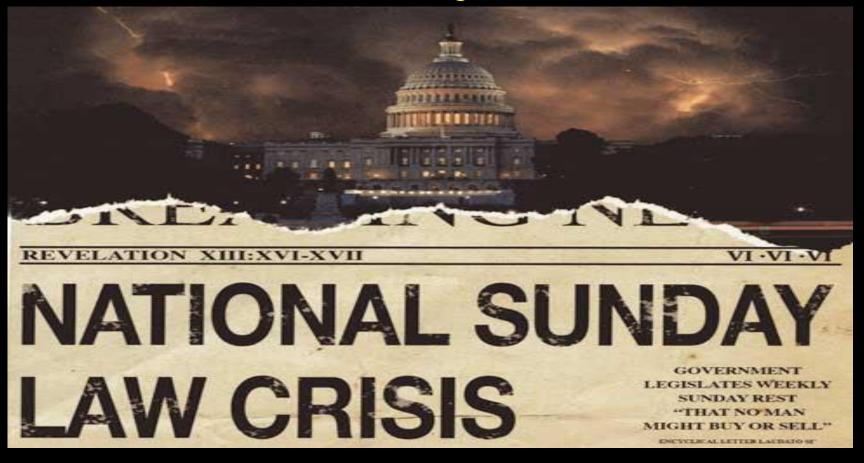
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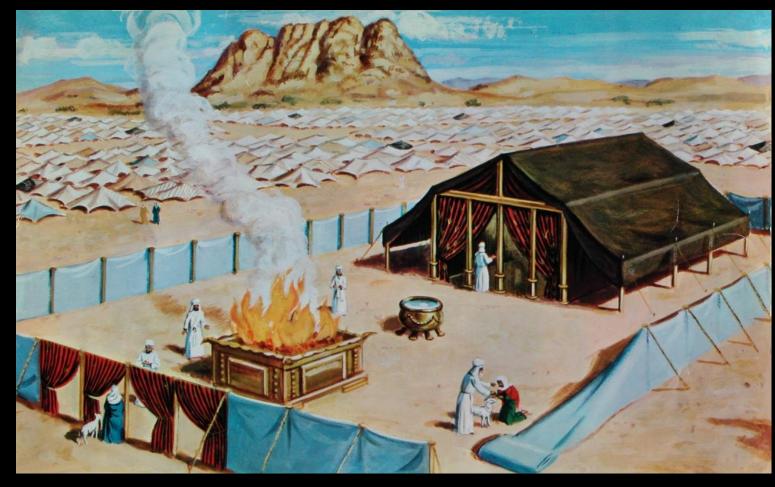
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# The Great Controversy between God and Satan is primarily over "WORSHIP" Who will you Choose?









And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them. – Exodus 25:8

**Psalms 77:13** 



# Health Snippet – Navy beans

<u>Health Benefits of Navy beans</u> (Seek Medical Advice) This bean Phaseolus vulgaris earned its moniker 'navy beans', from the US defence forces, as it constantly featured in the list of staples served to its sailors, since mid-18th century. Navy bean also known as Haricot, Pearl Haricot bean, Boston bean, Pea bean or White pea bean, native to America. White in colour, small, oval and slightly flattened in shape used in soups and pies. <u>One cup (182 grams) of cooked navy beans contains</u>:

Calories:255, Protein: 15g, Fat: 1.13g, Carbs: 47.3g, Fibre: 19.1g, Folate (vB9): 64%, Thiamine (vB1): 36%, Iron: 24%, Magnesium: 23%, Manganese: 42%, etc...

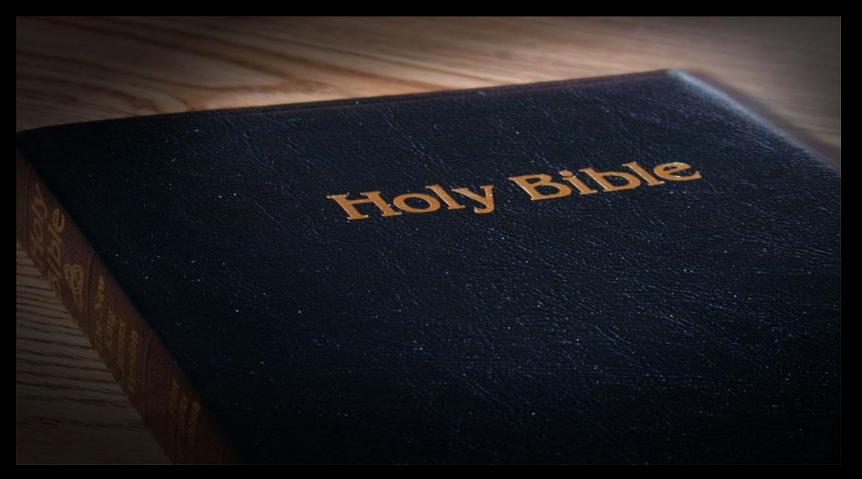
#### Health Benefits:

Navy beans appear to help reduce symptoms of metabolic syndrome, likely due to their high fibre content.

- A small study from 2015 of 14 adults with overweight or obesity found that eating 5 cups (910 grams) of navy beans per week for 4 weeks reduced waist circumference and total and LDL cholesterol levels in males compared to baseline.
- A 2017 study of 38 children with blood cholesterol outside of typical ranges found that those who ate a muffin or smoothie containing 17.5 grams of navy bean powder every day for four weeks had higher levels of healthy HDL cholesterol than a control group.

10 Health Benefits of .... Navy Beans 1. Lower Heart-Attack Risk 2. Stabilises Blood-Sugar 3. Good Folate Source 4. Full of Fibre 5. Full of Iron 6. Protein Rich 7. Anti-Oxidant 8. Energy Booster 9. Immune Booster EatHealthyLiveFit.com 10. Improve Memory

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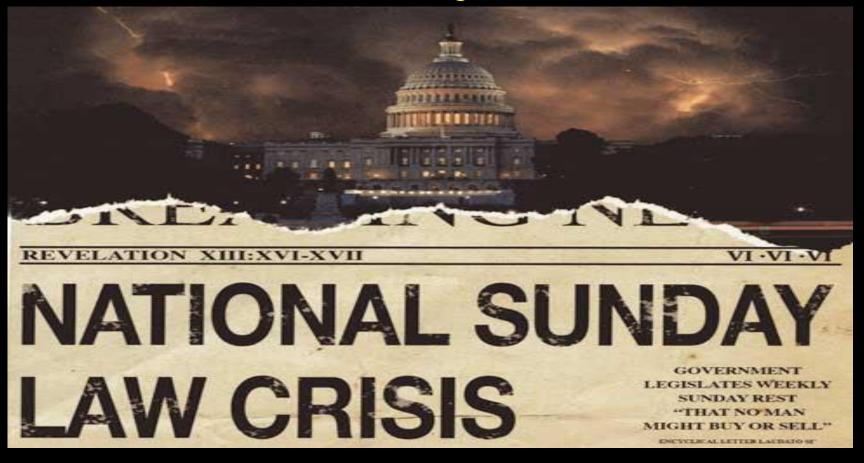
#### Daniel 6:4

"So the governors and satraps sought to find some charge against Daniel concerning the kingdom; but they could find no charge or fault, because he was faithful; nor was there any error or fault found in him."

