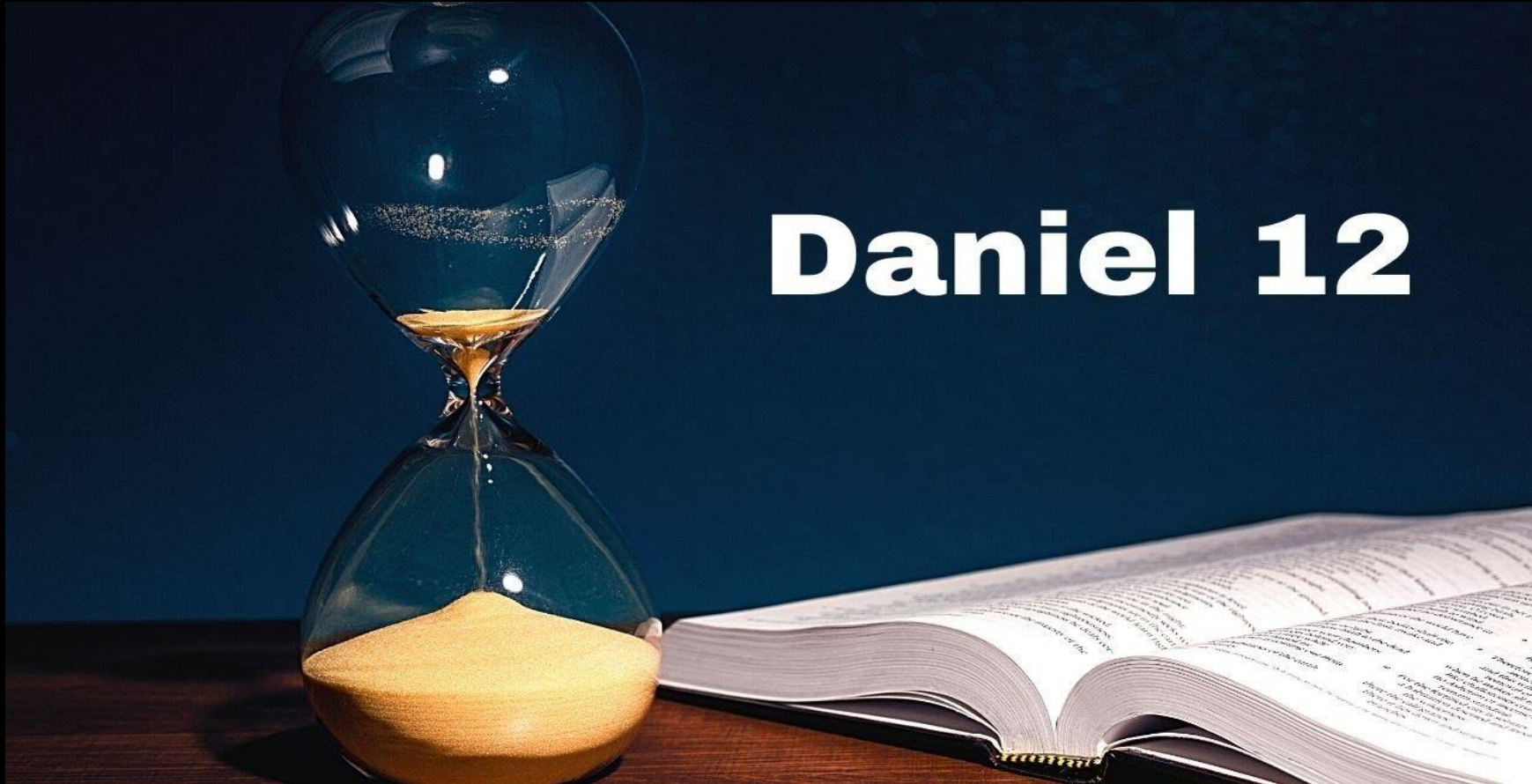


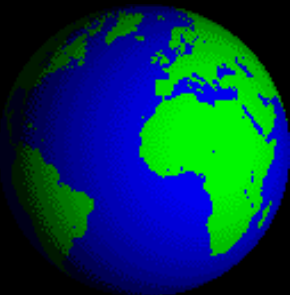
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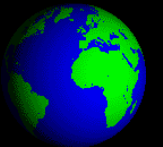
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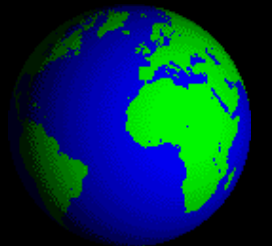
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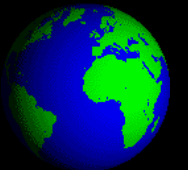


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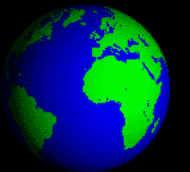
## **Sanctuary**



**And let them  
make me a  
sanctuary;  
that I may dwell  
among them.**

– Exodus 25:8

**Psalms 77:13**



# Health Snippet – Ginger

## Health Benefits of Ginger *(Seek Medical Advise)*

Chronic indigestion is characterized by recurrent pain and discomfort in the upper part of the stomach.

It's believed that delayed emptying of the stomach is a major driver of indigestion. Interestingly, ginger has been shown to speed up emptying of the stomach.

### **6. Can help treat chronic indigestion:**

People with functional dyspepsia, which is indigestion with no known cause, were given either ginger capsules or a placebo in a small 2011 study. One hour later, they were all given soup. It took 12.3 minutes for the stomach to empty in people who received ginger. It took 16.1 minutes in those who received the placebo.

These effects have also been seen in people without indigestion. In a 2008 study by some members of the same research team, 24 healthy individuals were given ginger capsules or a placebo. They were all given soup an hour later. Consuming ginger as opposed to a placebo significantly accelerated emptying of the stomach. It took 13.1 minutes for people who received ginger and 26.7 minutes for people who received the placebo.

## WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU START CONSUMING GINGER DAILY

- NO FLATULENCE  
AND GOOD DIGESTION
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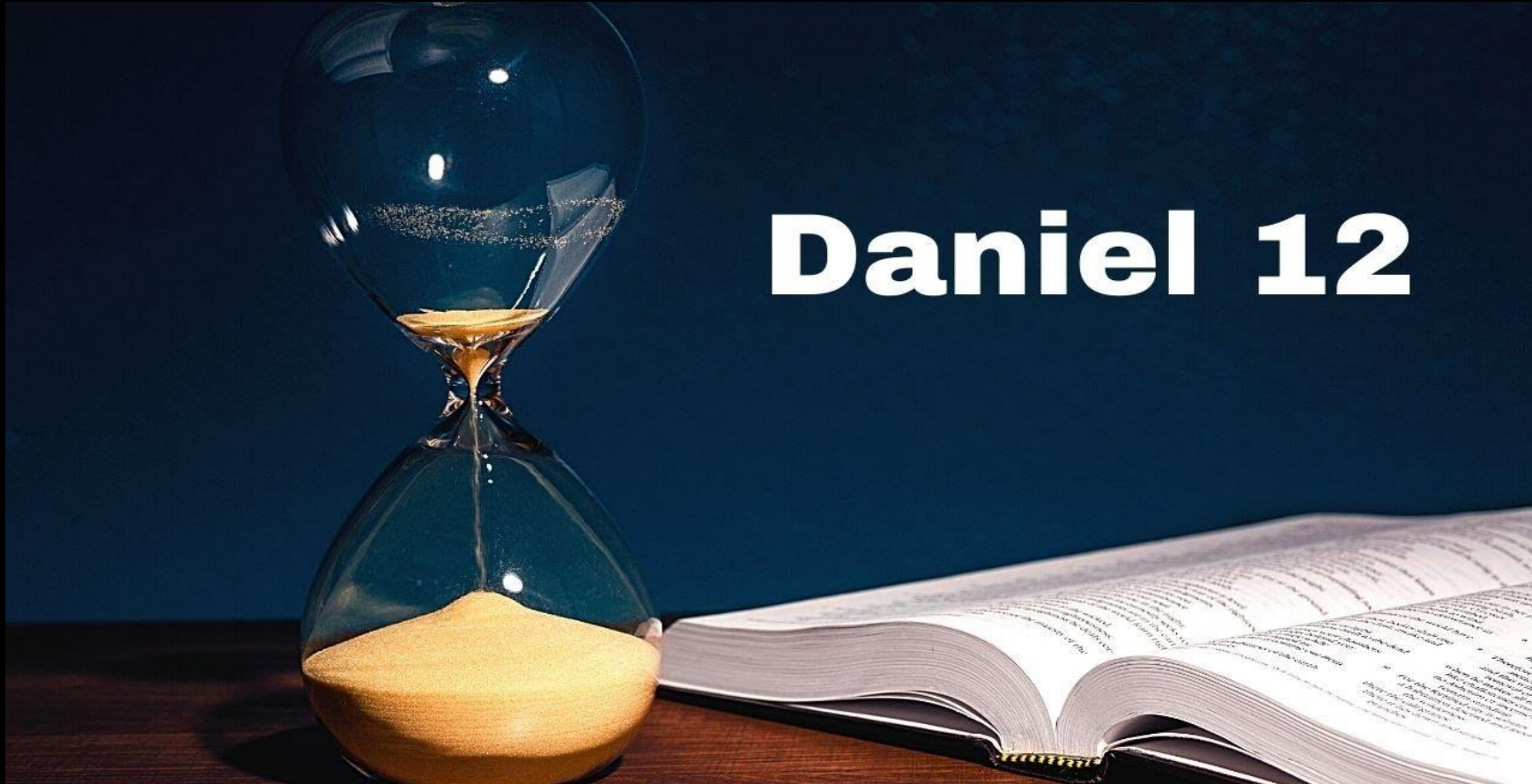


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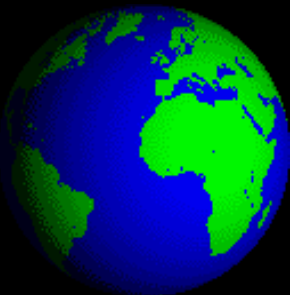
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# ***Daniel 12:4 - Little book & Time of End***

*Daniel 12:4 - But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.*

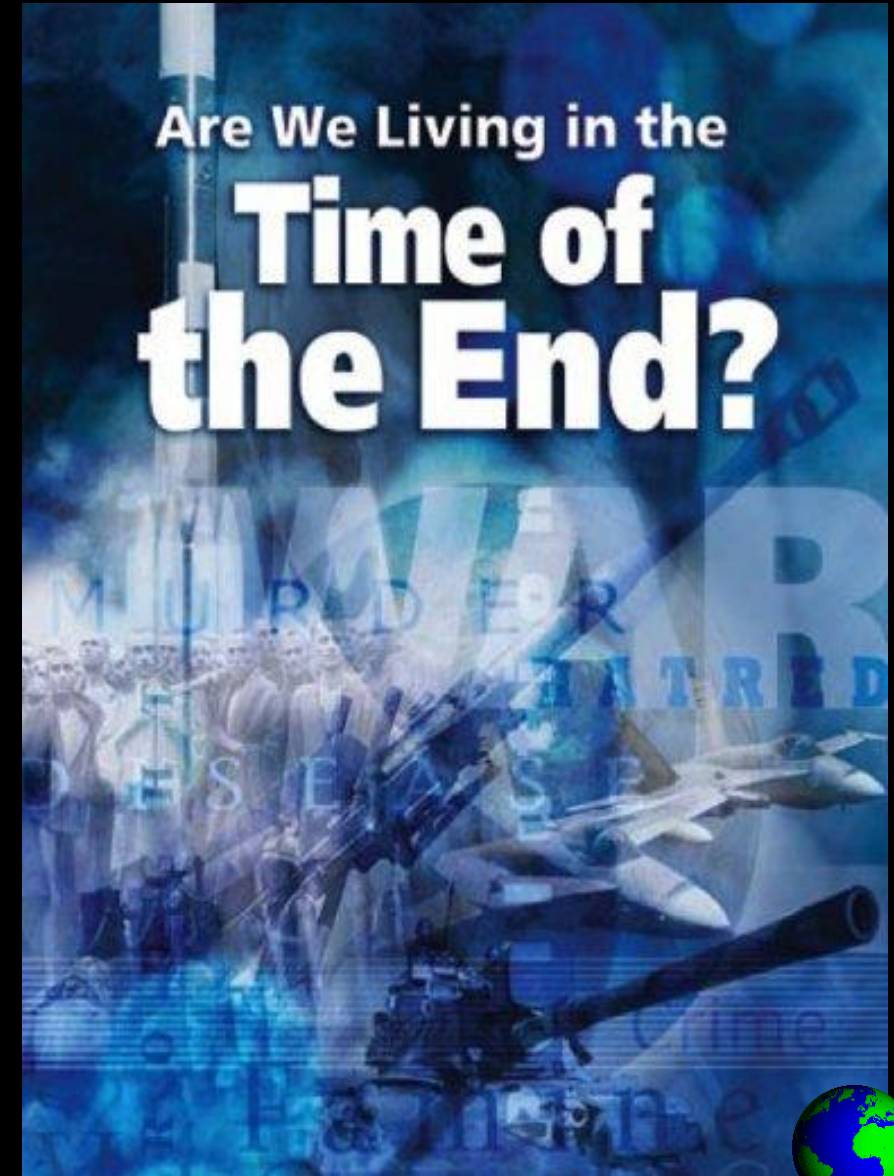
**Shut up the words, and seal the book** - Gabriel tells Daniel to seal the book, thus the book of Daniel was to be a sealed book.

**To the time of the end** - Until 1798 the book of Daniel was to be sealed. Therefore the book is now unsealed, and we are able to gain a correct interpretation of the prophecies within.

**Many shall run to and fro** - Whether it be running to and fro in the earth because of increased technology in modes of transport, or running to and fro through the Bible to gain knowledge of the prophecies, both can apply.

