Gen. 3:15 And <u>I will put enmity between</u> thee and the woman, and between thy seed and *her seed*; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel.

Note Enmity between the wheat and Tares. Why Did God separate out: Noah, Abraham Moses and Israel from Egypt, The Apostles from Jerusalem, why a home in the country, Under the time of trouble. Etc.See Hebrews chapters 11.

2Cor. 6:14 *Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers:* for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? 15 And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 17 *Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,* 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. *Jer. 31:33 /Heb. 8:10.*

Notwithstanding Christ's warning, men have sought to uproot the tares. To punish those who were supposed to be evildoers, the church has had recourse to the civil power. Those who differed from the established doctrines have been imprisoned, put to torture and to death, at the instigation of men who claimed to be acting under the sanction of Christ. But it is the spirit of Satan, not the Spirit of Christ, that inspires such acts. This is Satan's own method of bringing the world under his dominion. God has been misrepresented through the church by this way of dealing with those supposed to be heretics. {COL 74.1}

Not judgment and condemnation of others, but humility and distrust of self, is the teaching of Christ's parable. Not all that is sown in the field is good grain. *The fact that men are in the church does not prove them Christians.* {COL 74.2}

The tares closely resembled the wheat while the blades were green; but when the field was white for the harvest, the worthless weeds bore no likeness to the wheat that bowed under the weight of its full, ripe heads. Sinners who make a pretension of piety mingle for a time with the true followers of Christ, and the semblance of Christianity is calculated to deceive many; but in the harvest of the world there will be no likeness between good and evil. Then those who have joined the church, but who have not joined Christ, will be manifest. {COL 74.3}

The tares are permitted to grow among the wheat, to have all the advantage of sun and shower; but in the time of harvest ye shall "return, and discern between the righteous and the wicked, between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not." Malachi 3:18. Christ Himself will decide who are worthy to dwell with the family of heaven. He will judge every man according to his words and his works. *Profession is as nothing in the scale. It is character that decides destiny.* {COL

Distressed by the increasing wickedness of the ungodly, and fearing that their infidelity might lessen his reverence for God, Enoch avoided constant association with them, and spent much time in solitude, giving himself to meditation and prayer. Thus he waited before the Lord, seeking a clearer knowledge of His will, that he might perform it. To him prayer was as the breath of the soul; he lived in the very atmosphere of heaven. {PP 85.4}

The messages given to the churches in Asia, portray the state of things existing in the churches of the religious world today. *The names of the churches are symbolic of the Christian church in different periods of the Christian era;* the number of the churches--seven--indicates completeness and is symbolic of the fact that the messages extend to the end of time, and are enforced today; while the figures used are symbolic of the state of God's professed people,--*the wheat developing among the tares;* truth standing on its own eternal basis in contrast with error. Ms 81, 1900, pp. 17, 18. ("Solomon's Reign," 1900.) {1MR 372.2}

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The tares represent a class who are the fruit or embodiment of error, of false principles. "The enemy that sowed them is the devil." Neither God nor His angels ever sowed a seed that would produce a tare. The tares are always sown by Satan, the enemy of God and man. {COL 70.3}

Note: Then the tares are preaching and organizing church functions! Is it safe to listen, participate where ERROR is actively promoted!

Both in the World and only Christ can take the Wheat out of it.

The tares and wheat are now commingled, but <u>then</u> the one hand that alone can separate them will give to everyone his true position. Those who have had the light of truth, and heard the warning message, heard the invitation to the marriage

supper--farmer, merchant, lawyer, <u>false shepherds</u> who have quieted the convictions of the people, <u>unfaithful watchmen</u> who have not sounded the warning or known the time of night--all who have refused obedience to the laws of the kingdom of God, will have no right therein. Those who have sought an <u>excuse</u> to avoid the cross of separation from the world will, with the world, be taken in the snare. <u>They mingled with the tares from choice</u>. <u>Like drew to like in transgression</u>. It is a fearful assimilation. Men choose to stand with the first rebel, who tempted Adam and Eve in Eden to disobey God. The tares multiply themselves, for they sow tares, and they have their part with the root of all sin--the devil. {TM 235.1}{4SP 390.3}{GC 608.2}