**They Sought to Find Fault...** 



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# God Will Give Light and Knowledge When Needed

When the Sunday question is legislated to become a law, there will not be so great a danger of taking steps that are not of a character to receive the sanction of Heaven ... for the reason that the Lord gives light and knowledge just when it is most needed.... 3SM 394.3

While all Sabbath keepers are anxious and troubled, seeking to penetrate the mysteries of the future, and to learn all they can in regard to the correct position they shall take, be careful that they are advised correctly in regard to Sunday observance.... There will ever be danger of going to extremes.... 3SM 394.4



#### God Will Give Light and Knowledge When Needed (cont'd)

If the decision is made that our people shall not labour on Sunday and that our brethren in the Southern States [At the time this manuscript was written Seventh-day Adventists in some of the Southern States Adventists in some of the Southern States were being persecuted because of violation of State Sunday laws. Some of these Adventists refusing to pay fines imposed were put in chain gangs.] shall appear to harmonize with the Sunday law, because of oppression, how long before all over the world [our people] shall be in like circumstances as they are in the South. The decision is to be a universal one. If it comes to the light of day as it will in degrees and there will be concessions and servile bowing to an idol god by those who claim to be Sabbath keepers, there will be a yielding of principles until all is lost to them. 3SM 394.5

National sunday law coming soon !

#### God Will Give Light and Knowledge When Needed (cont'd)

If we counsel them not to respect the idol sabbath exalted to take the place of the Sabbath of the Lord our God, then instruct them in this matter in a quiet way and encourage no defying of the law powers in words or actions unless called to do this for the honour of God to vindicate his downtrodden law. Let there be no unnecessary act of arousing the combative spirit or passions of opponents.... 3SM 395.1

There should be no just occasion to our enemies to charge us with being lawless and defying the laws through any imprudence of our own. [See <u>Testimonies for the Church 9:232-</u> 238, "Sunday Labor."] We should not feel it enjoined upon us to irritate our neighbours who idolize Sunday by making determined efforts to bring labour on that day before them purposely to exhibit an independence.... 3SM 395.2

# A Sunday Law

And that no man might BUY or, SELL save he that had the MARK, or the name of the BEAST, or the number of his name. (Revelation 13:17)

Is Coming

#### God Will Give Light and Knowledge When Needed (cont'd)

There should be no noisy demonstration. Let us consider how fearful and terribly sad is the delusion that has taken the world captive and by every means in our power seek to enlighten those who are our bitterest enemies. If there is the acceptance of the principles of the inworking of the Holy Ghost which he [the Christian] must have to fit him for heaven, he will do nothing rashly or presumptuously to create wrath and blasphemy against God.... 3SM 395.3



# How You Treat the Sabbath Question Is Decisive

There are some trying testimonies to be manfully borne by Sabbath keepers and some bitter persecution finally endured.... Let no resolutions be passed here which will encourage half-hearted service or cowardly hiding our light under a bushel or under a bed, for we will certainly be tried and tested.... Be sure the Sabbath is a test question, and how you treat this question places you either on God's side or Satan's side. The mark of the beast is to be presented in some shape to every institution and every individual.... 3SM 395.4

Every move from the first made by Satan was the beginning of his work to continue to the end to exalt the false, to take the place of the genuine Sabbath of Jehovah. He is just as intent now and more determined to do this than ever before. He has come down with great power to deceive them who dwell on the earth with his satanic delusions.... 3SM 396.1

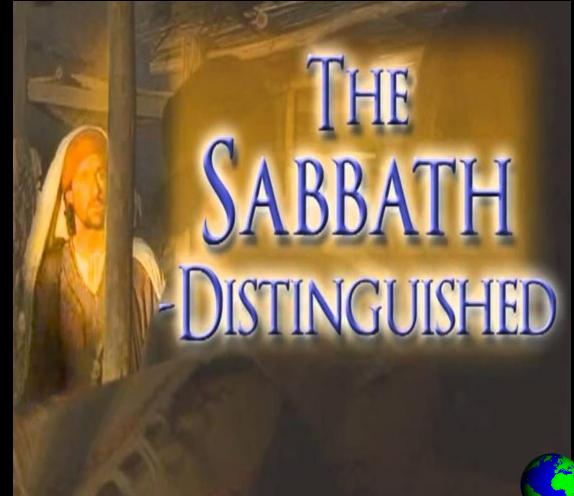




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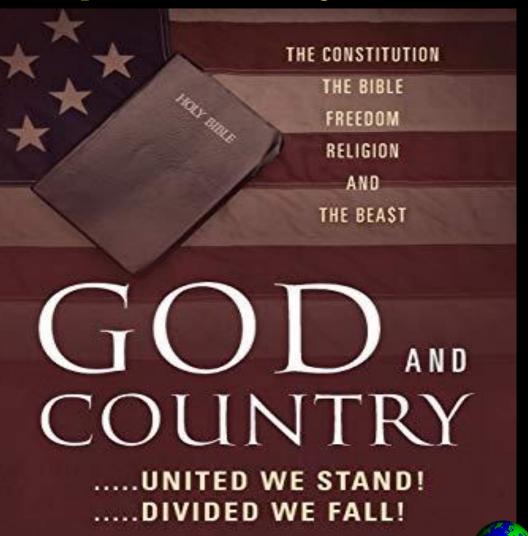
As we meet the emergency, the law of God becomes more precious, more sacred, and as it is more manifestly made void and set aside, in proportion should arise our respect and reverence for the law.... 3SM 396.2

In the exercise of the longsuffering of God, He gives to nations a certain period of probation, but there is a point which, if they pass, there will be the visitation of God in His indignation. He will punish. The world has been advancing from one degree of contempt for God's law to another, and the prayer may be appropriate at this time, "It is time for thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void thy law" (Psalm 119:126).... 3SM 396.3



## Individuals to Take Responsibility

Let not anyone make any proud boast, either by precept or example, to show that he is defying the laws of the land. Make no resolutions as to what persons in different states may do or may not do. Let nothing be done to lessen individual responsibility. To their God they must stand or fall. Let none feel it is his duty to make speeches in the presence of our own people, or of our enemies, that will arouse their combativeness, and they take your words and construe them in such a way that you are charged with being rebéllious to the government, for this will close the door of access to the people.... 3SM 396.4