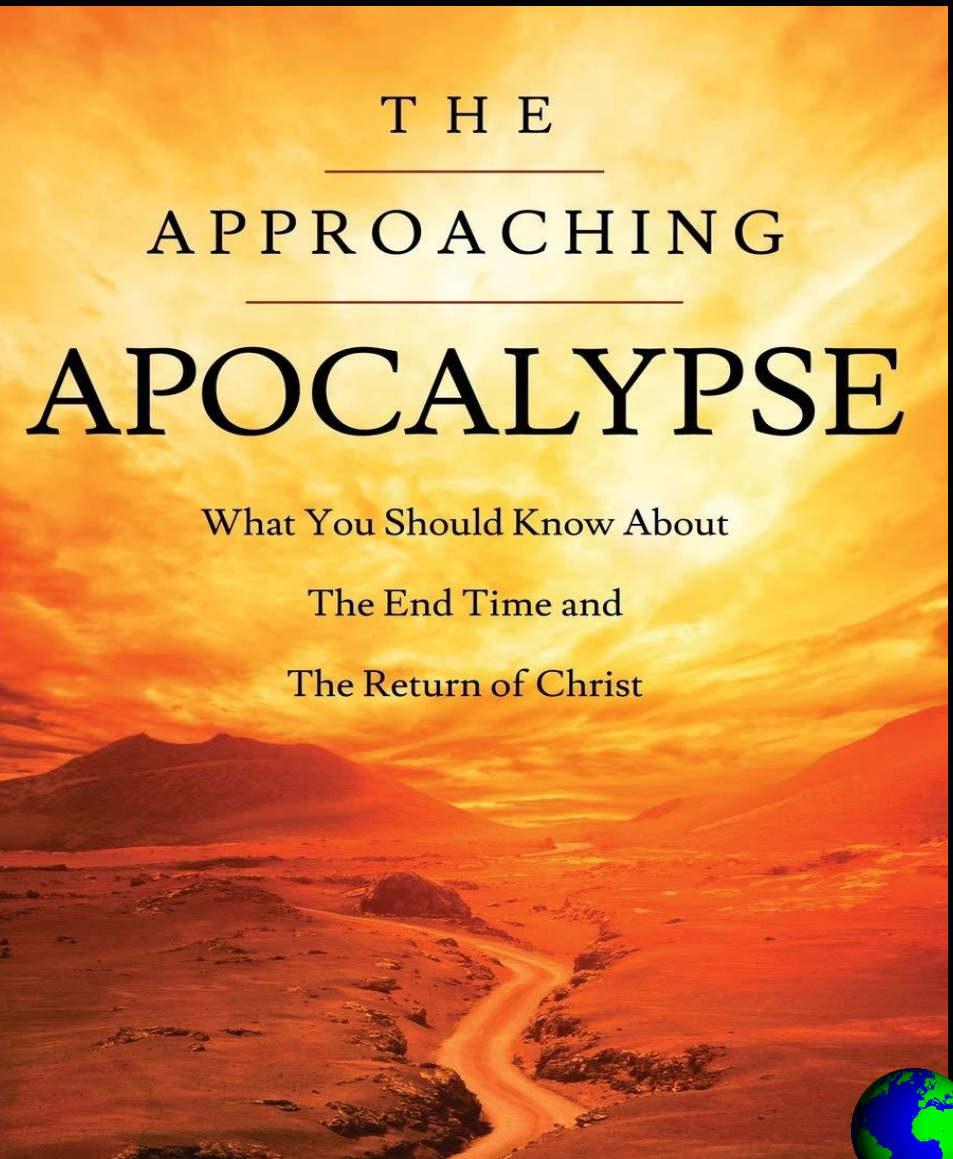
**Knowledge shall be increased** - If we look at the knowledge of the world today, we see that it is rapidly increasing each day. Also the knowledge of what is contained in the prophecies is fast increasing.

After 1798, the date for the unsealing of Daniel, pace of society has been rapidly increasing, likewise with the increase of knowledge.



# Setting the Stage

At the conclusion of the last major section of the book (Daniel 10:1-12:4), the prophet receives the command to seal the scroll until the time of the end. In the same breath, the angel predicts that “many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase” (Daniel 12:4). Although some students of Daniel have taken these words as a prediction of scientific progress, which also could be included in the meaning, the context seems to indicate that running “to and fro” refers to searching the book of Daniel itself. Indeed, as we look back into history, we note that Daniel remained an obscure piece of literature for centuries. It may have been known and studied in some places, but some of its key teachings and prophecies remained mysterious. For example, the prophetic messages related to the purification of the heavenly sanctuary, the judgment, the identity and work of the little horn, along with the time frame related to these prophecies, were far from clear.



# Shut up the words, and seal the book

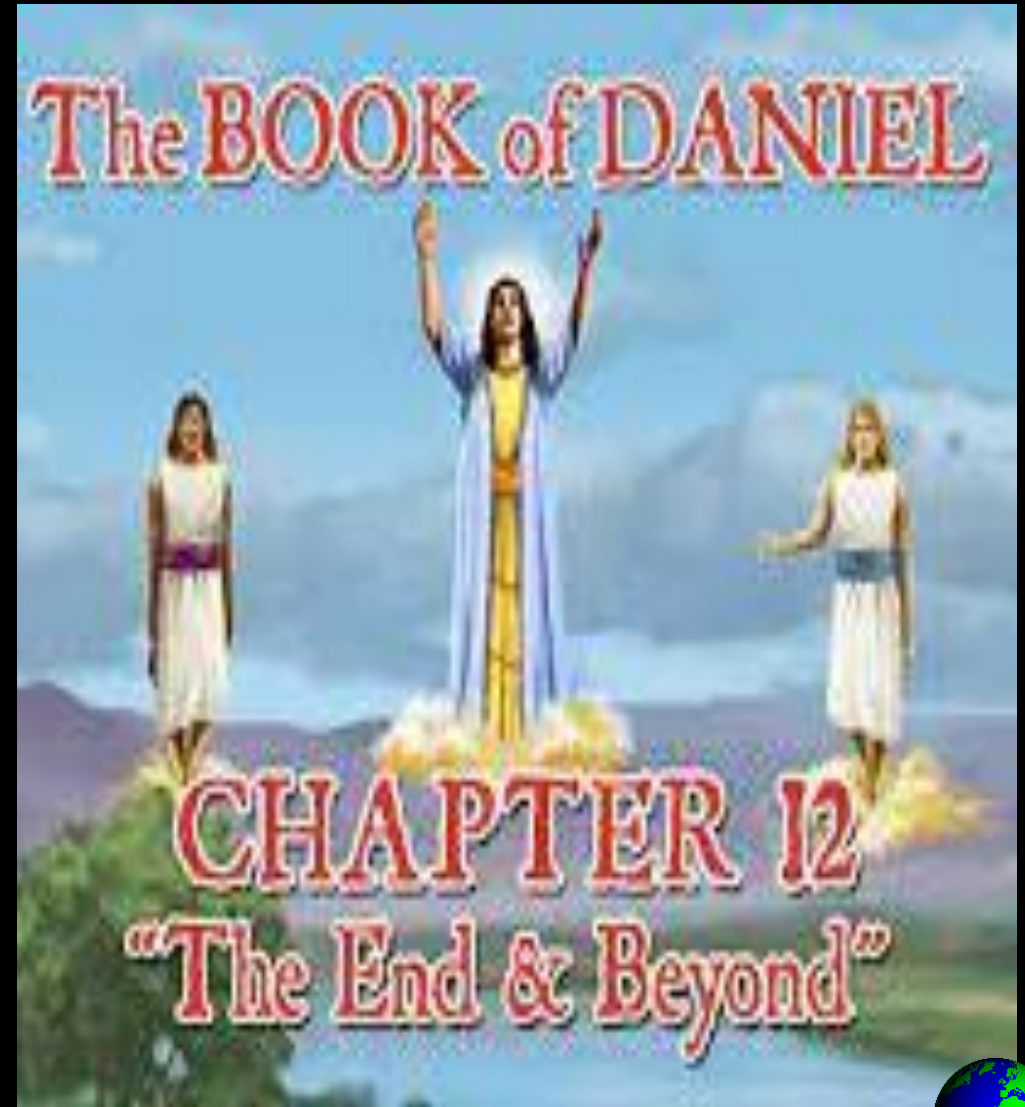
Daniel 12:4 - But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

Which portion is sealed:

**Note that Daniel 8:26 says that**, And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.

That is to say, the vision concerning the long-time prophecy of the 2,300 years is to be sealed for it has to do with the end times.

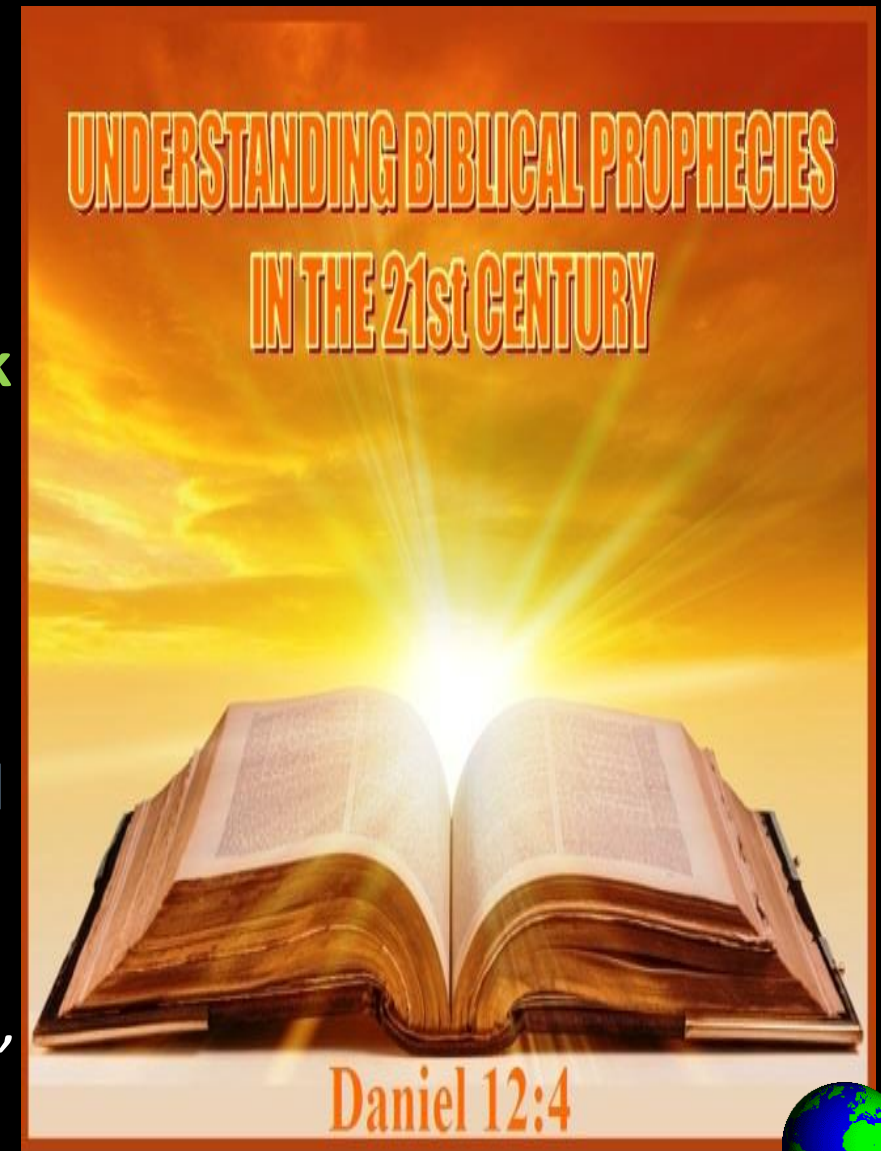
**In the Revelation all the books of the Bible meet and end. Here is the complement of the book of Daniel. One is a prophecy; the other a revelation. The book that was sealed is not the Revelation, but that portion of the prophecy of Daniel relating to the last days. The angel commanded**, "But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end." Daniel 12:4.—The Acts of the Apostles, p. 585.



## **Shut up the words, and seal the book (cont'd)**

'The "words" and "book" here spoken of doubtless refer to the things which had been revealed to Daniel in this prophecy. These things were to be shut up and sealed until the time of the end; that is, they were not to be specially studied, or to any great extent understood, till that time. The time of the end, as has already been shown, commenced in 1798. As the book was closed up and sealed to that time, the plain inference is that at that time, or from that point, the book would be unsealed; that is, people would be better able to understand it, and would have their attention specially called to this part of the inspired word.'

The Saviour Himself has given signs of His coming, and He says, "When ye see these things come to pass, know ye that the kingdom of God is nigh at hand." *"And take heed to yourselves, lest at any time your hearts be overcharged with surfeiting, and drunkenness, and cares of this life, and so that day come upon you unawares."* Luke 21:31, 34.—*The Desire of Ages*, p. 234.



# ***The little book is eaten***

**Revelation 10:8** *And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth.*

**9** *And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.*

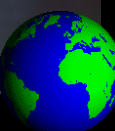
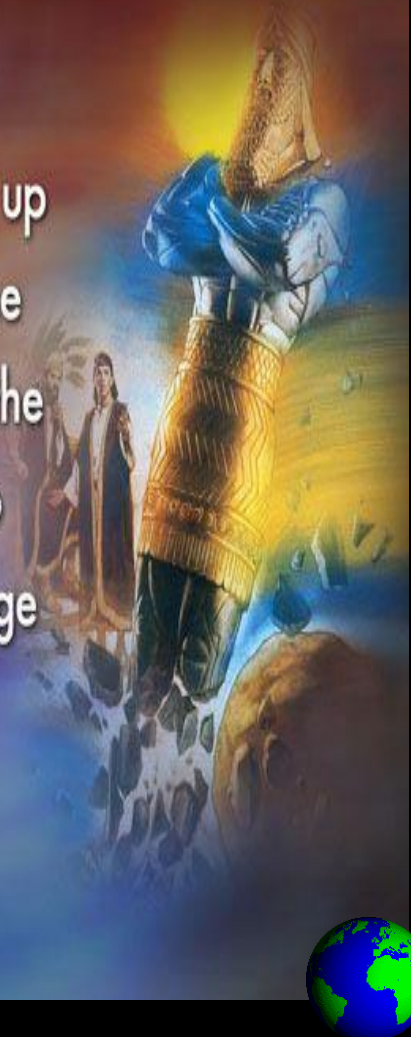
**The instruction to eat the little book means to mentally digest it. This expression is drawn from Ezekiel in the Old Testament.**

**But you, son of man, hear what I say to you.**

*"But thou, son of man, hear what I say unto thee; Be not thou rebellious like that rebellious house: open thy mouth, and eat that I give thee. And when I looked, behold, an hand was sent unto me; and, lo, a roll of a book was therein; And he spread it before me; and it was written within and without: and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe. **Ezekiel 2:8-10***

