

# *The Seven Trumpets Timeline – Part 4*



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

– Exodus 25:8

**Psalms 77:13**



# Health Snippet – Rest: Weekly Rest

In addition to sleeping each night, we need a weekly day of rest. Just as the body has a natural daily clock (circadian rhythm), it also has a weekly clock (circaseptan rhythm).

**Circaseptan rhythms are just that: body rhythms that run about seven days in length.** Because God made it so and such a priority is one of the beauties of God's Sabbath commandment. – Genesis 2:1-3 & Exodus 20:8-11.

**NHS: All adult workers are entitled to one day off a week.**

**Experiment: The 7-day work week routine** - 4:30: Rise. 5–6:30: 90 min of work. 6:30–9: Gym, breakfast, shower, etc. 9–11:30: 2.5hrs of focused work. 11:30–3pm: Lunch, then extended rest period. 3–4:30: 90 min of focused work.

**Results of the 7-day work week routine:** Was burned out, even with lots of breaks. **The hypothesis** — that a couple of extra hours during the day and fewer overall daily hours working would be enough was invalidated.

**The wisdom of 6 days of work, 1 day of rest: takeaways from trying a 7-day work week is:** despite the conclusion that rest is important, a single day is the perfect amount, no more. Working to consistently live by this method for all of the weeks during the year is the key to success.

**God created 7<sup>th</sup> day & established Sabbath Rest:**

**Physical Transformation:**

1. Time out reduces stress.
2. Time out gives you a chance to move.
3. Completely divesting from work on a weekly basis < inflammation and the risk of heart disease.
4. Getting away from work boosts immune system.
5. You'll sleep better during time out of work.
6. Your active time off adds years to your life.

**Mental and Emotional Transformation:**

7. Regular time away from work restores mental energy.
8. Take out time for yourself, you're more creative.
9. More productive if weekly time out from work.
10. You'll focus better at work if you take your weekly rejuvenation time.
11. Your day off improves short-term memory.
12. With regular time away from work, you might even love your job again!



# Can We Trust Bible Prophecy?



# Yes we Can!



**15** Behold now behemoth, which I made with thee; he eateth grass as an ox.

**16** Lo now, his strength *is* in his loins, and his force *is* in the navel of his belly.

**17** He moveth his tail like a cedar: the sinews of his stones are wrapped together.

**18** His bones *are as* strong pieces of brass; his bones *are* like bars of iron.

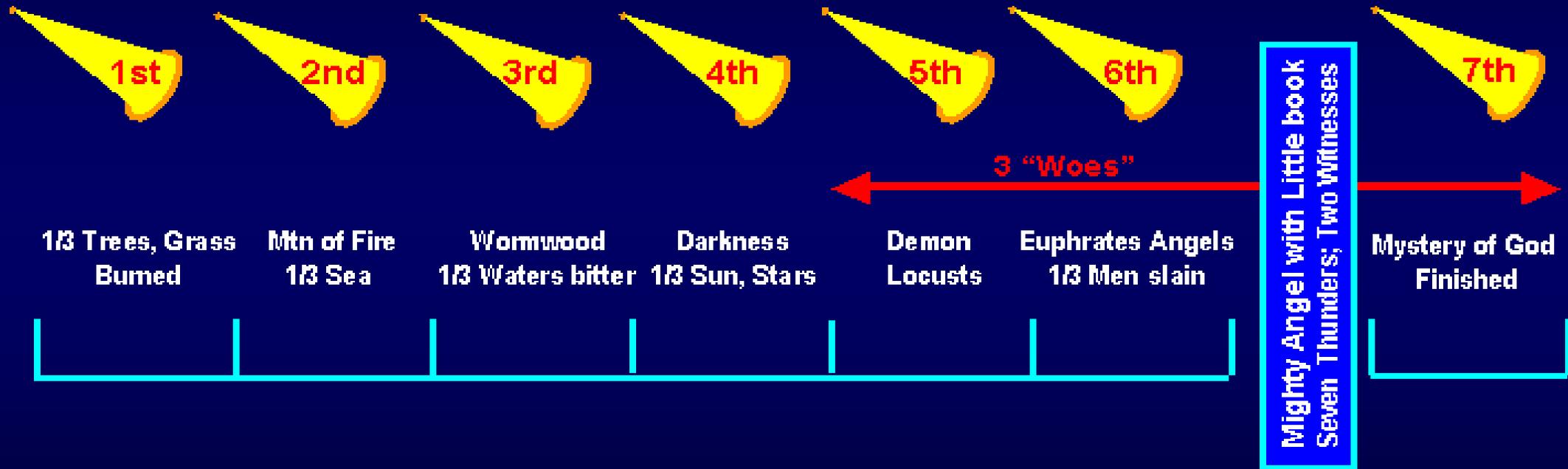
**19** He *is* the chief of the ways of God:....

Behemoth ([Job 40:15-24](#))



# The Seven Trumpets Judgements Timeline

Chapters 8 - 11



# The Seven Churches Timeline

Church Era Years

Ephesus  
33-100

Smyrna  
100-313

Pergamos  
313-538

Thyatira  
538-1517

Sardis  
1517-1755

Philadelphia  
1755-1844

Laodicea  
1844-2<sup>nd</sup> Advent

Roman Empire

Roman Catholic Church

Jesuits Of Rome

## 7 Seals



## 7 Trumpets

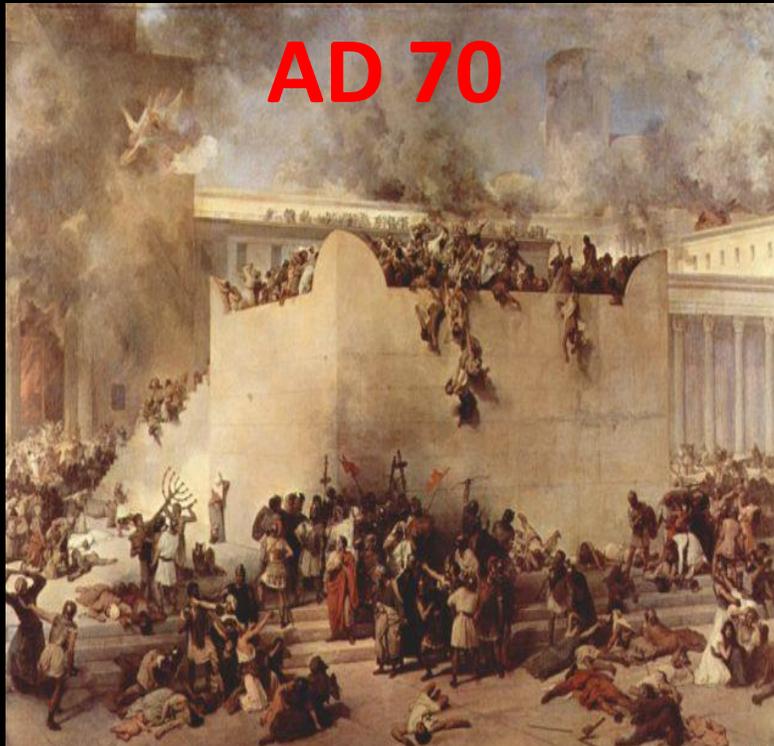


# 7 Trumpets & The Three Enemies of Jesus

**1<sup>st</sup> Trumpet** – Destruction of 1<sup>st</sup> Enemy: **Jews**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Trumpet** – Destruction of 2<sup>nd</sup> Enemy: **Imperial/Pagan Rome**

**3<sup>rd</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet** – At 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming Destruction of 3<sup>rd</sup> Enemy: **Papal Rome**



# ***Revelation 10 and 11 and the Advent Movement***

Revelation chapters 10 and 11, tells the story of the rise of Seventh-day Adventism.

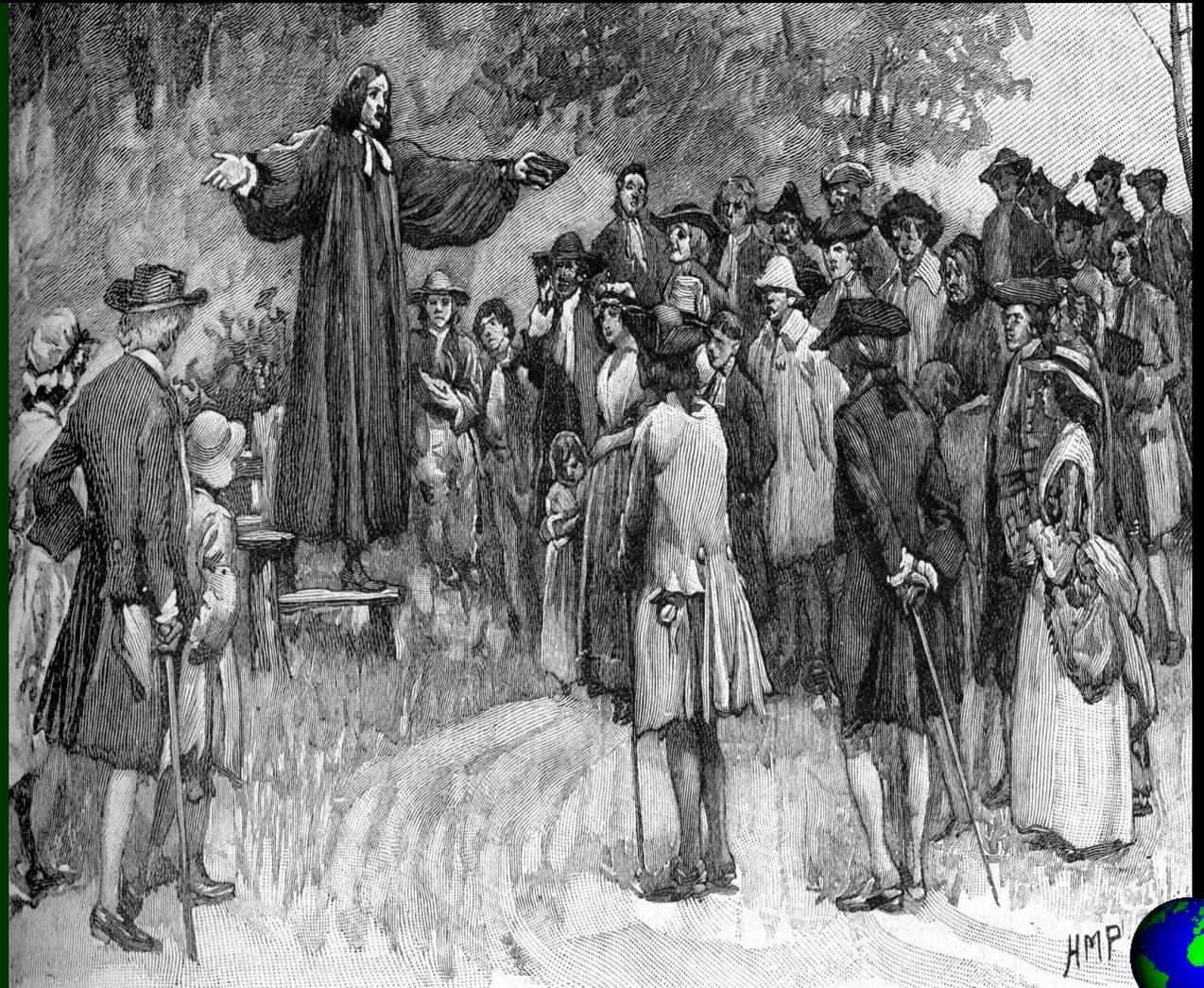
The key Bible texts which validate the Seventh-day Adventist church, it's mission and the foundational doctrine on the Sanctuary are found in these chapters.

This in turn, parallels and sustains the three angel's messages found in Revelation chapter fourteen. In other words, the foundation of Adventism is in these texts.



# Prelude to the 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet

As the vision of the 144,000 and the great multitude in [chapter 7](#) was an interlude between the sixth and seventh seals, so Revelation 10:1-11:14 constitutes a pause between the sixth and seventh trumpets. The timing of this interlude is the 1840s. During the early 1800s the power of the Ottoman Empire was waning, a spiritual revival known as [The Great Awakening](#) took place and Atheism was becoming much more widespread. [Revelation 11:7-10](#). The stage was now set for the final judgment of the seventh trumpet. [Revelation 11:15-19](#).