#### Individuals to Take Responsibility (cont'd)

While we cannot bow to an arbitrary power to lift up the Sunday by bowing to it, while we will not violate the Sabbath, which a despotic power will seek to compel us to do, we will be wise in Christ.... We must say no words, that will do ourselves harm, for this would be bad enough, but when you speak words, and when you do presumptuous things that imperil the cause of God, you are doing a cruel work, for you give Satan advantage. We are not to be rash and impetuous, but always learning of Jesus, how to act in His spirit, presenting the truth as it is in Jesus.... 3SM 396.5



# Danger of Hasty, III-advised Moves

One indiscreet, high-tempered, stubborn-willed man will, in the great question introduced before us, do much harm. Yes, he will leave such an impression that all the force of Seventh-day Adventists could not counteract his acts of presumption because Satan, the arch deceiver, the great rebel, is deluding minds to the true issue of the great question, and its eternal bearing.... 3SM 397.1 There are those who will, through hasty, ill-advised moves, betray the cause of God into the enemy's power. 3SM 397.2

# Satan's target is your mind and his weapon is lies. So fill your mind with God's Word.

#### Danger of Hasty, III-advised Moves (cont'd)

There will be men who will seek to be revenged, who will become apostates and betray Christ in the person of His saints. All need to learn discretion; then there is danger on the other hand of being conservative, of giving away to the enemy in concessions.... 3SM 397.2 Anything we may do that lifts up the spurious to take the place of the true and genuine Sabbath, is disloyal to God, and we must move very carefully, lest we exalt the decisions of the man of sin. We are not to be found in a neutral position on this matter of so great consequence.... 3SM 397.3



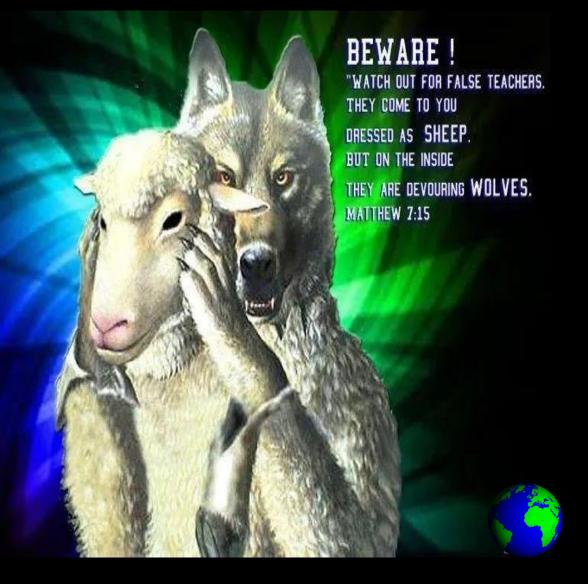
# Persecution in the Battle Before the Last Closing Conflict

The two armies will stand distinct and separate, and this distinction will be so marked that many who shall be convinced of the truth will come on the side of God's commandmentkeeping people. When this grand work is to take place in the battle, prior to the last closing conflict, many will be imprisoned, many will flee for their lives from cities and towns, and many will be martyrs for Christ's sake in standing in defense of the truth.... You will not be tempted above what you are able to bear. Jesus bore all this and far more.... 3SM 397.4

HERE IS A CALL FOR THE **PERSEVERANCE OF THE** SAINTS WHO KEEP THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD AND THE FAITH OF JESUS. - REVELATION 14:12

# Work of Wolves in Sheep's Clothing

There will be, even among us, hirelings and wolves in sheep's clothing who will persuade [some of] the flock of God to sacrifice unto other gods before the Lord.... Youth who are not established, rooted and grounded in the truth, will be corrupted and drawn away by the blind leaders of the blind; and the ungodly, the despisers that wonder and perish, who despise the sovereignty of the Ancient of Days, and place on the throne a false god, a being of their own defining, a being altogether such an one as themselves—these agents will be in Satan's hands to corrupt the faith of the unwary. 3SM 398.1



# Self-indulgent Will Scorn Faithful Ones

Those who have been selfindulgent and ready to yield to pride and fashion and display, will sneer at the conscientious, truth-loving, God-fearing people, and will in this work sneer at the God of heaven Himself.... 3SM 398.2

In the name of the Lord I advise all His people to have trust in God and not begin now to prepare to find an easy position for any emergency in the future, but to let God prepare for the emergency.... 3SM 398.3 HE WHO MOCKS THE POOR **INSULTS THEIR MAKER:** WHOEVER GLOATS OVER CALAMITY WILL NOT GO UNPUNISHED. - PROVERBS 17:5

# As Our Day Will Be Our Strength

When the Christian is looking forward to duties and severe trials that he anticipates are to be brought upon him, because of his Christian profession of faith, it is human nature to contemplate the consequences, and shrink from the prospects, and this will be decidedly so as we near the close of this earth's history. We may be encouraged by the truthfulness of God's word, that Christ never failed His children as their safe Leader in the hour of their trial; for we have the truthful record of those who have been under the oppressive powers of Satan, that His grace is according to their day. God is faithful who will not suffer us to be tempted above that we are able.... 3SM 398.4

the Lord will

give you the strength

that you need

# As Our Day Will Be Our Strength (cont'd)

There may be large mountains of difficulties in regard to how to meet the claims of God and not stand in defiance of the laws of the land. He [the believer] must not be making ample provisions for himself to shield himself from trial, for he is only God's instrument, and he is to go forward in singleness of purpose with his mind and soul garrisoned day by day, that he will not sacrifice one principle of his integrity, but he will make no boasts, issue no threats, or tell what he will or will not do. For he does not know what he will do until tested.... 3SM 398.5