*Daniel 12:4*

*"But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase."*



# ***The little book is eaten (cont'd)***

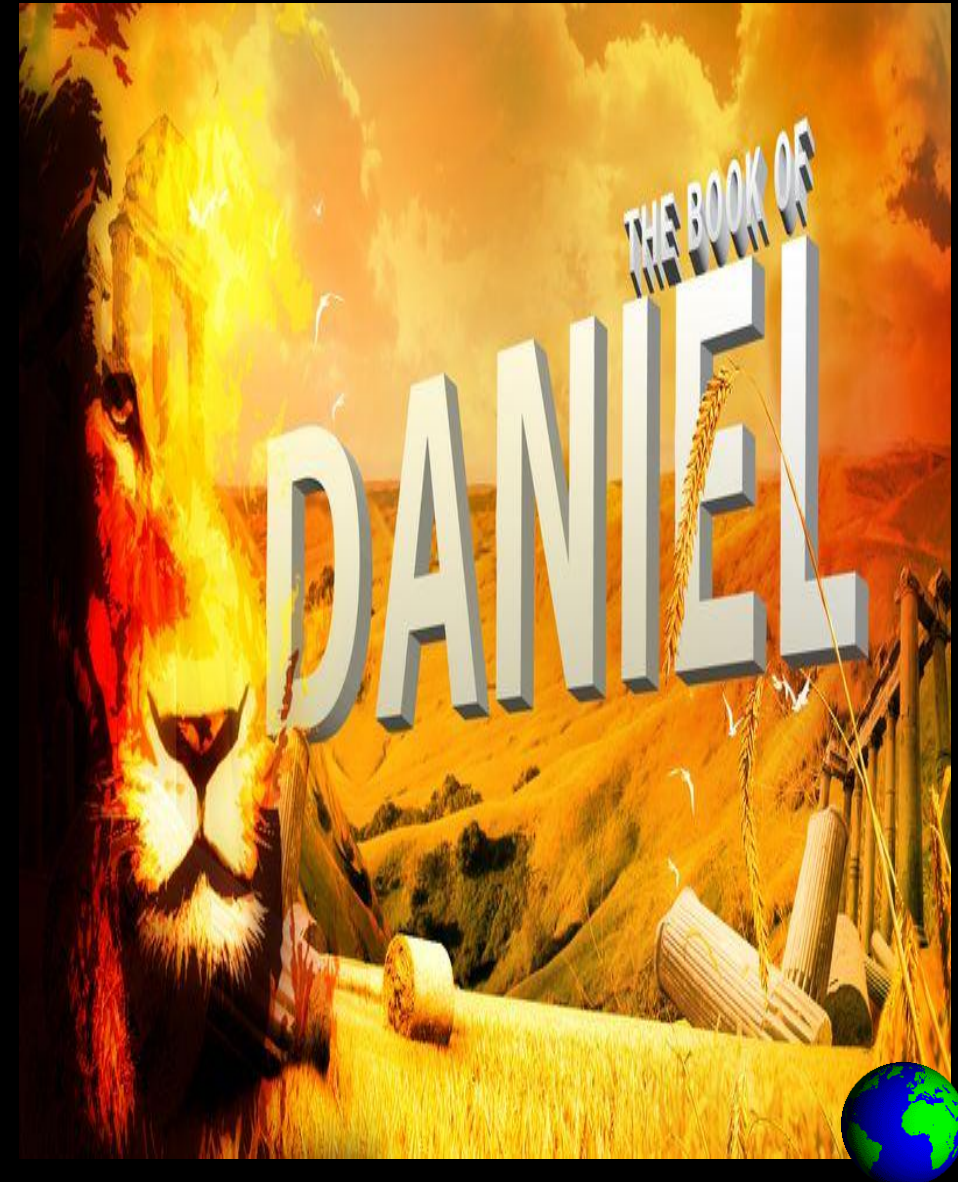
*Moreover he said unto me, Son of man, eat that thou findest; eat this roll, and go speak unto the house of Israel. So I opened my mouth, and he caused me to eat that roll. And he said unto me, Son of man, cause thy belly to eat, and fill thy bowels with this roll that I give thee. Then did I eat it; and it was in my mouth as honey for sweetness. [Ezekiel 3:1-3](#)*

***This tells us that God's word is sweet to the soul.  
The same truth is expressed by Jeremiah:***

*How sweet are thy words unto my taste! yea,  
sweeter than honey to my mouth! [Psalm 119:103](#).*

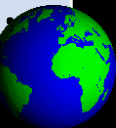
*Thy words were found, and I did eat them; and thy  
word was unto me the joy and rejoicing of mine  
heart: for I am called by thy name, O LORD God of  
hosts. [Jeremiah 15:16](#)*

***There are parallels between the experiences of the  
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John eating the little book. These are shown in the  
following table.***



# ***Parallels between Ezekiel 2 and 3 and Revelation 10***

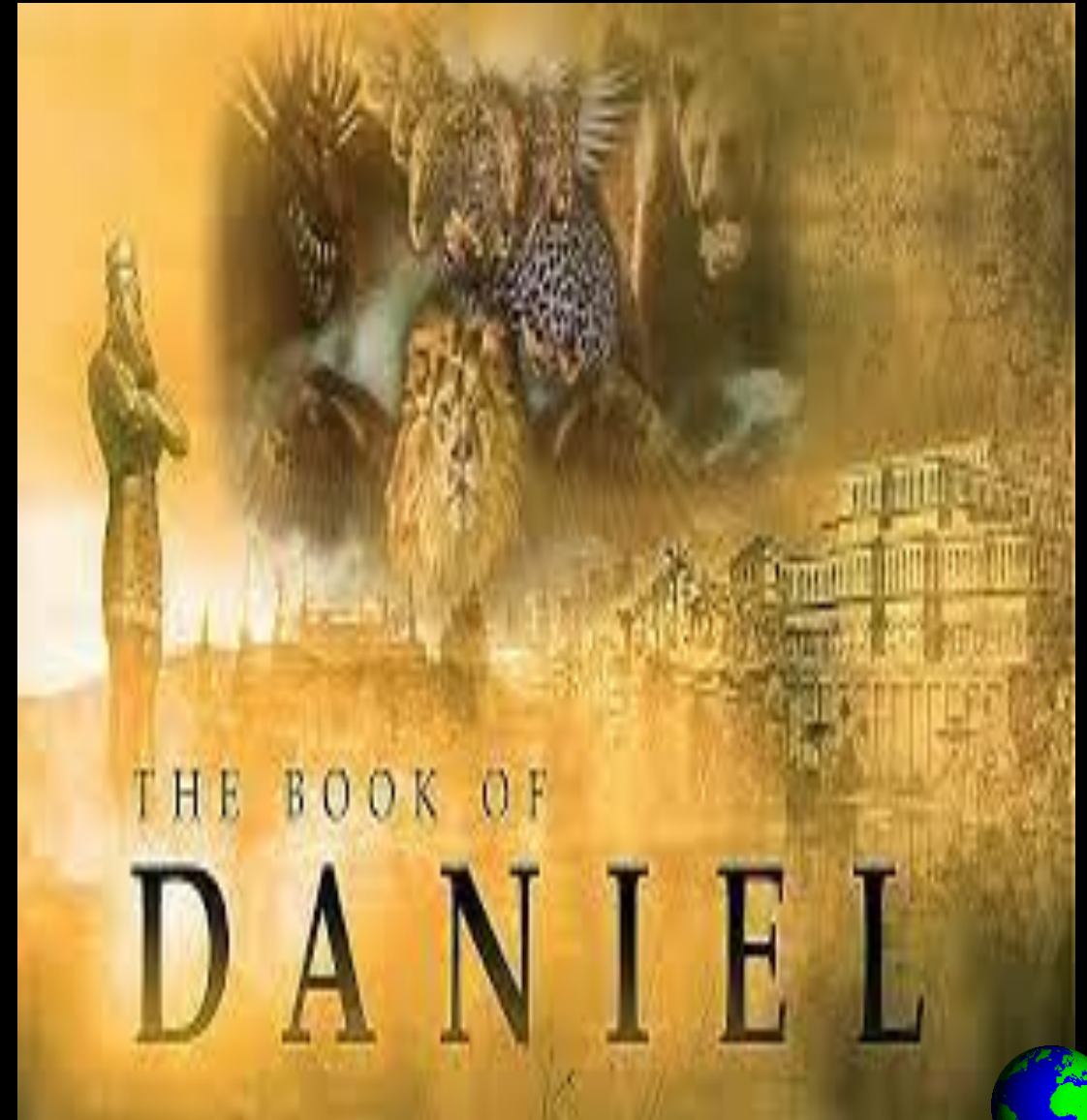
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Commanded to eat Commanded to eat	Commanded to eat Commanded to eat
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Ezekiel experienced bitterness....of spirit. Ezekiel 3:14 John experienced bitterness in his stomach.	Ezekiel experienced bitterness....of spirit. Ezekiel 3:14 John experienced bitterness in his stomach.



# ***The little book is digested***

The book of Daniel was mentally digested by God's people and John's prediction was fulfilled as a result of the French Revolution. At that time there was a tremendous attack upon Christianity and the Bible. This onslaught produced a marvellous reaction among the Protestant nations, a reaction that led to a remarkable revival of interest in Bible prophecy. Many godly scholars were independently led to investigate the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation. This was a fulfilment of Daniel 12:4 that many would run to and fro and knowledge shall increase.

The French Revolution was like the explosion of the long pent-up forces of a volcano. The Papal church and state were suddenly torn from their foundation and overwhelmed in the common ruin. The sudden and violent shock sent the Protestant church back to the prophecies.



# *The little book is digested (cont'd)*

At that time the attack on the Papacy had recently rocked the world. **It was a landmark in history.** In their investigation of the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation, godly researchers were led to study in particular the  $3\frac{1}{2}$  prophetic years, or 1260 year period of Papal supremacy. They came to the conclusion that this period ended around 1798.

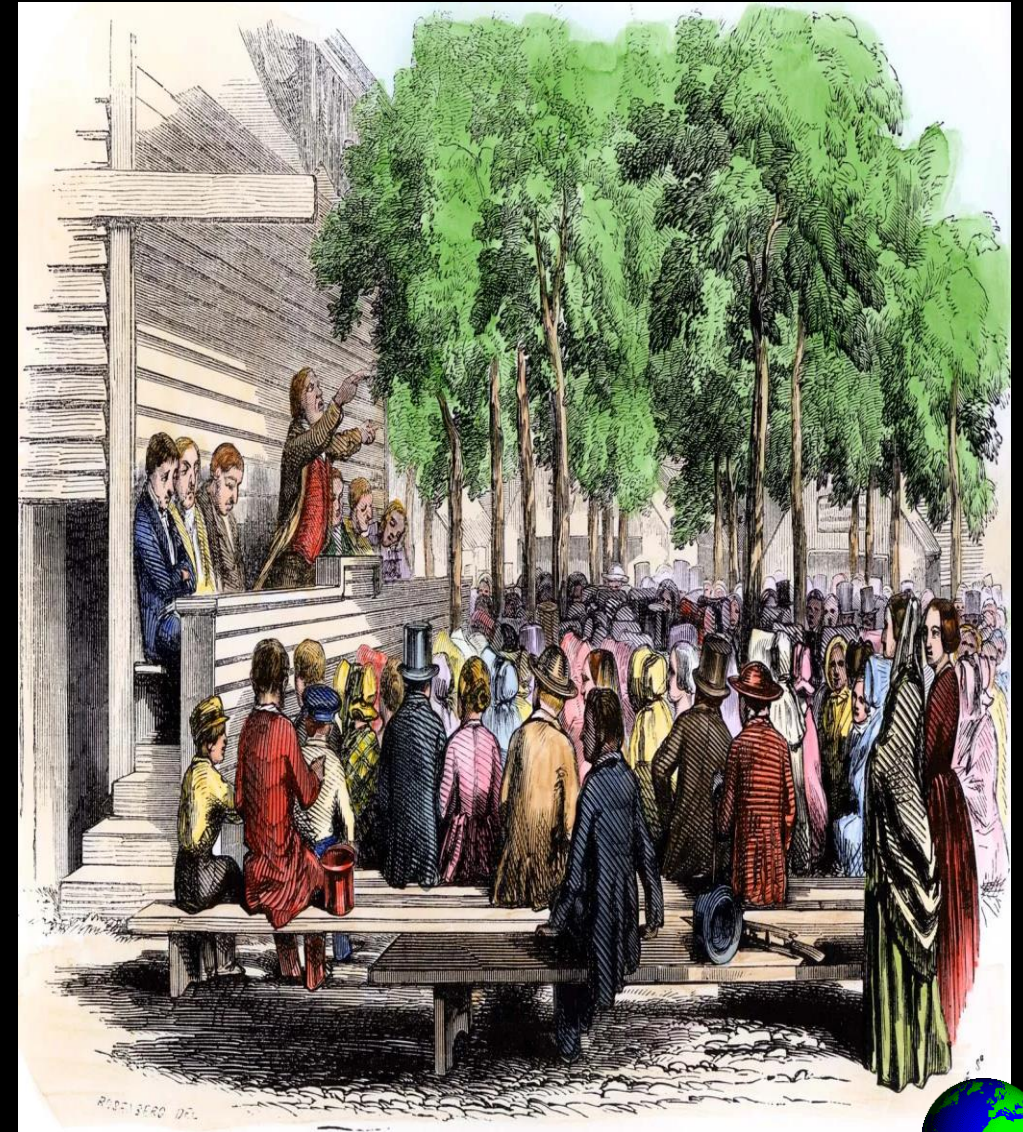
As a result of this discovery these Bible students were then led to investigate the next great time period – the 2300 days of Daniel 8:14. It became the focus of their study. Finally most concluded that the 2300 days would end between the years 1843 and 1847 AD. **During that four year period, the 2300 years would come to their close.** This conclusion led to a revival of the truth of the Second Advent of Christ. It began in Britain then spread among scholars and Christians in Europe, India, Asia and America.



# *Revival in America and the world*

The hindrances in Britain did not bring an end to the Great Second Advent Movement. Literature which had been published in Britain detailing the findings of the British scholars had been regularly forwarded to America. This information was spread among the American churches with the result that the movement began to develop and finally climaxed in America.

The leading man in the Great Second Advent Movement was William Miller. He was a Baptist lay preacher who began to preach that the Second Coming of Christ would occur around 1844. Eventually he was supported by about three thousand clergy plus thousands of lay people in proclaiming the Second Coming of Christ throughout America. It was a tremendous religious revival, ending in great disappointment. Hundreds of thousands listened, believed and prepared for the Advent. They forsook their sins and in repentance sought God. At the same time there were others who scoffed, ridiculed and misrepresented the mighty message that swept the country.