Note: "the one hand alone that can separate them," at the second advent, all who have lived upon earth—in the world, by giving to both their reward—true position. Rev 22:11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still. 12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

The man who came to the feast without a wedding garment represents the condition of many in our world today. They profess to be Christians, and lay claim to the blessings and privileges of the gospel; yet they feel no need of a transformation of character. They have never felt true repentance for sin. They do not realize their need of Christ or exercise faith in Him. They have not overcome their hereditary or cultivated tendencies to wrongdoing. Yet they think that they are good enough in themselves, and they rest upon their own merits instead of trusting in Christ. Hearers of the word, they come to the banquet, but they have not put on the robe of Christ's righteousness. COL 315.2

Many who call themselves Christians are mere human moralists. They have refused the gift which alone could enable them to honor Christ by representing Him to the world. The work of the Holy Spirit is to them a strange work. They are not doers of the word. The heavenly principles that distinguish those who are one with Christ from those who are one with the world have become almost indistinguishable. The professed followers of Christ are no longer a separate and peculiar people. The line of demarcation is indistinct. The people are subordinating themselves to the world, to its practices, its customs, its selfishness. The church has gone over to the world in transgression of the law, when the world should have come over to the church in obedience to the law. Daily the church is being

converted to the world. COL 315.3

All these expect to be saved by Christ's death, while they refuse to live His self-sacrificing life. They extol the riches of free grace, and attempt to cover themselves with an appearance of righteousness, hoping to screen their defects of character; but their efforts will be of no avail in the day of God. COL 316.1

The evil servant says in his heart, "My lord delayeth his coming." He does not say that Christ will not come. He does not scoff at the idea of His second coming. But in his heart and by his actions and words he declares that the Lord's coming is delayed. He banishes from the minds of others the conviction that the Lord is coming quickly. His influence leads men to presumptuous, careless delay. They are confirmed in their worldliness and *stupor*. Earthly passions, corrupt thoughts, take possession of the mind. The evil servant eats and drinks with the drunken, *unites with the world* in pleasure seeking. *He smites his fellow servants, accusing and condemning those who are faithful to their Master. He mingles with the world. Like grows with like in transgression. It is a fearful assimilation.* With the world he is taken in the snare. "The lord of that servant shall come . . . in an hour that he is not aware of, and shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites." {DA 635.1}

The place Where Satans Apostasy Finally Ends. All have a part to play in the Great Controversy.

Note: Matt. 13:38 "The field is the world; ..."

Matt. 13:28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, *Wilt thou then that we go* and gather them up? 29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. 30 *Let both grow together until* the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn. This is the same point of why God did not kill satan before that many would question why.

James 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, *know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God?* whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

John 17:15 *I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world,* but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil.

The Wheat would question why God had the tares uprooted, as would the universe if at the beginning of satan's apostasy he was blotted out.

John 8:44 Ye are of your father the devil, and the lusts of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own: for he is a liar, and the father of it.

2Peter 2:4 For if God *spared not the angels that sinned*, but cast them down to hell, and delivered them into chains of darkness, to be *reserved* unto judgment;

"The tares and wheat are now commingled" on the world, "but *then* the one hand that alone can separate them will give to everyone his true position." TM 235.1 above. BeYeSeparate

Matt. 21:33 Hear another parable: There was a certain householder, which planted a vineyard, and hedged it round about, and digged a winepress in it, and built a tower, and *let it out to husbandmen, and went into a far country:*

Note: Throughout earths history God sends men to warn their fellow men and they kill them to take the kingdom for themselves. Matt. 11:12 And from the days of John the Baptist until now the kingdom of heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force.

Ps. 115:16 The heaven, even the heavens, are the LORD's: but the earth hath he given to the children of men. *Job. 15:19*.