# *The Mighty Angel from heaven*

**1** And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow *was* upon his head, and his face *was* as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

**2** And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and *his* left *foot* on the earth,

**3** And cried with a loud voice, as *when* a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

**4** And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not. - Revelation 10



# *The Mighty Angel from heaven*

The description of this mighty angel is different and more glorious than the other angel messengers in Revelation. He is "clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:" The similarity to the description of Christ in [Revelation 1:13-16](#) leads many to believe that this angel must be Christ. The same rainbow we see around the throne in [Revelation 4:3](#) glows about His head, a token of His covenant of love. The "cloud" is also a token of Deity. Clouds and glory covered Him as Sinai ([Exodus 40:34-38](#)); they are "his chariot." [Psalm 104:3](#).



# *The Mighty Angel from heaven*

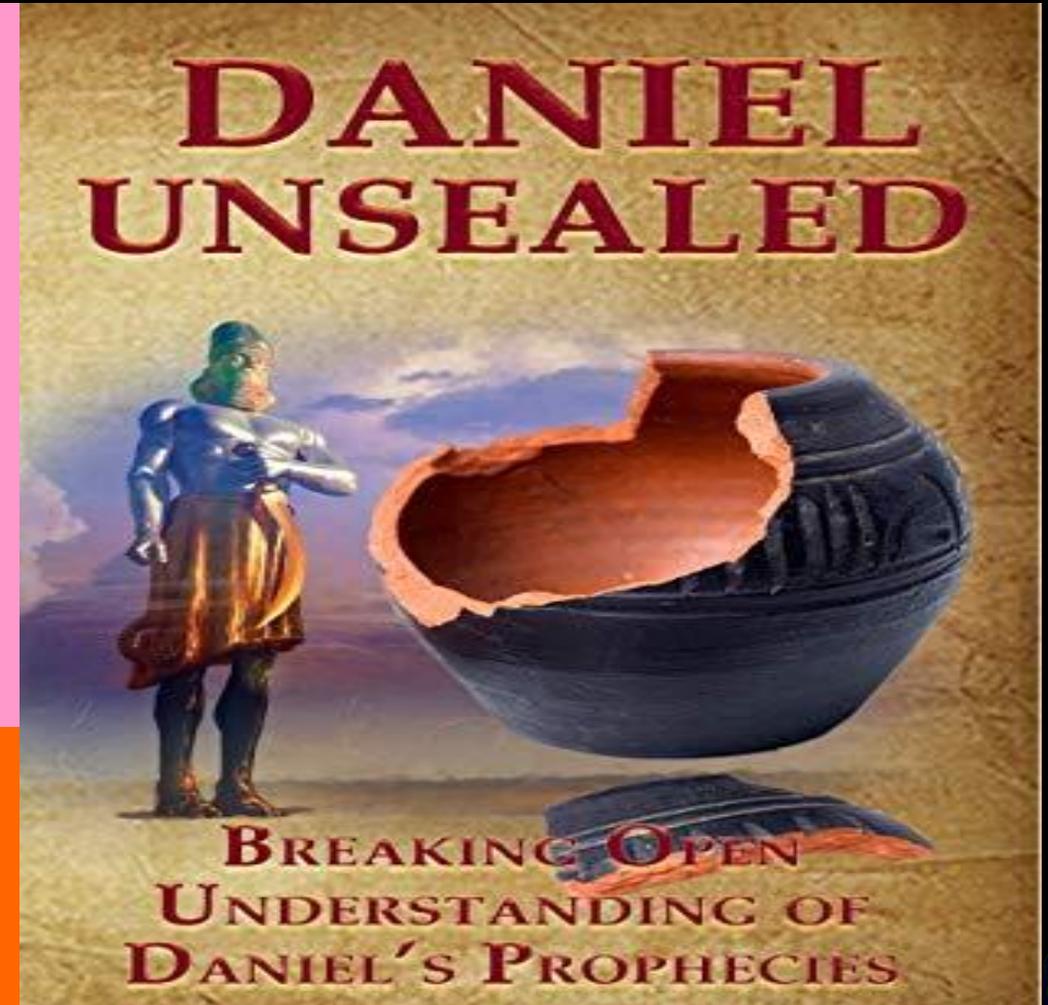
This mighty angel is standing on both the "sea" and the "earth," signifying that the message he brings is of worldwide significance. This message is contained in "a little book open." The face that this little book is "opened" shows that it was once closed. The [book of Daniel](#) was by divine direction closed up and sealed till the time of the end, when the wise were to understand. [Daniel 12:4-10](#). Here this book is open, showing that the book of Daniel has been unsealed, bringing us to the experience of 1844. See [Daniel 8:14](#); [9:25](#) for the meaning of [the 2,300 years](#) and [1844](#); cf. [Ezekiel 2:9-3:3](#).



# ***The closed and now open little book***

Both John and Daniel saw a glorious heavenly Being. Both deal with "time". There is one KEY difference. In Daniel the book is "closed up" and "sealed" till the time of the end. (Daniel 12:5-7) In Revelation the book is "open" and the long waiting time is over. Thus this message is important -- important enough to give to Daniel and seal it, in order that in the time of the end it's truths were to burst on the world with dazzling brightness. Also, this message concerns Christ and His plan of redemption for mankind.

The time is also identified in the book of Daniel. We find the "times, time and half a time" mentioned in Daniel 7  
Revelation 12 speaks of this same time period



# ***The closed and now open little book***

This time period is 1260 day/years (Rev. 12:6) This is the time Papal Rome "shattered" the power of the people of God. However the authority of the papacy to shatter (persecute all they deemed as "heretics") ceased in 1798.

This was the time Daniel's book was opened and people began to understand the messages contained in it's prophecies.

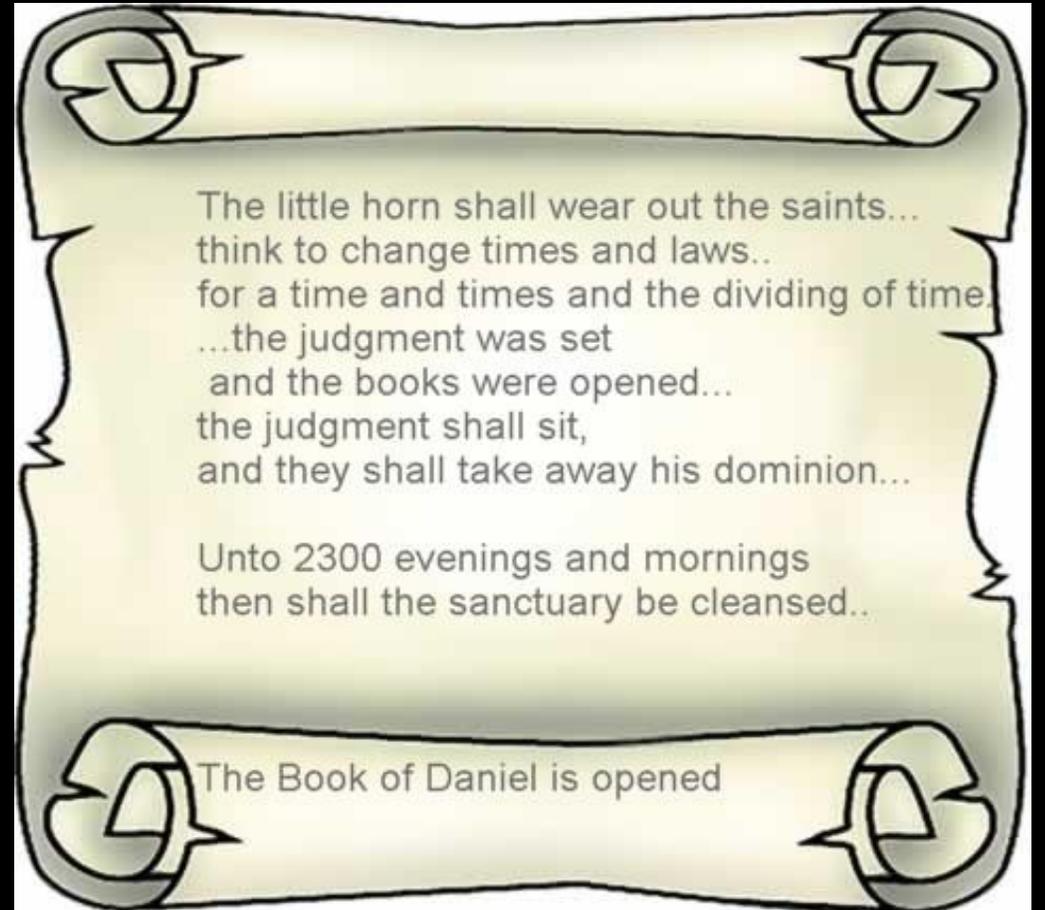
Many Protestants had the understanding that the 1260 years of papal reign had ended in 1798, confirming the prophecies in regard to the religious power.

So now the attention of the prophetic students of scripture were being turned to the 2300 years.



# ***The closed and now open little book***

As people pondered this prophecy there arose, not only in Britain and Europe, but also in Africa and India, and especially in America several dedicated men, quite apart from each other, the conviction that the 2300 day/years would end sometime in the 1840's. In America the movement was led by William Miller, in England, by Edward Irving; in Asia, by Joseph Wolff, in Sweden, where the laws prohibited adults from giving the message, children preached. The words rang throughout the world, "Prepare to meet you Lord."



# *The Lion Roareth*

**10** They shall walk after the LORD: he shall roar like a lion: when he shall roar, then the children shall tremble from the west. – Hosea 11

**8** The lion hath roared, who will not fear? the Lord GOD hath spoken, who can but prophesy? – Amos 3



AS WHEN A LION ROARS



# ***The Lion Roareth - Thundereth***

**1** At this also my heart trembleth, and is moved out of his place.

**2** Hear attentively the noise of his voice, and the sound *that* goeth out of his mouth.

**3** He directeth it under the whole heaven, and his lightning unto the ends of the earth.

**4** After it a voice roareth: he thundereth with the voice of his excellency; and he will not stay them when his voice is heard.

**5** God thundereth marvellously with his voice; great things doeth he, which we cannot comprehend. – Job 37

**15** And his feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; and his voice as the sound of many waters.

**16** And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp two-edged sword: and his countenance *was* as the sun shineth in his strength. – Revelation 1 – Now this is Jesus!



# ***God's last letter of Love to all the world***

“The message of Revelation 14, proclaiming that the hour of God’s judgment is come, is given in the time of the end; and the angel of Revelation 10 is represented as having one foot on the sea and one foot on the land, showing that the message will be carried to distant lands, the ocean will be crossed, and the islands of the sea will hear the proclamation of the last message of warning to our world.” Manuscript Releases, vol. 17, 9.

This statement indicates that Christ, Himself, is directing the proclamation of the first angel’s message. The first angel’s message was given by the early advent preachers in the 1830s and early 1840s; therefore the events of Revelation 10 occurred at the same time before October 22, 1844. It was at this time that the last message of warning began to be proclaimed to the world.



# 1<sup>st</sup> Angels Message Proclaimed 1844

The message was being preached; "Fear God and give Him glory, for the hour of His judgment IS come, and worship Him who made the heavens and the earth." (Rev. 14:7)

The 1st angel's message, from Rev. 14:7 was sounding.

1798 MARKED the beginning of "the time of the end" when knowledge would be increased and the angel's of Rev. 14 would begin to sound. It all pointed to the opening of the judgment.