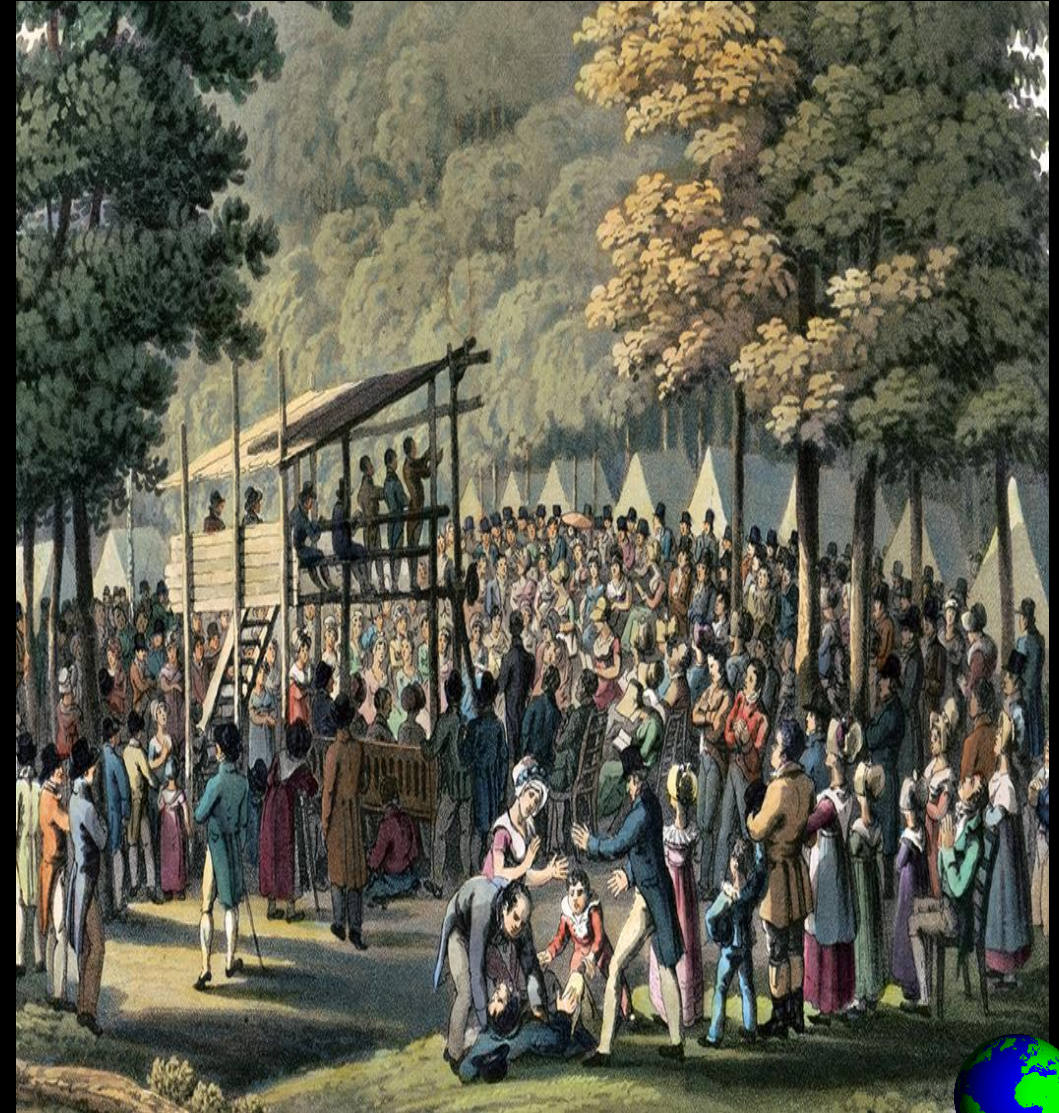


# *Revival in America and the world (cont'd)*

The revival message was sounded into many other lands as well. It eventually enveloped the globe. About the year 1938, the writer observed in faraway New Zealand a reference in a newspaper to an event that occurred in that country in the year 1844. The reference stated that numbers of people on a certain day in 1844 were expecting the second coming of Christ.

Again in the year 1944, while the writer resided in Adelaide, South Australia, he read a reference in a local magazine to how one hundred years before, many among the German settlers of the Barossa Valley in South Australia were likewise expecting the return of Jesus Christ in 1844.

It was in this period that the foreign mission movement was at its peak and it is claimed that the Second Advent message went to every mission station on the planet.

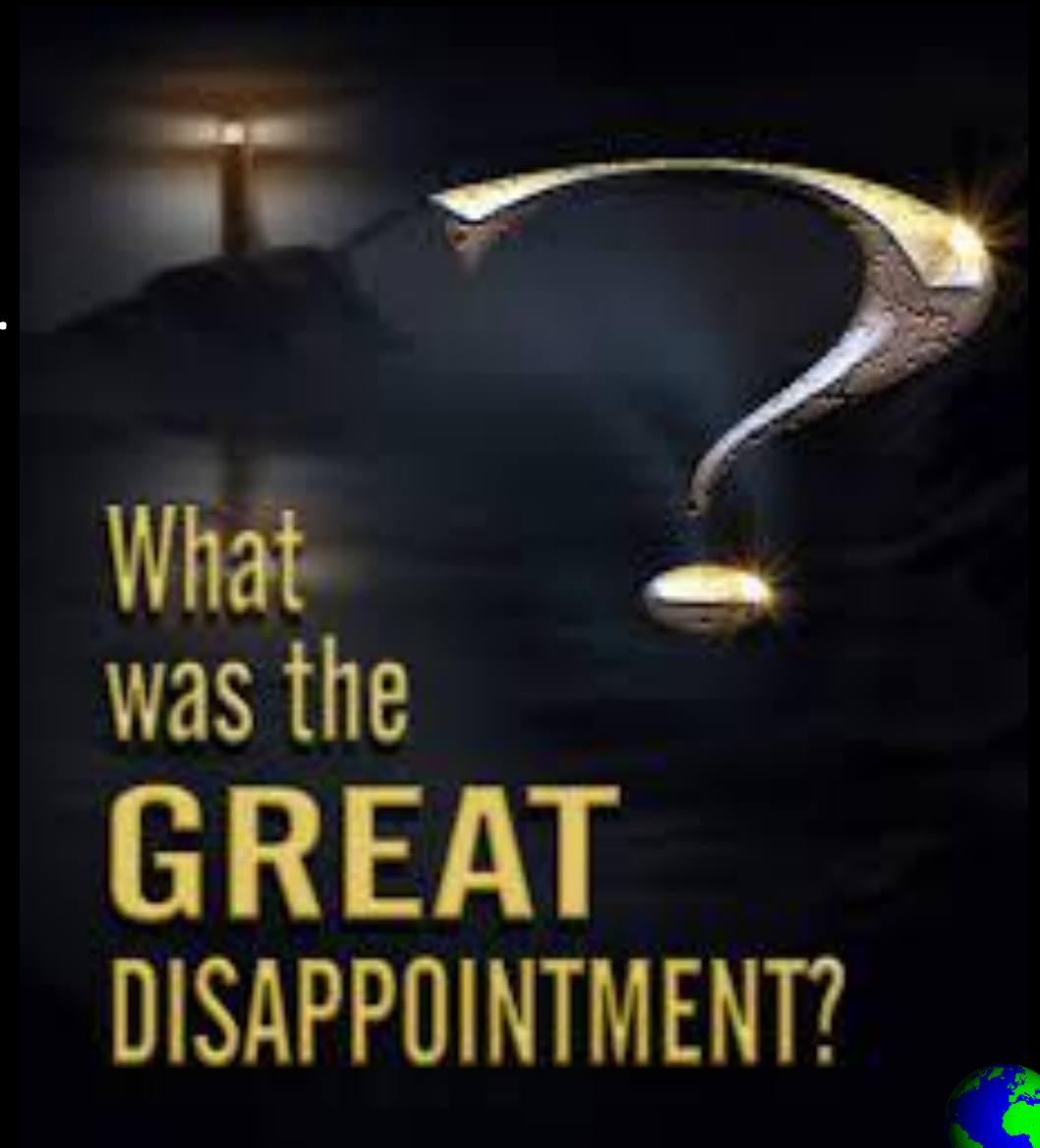


# *Effects of eating the book*

## The Great Disappointment:

To those who believed the message, it was as sweet as honey. It would end the reign of sin and death, and usher in the kingdom of eternal bliss. It was the end of their trials and heartaches – truly a prospect as sweet as honey. When the day dawned and Christ did not appear, there was tremendous disappointment. It was bitter and devastating. What a test this was to the people of God! As a result, the majority who had accepted the message turned against religion and the study of Scripture.

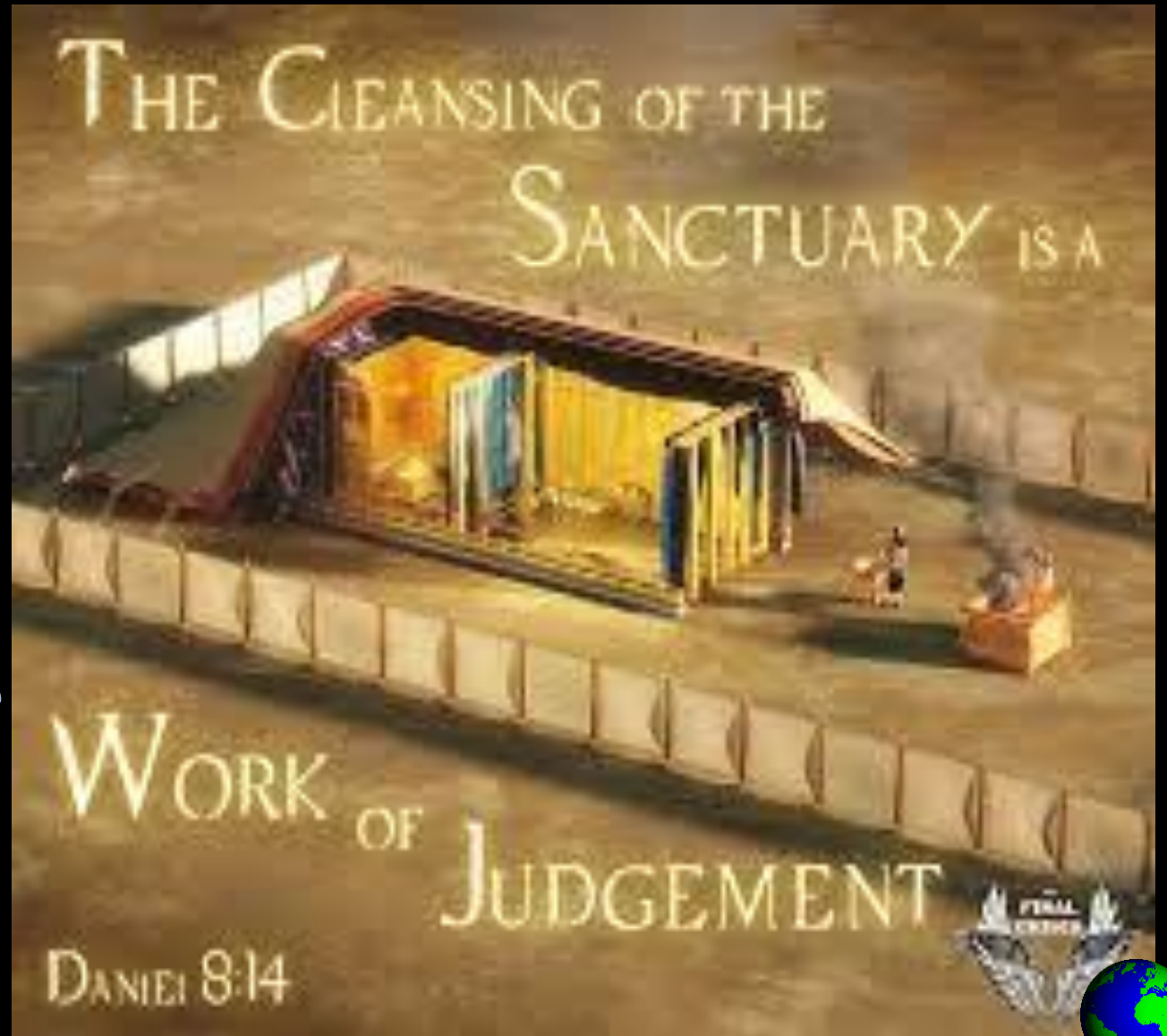
There was, however, a minority who knew that God had led them, that God had worked for them. Hundreds of thousands had repented of their sins, and turned to righteousness which was evidence that God's hand was in the movement. So instead of turning away from God or rejecting religion, they turned back to the Bible for meaning.



# ***Effects of eating the book (cont'd)***

Herein is a great lesson for every Christian. When disappointment is experienced in the realms of religion, always turn to God and to the Bible. The Bible is never wrong – it is our interpretation of the Bible that can be wrong.

Sincere, intelligent Christians believed that when the prediction said that the vision would be for 2300 days; then the sanctuary shall be cleansed, that this cleansing of the sanctuary meant the cleansing of the earth at the Second Advent of Christ. Christians at that time lacked understanding of the subject of the sanctuary. In their ignorance they concluded that the sanctuary represented the earth, or even Palestine. This was the general thinking in the religious world at the time.



# Effects of eating the book (cont'd)

Perhaps the significance of the seven thunders is that they revealed the truth concerning what would occur in 1844.

If this is the case, why then did God not reveal the messages of the seven thunders?

Why did He permit His people to be so bitterly disappointed?

There are two main reasons:

1. To test His people. Jesus had tested the apostles at the First Advent when Jesus was crucified. They were tested by this great disappointment.
2. To warn the world that a special event had transpired. And the world certainly was warned. The message went around the globe. Christendom was warned of the Second Advent of Christ. Had believers known all the facts concerning the prediction, they probably would never have proclaimed it as they did.

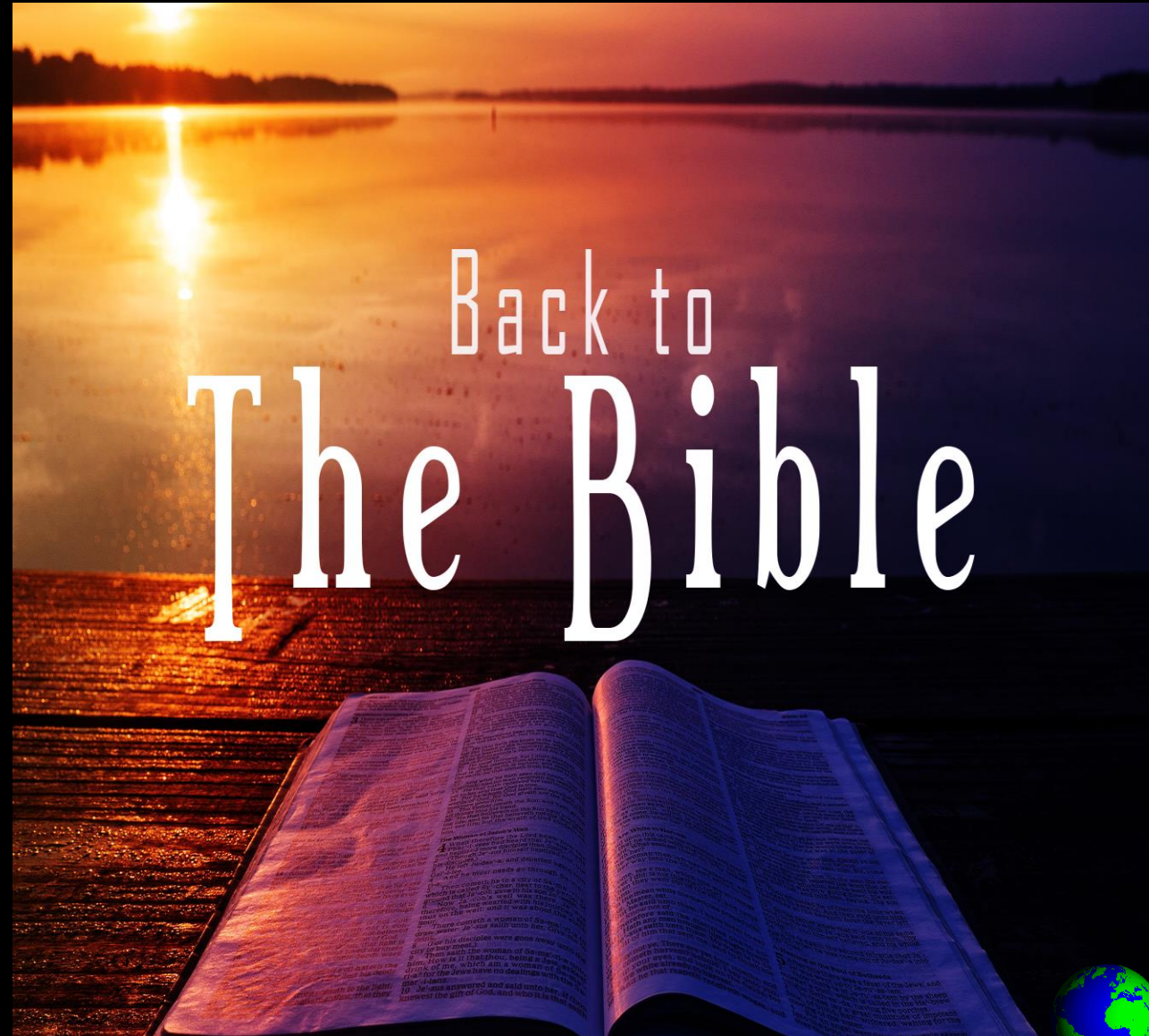


# Back to the Bible

*...You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings. v11*

**How could God's people prophesy (preach) again, when they had been so mistaken? The answer is given in the next verse.** (Originally no break existed between **Revelation 10:11** and **Revelation 11:1**).

**Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying,** "And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein. But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.." **Revelation 11:1-2**



## ***Back to the Bible (cont'd)***

*...Rise and measure the temple... Revelation 11:1*

**In 1844 there was no official temple of God on earth. The popular view of the day was that the temple or sanctuary represented the earth or maybe Palestine. God's people were in darkness as to what the temple signified. They knew that there had been Jewish temples – Solomon's temple and Herod's temple. The Greek word for measure, when it is applied to a building or object, means to preserve or restore it. The truth of the temple was to be restored.**

*...I was given a reed like a measuring rod... Revelation 11:1*

The word reed is 'kanna' in the Greek, and from it we get our English word canon, which means a rule, a law, a standard, or order of doctrine or discipline. **The word canon is used in the religious world as the rule or authority for the Christian. We speak of the canon of Scripture, or the law of Scripture, the rule of Scripture.**



# ***The heavenly temple discovered***

As God's people studied, they were convinced that God was in the Great Second Advent Movement. **So they took the reed - the canon of Scripture - and with it examined the topic of the sanctuary or temple.** They discovered that the temple in the Book of Revelation was the heavenly temple, the antitype of the Jewish temple of the Old Testament. **They also found that the book of Hebrews referred to this temple or sanctuary.** Hebrews 8:1-2; 9:11

In the book of Hebrews they discovered that the priestly ministry in the Old Testament sanctuary was a figure, or shadow, of Christ's ministry in the heavenly sanctuary. Hebrews 8:5

In the earthly temple there were two holy places and so it is in the heavenly temple. Hebrews 9:24.

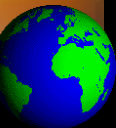


# ***The heavenly temple discovered (cont'd)***

God's people also discovered that the first half of the Book of Revelation pictured Christ ministering in the first apartment of the heavenly temple. In the second half of the book Christ is seen ministering in the second apartment of the heavenly temple just as in the Old Testament type. In [Revelation 11](#) the Deity is distinctively revealed as present in the second apartment or Holy of Holies.

*Then the temple of God was opened in heaven, and the ark of His covenant was seen in His temple. And there were lightnings, noises, thunderings, an earthquake, and great hail.* [Revelation 11:19](#)

**This indicates that the activities of the Deity were now where the ark is.** Thus the latter part of the Book of Revelation reveals Christ ministering in the second apartment. It was also discovered that in the prophecy of [Daniel 7](#), after the reign of the four universal monarchies, the Antichrist or Papacy would reign for 1260 years. **This time period ended in 1798.** The prophet then revealed an awe-inspiring phenomenon in the heavenly temple. This was the transfer of God the Father from one division of the temple to another. [Daniel 7:9](#)



# *The heavenly temple discovered (cont'd)*

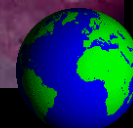
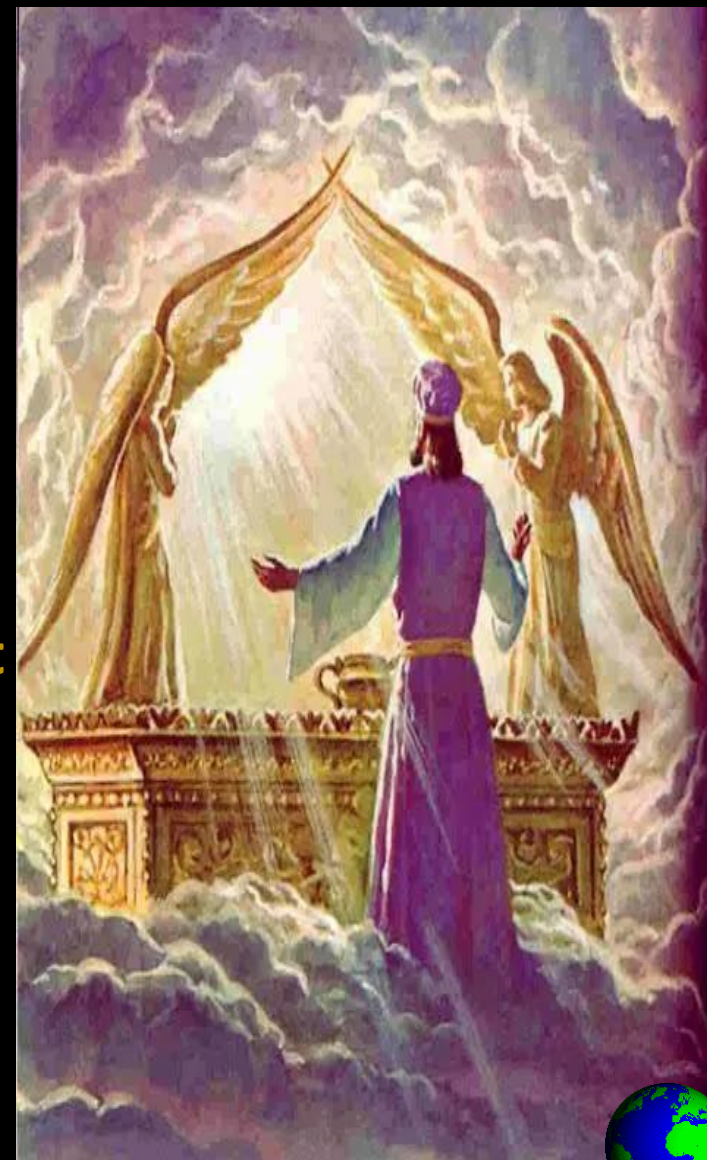
Thrones were placed, or put, in position. There was a movement of thrones and the Ancient of Days did sit. God the Father was moving. He was transferring. Daniel 7:9-10

Why would God the Father transfer His location in the heavenly temple? The answer is given.

For 2300 days, then the sanctuary shall be cleansed. Daniel 8:14

At the end of the 2300 year period (1844) the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary or temple was to occur. What does this mean? It will be shown later that this activity represents a work of judgment, which was conducted in the Holy of holies of the heavenly temple. In other words in 1844 a ministry of judgment commenced in the heavenly temple. This was the key to the great disappointment of 1844. Thus the prediction of Daniel 7 reveals that after the Father was seated in the judgment. Daniel 7:13

Here Christ is described as coming to the Holy of holies of the awesome heavenly temple. This was the significance of the coming of Christ in 1844; it was not to the earth, but to the judgment scene in the heavenly temple. Thus the command of Revelation 11:1, after the disappointment of 1844, to rise and measure (or restore) the temple and the altar, was exactly fulfilled.



# Identity of the Gentiles

The command was to not only restore the temple, but to measure them that worship therein.

**When the word measure (in the Greek) is applied to people, it means to evaluate, or to judge.**

In other words, evaluate or judge the people that worship in the heavenly temple.

*Revelation 11: 2 But the court which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty and two months.*

**The court represents this earth. In the court was the altar of sacrifice which represented Calvary, where the Lamb was slain for the sins of the world.**

**The court has been given to the Gentiles.** The Gentiles are contrasted with spiritual Israelites, true believers, who worship in the heavenly temple. **The Gentiles are non-Israelites, that is, the unconverted, the unsaved who look to the earth, in contrast to true believers who worship in the heavenly temple.**



# *Identity of the Gentiles (cont'd)*

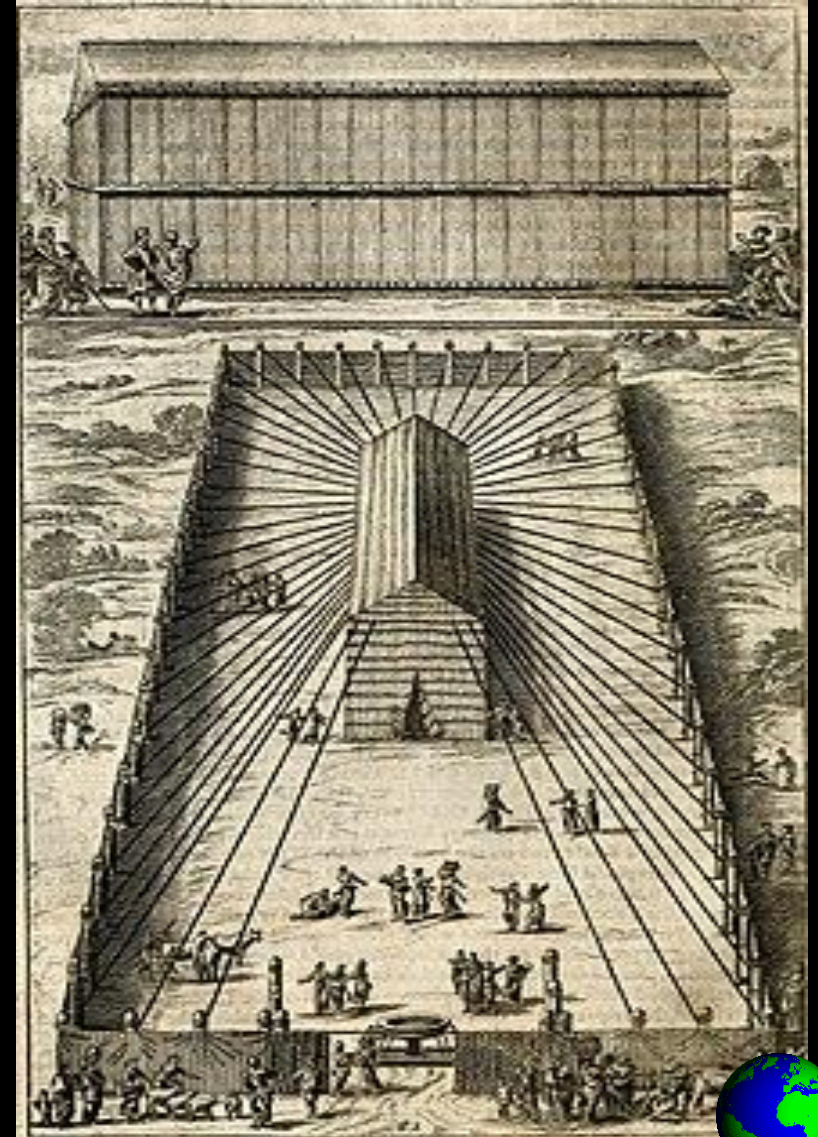
The court (or earth) is given to the unsaved (or Gentiles) and the unsaved tread down the holy city for forty-two months or 1260 years. **Who trod down the holy city, symbolising the Christian church, for 1260 years? History shows that it was the Church of Rome – the Papacy.**

Therefore the Gentiles represent the Papacy.

**This prediction is saying that the earth is given to the Papacy.** The Papacy was permitted by Heaven to dominate or control the earth for 1260 years and it certainly did.

**It is the earth where Papal worship is centered. Papal worship is centered in earthly things - in earthly tabernacles, an earthly priesthood, an earthly deity, an earthly sacrifice (the mass). Scripture describes such worship: it is earthly, sensual, devilish (James 3:15).**

The difference between true and false worship is determined by the focus of that worship. **Paganism's worship is centered in the earth, in earthly symbols.** The worship of Apostate Protestantism, likewise, is centered in the earth, on the cross, burial and resurrection of Christ. **But the centre of true worship is where Christ is.** The faith and devotion of believers must focus on Jesus, wherever He is now.



# Christ's intercessory role revealed

*For there is one God, and one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus; - 1 Timothy 2:5*

**Jesus is not on the cross or in the tomb, nor is He on the earth.**  
The apostle Paul declared: Hebrews 12:18-24

**This was the sprinkling of the blood of sacrifice in the sanctuary by the priest. It refers to the ministry of Jesus in the heavenly sanctuary. This is where true believers are to focus their worship.** Paul declares: Hebrews 10:19-20

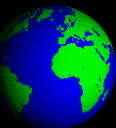
**The believer is to centre his worship in the heavenly temple where Christ is. It is in the heavenly temple where salvation is ministered.** Hebrews 7:25

**The sanctuary in heaven is the very centre of Christ's work in behalf of men.** - The Great Controversy, 488.

**By faith we enter within the veil of the great heavenly temple, by the new living way.** Jesus said, *I am the way, the truth, and the life: no one comes to the Father, except through me.* John 14:6.