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As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third angel's message, but have not been sanctified through obedience to the truth, abandon their position and join the ranks of the opposition. By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they have come to view matters in nearly the same light (DA 635.1); and when the test is brought, they are prepared to choose the easy, popular side. Men of talent and pleasing address, who once rejoiced in the truth, employ their powers to deceive and mislead souls. They become the most bitter enemies of their former brethren. When Sabbathkeepers are brought before the courts to answer for their faith, these apostates are the most efficient agents of Satan to misrepresent and accuse them, and by false reports and insinuations to stir up the rulers against them. {GC 608.2}

Ministers of the gospel whose characters are otherwise almost faultless, frequently do great harm by allowing their forbearance toward the erring to degenerate into

toleration of their sins, and even participation with them. In this easygoing way they excuse and palliate that which the word of God condemns; and after a time they become so blinded as even to commend the very ones whom God commands them to reprove. The only safe-guard against these dangers is to add to patience godliness,—to reverence God, his character and his law, and to keep his fear ever before the mind. By communion with God, through prayer and the reading of his word, we should cultivate such a sense of the holiness of his character that we shall regard sin as he regards it. LP 322.1

Godliness leads to brotherly kindness; and those who do not cherish the one, will surely lack the other. He who has blunted his moral perceptions by sinful leniency toward those whom God condemns, will erelong commit a greater sin by severity and harshness toward those whom God approves. Viewed through the perverted medium of an unconsecrated spirit, the very integrity and faithfulness of the true-hearted Christian will appear censurable. LP 322.2

Satan's Vehement Work
The theology of the tares changes the wheat into tares.

The conflict is to wax fiercer and fiercer. Satan will take the field and personate Christ. He will misrepresent, misapply, and pervert everything he possibly can, to deceive, if possible, the very elect. Even in our day there have been and will continue to be entire families who have once rejoiced in the truth, but who will lose faith because of calumnies and falsehoods brought to them in regard to those whom they have loved and with whom they have had sweet counsel. They opened their hearts to the sowing of tares; the tares sprang up among the wheat; they strengthened; the crop of wheat became less and less; and the precious truth lost its power to them. For a time a false zeal accompanied their new theories, which hardened their hearts against the advocates of truth as did the Jews against Christ. {TM 411.2}

Under the *zeal of Satan*, some have for a time the appearance of men in a flourishing condition; but it is only for a season. Satan carried them so far that *they do despite* to the Spirit of God. They spread themselves like a green bay tree. The Lord suffers them for a time. He allows them to manifest their envy and hatred against the people of God, as He has allowed Satan to develop his character, that he might stand before the heavenly universe, before the worlds unfallen, and the fallen world, in his true attributes, as a deceiver, an accuser of the brethren, a murderer at heart. {TM 412.1}

Note: *calumnies* the making of false and defamatory statements about someone in order to damage their reputation. What is the field? The World not the church. Matt. 13:38. Who are the reapers? Angels Matt. 13:41; they do the separating from the earth at the second advent. Matt. 13:39.

Note: The field is not the Church it's the world, Matt. 13:38., For Jesus said John 17:15 I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest *keep them from the evil.* 2Peter 2:20 For if after they have *escaped the pollutions of the world* through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, *they are again entangled therein*, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning. 21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them 2Cor. 6:17 Wherefore come out from among them, and <u>be ye separate</u>, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; *and I will receive you*, 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty. If you believe the wheat and the tares grow together in the church your not coming out from the world and being separate.

There is the same dislike of reproof and correction <u>among the professed people</u> <u>of God today</u> as in the days of our Saviour. There is the same disposition to lean toward the world and to follow its <u>mocking shadows</u>. The presence of ambitious, selfish, time-serving members is <u>imperiling the church</u>, whose greatest danger is from worldly conformity. Such members are constantly exerting an influence to unite the church more closely with the world. They are doing the work of Satan. When God sends his servants with words of warning or counsel, these traitors to their holy trust reject the Heaven-sent message, and thus not only slight the grace of Christ themselves, but lead others also to smother their convictions and lose the proffered blessing. LP 233.1

God has called His church in this day, as He called ancient Israel, to stand as a light in the earth. By the mighty cleaver of truth, the messages of the first, second, and third angels, He has separated them from the churches and from the world to bring them into a sacred nearness to Himself. He has made them the depositaries of His law and has committed to them the great truths of prophecy for this time. Like the holy oracles committed to ancient Israel, these are a sacred trust to be communicated to the world. The three angels of Revelation 14 represent the people who accept the light of God's messages and go forth as His agents to sound the warning throughout the length and breadth of the earth. Christ declares to His followers: "Ye are the light of the world." To every soul that accepts Jesus the cross of Calvary speaks: "Behold the worth of the soul: 'Go ye into all the world, and preach the gospel to every creature." Nothing is to be permitted to hinder this work. It is the all-important work for time; it is to be farreaching as eternity. The love that Jesus manifested for the souls of men in the sacrifice which He made for their redemption, will actuate all His followers. 5T 455.2