A Great religious awakening under the proclamation of Christ's soon coming, is foretold in the prophecy of the first angel's message of Revelation 14. An angel is seen flying "in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." "With a loud voice" he proclaims the message, "Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his Judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters." [REV. 14:6, 7.] {GC88 355.1}

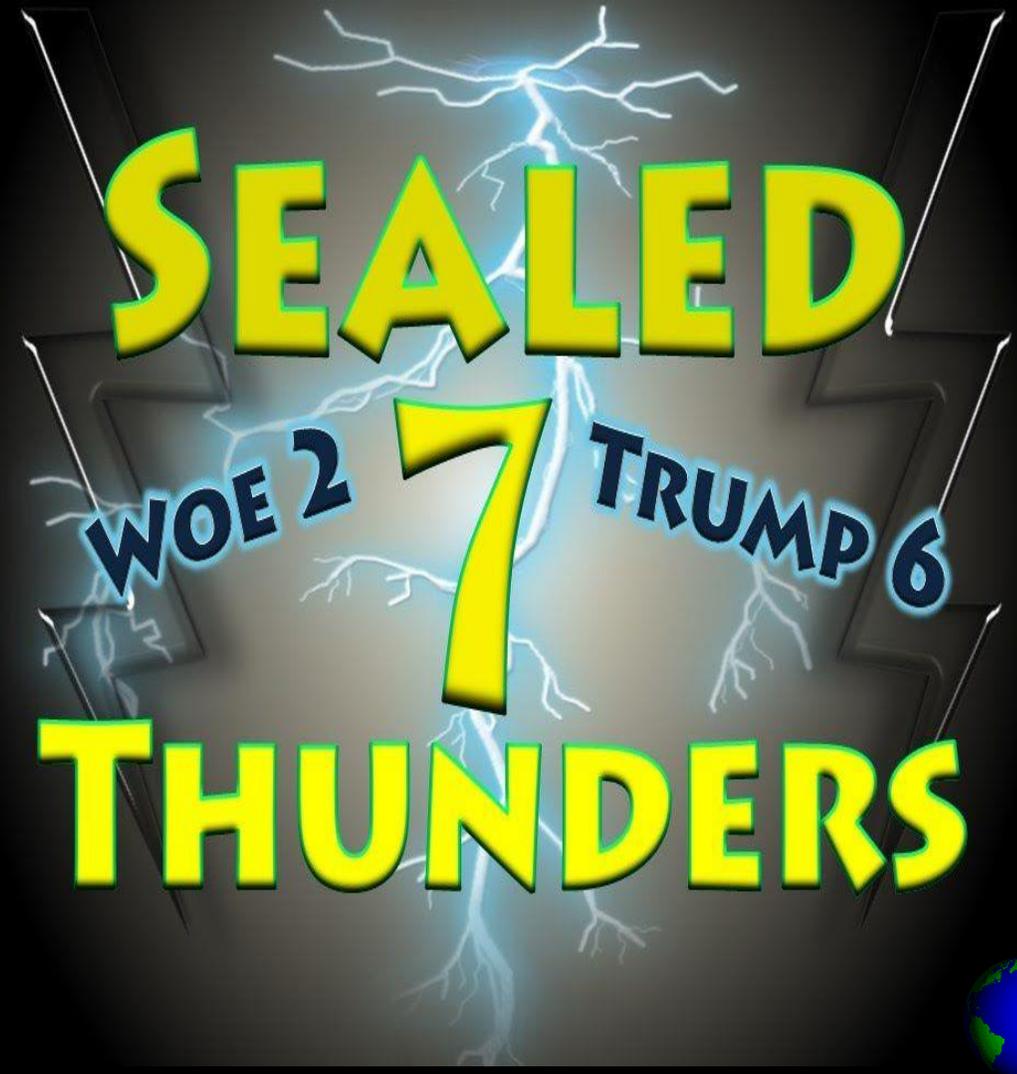


# *The seven Thunders*

After these seven thunders uttered their voices, the injunction comes to John, as to Daniel, in regard to the little book: **“Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered.”** These relate to future events which will be disclosed in their order.”

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Revelation 10 captures Jesus Christ revealing: “His supreme power and authority over the whole earth.” The little book He has in His hand is OPEN. The book of Daniel is OPEN when He cries with a loud voice as when a lion roars and then seven thunders utter their voices.



# *The seven Thunders*

From 1840-1844 the message was preached with great power, but at this point knowledge was not fully revealed--John, heard seven thunders utter their voices, and he understood the words those thunders uttered. He took up his pen and was about to record the message when he was told to seal up the message of the thunders.

## **Ellen White writes:**

"The special light given to John which was expressed in **the seven thunders was a delineation of events which would transpire under the first and second angel's messages.** It was not best for the people to know these things, for their faith must necessarily be tested." {7BC 971)

# SEAL UP

# THE SEVEN THUNDERS

Revelation 10:4



# ***The seven Thunders - Years / Events***

**29** Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: - Matthew 24

1755 – Lisbon Earthquake 1<sup>st</sup> Nov. All saints day

1775 – 1783 American Revolution

1780 – May 19 Dark Day: Sun & Moon darkened

1789 – 1799 French Revolution

First 3 of 7 time prophecies end: 1260, 1290 &

1<sup>st</sup> of 2520-year prophecies

1<sup>st</sup> Angel's Message Time is beginning:

1<sup>st</sup> Thunder Time is beginning: Daniel 8:14

unsealed. "Wise" understand TIME prophecies

**1818-1831 – William Miller is converted. Begins studying the Bible to refute his Deist friends.**

View for the end of the 2300 days (Daniel 8:14)

applying the year-day principle arriving at 1843.

Sees the 1335 days (Dan 12:12) ending in 1843.



# **The seven Thunders - Years / Events**

**30** And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. – Matthew 24

Miller applies the wounding of the papacy in 1798 at the end of the 1260 & 1290 days (Daniel 12:11)

**The beginning of the “time of the end” (Daniel 11:40) and the beginning of the 1<sup>st</sup> Angel’s of Revelation 14.**

He developed the Pagan/Papal motif from Babylon.

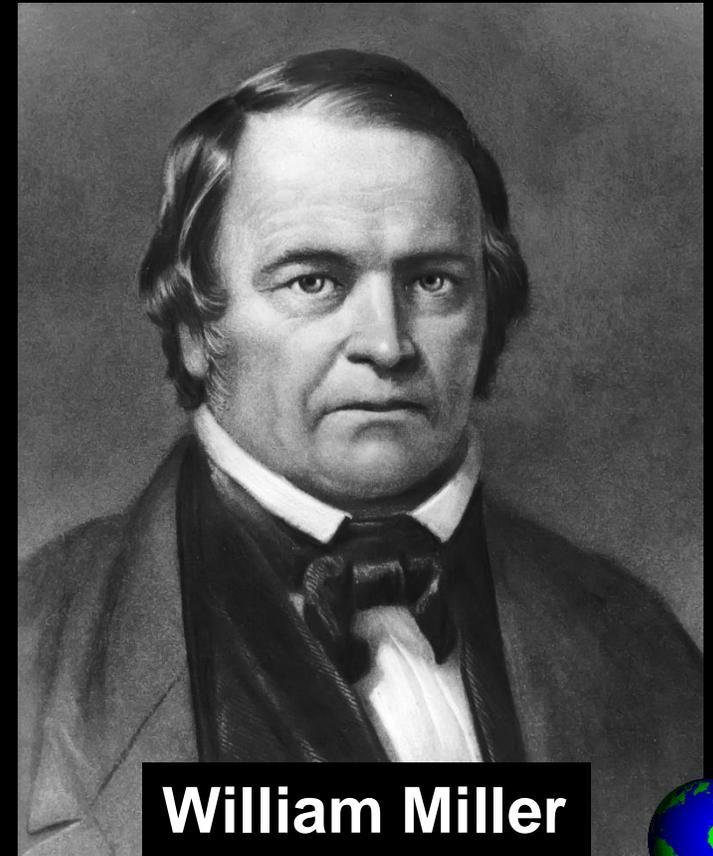
1833 – Begin 10 year antitypical Feast of Trumpets.

**Miller begins public speaking**, receives his license to preach and publishes his first book on Bible prophecy.

Evidences from Scripture and History of the Second Coming of Christ about the Year AD 1843.

**1833 – 15 November Falling Stars**

1836 – Miller sees Daniel 2 mixing of Iron & Clay as union of Church and State, accepts the long tradition of Catholicism as Babylon (and also the many divided Protestant sects as Laodicea & also Babylon.



**William Miller**



# The seven Thunders - Years / Events

1838 – Miller reprints “Evidences from Scripture and History”

Adopts the 10 Virgins motif as applying to the world & Church.

1840 – Joshua V Himes joins Miller, becomes principal organiser.

## 1<sup>st</sup> Thunder:

1840 – **Josiah Litch prophecies: fall of Ottoman Empire 11<sup>th</sup> Aug.**

1840 – October 1<sup>st</sup> General Conference of Advent believers in Boston

1841 – May Miller sees the “daily” (Daniel 8:11-13) as paganism,  
Connecting it to the “two abominations” motif.

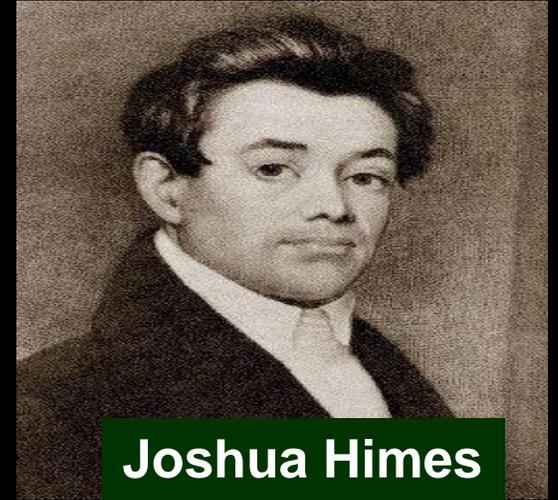
Litch first uses the term “Adventists” in a Millerite paper.

1842 – January **William Foy** receives and shares  
two visions about the nearness of Christ’s coming.

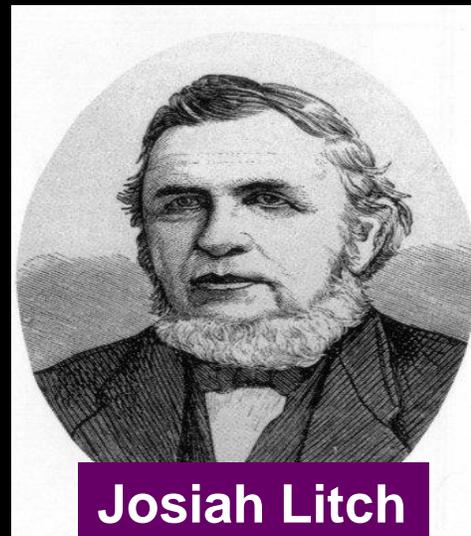
The travels of the people of God to the New  
Jerusalem, and the Glories of the New Earth.

1842 – April Miller sees the “Sanctuary” to be  
cleansed in Daniel 8:14 as both the earth & church.

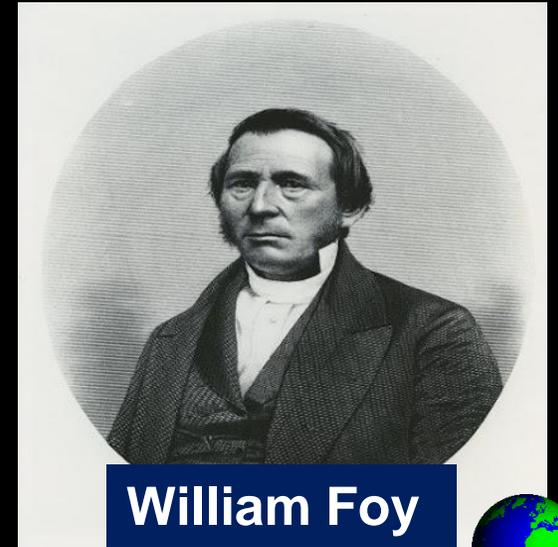
1842 – May 2<sup>nd</sup> Boston Second Advent Conference  
definitely sets time of Jesus coming as in 1843.