# As thy days, so shall thy strength be. **Deuteronomy 33:25b**

# We Are Not to Irritate Sunday-keeping Neighbours

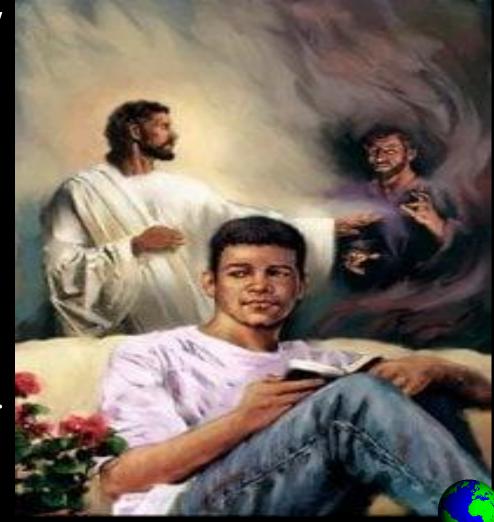
There should be a constant walking in all humility. There should be no just occasion for our enemies to charge us with being lawless and defying the laws through any imprudence of our own. We should not through any imprudence of our own. We should not feel it enjoined upon us to irritate our neighbours who idolize Sunday by making determined efforts to bring labour on that day before them purposely to exhibit an independence. Our sisters need not select Sunday as the day to exhibit their washing. There should be no noisy demonstration. Let us consider how fearful and terribly sad is the delusion that has taken the world captive and by every means in our power seek to enlighten those who are our bitterest enemies. If there is the acceptance of the principles of the inworking of the Holy Ghost which he [the Christian] must have to fit him for heaven, he will do nothing rashly or presumptuously to create wrath and blasphemy against God.... 3SM 399.1



## No Deaths Among God's People After Probation Closes

After Jesus rises up from the mediatorial throne, every case will be decided, and oppression and death coming to God's people will not then be a testimony in favor of the truth.... 3SM 399.2

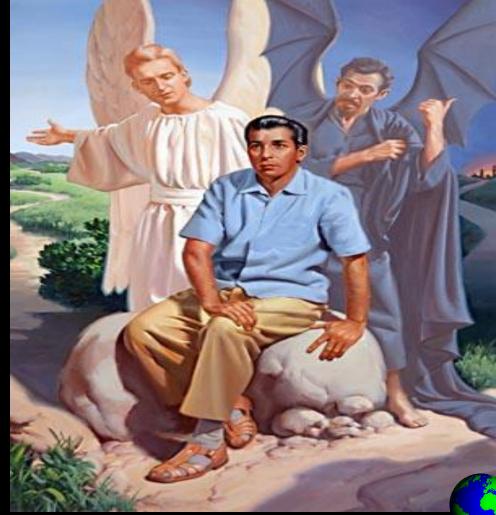
We urge you to consider this danger: That which we have most to fear is nominal Which we have most to fear is nominal Christianity. We have many who profess the truth who will be overcome because they are not acquainted with the Lord Jesus Christ. They cannot distinguish His voice from that of a stranger. There is to be no dread of anyone being borne down even in a widespread apostasy, who has a living experience in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. If Jesus be formed within, the hope of glory, the illiterate as well as the educated can bear the testimony of our faith saving "I know in whom testimony of our faith, saying, "I know in whom I have believed." 3SM 399.3



# No Deaths Among God's People After Probation Closes (cont'd)

Some will not, in argument, be able to show wherein their adversary is wrong, having never had any advantages that others have had, yet these are not overborne by the apostasy, because they have the evidence in their own heart that they have the truth, and the most subtle reasoning and assaults of Satan cannot move them from their knowledge of the truth, and they have not a doubt or fear that they are themselves in error.... 3SM 399.3

When profligacy and heresy and infidelity fill the land, there will be many humble homes where prayer, sincere and contrite prayer, will be offered from those who have never heard the truth, and there will be many hearts that will carry a weight of oppression for the dishonour done to God. We are too narrow in our ideas, we are poor judges, for many of these will be accepted of God because they cherish every ray of light that shone upon them.—<u>Manuscript 6, 1889</u>. 3SM 400.1



# Pay Fine if It Will Deliver From the Oppressor

Men are inspired by Satan to execute his purposes against God. The Lord has said, "Verily my sabbaths ye shall keep for it is a sign between me and you throughout your generations" (Exodus 31:13). None should disobey this command in order to escape persecution. But let all consider the words of Christ, "When they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another" (Matthew 10:23). If it can be avoided, do not put yourselves into the power of men who are worked by the spirit of Antichrist. If the payment of a fine will deliver our brethren from the hands of these oppressors, let it be paid, rather than to be pressed and made to work on the Sabbath. Everything that we can do should be done that those who are willing to suffer for the truth's sake may be saved from oppression and cruelty.... 3SM 400.2 cruelty.... 3SM 400.2

When men under conviction resist light, follow their own inclinations, and regard the favor of men above the favor of God, they do as do many in Christ's day.... 3SM 400.3

THE ANGER OF THE LORD WILL NOT TURN BACK UNTIL HE HAS FULLY ACCOMPLISHED THE PURPOSES OF HIS HEART. IN THE DAYS TO COME YOU WILL UNDERSTAND THIS CLEARLY. - JEREMIAH 23:20



# Commandments Not to Be Ignored in Order to Have an Easy Time

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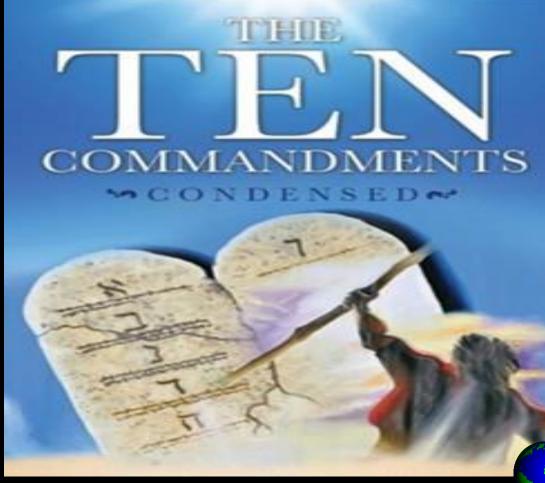
IGNORED TOO LONG, NOW REVISITED

Christ is our example. The determination of Antichrist to carry out the rebellion he began in heaven will continue to work on the children of disobedience. Their envy and hatred against those who obey the fourth commandment will wax more and more bitter. But the people of God are not to hide their banner. They are not to ignore the commandments of God, and in order to have an easy time go with the multitude to do evil. They should be careful not to condemn their brethren in the faith who are steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord.... 3SM 401.1

Those who forsake God in order to save their lives will be forsaken by Him. In seeking to save their lives by yielding the truth, they will lose eternal life. 3SM 401.2 Natural affection for relatives and friends should not lead any soul who sees the light to reject the light, to dishonour God the Father and Jesus Christ, His only begotten Son. 3SM 401.3