The most eloquent sermon that can be preached upon the law of Ten Commandments is to do them. Obedience should be made a personal duty. Negligence of this duty is flagrant sin. God lays us under obligations not only to secure heaven ourselves, but to feel it a binding duty to show others the way and, through our care and disinterested love, to lead toward Christ those who come within the sphere of our influence. The singular absence of principle that characterizes the lives of many professed Christians is alarming. Their disregard of God's law disheartens those who recognize its sacred claims and tends to turn those from the truth who would otherwise accept it. 4T 58.2

The law and the gospel go hand in hand. The one is the complement of the other. The law without faith in the gospel of Christ cannot save the transgressor of law. The gospel without the law is inefficient and powerless. The law and the gospel are a perfect whole. {1888 Materials. EGW. Chap. 100 - Diary Entries. 783.2}

From the pulpits of today the words are uttered: "Believe, only believe. Have faith in Christ; you have nothing to do with the old law, only trust in Christ." How different is this from the words of the apostle who declares that faith without works is dead. He says, "But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves" (James 1:22). We must have that faith that works by love and purifies the soul. Many seek to substitute a superficial faith for uprightness of life and think through this to obtain salvation. {FW 89.2}

Rom. 13:10 Love worketh no ill to his neighbour: therefore *love is the fulfilling of the law*. Gal. 5:14 For all the law is fulfilled in one word, even in this; Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. 1John 5:3 For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. 2John 1:6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments.

Success in this life, success in gaining the future life, depends upon a faithful, conscientious attention to the little things. Perfection is seen in the least, no less than in the greatest, of the works of God. The hand that hung the worlds in space is the hand that wrought with delicate skill the lilies of the field. And as God is perfect in His sphere, so we are to be perfect in ours. The symmetrical structure of a strong, beautiful character is built up by individual acts of duty. And faithfulness should characterize our life in the least as well as in the greatest of its details. Integrity in little things, the performance of little acts of fidelity and little deeds of kindness, will gladden the path of life; and when our work on earth is ended, it will be found that every one of the little duties faithfully performed has exerted an influence for good—an influence that can never perish. PP 574.2, GW92 363.3;446.3;8T 86.2.

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noun

- 1 the quality of being honest and having strong moral principles; **moral uprightness**: *he is known to be a man of integrity*.
- 2 the state of being whole and undivided: *upholding territorial integrity and national sovereignty*.
- the condition of being unified, unimpaired, or sound in construction: *the structural integrity of the novel*.
- internal consistency or lack of corruption in electronic data: [as modifier]: integrity checking.

Gen. 20:5,6;1Kings 9:4; Job 2:3,9;27:5;31:6;Ps. 7:8;25:21;26:1,11;41:12;78:72Pro. 11:3;19:1;20:7

The manifestation of hatred never breaks down the malice of our enemies. But love and kindness beget love and kindness in return. Although God faithfully rewards virtue and punishes guilt, yet he does not withhold his blessings from the wicked, although they daily dishonor his name. He allows the sunshine and the showers to fall upon the just and the unjust, bringing alike worldly prosperity to both. If a holy God exercises such forbearance and benevolence toward the rebellious and the idolatrous, how necessary it is that erring man should manifest a like spirit toward his fellow-men. Instead of cursing those who injure him, it is his duty to seek to win them from their evil ways by a kindness similar to that with which Christ treated them who persecuted him. Jesus taught his followers that they should exercise a Christian courtesy toward all who came within their influence, that they should not be forgetful in deeds of mercy, and that when solicited for favors, they should show a benevolence superior to that of the worldling. *The* children of God should represent the spirit that rules in Heaven. Their principles of action should not be of the same character with the narrow, selfish spirit of the world. Perfection alone can meet the standard of Heaven. As God himself is perfect in his exalted sphere, so should his children be perfect in the humble sphere they occupy. Thus only can they be fit for the companionship of sinless beings in the kingdom of Heaven. Christ addresses to his followers these words that establish the standard of Christian character: "Be ye therefore perfect, even as your Father which is in Heaven is perfect." 2SP 224.1

Why Did Jesus avoid Church leaders?