Joshua Himes



Josiah Litch



William Foy



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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Thunder:

### 1842 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Angel's Message begins

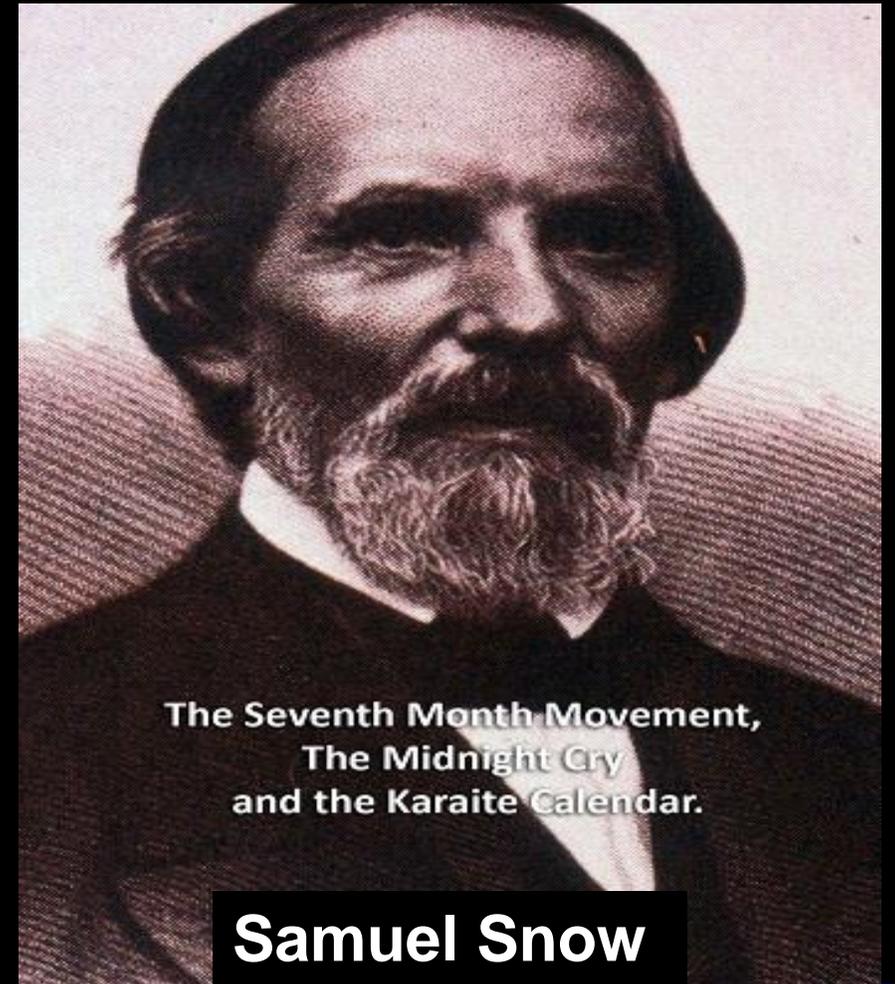
Churches begin closing their doors to Miller, but more people flock to his meetings in public halls anyway.

1842 – November “1843 Chart” designed by Charles Fitch & Apollos Hale is published by Himes.

1842 - Fitch publishes “The Midnight Cry” to advertise Miller’s meetings in New York.

1843 – September Fitches begins the call to “Come out” of “fallen Catholicism & Protestantism!”, but other Millerite leaders downplay it until Late in 1844.

1843 – December Samuel Snow uses Jewish “**Karaite**” timing, based on the barley harvest in Judea, to date the crucifixion at 31 AD, and the end of the 2300 days to the autumn of 1844 (but other Millerite leaders downplay it until after the 1<sup>st</sup> Disappointment).



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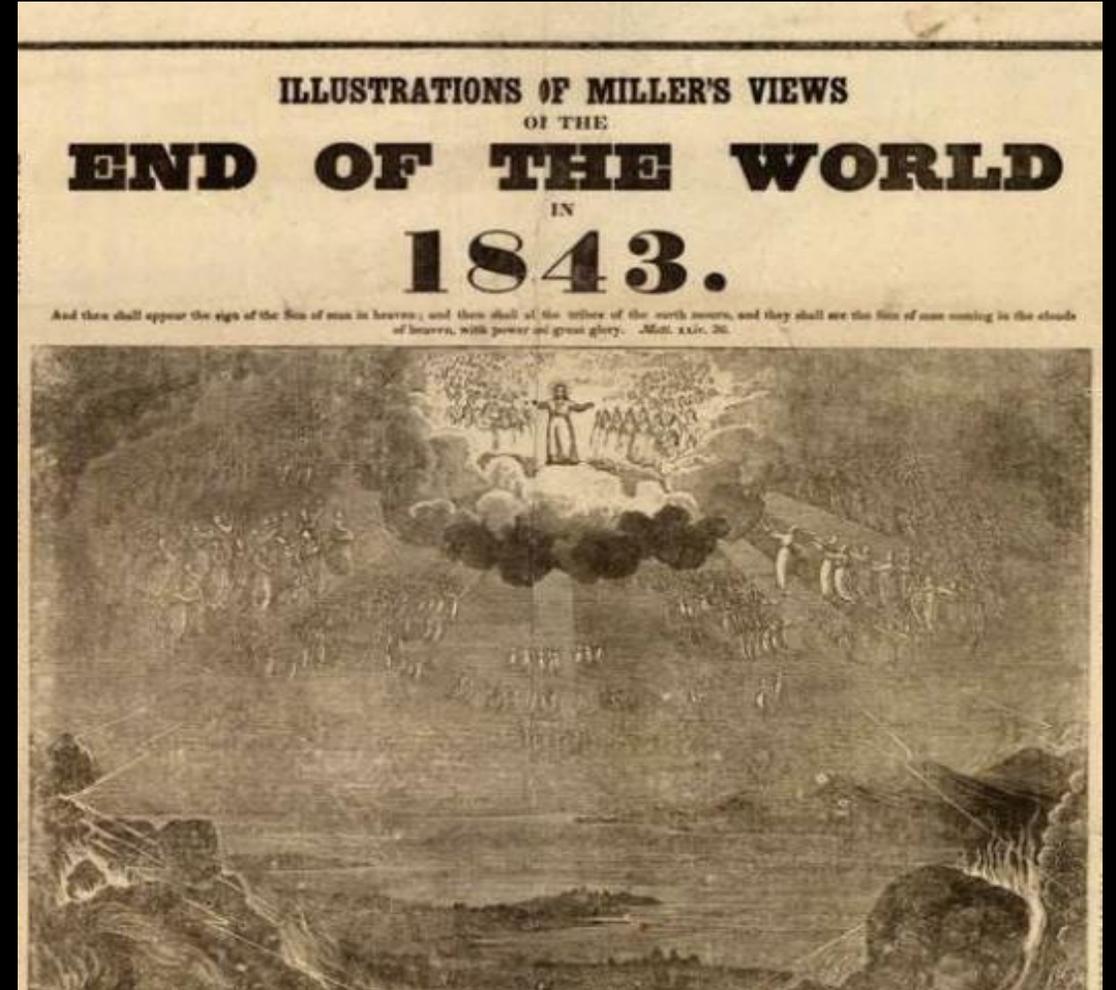
1844 – January Millerite “Signs” adopts “The Advent Herald and Signs of the Times” as its new name, and officially uses the term “Adventist” instead of “Millerite” to describe the believers.

Samuel S Snow uses Miller’s understanding of the Jewish feasts as types to calculate the date October 22, 1844 as the anti-typical Day of Atonement, and time of Jesus coming (but other Millerite leaders downplay it)

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Thunder:

**1<sup>st</sup> Disappointment – 21<sup>st</sup> March 1844**

But because of diversity of opinion on dates, the faith of most believers remains strong.



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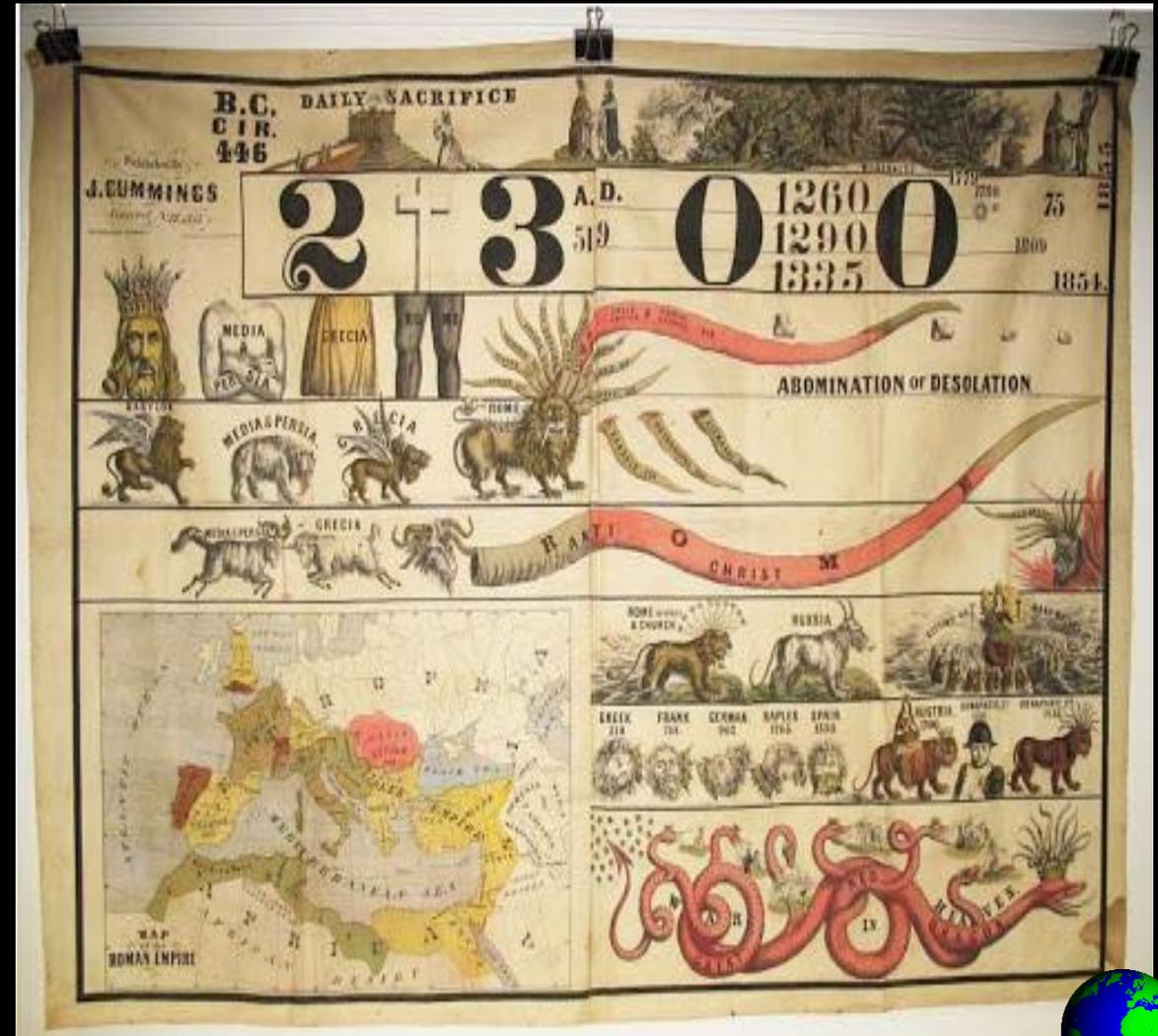
## 4<sup>th</sup> Thunder: April 1844

Millerites begin to understand the “tarrying Time” (Habakkuk 2:3) as applying to their own time, and the Ten Virgins parable as applying to Adventists and non-Adventists.

## 5<sup>th</sup> Thunder: Summer 1844

2<sup>nd</sup> Angel’s message call, “Come out of Babylon” is widely proclaimed.