It is in the light of the heavenly sanctuary that we are to look upon the cross of Christ. In Revelation 5 **Christ is presented as the Lamb as it had been slain...in the midst of the throne.**

**By faith the true believer follows Jesus Christ into the heavenly temple and that is where his worship should be centred.**

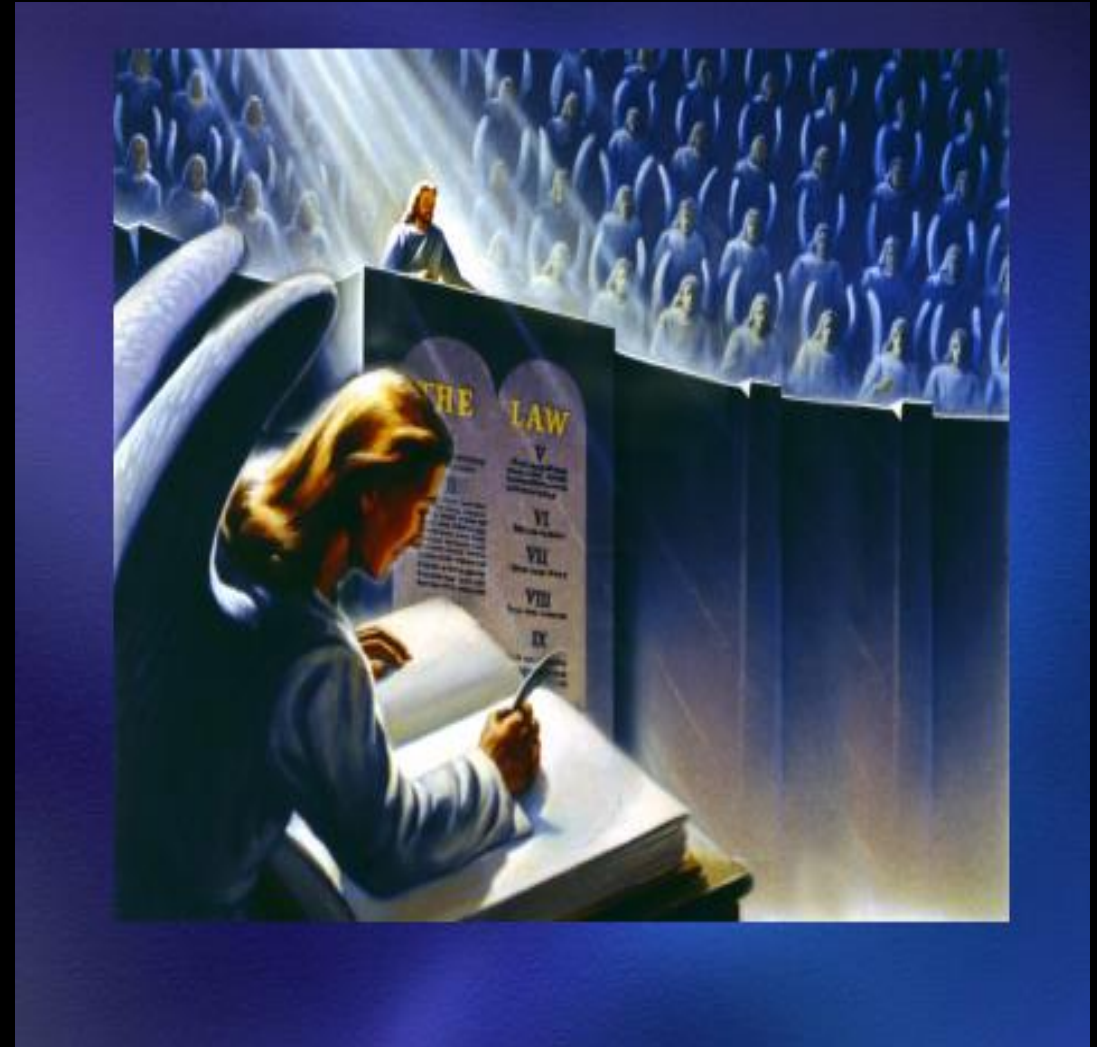


# ***The investigative judgment begins***

How are worshippers measured or judged in the heavenly temple? **The answer is that they are judged in the pre-advent judgment, or the investigative judgment mentioned above and revealed in Daniel 7-8.** Daniel 7 reveals that after Christ entered into the court session, where the Ancient of Days presided, *...judgment was made in favour of the saints of the Most High.* **Daniel 7:22**

**Thus in the heavenly temple, commencing in 1844 AD, judgment began concerning the saints of God, and in that judgment the books were opened and from the unerring record of every professed believer, it is determined who has been faithful and who has overcome.**

**Every case is coming in review before God; He is measuring the temple and the worshippers therein.** - **Testimonies to the Church, 7:219**



# *The investigative judgment begins (cont'd)*

This is the first way in which those who worship in the heavenly temple are being measured.

The second way in which they are being measured is by a process of self-examination.

Examine yourselves, whether ye be in the faith; prove your own selves. **Know ye not your own selves, how that Jesus Christ is in you, except ye be reprobates?** – 2 Corinthians 13:5

While the saints are being measured or judged above, they are to measure or judge themselves on earth below.

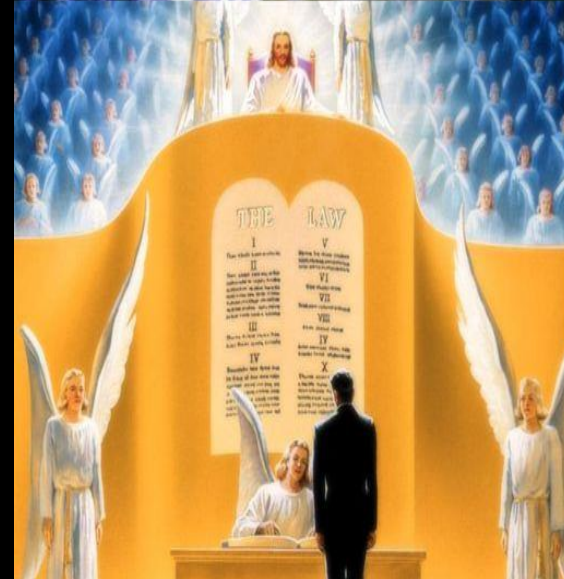
All who would have their names retained in the Book of Life should now, in the few remaining days of their probation, afflict their souls before God by sorrow for sin and true repentance.

There must be deep, faithful searching of heart. **The light, frivolous spirit indulged by so many professed Christians must be put away. There is earnest warfare before all who would subdue the evil tendencies that strive for the mastery.** – The Great Controversy, 490.

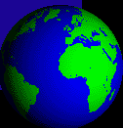


← The Typical Service

- The yearly Day of Atonement – represented the investigative judgment being done in heaven since 1844, the end of the 2300 day period of Daniel 8:14



← Antitypical Service



# *The investigative judgment begins (cont'd)*

Through defects in the character, Satan works to gain control of the whole mind, and he knows that if these defects are cherished, he will succeed. Therefore he is constantly seeking to deceive the followers of Christ with his fatal sophistry that it is impossible for them to overcome. But Jesus pleads in their behalf His wounded hands, His bruised body; and He declares to all who would follow Him: "My grace is sufficient for thee." (2 Corinthians 12:9) "Take My yoke upon you, and learn of Me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For My yoke is easy, and My burden is light." Matthew 11:29, 30. Let none, then, regard their defects as incurable. God will give faith and grace to overcome them. - The Great Controversy, 490.



# ***Daniel 12:4 ...To the time of the end...***

**Daniel 12:4** - *But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.*

**For long centuries, many of the prophecies of Daniel were hidden in obscurity.**

**This is not surprising, either, considering the contents of the book, particularly in regard to what it says about Rome, the one power that for centuries controlled access to the Bible.**

**However, since the time of the Protestant Reformation, and especially in the past few hundred years, more and more students have come to understand better the book of Daniel. The closed is now, more and more, opened. What makes it easier, too, is that living after many of these events unfolded, Bible students are able to look back over history and see just how these things happened, as predicted, an advantage that only those living at "the time of the end" could have.**



## *To the time of the end (cont'd)*

"Since 1798 the book of Daniel has been unsealed, knowledge of the prophecies has increased, and many have proclaimed the solemn message of the judgment near." —Ellen G. White, *The Great Controversy*, p. 356. Of course, not everyone will understand. It's sad that so much of the Protestant world applies key prophecies of Daniel to Antiochus Epiphanes in the second century B.C., which is rather ridiculous, considering Daniel's emphasis on "the time of the end."

If Daniel's visions had been understood, the people could better have understood the visions of John. But at the right time, God moved upon His chosen servant, [William Miller] who, with clearness and in the power of the Holy Spirit, opened the prophecies and showed the harmony of the visions of Daniel and John and other portions of the Bible, and pressed home upon the hearts of the people the sacred, fearful warnings of the Word to prepare for the coming of the Son of man. Deep and solemn conviction rested upon the minds of those who heard him, and ministers and people, sinners and infidels, turned to the Lord and sought a preparation to stand in the judgment. —*Early Writings*, p. 231.



## *To the time of the end (cont'd)*

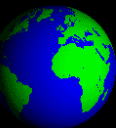
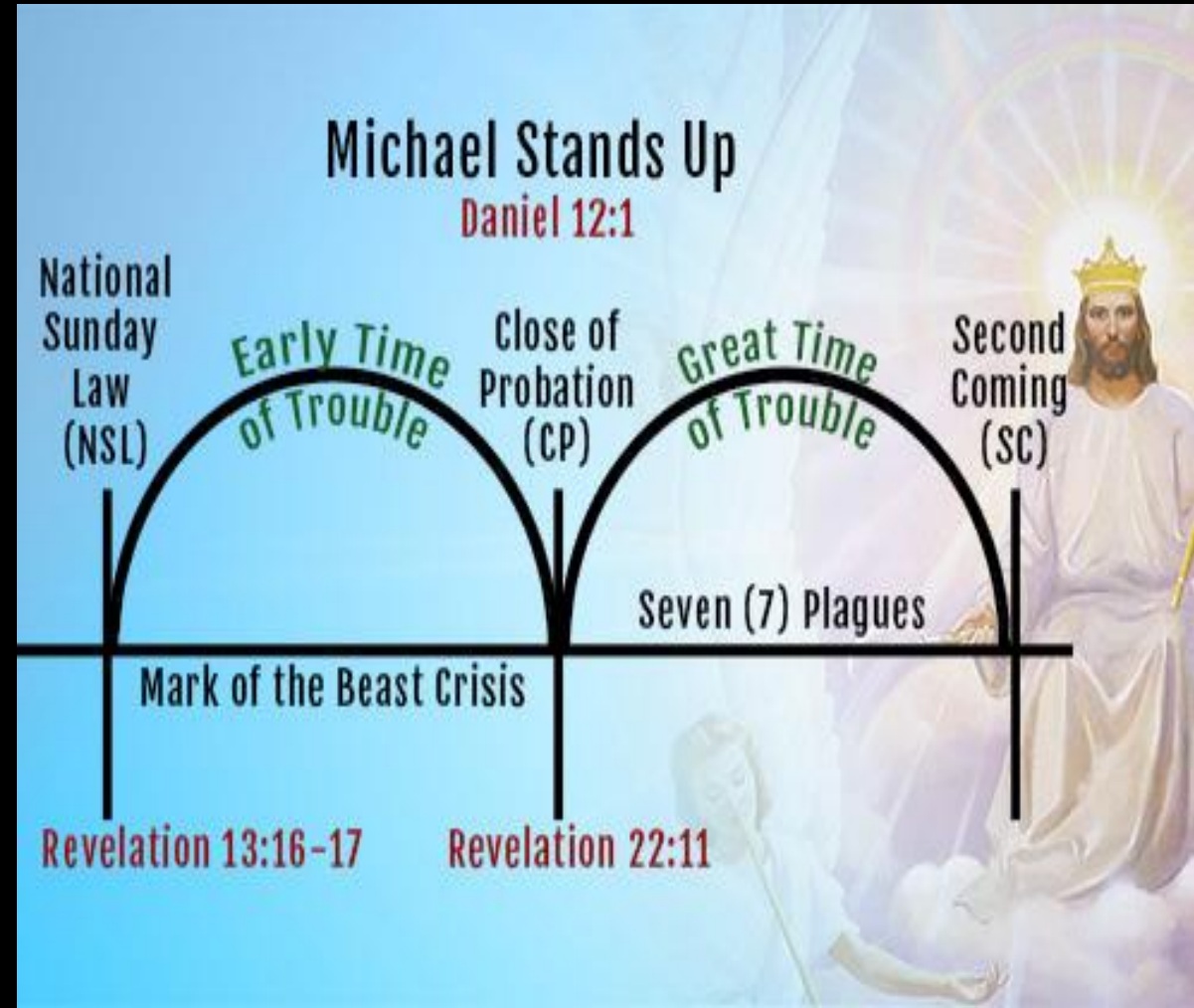
The prophecies present a succession of events leading down to the opening of the judgment. **This is especially true of the book of Daniel.** But that part of his prophecy which related to the last days, Daniel was bidden to close up and seal “to the time of the end.” Not till we reach this time could a message concerning the judgment be proclaimed, based on the fulfilment of these prophecies... .

**No such message has ever been given in past ages.** Paul, as we have seen, did not preach it; he pointed his brethren into the then far-distant future for the coming of the Lord. The Reformers did not proclaim it. Martin Luther placed the judgment about three hundred years in the future from his day. **But since 1798 the book of Daniel has been unsealed, knowledge of the prophecies has increased, and many have proclaimed the solemn message of the judgment near.**—The Great Controversy, pp. 355, 356.



# *To the time of the end (cont'd)*

'The apostle Paul warned the church not to look for the coming of Christ in his day. "That day shall not come," he says, "except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed." [2 Thessalonians 2:3] **Not till after the great apostasy, and the long period of the reign of the "man of sin," can we look for the advent of our Lord.** The "man of sin," which is also styled the "mystery of iniquity," the "son of perdition," and "that wicked," represents the papacy, which, as foretold in prophecy, was to maintain its supremacy for 1260 years. **This period ended in 1798. The coming of Christ could not take place before that time.** Paul covers with his caution the whole of the Christian dispensation down to the year 1798. It is this side of that time that the message of Christ's second coming is to be proclaimed.

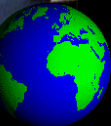


# ***Daniel 12:4 ...Many shall run to and fro...***

**Daniel 12:4** - But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

The Hebrew word for running “to and fro” denotes a roving about or searching the Scriptures, especially the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation.

And was there an increase in knowledge concerning the Book of Daniel? When did light come on those sealed portions of the Book? Why yes, around 1798 there took place a great revival of prophetic study. Leading scholars working independently in various parts of the Northern Hemisphere were led to the study of the prophecies of the Book of Daniel. The remarkable agreement among them that the great time periods of Daniel ended about 1844, was quite uncanny.