#### Commandments Not to Be Ignored in Order to Have an Easy Time (cont'd)

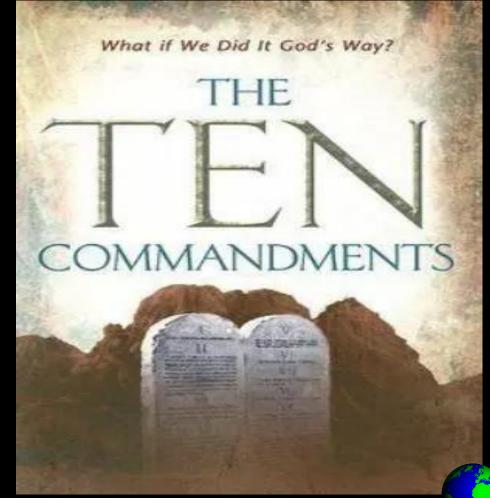
Every possible excuse for disobedience will be framed by men who choose, as many did in Christ's day, the favor of men rather than the favor of God. If one chooses wife or children, father or mother, before Christ, that choice will stand through eternal ages, with all its weight of responsibility.... 3SM 401.3 The soul that has had light in regard to the Lord's Sabbath, His memorial of creation, and to save himself from inconvenience and reproach has chosen to remain disloyal, has sold his Lord. 3SM 401.4



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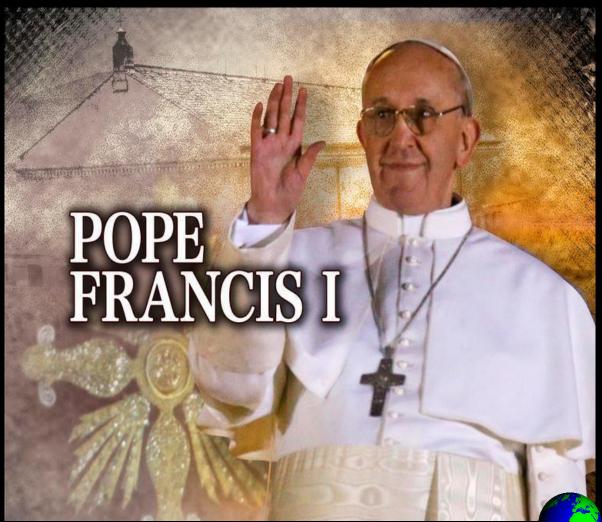
He has dishonoured the name of Christ, he has taken his stand with the armies of Antichrist; with them at the last great day, he will be found outside the city of God, not with the loyal, the true and righteous, in the heavenly kingdom. 3SM 401.4

All who have genuine faith will be tested and tried. They may have to forsake houses and lands, and even their own relatives, because of bitter opposition. "But when they persecute you in this city, flee ye into another," Christ said. "Ye shall not have gone over the cities of Israel, till the Son of man be come" (Matthew 10:23). 3SM 401.5



# Antichrist—Those Who Exalt Themselves Against God—Will Feel His Wrath

The greater man's influence for good, under the control of the Spirit of God, the more determined will be the enemy to indulge his envy and jealousy toward him by religious persecution. But all heaven is on the side of Christ, not of Antichrist. Those who love God and are Antichrist. Those who love God and are willing to be partakers with Christ in his sufferings, God will honour. Antichrist, meaning all who exalt themselves against the will and work of God, will at the appointed time feel the wrath of Him who gave Himself that they might not perish but have eternal life. All who persevere in obedience, all who will not sell their souls for money or for the favor of men, God will register in the book of life.—<u>Manuscript 9, 1900</u>. 3SM 402.1



# Misleading Messages Will Be Accepted by Many

Test everything before it shall be presented to the flock of God.... In messages that profess to be from Heaven, expressions will be made that are misleading, and if the influence of these things be accepted, it will lead to exaggerated movements, plans, and devising that will bring in the very things that Satan would have current—a strange spirit, an unclean spirit, under the garments of sanctity; a strong spirit to overbear everything. Fanaticism will come in and will so mingle and interweave itself with the workings of the Spirit of God, that many will accept it all as from God, and will be deceived and misled thereby. 3SM 403.1



"For the time will come when men will not tolerate sound doctrine, but with itching ears they will gather around themselves teachers to suit their own desires. And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables." z Timothy 4:3-4



"Beware of the false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clo but inwardly are ravenous wolves." Matthew 7:15 JESUS-REA

#### Misleading Messages Will Be Accepted by Many (cont'd)

There are strong statements often made by our brethren who bear the message of mercy and warning to our world, that would better be repressed.... Let not one word be expressed to stir up the spirit of retaliation in opposers of the truth. Let nothing be done to arouse the dragon-like spirit, for it will reveal itself soon enough, and in all its dragon character, against those who keep the commandments of God and have the faith of Jesus.... 3SM 403.2

# BEWARE OF FALSE TEACHERS



Matthew 7:15-16 Jesus: "BEWARE of FALSE PROPHETS, who come to you in SHEEP'S CLOTHING, but INWARDLY are RAVENOUS WOLVES. You will KNOW THEM by their FRUITS"

#### **Confronted by Our Carelessly Spoken Words**

The time will come when we shall be called to stand before Kings and rulers, magistrates and powers, in vindication of the truth. Then it will be a surprise to those witnesses to learn that their positions, their words, the very expressions made in a careless manner or thoughtless way, when attacking error or advancing truth—expressions that they had not thought would be rememberedwill be reproduced, and they will be confronted with them, and their enemies will have the advantage, putting their own construction on these words that were spoken unadvisedly.... 3SM 403.3

**A MAN DILIGENT** IN HIS BUSINESS SHALL STAND **BEFORE KINGS PROVERBS 22:29** 

## How Satan Will Work to Deceive

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Many things intended to deceive us will come, bearing some of the marks of truth. Just as soon as these shall be set forth as the great power of God, Satan is all ready to weave in that which he has prepared to lead souls from the truth for this time. 3SM 404.1

Some will accept and promulgate the error, and when the reproof comes that will place matters in the true light, those who have had little experience and who are ignorant of the oftrepeated workings of Satan, will cast away with the rubbish of error that which has been before them as truth. Thus the light and warnings which God gives for this time will be made of no effect.... 3SM 404.2 atan's

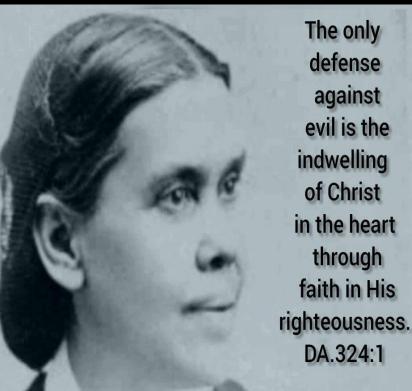
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1 Corinthians 15:10

#### False Messages Will Be Charged Upon Ellen White

Every conceivable message is coming to counterfeit the work of God, and always bearing the inscription of truth upon its banner. And those who are prepared for anything new and sensational, will handle these things in such a manner that our enemies will charge all that is inconsistent and overdone upon Mrs. E. G. White, the prophetess.... 3SM 404.3