But although the Pharisees thought so highly of themselves, they were really in a worse condition than the ones they despised. *The publicans were less bigoted*

and self-sufficient, and thus were more open to the influence of truth. Jesus said to the rabbis, "Go ye and learn what that meaneth, I will have mercy, and not sacrifice." Thus He showed that while they claimed to expound the word of God, they were wholly ignorant of its spirit. DA 275.4.

Paul says to separate from the Tares.

Eph. 5:11 And *have no fellowship* with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them.

2Cor. 6:14 Be ye not *unequally yoked* together with unbelievers: for *what fellowship* hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and *what communion* hath light with darkness? 15 And *what concord* hath Christ with Belial? or *what part* hath he that believeth with an infidel? 16 And *what agreement* hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in them; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. 17 *Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you,* 18 And will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty.

Rom. 16:17 Now I beseech you, brethren, <u>mark them</u> which *cause* divisions and offences *contrary* to the *doctrine* which ye have learned; and <u>avoid them.</u>

Pro. 19:27 *Cease, my son, to hear the instruction that causeth to err* from the words of knowledge. EW 124.3-125.1; See PK chapters 3 and 4.

Note: Church leadership claims we can't separate the wheat and the tares, but church leadership certainly does when those who hold truth refuse to accept lies like this. This goes hand in hand with you can't keep the Ten Commandments. Who is separated by whom? See PK chapters 3 and 4.

Jesus says the Tares will separate You from them.

Luke 6:22 Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake. Isa. 66:5 Hear the word of the LORD, ye that tremble at his word; Your brethren that hated you, that cast you out for my name's sake, said, Let the LORD be glorified: but he shall appear to your joy, and they shall be ashamed. John 16:2 They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.

The class of professed Sabbathkeepers who try to form a union between Christ

and Belial, who take hold of the truth with one hand and of the world with the other, have surrounded their children and clouded the church with an atmosphere entirely foreign to religion and the Spirit of Christ. They dared not openly oppose the claims of truth. They dared not take a bold stand and say they did not believe the testimonies; but, while nominally believing both, they have obeyed neither. By their course of action they have denied both. They desire the Lord to fulfill to them His promises; but they refuse to comply with the conditions on which these promises are based. They will not relinquish every rival for Christ. Under the preaching of the word there is a partial suppression of worldliness, but no radical change of the affections. Worldly desires, the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes, and the pride of life ultimately gain the victory. This class are all professed Christians. Their names are on the church books. They live for a time a seemingly religious life and then yield their hearts, too often finally, to the predominating influence of the world. {5T 52.2}

It has been truly said, "Show me your company, and I will show you your character." The youth fail to realize how sensibly both their character and their reputation are affected by their choice of associates. One seeks the company of those whose tastes and habits and practices are congenial. He who prefers the society of the ignorant and vicious to that of the wise and good shows that his own character is defective. His tastes and habits may at first be altogether dissimilar to the tastes and habits of those whose company he seeks; but as he mingles with this class, his thoughts and feelings change; he sacrifices right principles and insensibly yet unavoidably sinks to the level of his companions. As a stream always partakes of the property of the soil through which it runs, so the principles and habits of youth invariably become *tinctured with the character of the company in which they mingle.* {AH 456.1}

There are some, who upon accepting erroneous theories, strive to establish them by *collecting from my writings* statements of truth, which they use, separated from their proper connection and perverted by association with error. Thus *seeds* of heresy, springing up and growing rapidly into strong *plants*, are surrounded by many precious *plants* of truth, and in this way a *mighty effort* is made to vindicate the genuineness of the *spurious plants*. {TDG 126.2}

"God has a church upon the *earth* who are His chosen people, who keep His commandments. He is leading, not stray offshoots, not one here and one there, but a people. The truth is a sanctifying power; but the church militant is not the church triumphant. There are tares among the wheat. 'Wilt thou then that we . . . gather them up?' was the question of the servant; but the master answered, 'Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them.' *The gospel net draws not only good fish, but bad ones as well, and the Lord only knows who are*