**18** Then said they, Come, and let us devise devices against Jeremiah; for the law shall not perish from the priest, nor counsel from the wise, nor the word from the prophet. Come, and let us smite him with the tongue, and let us not give heed to any of his words. – Jeremiah 18

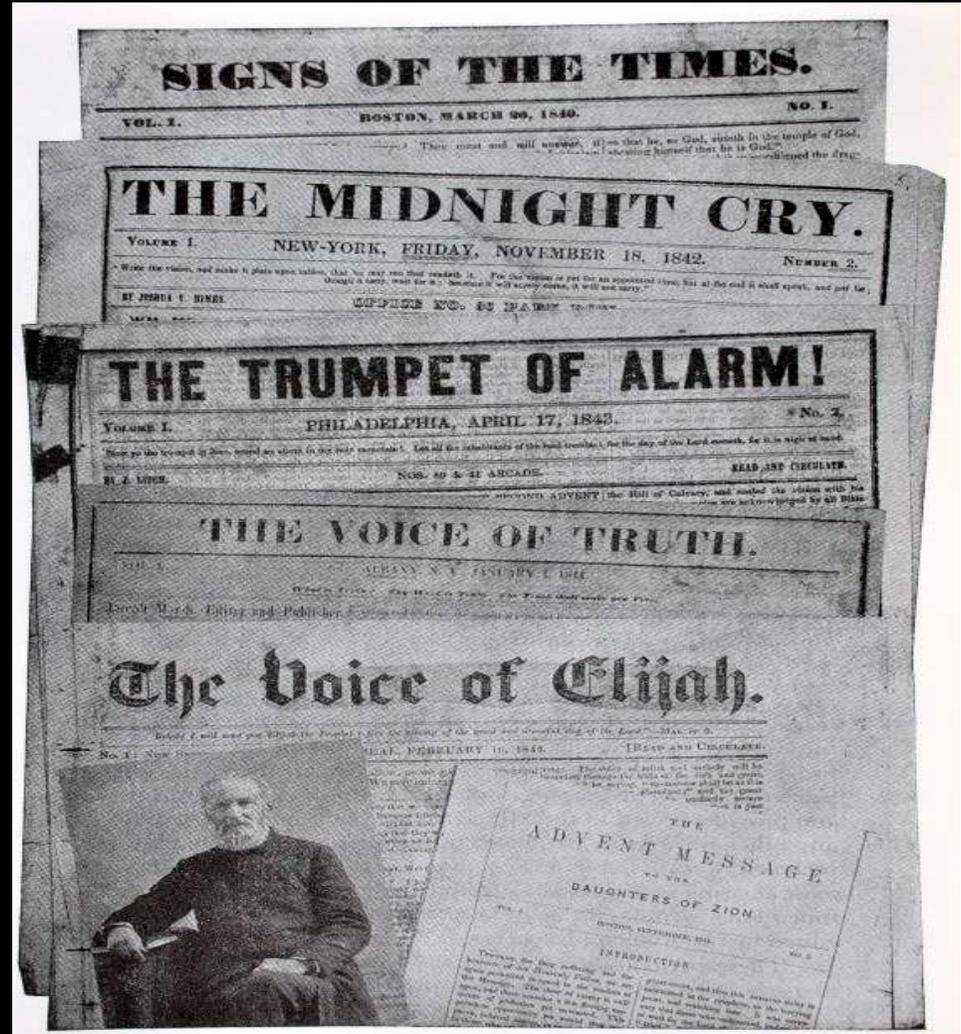


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## 6<sup>th</sup> Thunder: August 1844 “Midnight Cry”

Beginning at the Exeter camp meeting (Aug 12-17) S S Snow’s exact date of October 22 for the “Day of Atonement” (the 10<sup>th</sup> day of the seventh month) generates great popular excitement (called the “Seventh Month” movement), but Litch and other leaders at the Advent Herald remain sceptical and refuse to print Snow’s views.

August 22 Snow issues his own paper entitled “The True Midnight Cry” and some weeks later his views are accepted and printed in other Millerite papers. Notably, he suggests that Jesus would return at the end of the Day of Atonement “to bless His people”. George Starrs introduces the “conditional immortality of the soul” idea.



# The seven Thunders - Years / Events

William Foy receives a third vision about “three platforms”  
But doesn’t understand it, and he ceases public speaking.

Hazen Foss also receives a vision about “three steps” to  
heaven, But fearing public scorn about “visions” he  
refuses to share it.

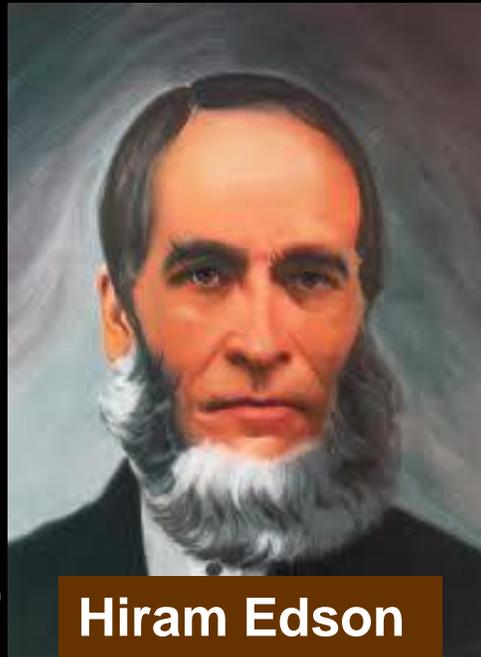
**7<sup>th</sup> Thunder: 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1844**

“Great Disappointment”, Time period  
of the Third Angel’s Message begins.

**7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet: 3<sup>rd</sup> Woe time period begins:**

Advent movement is reduced from about  
50,000 people to about 50 people.

1844 - October 23, Hiram Edson receives  
a vision about Christ’s high-priestly ministry,  
and later writes that the “sweet-bitter book”  
experience of Revelation 10 applies to the Advent people.



Hiram Edson



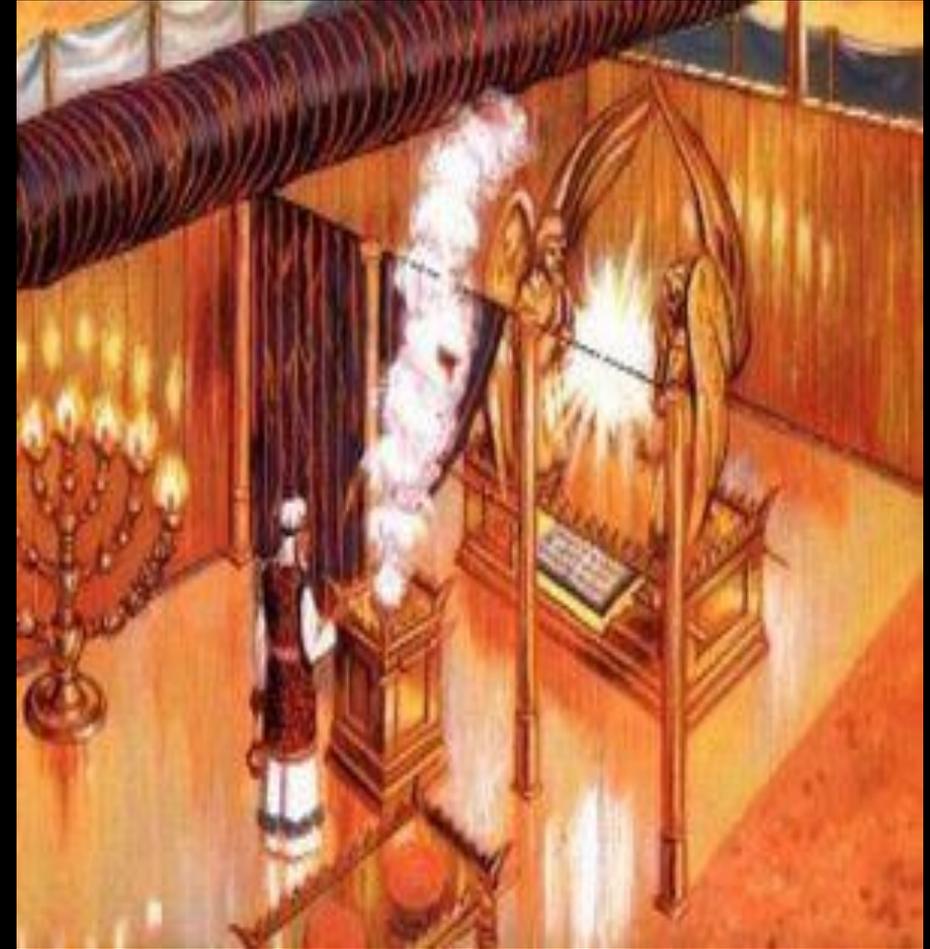
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1844 - November 13 Advent Herald suggests the Great Disappointment was a “test” to purify God’s people.

1844 - J B Cook advocates the idea of a “shut door” on October 22, 1844, seeing all who had not participated in the “Seventh Month movement” as shut out from God’s grace and lost.

1844 - November 29 Enoch Jacobs, editor of the “Day Star”, opposes this “extreme” shut door view, holding that human probation was still open.

1844 - December Miller accepts Cook’s “extreme” view on the “shut door” but rumours of conversions after October 22 seem to call into question the “shut door” idea.



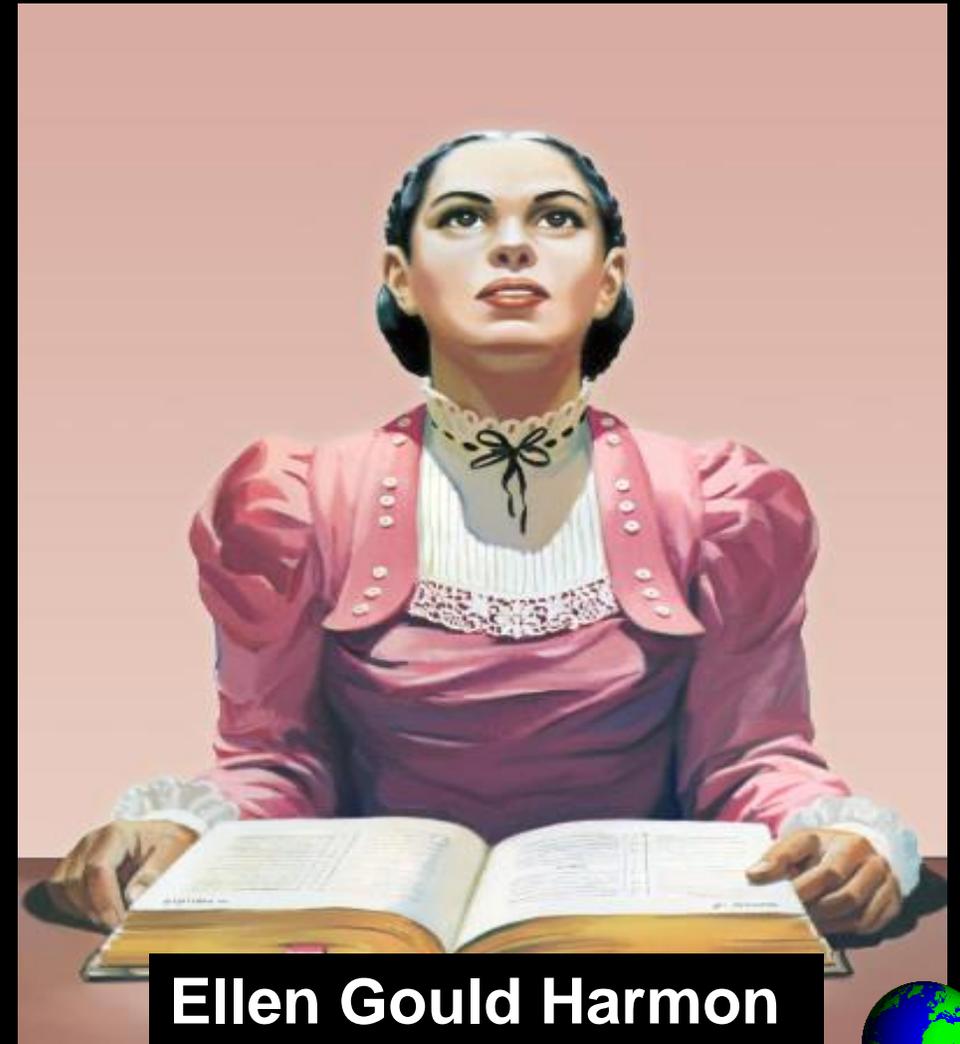
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1844 - December Ellen G Harmon (age 17) receives a vision that confirms the validity of the “Seventh Month movement/Midnight Cry”, and holds that the “shut door” applied to those who refused to participate in that movement, as well as the “wicked world”.

Joshua V Himes, at the Law Hampton Conference of Adventist, urges continuing to give the gospel to the world.

Jacobs, in the “Western Midnight Cry” suggests a difference between a “pre-advent” judgement and an “executive” judgement at the Second Advent.

Cook and J D Pickands write that the Three Angels of Revelation 14 had ended their work.



**Ellen Gould Harmon**



# ***The seven Thunders - Years / Events***

1845 - January Apollos Hale and Joseph turner uphold the “extreme shut door” position.

They also suggest that Christ as the Bridegroom came in before the “Ancient of days” to receive the kingdom as the Bride.

1845 - **Racheal Preston**, a Seventh-day Baptist, accepts the Adventist doctrines and joins a 40-member group. They all accept the Sabbath.

The prophetic message announces the end of the prophetic periods but, contrary to the fond hopes of those who studied this time periods, it was not yet the end of the world. Right here in Rev. 10 prophecy reveals it is not the end of all things for at that point in time the seven thunders were yet sealed. This also explains why they didn't fully understand what was to take place at that time, until AFTER the Great Disappointment.