There will be counterfeit messages coming from persons in all directions. One after another will rise up, appearing to be inspired, when they have not the inspiration of heaven, but are under the deception of the enemy. All who receive their messages will be led astray. Then let us walk carefully, and not open wide the door for the enemy to enter through impressions, dreams, and visions. God help us to look in faith to Jesus and be guided by the words He has spoken. 3SM 404.4



ELLEN G WHITE INSPIRED QUOTES AND BIBLE QUOTES. ISAIAH 8:20

#### Steadfastness, but No Defiance

We are to fix the eye of faith steadfastly upon Jesus. When the days come, as they surely will, in which the law of God is made void, the zeal of the true and loyal should rise with the emergency, and should be the more warm and decided, and their testimony should be the more positive and unflinching. But we are to do nothing in a defiant spirit, and we shall not, if our hearts are fully surrendered to God.... 3SM 405.1



#### Satan's Wrath Against the Three Angels' Messages

The third angel is represented as flying in the midst of heaven, symbolizing the work of those who proclaim the first, second, and third angels' messages; all are linked together. The evidences of the abiding, ever living truth of these grand messages that mean so much to us, that have awakened such intense opposition from the religious world, are not extinct. Satan is constantly seeking to cast his hellish shadow about these messages, so that the remnant people of God shall not clearly discern their import—their time and place—but they live and are to exert their power upon our religious experience while time shall last.... 3SM 405.2



#### Satan's Wrath Against the Three Angels' Messages (cont'd)

The Revelator says, "I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen" (Revelation 18:1, 2). This is the same message that was given by the second angel—*Babylon is fallen, "because she made all nations drink of* the wine of the wrath of her fornication" (chap 14:8). What is that wine? Her false doctrines. She has given to the world a false sabbath instead of the Sabbath of the fourth commandment and has repeated the lie Satan first told to Eve in Eden—the natural immortality of the soul. Many kindred errors she has spread far and wide, "teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." 3SM 405.3

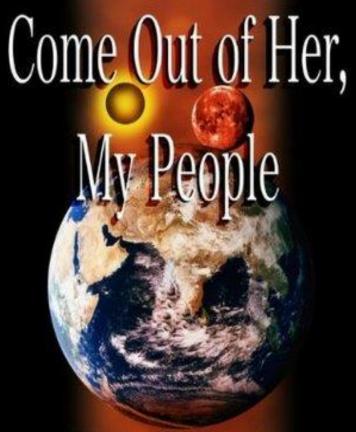
GOD'S LAST MESSAGE OF LOVE

> The Three Angels' Messages Of Revelation 14:6-12

#### **Two Distinct Calls to the Churches**

When Jesus began His public ministry, He cleansed the temple from its sacrilegious profanation. Almost the last act of His ministry was to cleanse the temple again. So in the last work for the warning of the world, two distinct calls are made to the churches; the second angel's message, and the voice heard in heaven, "Come out of her, my people.... For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities" (Revelation 18:4, 5). 3SM 405.4

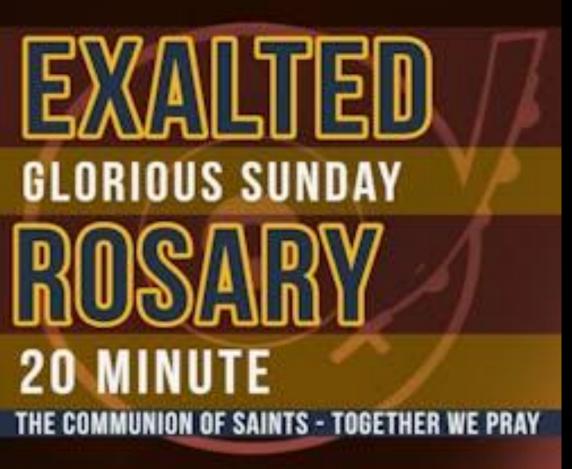
As God called the children of Israel out of Egypt, that they might keep His Sabbath, so He calls His people out of Babylon that they may not worship the beast nor his image. The man of sin, who thought to change times and laws, has exalted himself above God by presenting this spurious sabbath to the world; the Christian world has accepted this child of the Papacy, and cradled and nourished it, thus defying God by removing His memorial and setting up a rival sabbath. 3SM 406.1



Are these words of warning for a future generation of God's people? Or could they be speaking to you?

#### A More Decided Effort to Exalt Sunday

After the truth has been proclaimed as a witness to all nations, at a time when every conceivable power of evil is set in operation, when minds are confused by the many voices crying, "Lo, here is Christ," "Lo, He is there," "This is truth," "I have a message from God," "He has sent me with great light," and there is a removing of the landmarks, and an attempt to tear down the pillars of our faith—then a more decided effort is made to exalt the false sabbath, and to cast contempt upon God Himself by supplanting the day He has blessed and sanctified. <u>3SM 406.2</u>



#### While Satan Works the Angel of Revelation 18 Proclaims His Message

This false sabbath is to be enforced by an oppressive law. Satan and his angels are wide awake and intensely active, working with energy and perseverance through human instrumentalities to bring about his purpose of obliterating the knowledge of God. While Satan is working with his lying wonders, the time has come [that was] foretold in the Revelation, when the mighty angel that shall lighten the earth with his glory will proclaim the fall of Babylon and call upon God's people to forsake her.... 3SM 406.3



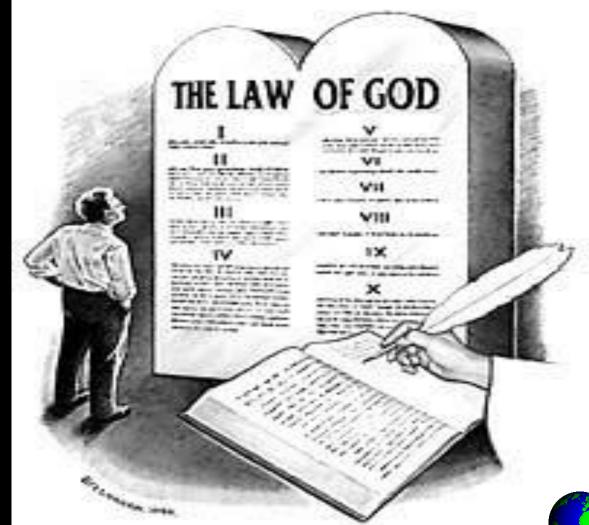
#### **Repairers of the Breach**

As the end approaches, the testimonies of God's servants will become more decided and more powerful, flashing the light of truth upon the systems of error and oppression that have so long held the supremacy. The Lord has sent us messages for this time to establish Christianity upon an eternal basis, and all who believe present truth must stand, not in their own wisdom, but in God; and raise up the foundation of many generations. These will be registered in the books of heaven as repairers of the breach, the restorers of paths to dwell in. We are to maintain the truth because it is truth, in the face of the bitterest opposition.... 3SM 407.1