Christ has plainly taught that those who persist *in open sin must be separated* from the church, but He has not committed to us the work of judging character and motive. He knows our nature too well to entrust this work to us. Should we try to uproot from the church those whom we suppose to be spurious Christians, we should be sure to make mistakes. Often we regard as hopeless subjects the very ones whom Christ is drawing to Himself. Were we to deal with these souls according to our imperfect judgment, it would perhaps extinguish their last hope. Many who think themselves Christians will at last be found wanting. Many will be in heaven who their neighbors supposed would never enter there. Man judges from appearance, but God judges the heart. The tares and the wheat are to grow together until the harvest; and the harvest is the end of probationary time. {COL 71.3}

There is in the Saviour's words another lesson, a lesson of wonderful forbearance and tender love. As the tares have their roots closely intertwined with those of the good grain, so false brethren in the church may be closely linked with true disciples. The real character of these pretended believers is not fully manifested. *Were they to be separated from the church*, others might be caused to stumble, who but for this would have remained steadfast. {COL 72.1}

Even though you may not feel able to speak a word to those who are working on wrong principles, *leave them. Your withdrawal and silence* may do more than words. Nehemiah *refused to associate with those who were untrue to principle*, and he would not permit his workmen to associate with them. The love and fear of God were his safeguard. He lived and worked as in view of the unseen world. And David said, "I have set the Lord always before me." {RH, May 9, 1899 par. 18}

The time has come when things must be called by their right names. The truth is to triumph gloriously, and those who have long been halting between two opinions must take their stand decidedly for or against the law of God. Some will take up with theories that misinterpret the Word of God, and undermine the foundation of the truth that has been firmly established, point by point, and sealed by the power of the Holy Spirit. The old truths are to be revived, in order that the false theories that have been brought in by the enemy may be intelligently met. There can be no unity between truth and error. We can unite with those who have been led into deception only when they are converted. {UL 88.2}

Satan holds under his control not a few who pass as friends of the truth, and through them he works against its advancement. He employs them to sow tares among the people of God. Thus when danger was not suspected, great evils have

existed among us. But while Satan was working with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish, stanch advocates of truth have stemmed the tide of opposition and held the word uncorrupted amid a deluge of heresies. Although the church has at times been weakened through manifold discouragements and the rebellious element they have had to meet, still the truth has shone brighter with every conflict. The energies of God's people have not been exhausted. The power of His grace has quickened, revived, and ennobled the steadfast and the true. {4T 594.1}

The tempter often works most successfully through those who are least suspected of being under his control. The possessors of talent and education are admired and honored, as if these qualities could atone for the absence of the fear of God or entitle men to His favor. Talent and culture, considered in themselves, are gifts of God; but when these are made to supply the place of piety, when, instead of bringing the soul nearer to God, they lead away from Him, then they become a curse and a snare. The opinion prevails with many that all which appears like courtesy or refinement must, in some sense, pertain to Christ. Never was there a greater mistake. These qualities should grace the character of every Christian, for they would exert a powerful influence in favor of true religion; but they must be consecrated to God, or they also are a power for evil. Many a man of cultured intellect and pleasant manners, who would not stoop to what is commonly regarded as an immoral act, is but a polished instrument in the hands of Satan. The insidious, deceptive character of his influence and example renders him a more dangerous enemy to the cause of Christ than are those who are ignorant and uncultured. GC 509

The Lie of the Tares to the Wheat. The Field is the World Satan would have you believe it's the Church.

Note: If it's true the wheat are not to separate from the tares. Then why do the tares separate from them the Wheat? The tares Matt. 11:12, have taken over the church. The list is long in Scripture of this very thing: Cain killed Able, Korah, Dathan, Abirim and the congregation against Moses. King Saul against David see the Psalms for how he was treated. Israel against Isaiah, Jeremiah, Ezeliel and all the Prophets of God. The Jews against Christ, and the Apostles why did the apostles turn against Paul. BeYeSeparate

Luke 6:22 Blessed are ye, when men shall hate you, and when they shall separate you from their company, and shall reproach you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of man's sake.

John 16:2 They shall put you out of the synagogues: yea, the time cometh, that whosoever killeth you will think that he doeth God service.