kings or leaders of the earth work with her (Revela-tion 17:18) along with the merchants (Reve-lation 18:3) and pharmaceutical industry (Revelation 18:23) to control the world. We are nearing the completion of this and soon will begin the time that they "receive power as kings one hour with the beast" (Revelation 17:12), which is a mere 15 days, for prophetically each day is a year (Numbers 14:34, Ezekiel 4:6) and a portion of a day is the same portion of a year (1/24th). Therefore, it would not be surprising that something is happening in that relationship to control the food supply by constricting the resources.

#### April 26

#### Insider

Tick bites are making people allergic to meat, and experts say cases are on the rise

A growing number of American adults have developed an unusual allergy to meat and other animal products due to the bites of an aggressive tick species.

People with alpha-gal syndrome (AGS) typically report allergic reactions, from hives and stomach troubles to full-on anaphylaxis, hours after eating pork or beef. The symptoms might seem random for individuals who have never had issues with meat in the past, but scientists have identified a common thread: the lone star tick.

Experts have been studying the tick connection since 2009, when the first cases of AGS were described in medical literature. Researchers figured there must be a common inciting event that caused the allergy to develop, especially given that early cases were clustered in the Southeastern US.

The lone star tick is a common pest in the region, accounting for more than 90% of tick bites in the Southeastern states by some estimates. The species has spread up the Eastern seaboard and to the Midwest in recent years, leaving cases of AGS in its wake.

More than 34,000 cases of AGS were reported between 2010 and 2018. Experts say more cases are being reported each year, including some individuals who developed such a severe allergy that even the smell of cooking meat could set off a reaction.

The allergy is linked to a molecule found in animal fat and muscle

Alpha-gal syndrome is often referred to as a red meat allergy, as most affected individuals report reactions after eating pork or beef. However, some people with AGS react to a wider range of animal products.

Amy Shea, a woman in Georgia, told local news station CBS46 that she had an upset stomach and broke out in hives about an hour after having a bite of a pot roast. She said she went into anaphylactic shock upon arriving at the emergency room. Since that incident, even the smell of meat cooking at a barbecue is enough to trigger a reaction for Shea.

Shea has a severe case of AGS, so she's sensitive to other animal products aside from meat. The alpha-gal molecule is found in

the muscles and fat of most mammals — except for humans and other primates — and trace amounts make it into dairy products or gelatin derived from animals.

For people like Shea, who are highly sensitive to alpha-gal, the syndrome is all the more disruptive to normal life. Shea told CBS she can't eat any animal products, and she also has to check soap and cosmetic packaging for collagen and other animal-derived ingredients.

Another odd feature of AGS is its onset: while most food allergy symptoms appear immediately after ingestion, an AGS reaction may occur hours after someone eats meat. This poses a problem, allergist Scott Commins told Sarah Zhang for the Atlantic, because, "at 2 a.m., no one really in the ER thinks to ask what you had for dinner at 8 p.m."

Tick season spans from early spring to late fall

Health officials across the US have warned the public about the start of tick season, which typically spans from early spring to late fall. The lone star tick is especially aggressive during that time, according to the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CDC recommends people prevent the spread of tick-borne illnesses, like AGS and the more common Lyme disease, by avoiding tick bites. Ticks thrive in grassy, brushy, and wooded areas, so make sure to perform a thorough check for bugs after going outside. You can also buy tick-treated clothing or EPAregistered insect repellent.

of him that created him: Where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcision nor uncircumcision, Barbarian, Scythian, bond [nor] free: but Christ [is] all, and in all" (Colossians 3:8-11).

So, is Jesus restoring the original image in you through His Word, preparing you for that great and glorious day?

## Ellen White Abbreviations In this Issue

1SM - Selected Messages Book 1

3SM - Selected Messages Book 3

4SP - The Spirit of Prophecy Volume Four

6T - Testimonies for the Church Volume Six

12MR - Manuscript Releases Volume Twelve

14MR - Manuscript Releases Volume Fourteen

BTS - Bible Training School

CD - Counsels on Diet and Foods

CT - Counsels to Parents, Teachers, and Students

CTBH - Christian Temperance and Bible Hygiene

**EW - Early Writings** 

FE - Fundamentals of Christian Education

GC - The Great Controversy (1911)

GW - Gospel Workers

HL - Healthful Living

HS - Historical Sketches of the Foreign Missions of the Seventh-day Adventists

MH - The Ministry of Healing

MM - Medical Ministry

OFC - Our Father Cares

RH - The Review and Herald

SC - Steps to Christ

ST - The Signs of the Times

TM - Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers

## 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.

## Saffron for Anxiety, etc.

Studies show that the equivalent of 15 milligrams - or about onefifth of a teaspoon of threads – of saffron twice daily can decrease PMS symptoms, including anxiety, irritability, depression, mood swings, and insomnia, and also works to improve age-related eve diseases. Add saffron to your food, take it in capsule form, or brew a cup of tea.

(People with bipolar disorder should not use saffron without a doc-

tor's supervision.)

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