#### **Repairers of the Breach (cont'd)**

Temptations will come upon us. Iniquity abounds where you least expect it. Dark chapters will open that are most terrible, to weigh down the soul; but we need not fail nor be discouraged while we know that the bow of promise is above the throne of God. 3SM 407.2 We shall be subject to heavy trials, opposition, bereavement, affliction; but we know that Jesus passed through all these. These experiences are valuable to us. The advantages are not by any means confined to this short life. They reach into eternal ages.... 3SM 407.3 As we near the close of this earth's history, we advance more and more rapidly in Christian growth, or we retrograde just as decidedly. 3SM 407.4



#### **Backsliding SDA's Unite With Unbelievers**

Satan is Christ's personal enemy.... Long has he deceived mankind, and great is his power over the human family; and his rage against the people of God increases as he finds that the knowledge of God's requirements is extending to all parts of the world, and that the light of present truth is shining to those who have long sat in darkness.... 3SM 407.5

The Word of God ... is to be our defense when Satan works with such lying wonders that, if it were possible, he would deceive the very elect. It is then that those who have not stood firmly for the truth will unite with the unbelieving, who love and make a lie. When these wonders are performed, when the sick are healed and other marvels are wrought, they will be deceived. Are we prepared for the perilous times that are right upon us? Or are we standing where we will fall an easy prey to the wiles of the devil? 3SM 407.6





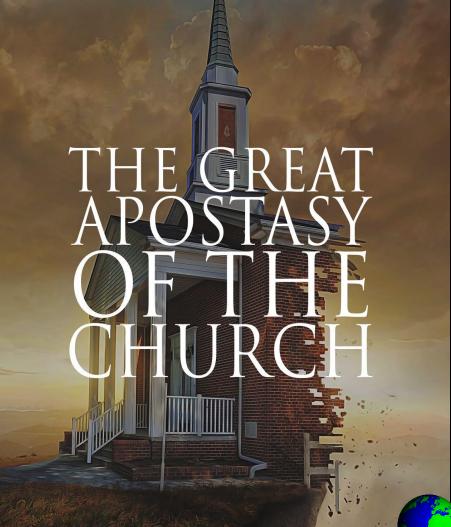
### A Science of the Devil

What is soon coming upon us? Seducing spirits are coming in. If God has ever spoken by me, you will before long hear of a wonderful science—a science of the devil. Its aim will be to make of no-account God and Jesus Christ whom He has sent. Some will exalt this false science, and through them Satan will seek to make void the law of God. Great miracles will be performed in the sight of men in behalf of this wonderful science. 3SM 408.1



### The Time of Apostasy is Here

The end of all things is near at hand. The signs are rapidly fulfilling, yet it would seem that but few realize that the day of the Lord is coming, swiftly, silently, as a thief in the night. Many are saying, "Peace and safety." Unless they are watching and waiting for their Lord, they will be taken as in a snare.... 3SM 408.2 "Now the spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils" (<u>1 Timothy 4:1</u>). The time of this apostasy is here. Every conceivable effort will be made to throw doubt upon the positions that we have occupied for over half a century.... 3SM 408.3



#### Fire From Heaven

Those who look for miracles as a sign of divine guidance are in grave danger of deception. It is stated in the Word that the enemy will work through his agents who have departed from the faith, and they will seemingly work miracles, even to the bringing down of fire out of heaven in the sight of men. By means of "lying wonders" Satan would deceive, if possible, the very elect.—<u>Letter 410, 1907</u>. 3SM 408.4



#### Angels Will Hold Four Winds Until After Sealing

Angels are holding the four winds, represented as an angry horse seeking to break loose, and rush over the face of the whole earth, bearing destruction and death in its path.... 3SM 409.1

I tell you in the name of the Lord God of Israel that all injurious, discouraging influences are held in control by unseen angel hands, until everyone that works in the fear and love of God is sealed in his forehead.—<u>Letter</u> <u>138, 1897</u>. 3SM 409.2



#### Satan and his Angels Mingle With Apostates

Satan and his angels will appear on this earth as men, and will mingle with those, of whom God's Word says, "Some shall depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of *devils*" (1 Timothy 4:1).— Letter 147, 1903. 3SM 409.3



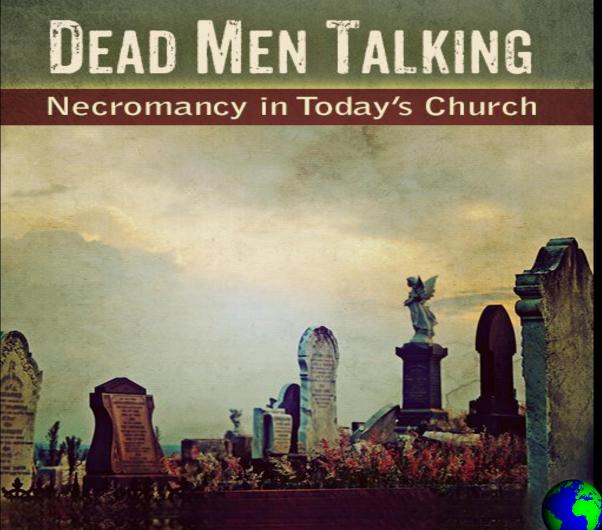
#### The Work of Independent Teachers

From that which the Lord has been pleased to show me, there will arise just such ones all along, and many more of them, claiming to have new light, which is a side issue, an entering wedge. The widening will increase until there is a breach made between those who accept these views. Just as soon as these new ideas are accepted, then there will be a drawing away from those whom God has used in this work, for the mind begins to doubt and withdraw from the leaders, because God has laid them aside and chosen "humbler" men to do His work. This is the only interpretation they can give to this matter, as the leaders do not see this important light. 3SM 409.5



#### The Work of Independent Teachers (cont'd)

God is raising up a class to give the loud cry of the third angel's message.... It is Satan's object now to get up new theories to divert the mind from the true work and genuine message for this time. He stirs up minds to give false interpretation of Scripture, a spurious loud cry, that the real message may not have its effect when it does come. This is one of the greatest evidences that the loud cry will soon be heard, and the earth will be lightened with the glory of God.—Letter 20, 1884. 3SM 410.1



### **Evil Angels in the Form of Believers Will Work in Our Ranks**

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I have been shown that evil angels in the form of believers will work in our ranks to bring in a strong spirit of unbelief. Let not even this discourage you but bring a true heart to the help of the Lord against the powers of satanic agencies. 3SM 410.2