**Racheal Oakes Preston**



# *The seven thunders summary:*

1. (Rev. 14:7) Hour of Judgment is come, worship Creator God! (Announces Investigative Judgment)
2. (Rev. 14:8) Babylon (popular religion) is fallen come out.
3. (Rev. 14:9-12) Avoid the mark of the beast (false worship) and keep God's commandments, having the faith of Jesus.
4. (Rev. 18:1) A repeat of the first three, with added emphases that spiritualism has invaded the popular religious bodies. Come out that you receive NOT her plagues.
5. (Rev. 14:14-16) Christ comes to reap the earth (2nd coming) to take His faithful home.
6. (Rev. 14:17) Angel with sickle
7. (Rev. 14:18) Another angel who had power of fire crying to the angel with the sickle.



These last two messengers declare the great battle after the 1000 years. The wicked are about to receive their final reward. The winepress filled with the "grapes" is trodden outside the city. This city is a reference to the beloved city which the wicked as numerous as the sands of the sea march against-- the holy city outside of which are the wicked (Rev. 22:17)



# What is - Time no more?

5 And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,

6 And sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer: - Revelation 10



This time, which the angel declares with a solemn oath, is not the end of this world's history, neither of probationary time, but of prophetic time, which should precede the advent of our Lord. The longest prophetic time period reached to 1844. Scriptures has no more "time periods". People have no more long time periods to wait before prophecy can be fulfilled. "They will not have another message upon definite time. After this period of time, reaching from 1842 to 1844, there can be no definite tracing of the prophetic time. The longest reckoning reaches to the autumn of 1844. {7BC 971.7}



# *What is - Time no more?*

These statements have reference to the three great time prophecies of the Bible, the seventy weeks, the 1,260 years and the 2,300 years. The time periods represented by these three prophecies had to be completed before the great controversy between Christ and Satan could be brought to a conclusion. Now that the last of these three time periods was completed, the great controversy could now move on to its conclusion without the restraint of time periods.

“When the book was opened, the proclamation was made, ‘Time shall be no longer.’ (See Revelation 10:6.) The book of Daniel is now unsealed, and the revelation made by Christ to John is to come to all the inhabitants of the earth.” Selected Messages, Book 2, 105.



# When the 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet sounds

7 But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets. - Revelation 10

The seventh trumpet at this point is still future. During the seventh trumpet the mystery of God will be finished. The mystery of God is the plan and actions of salvation-- it is the atonement Christ made which must be declared to every son and daughter of Adam. The atonement which was purchased and provided BY CHRIST upon the cross, and FINISHED on the great "day of atonement".



In the meantime the book is sweet!



## ***Bitter in the belly – Sweet in the mouth***

**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. – Revelation 10



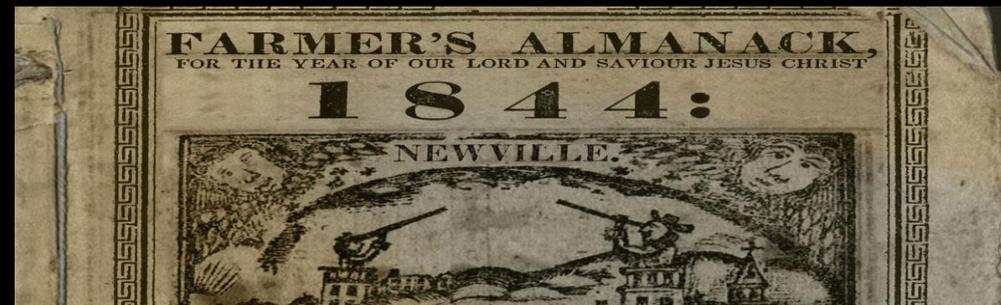
With joy the advent message that time should be no more went to the world. They had eaten the little book and filled their hearts and minds with it. It was sweet!

The joy and sweetness would turn to bitterness. The message was, "It shall make your belly bitter, but it shall be in your mouth sweet as honey". The autumn of 1844 came and went, and the intensity of the disappointment was beyond description. No earthly inducement ever seemed so sweet as the message of His coming; no disappointment was ever so bitter as that experienced by the believers in that Christ would come in 1844.



# *The Great Disappointment: 22<sup>nd</sup> Oct 1844*

**10** And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. – Revelation 10



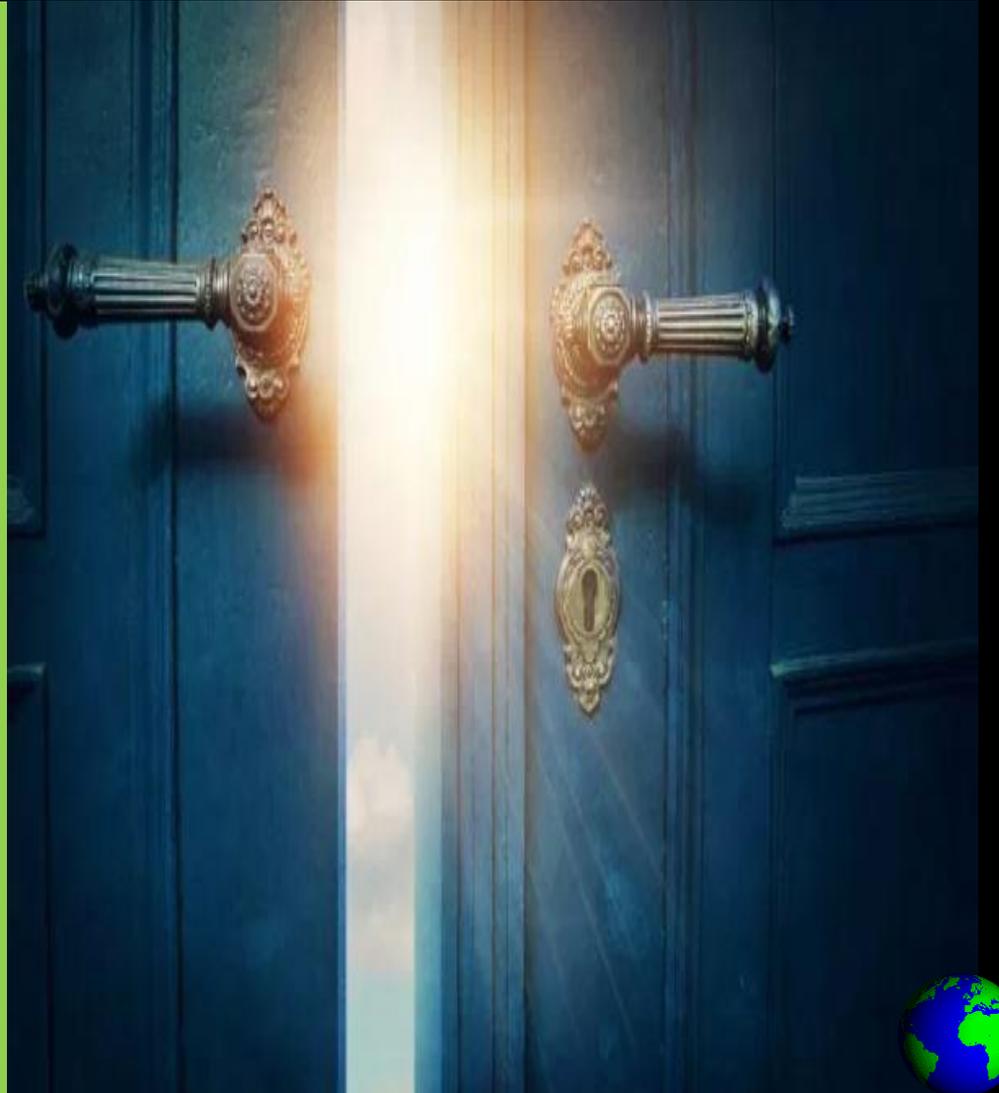
This message was to be “in thy mouth sweet as honey” but in “thy belly bitter.” In the early 1800s there were many honest and godly Bible students around the world who, independent of one another, were convinced that Jesus would soon return. Many of them saw in the prophecy of the 2,300 years of [Daniel 8:14](#) a prediction that Christ would come very soon to cleanse the earth by fire. Most believed that it would be soon time in the early to mid-1800s. The most influential of these groups, led by [William Miller](#), determined that 1844 was the correct year. See note on [Daniel 8:14](#); [9:25](#). However, they misunderstood the event prophesied to take place at the end of the 2,300 years. They had the misconception that the sanctuary to be cleansed represented the earth. This message of Christ’s soon return, to end all sorrow and pain, was “sweet” in their mouths. When he did not return at the appointed time they experienced a “bitter” disappointment, similar to what the disciples went through when Christ’s death shattered their beliefs that He would set up an earthly empire. [Luke 24:13-27](#).





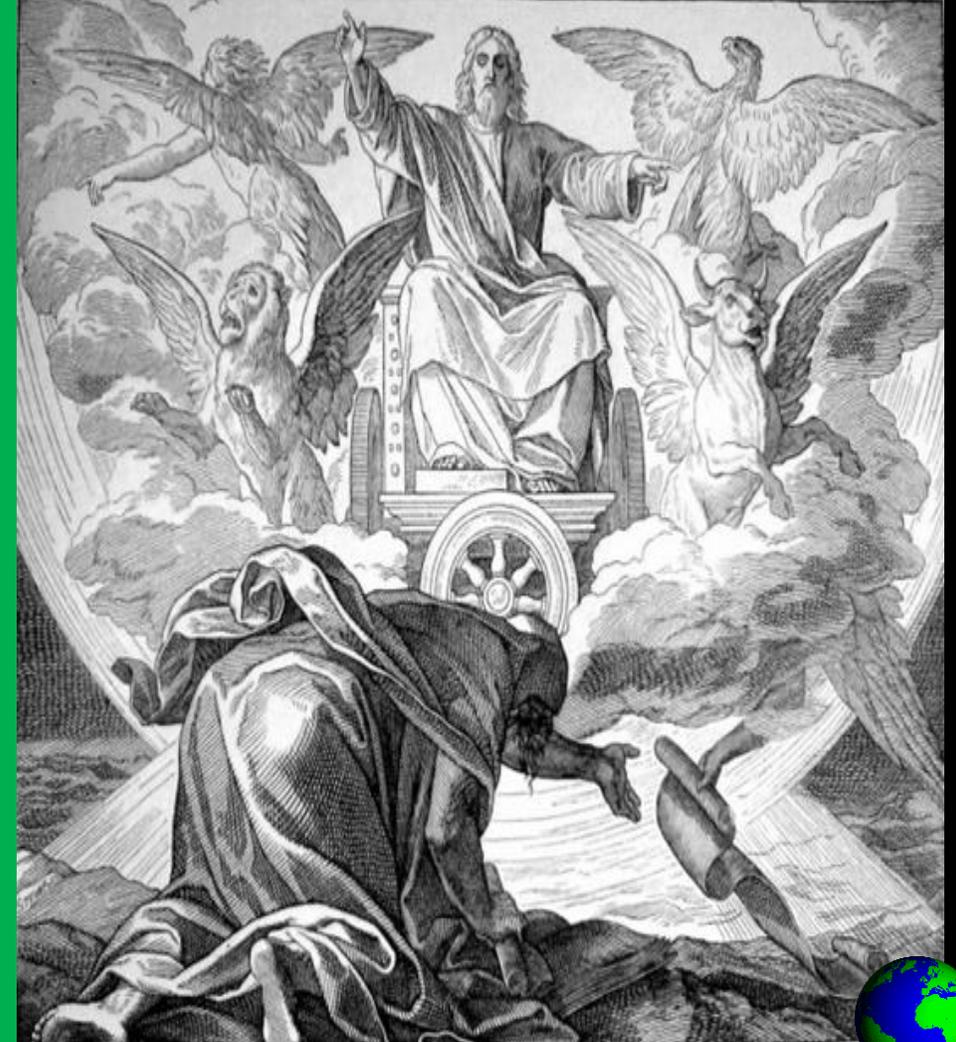
## ***The shut and open door***

After the disappointment it was the understanding of the sanctuary service that helped them to see: “that they were correct in believing that the end of the 2300 days in 1844 marked an important crisis. But while it was true that that door of hope and mercy by which men had for eighteen hundred years found access to God, was closed, another door was opened, and forgiveness of sins was offered to men through the intercession of Christ in the most holy. One part of His ministration had closed, only to give place to another. There was still an ‘open door’ to the heavenly sanctuary, where Christ was ministering in the sinner's behalf.” EW xxviii.2



# *Understanding the roll that Ezekiel ate*

The roll Ezekiel ate was symbolic of the messages God wanted him to give Israel. It is important to note that at this time Israel were already captives of Babylon. The roll Ezekiel ate is described in Ezekiel 2:10 as being: **“written within and without: and there was written therein lamentations, and mourning, and woe.”** The messages Ezekiel had to convey to God’s people were not going to be desirable. Lamentations, mourning and woe were the core messages Ezekiel was asked to deliver. Comparing Ezekiel’s experience and God’s desire for him to prophesy to God’s people has amazing similarities to the message given to John the Revelator and the Advent believers: “Thou must prophesy again.” The messages to be given by God’s people are warnings –the judgments or trumpets of God will blow and three of them are ‘woes’. The three Angel’s messages resound throughout the world warning people to:



# *The Movements of Jesus in the Sanctuary*

The 1844 was a great disappointment, and there are several other disappointments in the Christian history as Christ always moves in His ministration. This is caused by MISUNDERSTANDING of Christ's MOVEMENTS in His sanctuary services. There is one disappointment, however, we MUST not experience - the close of probation.