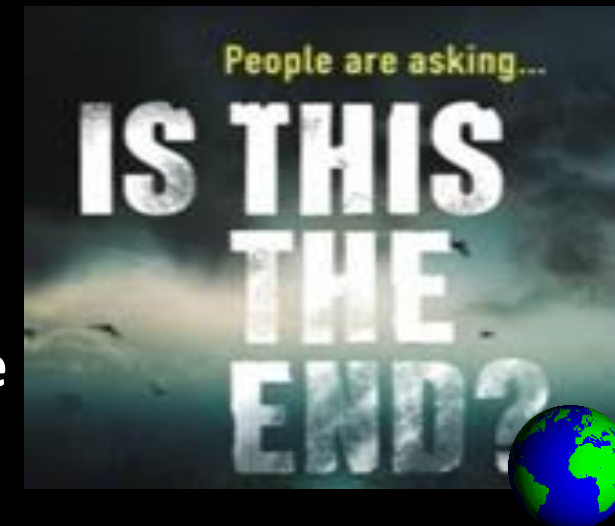
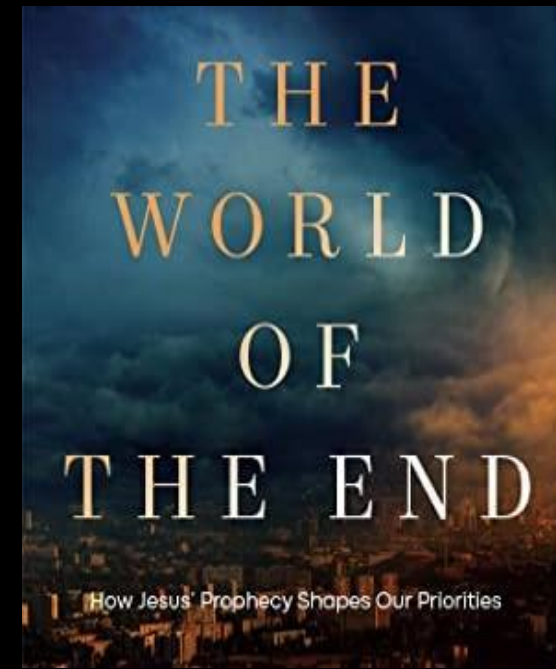


# ***Daniel 12:4 - ...knowledge shall be increased***

**Daniel 12:4** - But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.

**First**, the primary reference is not to an increase of scientific knowledge, but to an increase of theological knowledge through understanding the prophecies of Daniel. This is evident in that “wisdom” is associated with those who “turn many to righteousness” (**Daniel 12:3**; see also **9:3**). **This results in some conflict between the perspectives of those who are unrighteous and those who are righteous. This is because “none of the wicked will understand, but the wise [who are by implication, righteous] will understand”** (**Daniel 12:10**; see also **11:33-35**).

**Second**, at the same time, the increase of theological knowledge is compatible with the increase of scientific knowledge. The young Hebrew captives were so skilled in knowledge and wisdom that they not only mastered the science of the University of Babylon—they also graduated at the top of their class! (**Daniel 1:4, 17, 20; 2:14**). **It is important to note that the same words (knowledge and wisdom) which are used to identify the science of Babylon are used to identify the sacred science of God.** For example, after receiving the spiritual interpretation of Nebuchadnezzar's dream, Daniel blessed God as the giver of “knowledge” and “wisdom” (**Daniel 2:21**; also **20-23; 5:11-14; 8:16-17; 9:23, 25; 10:11, 12, 14**).



# Knowledge shall be increased (*cont'd*)

Daniel's theme of the increase of knowledge is repeated frequently by Ellen White in connection with both theological and scientific knowledge.

“‘What need is there,’ say they [the end-time Laodiceans], of an increase of knowledge” ([Testimonies, 5:265](#)). Therefore, “well-organized work must be done in the church, that its members may understand the manner in which they may impart light to others, and thus strengthen their own faith and increase their knowledge” ([Review, 7 March 1893](#)). “Every grain of knowledge is to be regarded as of high value . . . . The students should improve every moment to increase their knowledge” ([Manuscript Releases, 13: 145-146](#)).

“God desires His workers to gain daily a better understanding of how to reason logically from cause to effect, arriving at wise, safe conclusions. . . . We cannot afford to make mistakes that are the result of our cherishing erroneous ideas. . . . There is need of knowledge that is the fruit of experience. We should not allow a day to pass without gaining an increase of knowledge in temporal and spiritual things. We are to plant no stakes that we are not willing to take up and plant farther on, nearer the heights we hope to ascend. The highest education is to be found in training the mind to advance day to day” ([Letter 164, 1903, 4](#); [Manuscript Releases, 10:300](#)).

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WHERE ARE  
WE NOW IN  
BIBLE  
PROPHECY?

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**Beloved**

be not ignorant of this one thing

one day is with the Lord as 1000 years



and 1000 years as one day



# ***Daniel 12:5 - 2 standing on the river banks***

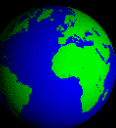
**Daniel 12:5** *Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.*

**Stood other two** - We have no real clear answer to **who these beings are**. It is possible that they are saints as in **8:13** or angels, there is no clear explanation. **One on one side of the river and the other on the other side.**

**Bank of the river** - This is the same river as in **chapter 10**, the Hiddekel, as there is no break in the prophecy thus far from **chapter 10**. The River Euphrates/Tigris.

**Interestingly, this final scene takes place at the “river”, or the Tigris, the place of Daniel’s last major vision (Daniel 10:4).** However, the word used here is not the common Hebrew word for “river”, but the term ye’or, which usually designates “the Nile River”.

**This reminds us of the Exodus and shows that just as the Lord redeems Israel from Egypt, He will redeem His end-time people.**

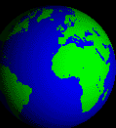


# ***Daniel 12:6 - Man Clothed in Linen***

**Daniel 12:6** *And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?*

**Man clothed in linen** - **This man clothed in linen was standing upon the waters of the river as one of the men were talking to him.** Looking at this person in linen, we find that it is the same person in **Daniel 10:5-6, the person there was Christ. Thus this is Christ here also.**

**How long shall it be to the end of these wonders** - **The answer is divided into two parts, the 1260 days, and then the scattering of the power of the holy people.** When both these things shall be accomplished then the end will come.



# ***Daniel 12:7 - Held up his right hand and his left hand...***

**Daniel 12:7** *And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.*

Held up his right hand and his left hand - **Christ proceeds to make an oath, thus the raising of His hands.** Both hands are raised to show the great solemnity and assurance of the matter.

for a time, times, and an half (1260 days) - **538-1798 A.D., the era of papal supremacy over Europe.**

**Began 538 A.D. to 1798 A.D.**



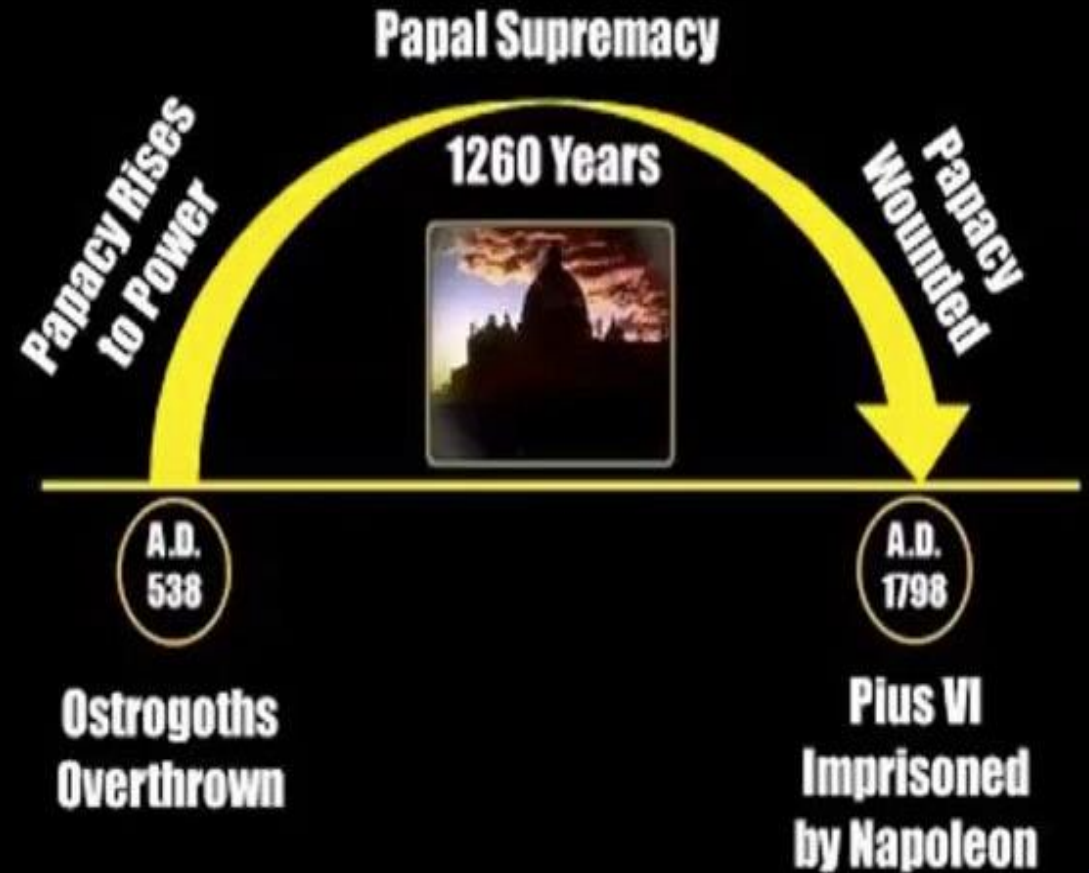
# ***Daniel 12:7 - scattering the power of the holy people...***

When he shall have...scattering the power of the holy people - The 'he' is a reference to God, to he who liveth for ever, as it is He Who is working through the nations of the earth to fulfil His plan to call as many as possible to salvation.

This is the spreading of the message into all the world. Sometimes persecution is the only thing that will wake the people of God up to seek Him and do the work He has asked of them. The gospel is the power of God unto salvation (Romans 1:16) and it is this power/gospel that is to go to all the world and then the end will come.

(Matthew 24:14) Revelation 14:6-7, the everlasting gospel will be preached to every nation, kindred, tongue and people. Revelation 18:1, the earth will be lightened by the glory of the fourth angel's message.

## **The 1260 Years of Papal Supremacy**



# ***Daniel 12:7 - all these things shall be finished.***

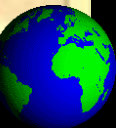
In the Apocalypse, (Revelation 12:6) we read, that the woman, clothed with the sun, etc., fled into the wilderness for “a thousand two hundred and threescore days;” and in verse 14, the same period is expressed by “a time, and times, and half a time,” meaning three years and a half of days, or three times and a half 360, equal to 1260. So in Revelation 11:2, it is predicted, that the Gentiles should tread the Holy City under foot “42 months;” and in Revelation 13:5, that the beast should continue “42 months,” equal to 1260 days. In Daniel 7:25, it is predicted of the impious king, that he should continue “a time, and times, and the dividing of time;” and it is also predicted, that to the end of the wonders Daniel 12:7) is “a time, times, and an half;”—equal to 1260 days.

**3½ Years = 42 Months = 1,260 Days  
= Time Times & ½ a Time.**

**3½ Years**  
**Occurs 5X's in Revelation!**

**Don't be Confused!**  
Its all the same amount of time  
expressed in different ways!

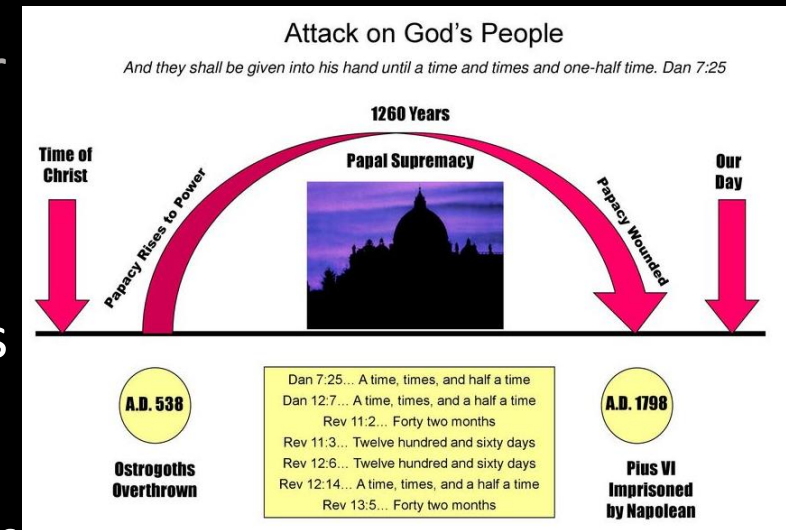
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# Daniel 12:7 - For a time, times, and an half;

1. To begin with Daniel. In [Daniel 7:25](#), it is predicted, that the saints are to be delivered into the hands of a persecuting power “until a time, and times, and the dividing of a time,” —which, I maintain, must mean a longer period, than 1260 literal days, and a different power from that of Antiochus, for this reason, that the universal establishment of the kingdom of the Most High is immediately to succeed that period. For the next verses are these, [v. 26, 27](#), “But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume, and to destroy it unto the end. And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven shall be given to the people of the saints of the Most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.”