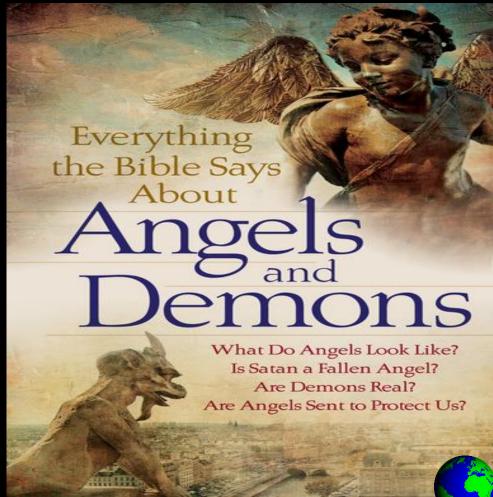
These powers of evil will assemble in our meetings, not to receive a blessing, but to counterwork the influences of the Spirit of God. Take up no remark that they may make, but repeat the rich promises of God, which are yea and amen in Christ Jesus. 3SM 410.3

We are never to catch up the words that human lips may speak to confirm the evil angels in their work, but we should repeat the words of Christ. Christ was the Instructor in the assemblies of these angels before they fell from their high estate.—<u>Letter 46, 1909</u>. 3SM 410.4

#### Evil Angels in the Form of Believers Will Work in Our Ranks (cont'd)

We have great and solemn truths to give to the world, and they are to be proclaimed in no hesitating, limping style. The trumpet is to give a certain sound. Some will come to hear the strange message out of curiosity; others with a longing to receive true knowledge, asking the question, "What shall I do that I may inherit eternal life?" (Mark 10:17). 3SM 410.5

Thus, men came to Christ. And mingling with His hearers were [evil] angels in the form of men, making their suggestions, criticizing, misapplying, and misinterpreting the Saviour's words.... 3SM 410.6

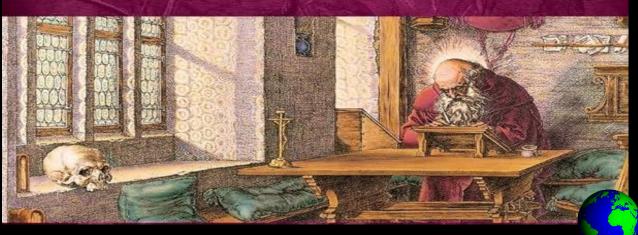


#### Evil Angels in the Form of Believers Will Work in Our Ranks (cont'd)

In this time evil angels in the form of men will talk with those who know the truth. They will misinterpret and misconstrue the statements of the messengers of God.... 3SM 411.1

Have Seventh-day Adventists forgotten the warning given in the sixth chapter of Ephesians? We are engaged in a warfare against the hosts of darkness. Unless we follow our Leader closely, Satan will obtain the victory over us. 3SM 411.2

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### **Apostasies That Will Surprise Us**

Let every soul, whatever may be his sphere of action, make sure that the truth is implanted in the heart by the power of the Spirit of God. Unless this is made certain, those who preach the Word will betray holy trust. 3SM 411.5

Physicians will be tempted and make shipwreck of faith. Lawyers, judges, senators, will become corrupted, and, yielding to bribery, will allow themselves to be bought and sold.— <u>Manuscript 154, 1898</u>. 3SM 411.6



#### **Apostates Will Use Hypnotism**

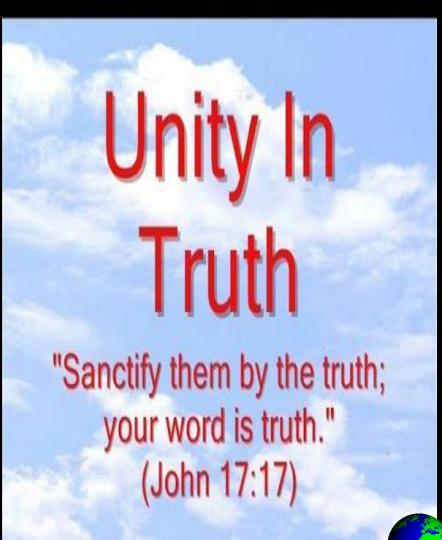
The time has come when even in the church and in our institutions, some will depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. But God will keep that which is committed to Him. Let us draw near to Him, that He may draw near to us. Let us bear a plain, clear testimony right to the point, that hypnotism is being used by those who have departed from the faith, and that we are not to link up with them. Through those who depart from the faith, the power of the enemy will be exercised to lead others astray.—<u>Letter 237, 1904</u>. 3SM 411.7



## "Unify, Unify"

The last great conflict is before us, but help is to come to all who love God and obey His law, and the earth, the whole earth, is to be lighted with the glory of God. "Another angel" is to come down from heaven. This angel represents the giving of the loud cry, which is to come from those who are preparing to cry mightily, with a strong voice, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" (Revelation 18:1, 2). 3SM 412.1

We have a testing message to give, and I am instructed to say to our people, "Unify, unify." But we are not to unify with those who are departing from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. With our hearts sweet and kind and true, we are to go forth to proclaim the message, giving no heed to those who lead away from the truth. 3SM 412.2



## God has given all:

# The Power of Choice

#### Revelation 12:12

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

#### **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

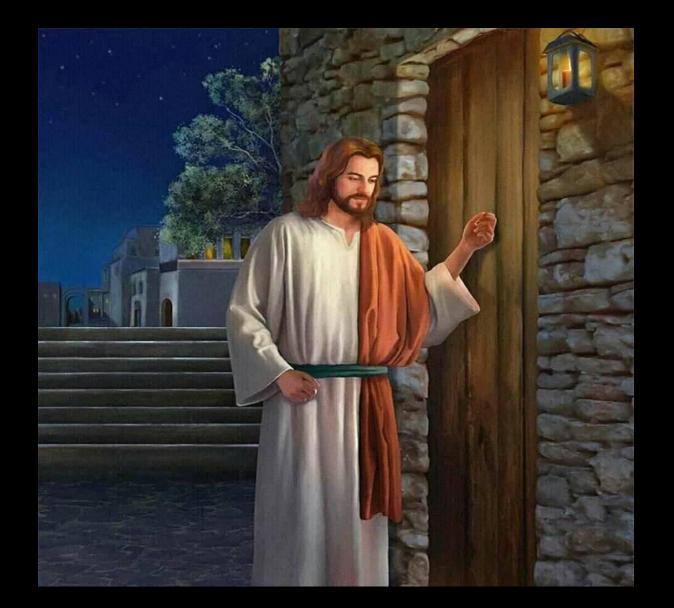
#### The Ark of the Covenant







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





## ARE YOU READY TO MEET JESUS?