1. When Christ came to the 'earth' at His birth in a manger, the Jews were expecting a literal King, not a babe born in a manger.
2. When He died on the cross, the disciples were disappointed, because they thought He would take over the reigns from the Romans.
3. A 'remnant' had caught up with His movements at Pentecost, but the vast majority were not aware of His new ministry as Priest in the heavenly temple in the Holy place, and the Jews continued their meaningless round of ceremonies in the outer court, not catching up to Christ in the new dispensation of ministering in the Holy place.
4. 1844, He shifts to the Most Holy place, and the disappointment is clear to all. Yet a small remnant were keen to restudy and 'CATCH UP' with Jesus.



# *The Movements of Jesus in the Sanctuary*

Now, there are two other movements of Christ we need to focus on

5. Judgment of the dead - which began in 1844. Any who had believed a lie of post-dead 'purgatorial' reconciliation will be disappointed, as their cases are already closed.

6. Closing of the sanctuary services with Judgment of the living - Starting with those abiding in the most holy place, coming out to holy place and finishing with the court.

We MUST CATCH UP to Jesus, be in tandem with His movements TODAY in the heavenly sanctuary, for we cannot afford the previous disappointments that characterized the previous generations as He moved in His various services.



# *What were they to Prophecy again?*

**11** And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings. – Revelation 10

They were commissioned to preach again -- Christ had not yet come. The prophetic times had come to an end, but there was still more work to be done before Christ returns. What has become known as the "third angel's message" (Rev. 14) must be preached in all the world. **WHAT WERE THEY TO PROPHECY?**

We must remember that Biblical chapter divisions were added later. The writer of Revelation tells us in the next verses what was to be the message of the disappointed believers in prophecy.



# ***What were they to Prophecy again?***

Fear God, and give glory to him; for **the hour of his judgment is come**: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. (First Angel's message – Revelation 14:7)

Come out of Babylon my people, that ye **be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues** (Second Angel's message – Revelation 14:8).

And If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same **shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation**; (Third Angel's message – Revelation 14:9-11)



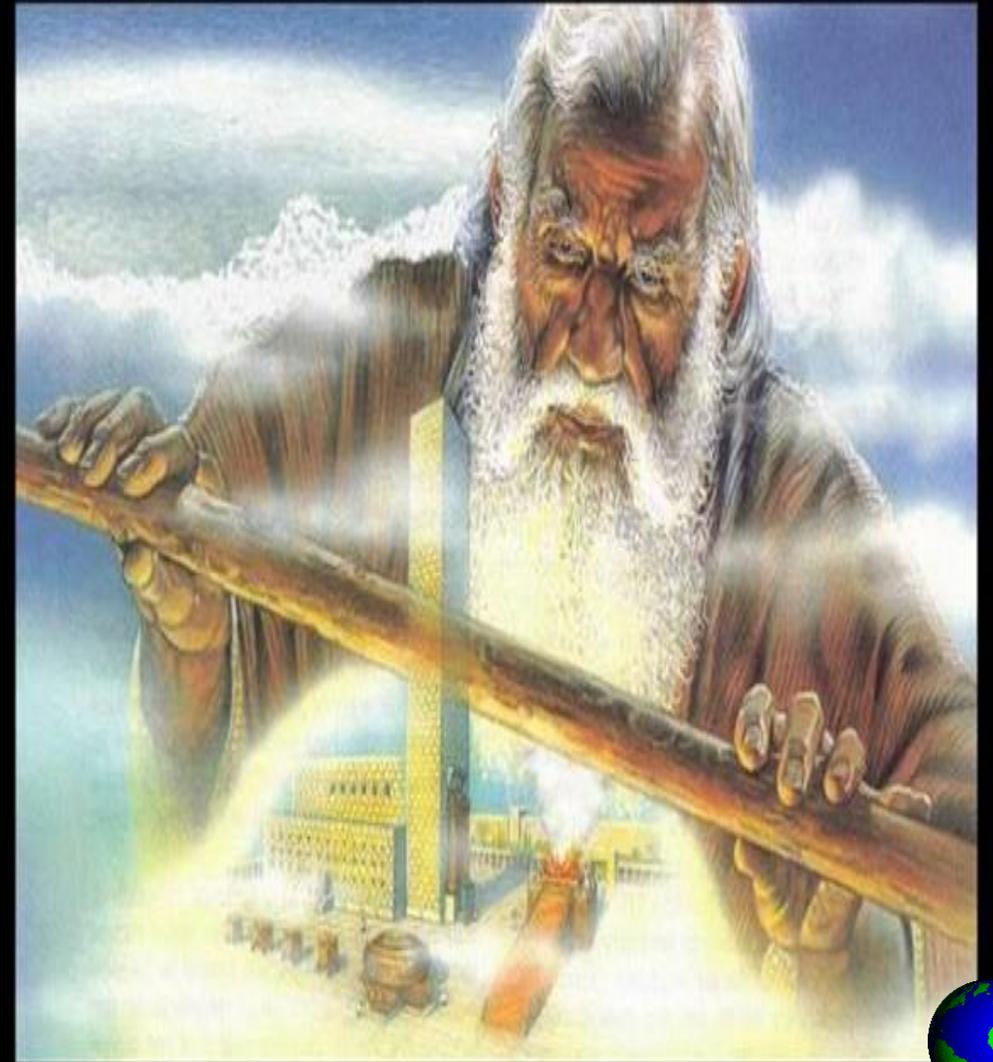
# ***The beginning of the Investigative judgement***

**1** 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.

**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. – Revelation 11

They were commanded to "measure the temple". Yet, what temple is this speaking of? It's not the temple in Jerusalem, that was destroyed years earlier.

They had thought the sanctuary was this earth-- They thought Christ would come and the earth would be cleansed with fire at the end of the time periods. But no-- they were NOT to measure the "courtyard" of the temple. The "courtyard" where the altar of sacrifice stood represents the earth.



# *The beginning of the Investigative judgement*

However, the inner holy places of the earthly sanctuary represented the great heavenly sanctuary. Could it be possible that the sanctuary to be cleansed at the end of the 2300 days of Daniel 8:14 could be in heaven?

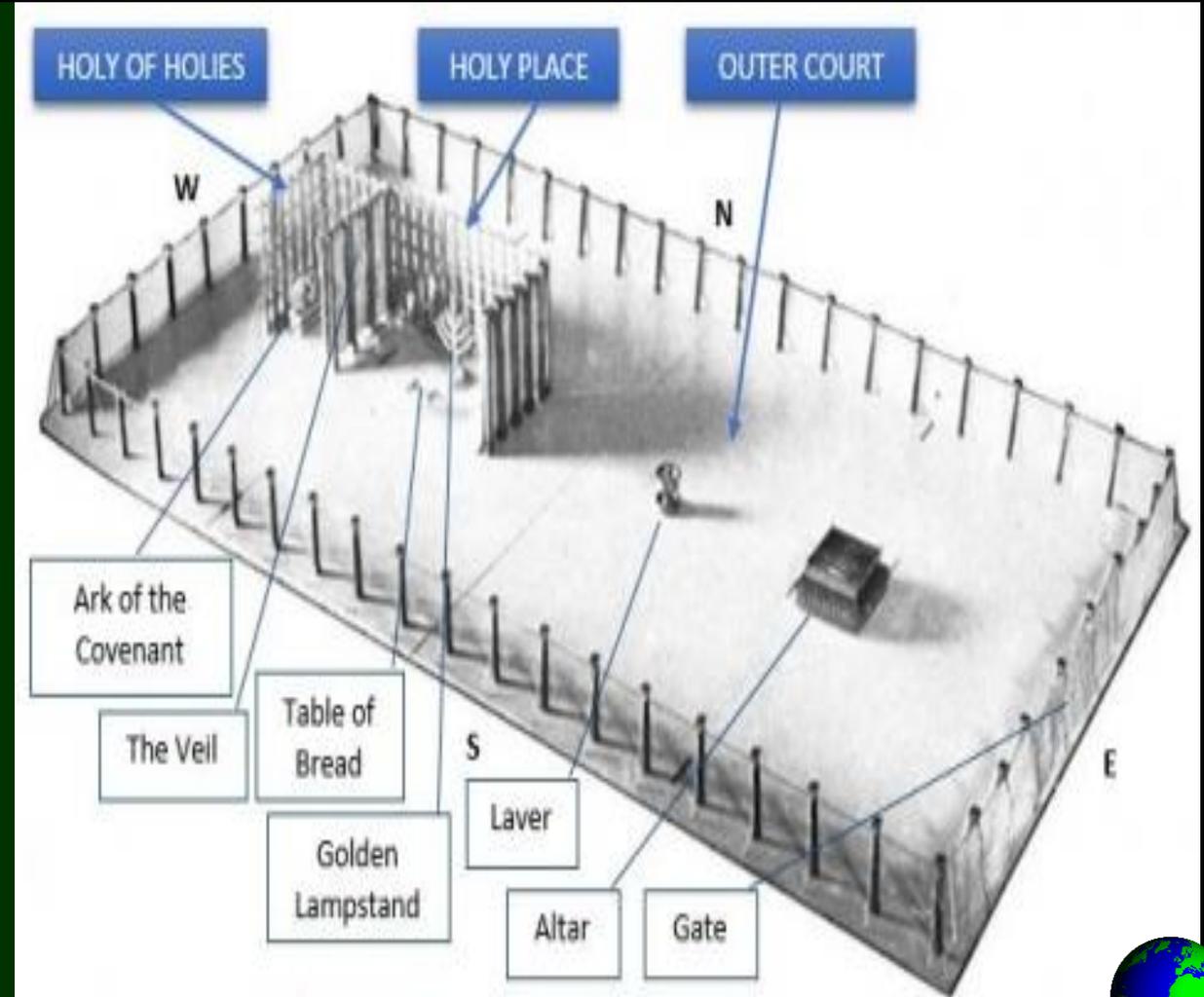
**Yes, in Hebrews 9:23 they read:**

It was therefore necessary that the patterns of things in the heavens should be purified with these; but the heavenly things themselves with better sacrifices than these.

**What was to be measured in Rev. 11:1?**

The same three things were to be measured which were cleansed in the day of atonement!