Antiochus, between 160 and 170 years before Christ, persecuted the Jews and polluted the temple for three years; but after his death no events occurred like those described in the passage, just quoted. So far was religion from spreading through the world, that even the Jewish character was found, at the coming of Christ, very corrupt and debased, and true religion was almost extinct. How then can we imagine, that Antiochus is the persecuting power, here predicted, and that the period is 1260 literal days? HST August 15, 1840, page 73.5



## ***For a time, times, and an half; (cont'd)***

2. For a similar reason it may be maintained, that the prediction of “a time, times, and a half,” as the end of the wonders ([Daniel 12:7](#)) cannot mean 1260 literal days, or the short persecution of Antiochus; for it is added, “and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.” But surely, it cannot be pretended, that about 165 years before Christ, “the power of the holy people” ceased to be scattered. Even now the Jews are scattered over the earth, and the anti-Christian power of Rome is little less than it has been for centuries. [HST August 15, 1840, page 73.6](#)

3. In these two passages of Daniel the word *days* is not used, and the time designated may in strict philological propriety be understood 1260 *years*. All that is expressed, is 1260 *divisions* of time, and those divisions must be regarded as *years* rather than *days*, provided there are any considerations, which render it more probable, that the prophet intended years and not days. [HST August 15, 1840, page 73.7](#)



## *For a time, times, and an half; (cont'd)*

4. There is a historical difficulty in the application of the prophecy of 3 1—2 years, or 1260 days, to Antiochus. For, by comparing Maccabees i. 54, 59, and iv. 52, it appears that the idol altar remained upon the altar of God precisely three years, and not 3 & 1/2 year. It appears also from Josephus, Antiq. 12, c. 5, 4, and c. 7, 6, that Antiochus held possession of the temple exactly three years, for he “got possession of the city” on the 25th day of the month Chasteu, and on the same day of the same month was the sacrifice re-established. Here is no use of “round numbers,”. [HST August 15, 1840, page 73.10](#)

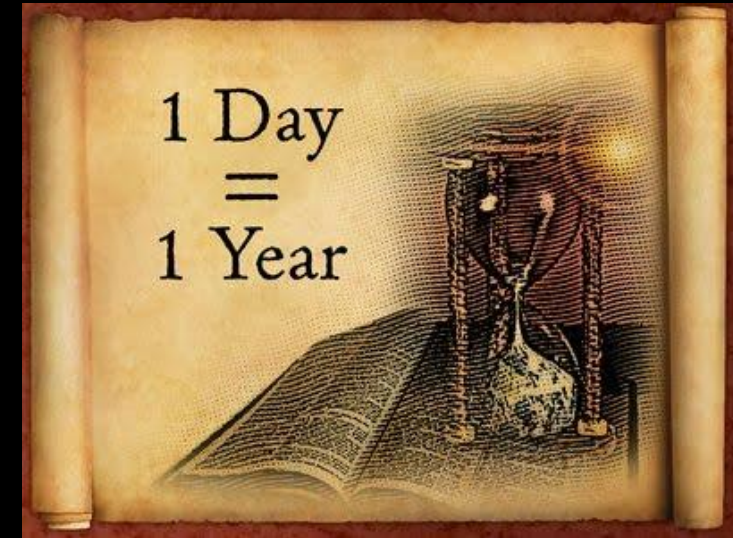
5. There is also a historical difficulty in applying to Antiochus the 1290 and 1335 days, mentioned in [Daniel 12:11, 12](#). It will be remarked, that the period of 1290 exceeds that of 1260 by 30 days. Do these two periods end at the same time? The 3 & 1/2 years or 1260 days are taken as the half of the sacred number seven, and are not designed to be definite, but are used in a popular, general way; but that 1290 days are specific, precise, exact, extending from the capture of Jerusalem by Antiochus to the purification of the temple. Yet there are no notes of time in any ancient historian, by which this number of days can be made out precisely. [HST August 15, 1840, page 73.11](#)



# **For a time, times, and an half; (cont'd)**

6. The Hebrew word for *days*, is used to denote *years*, as in [Judges 17:10](#), [1 Samuel 2:19](#), [Exodus 3:10](#), [Isaiah 32:10](#), compare [Isaiah 29:1](#), [2 Chronicles 21:19](#). If, then, this word be sometimes thus used in Scripture in places not prophetic, why should it not be thus employed in prophetic passages? It is not enough to say, that prophecy ought to be plain. It may be, that God has designed it to be obscure in a degree until its fulfilment. And it may be added, that this use of the term *days* does not render prophecy more obscure, than some other parts of Scripture. Besides, the declaration of Jehovah to Ezekiel ([Ezekiel 4:4-6](#)), "I have appointed thee each *day* for a *year*," might lead the careful student of prophecy to consider, that in other instances it might please God, in the communication of his will, to make use of *days* as symbolical of *years*. HST August 15, 1840, page 74.1

7. If it should be admitted, that the 8th and 11th chapters of Daniel relate to Antiochus, and also [Daniel 12:11, 12](#); yet this admission will not necessarily affect the question as to the meaning of the 3 1-2 years, for the reasons assigned in 3. Let it be, that whenever in Daniel the word *days* is used, it means literal days, this will decide nothing as to the import of other phrases, or designations of time, which have been considered. HST August 15, 1840, page 74.2



## **ONE HOUR**



### **The Day-for-Year Principle**

One prophetic day represents one Year  
**Num 14:34, Ezek 4:4-6, Lu 13:32**

There are 12 hrs in a Jewish day **Jn 11:9**

### **Doing the Conversion**

1 hour = 1/12 of a day  
**Convert:** 1/12 day -> 1/12 year, 30 days  
**Convert:** 30 days -> 30 years

### **The Rule in Revelation**

Hours always convert 2x  
Days always convert 1x  
Years are read literally (not converted)



# *For a time, times, and an half; (cont'd)*

If this passage relates to Antiochus, the following will perhaps be regarded as a more probable computation. **The word *days* is not used, but *evenings and mornings*.** One saint asked another, "How long shall be the vision concerning the *daily sacrifice*?" etc. **Now, as the sacrifices were twice a day, in the evening and morning, the answer may have respect to the number of *sacrifices* to be interrupted, and that number being 2300, the number of days thus expressed is 1150, or three years and 70 days.** This may be the period, to which Josephus refers in his "Wars," as already quoted, "three years and six months," provided he speaks generally, and not precisely to a day. If we look into the Maccabees, we find, that although it was precisely three years from the offering of sacrifice on the idol altar to the cleansing of the temple; yet that Antiochus, some short time *before* the establishment of idol worship, sent messengers to Jerusalem to forbid sacrifice in the temple. Mac. i. 44. **Now it is possible, that the *interruption of the sacrifice* was 70 days before the idol altar was used.** Thus would be made out the 1150 days, or 2300 sacrifices interrupted. HST August 15, 1840, page 74.4

## **A Prophetic Key**

"...I have appointed thee each day for a year."

Ezekiel 4:6, KJV

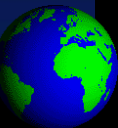
"...each day for a year..."

Numbers 14:34, KJV

In Bible prophecy one prophetic day equals one literal year.

**"The TIME of the END"  
is a last-day period  
of unknown duration**

that *began* in 1844  
(Daniel 8:17) and *lasts*  
until Jesus comes.



# *The Present Crisis*

The signs of the times demand that we should be “looking for and hastening unto the coming of the Son of man.” **We are not to sit down careless and unconcerned, but, like diligent and faithful servants, who having received intimation of their master’s speedy return, make every thing ready for his reception, wait daily at the posts of his doors, and listen to hear the sound of the wheels of his chariot, “that when he cometh and knocketh, they may open unto him immediately.” So let Christians act in this eventful period. “Let your loins be girded about, and your lights burning, and ye yourselves like unto them that wait for their Lord.” The cry is given, “Behold the bridegroom cometh!” What, then, is our duty, but to arise and trim our lamps, and to go forth in faith, and in joyful expectation to meet him. Blessed be God, there are many that are so doing, whose lamps are trimmed, whose lights are burning, and who have the oil of God’s grace in their hearts, and are going forth in faith and profession to meet their Lord. When he comes, they who are ready will go in with him to the marriage supper of the Lamb, and the door will be shut! Oh! what an interesting and solemn period! What separations will take place in families, and among some of his professed friends!**



# Conclusion

Hast thou the grace of God in thine heart? Doest thou know the truth as it is in Jesus? Art thou clothed with the spotless robe of the Redeemer's righteousness, influenced by his Spirit, and looking for his second glorious coming? If not, neglect no longer "so great salvation." It will be too late to provide oil when the bridegroom is come. It will be useless to say, "Lord! Lord!" when the door is shut. "Afterwards came the foolish virgins, saying, Lord! Lord! open unto us!" Foolish, indeed, to come after the door was closed: they should have come before; but, alas! they deceived themselves; they never entertained a doubt respecting their safety; they held the lamp of profession, went to church, received the sacrament, and did many things; but they considered not the time and manner of Christ's coming, they attended not to "the signs of the times," and therefore neither looked for nor expected his coming: and now they learn to their shame and confusion, that, not being ready, they go not in with him to the marriage-supper, but must pass through the great and unparalleled tribulation of the last days.



SATURDAY



**SABBATH**

The seventh-day of the week.

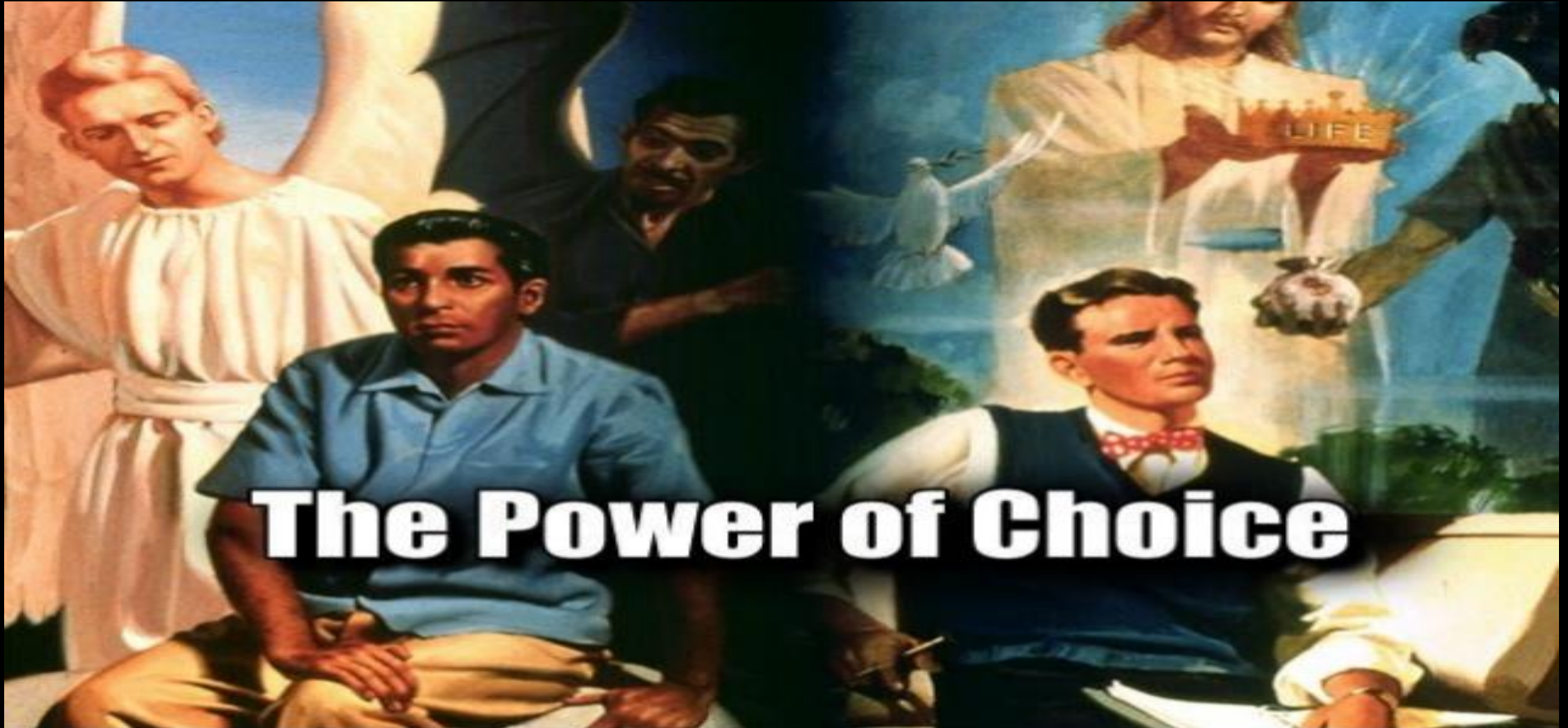


**SUNDAY**

The first day of the week

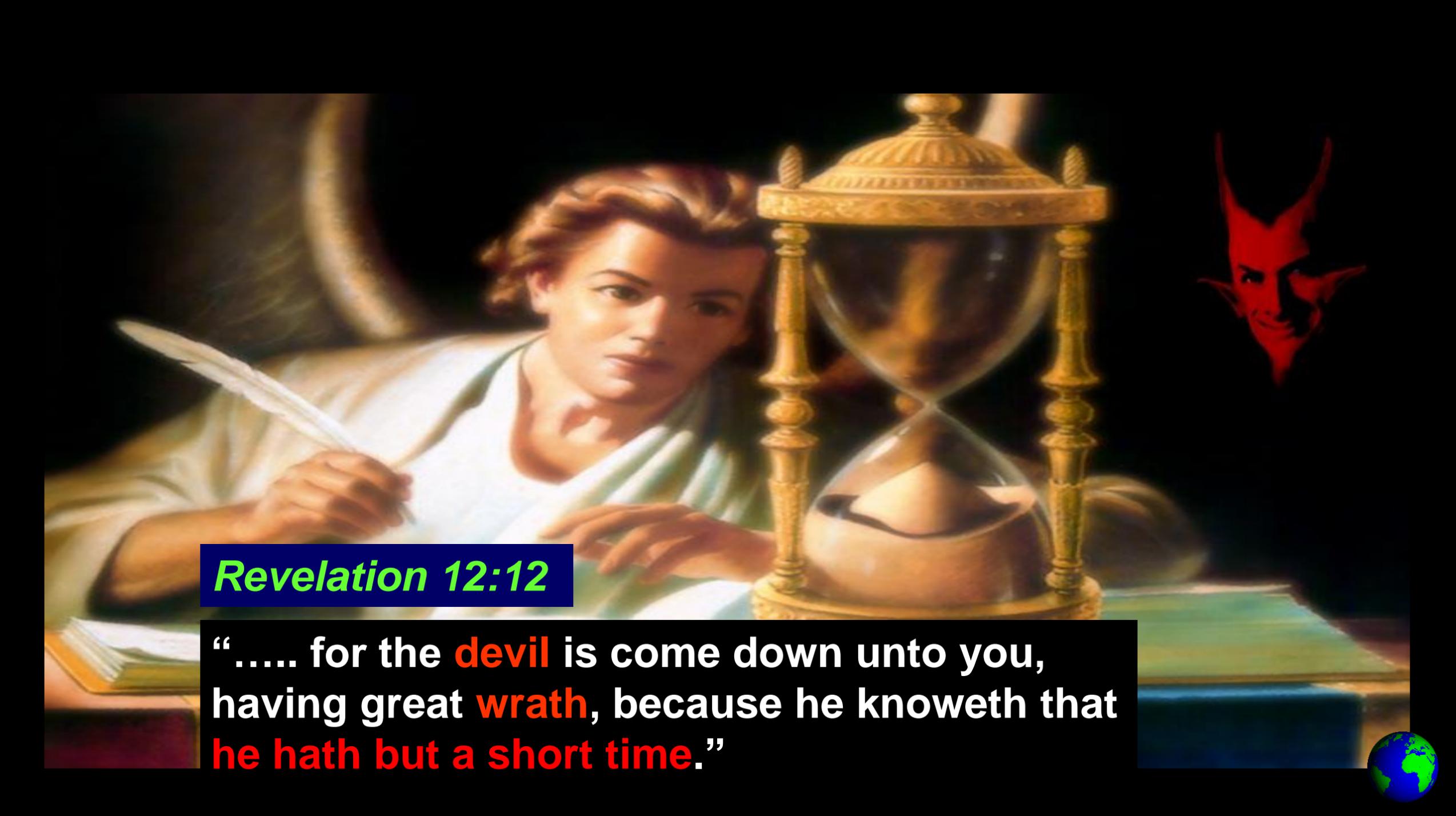


*God has given all:*



**The Power of Choice**



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**Revelation 12:12**

“..... for the **devil** is come down unto you,  
having great **wrath**, because he knoweth that  
**he hath but a short time.**”

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# ***Enter The Ark of Hope***

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.

– John 10:16



The Ark of the Covenant



**Psalms 77:13**

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. –  
Revelation 3:20





# THE END



**ARE YOU READY TO MEET JESUS?**