The altar, (Lev. 16:18)  
the sanctuary (Lev. 16:16)  
and the worshipers! (16:17)

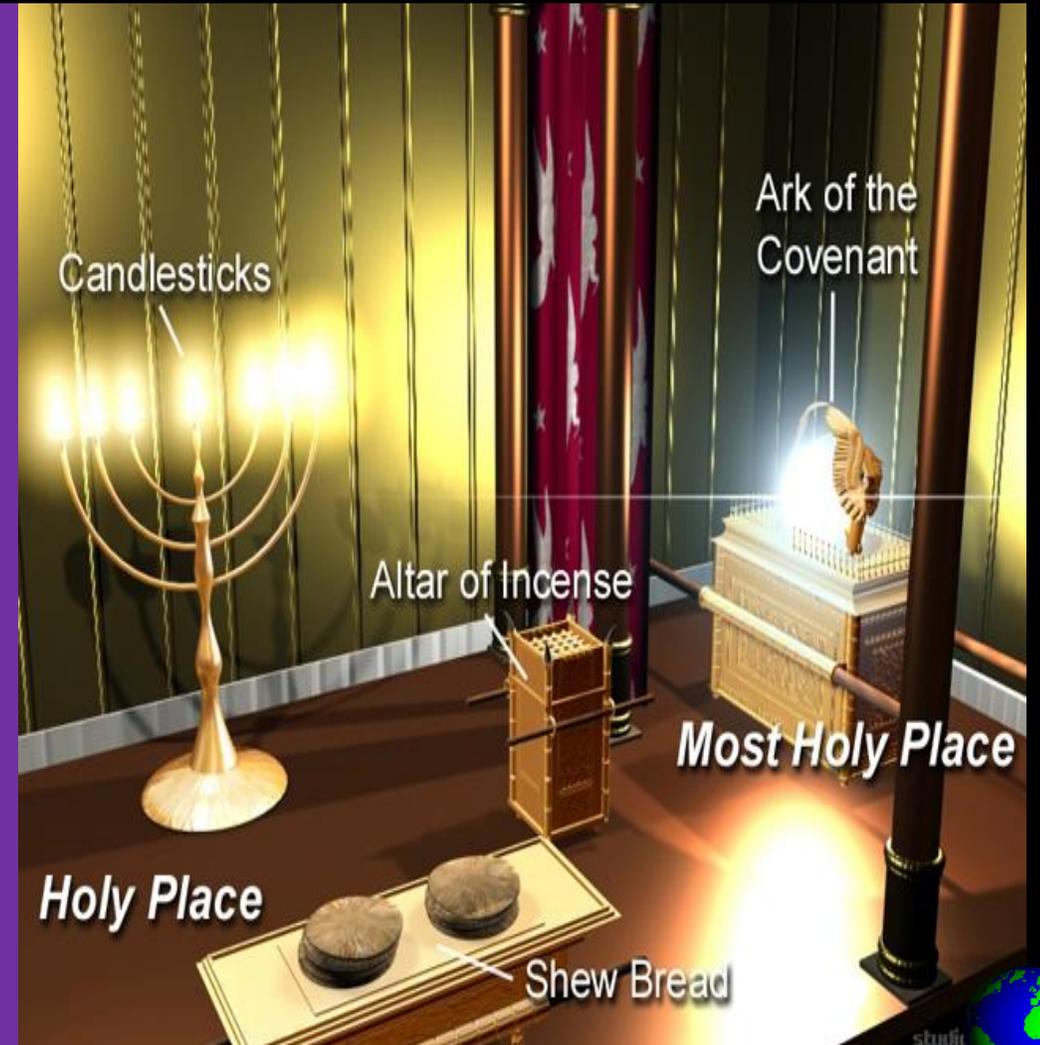


# *The beginning of the Investigative judgement*

As these disappointed ones examined and evaluated "what sanctuary" was to be "cleansed" at the end of the 2300 day/years, they found out that during the seventh trumpet, the temple IN HEAVEN was opened and the ark of the testament was seen in heaven. (obviously this part of the temple was opened near the end of earth's history-- at the seventh trumpet!) The ark of the testament is in the Most Holy Place, into which the High Priest enters on the "Day of Atonement".

It was seen that the heavenly "Day of Atonement" had begun at the end of the 2300 day/years, in 1844!

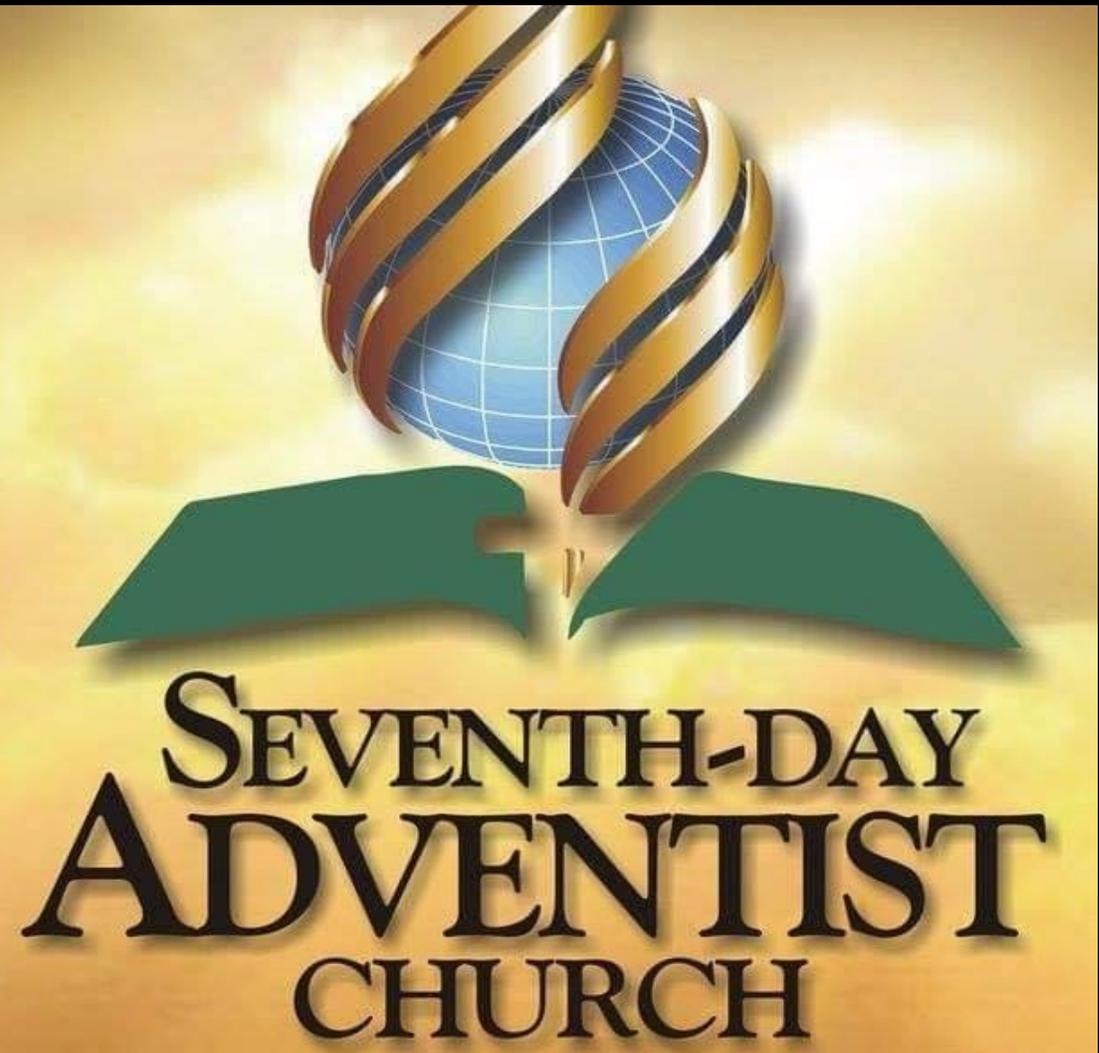
**But why would the worshippers be measured in Rev. 11:1?** "Measure" means "judge" in Matthew 7:2: "For with what judgment ye judge, ye shall be judged: and with what measure ye mete, it shall be measured to you again."



# ***The Commission to Prophecy again is given...***

A measuring judgment is an investigative judgment, not an executive judgment. Now we see that Revelation 11:1 ties together Daniel 8:14 and Leviticus 16. Revelation 10 takes us to the opening of the investigative judgment and a new movement sent forth with the last message to the world. The remnant of the Millerites after further studies: Seventh-day Adventist church.

This IS THE COMMISSION OF Seventh-day Adventists-- to preach the three angel's messages in it's fullness. Preach it AGAIN-- but this time see the SANCTUARY IN HEAVEN as the main focus. (The interpretation of TIME was correct, time will never again be an issue-- but focus on the heavenly sanctuary where the mystery of God is being finished)



# ***The prophetic rise of the Seventh-day Adventist church: the only church that comes through this event!***

Therefore, the October 22 date marked not the Second Coming of Christ, but rather a heavenly event. Out of this group arose the [Seventh-day Adventist Church](#), and this interpretation of the Great Disappointment forms the basis for the [Seventh-day Adventist doctrine of the pre-Advent Divine Investigative Judgement](#).

1860 – The remnant was given the name, Seventh-day Adventist.

1863 – May 21, Organization of the General Conference of the Seventh-day Adventists.

1872 – The Declaration of Fundamental Principles taught and practiced by the Seventh-day Adventists is published at Battle Creek, MI.



**Original Logo of Seventh-day  
Adventist church**



# *The beginning of the Investigative judgement*

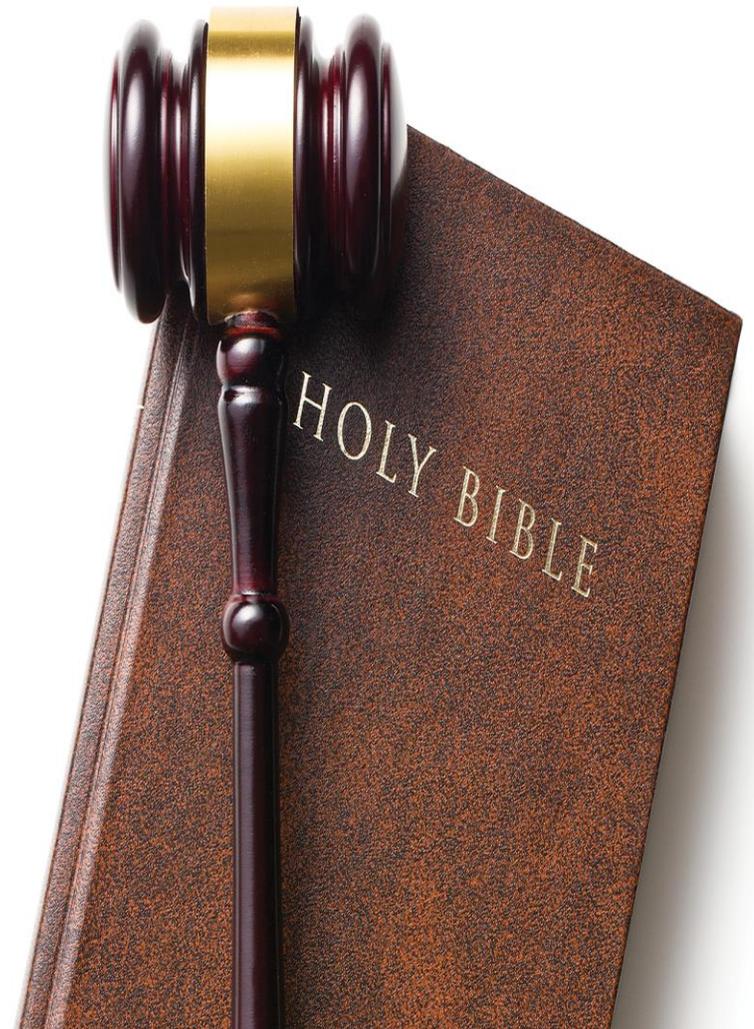
Two groups of people are mentioned here, "them that worship" and "the Gentiles." The first group represents God's true church, [spiritual Israel](#), while the second represents a false and corrupt church that professes to worship God but is not true to him. God's true people are "measured," or judged, while the others are not. The [Pre-advent Judgment](#) which began in 1844 is just like the [ancient Jewish Day of Atonement](#) in that the only ones being judged are those who have confessed their sins and had them transferred to the temple. Accordingly, this judgment is to determine whether those who profess to be Christians are really Christ's faithful people.



# ***The beginning of the Investigative judgement***

"The Holy City" represents God's true church, also called Jerusalem (Isaiah 52:9), and we see in verse 7 its opposite, "the Great City," called in Revelation 18 "Babylon, which is any system of false religion. [Revelation 18:2, 10, 16, 18, 19, 21](#). The false church is seen to "tread" the true church "underfoot" for "forty and two months." This refers to the same 1,260 year period of Papal domination seen in [Daniel 7:25](#) and in [Daniel 8:10, 23-25](#).

"At the time appointed for the judgment--the close of the 2300 days, in 1844--began the work of investigation and blotting out of sins. All who have ever taken upon themselves the name of Christ must pass its searching scrutiny. Both the living and the dead are to be judged "out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." (GC 486)

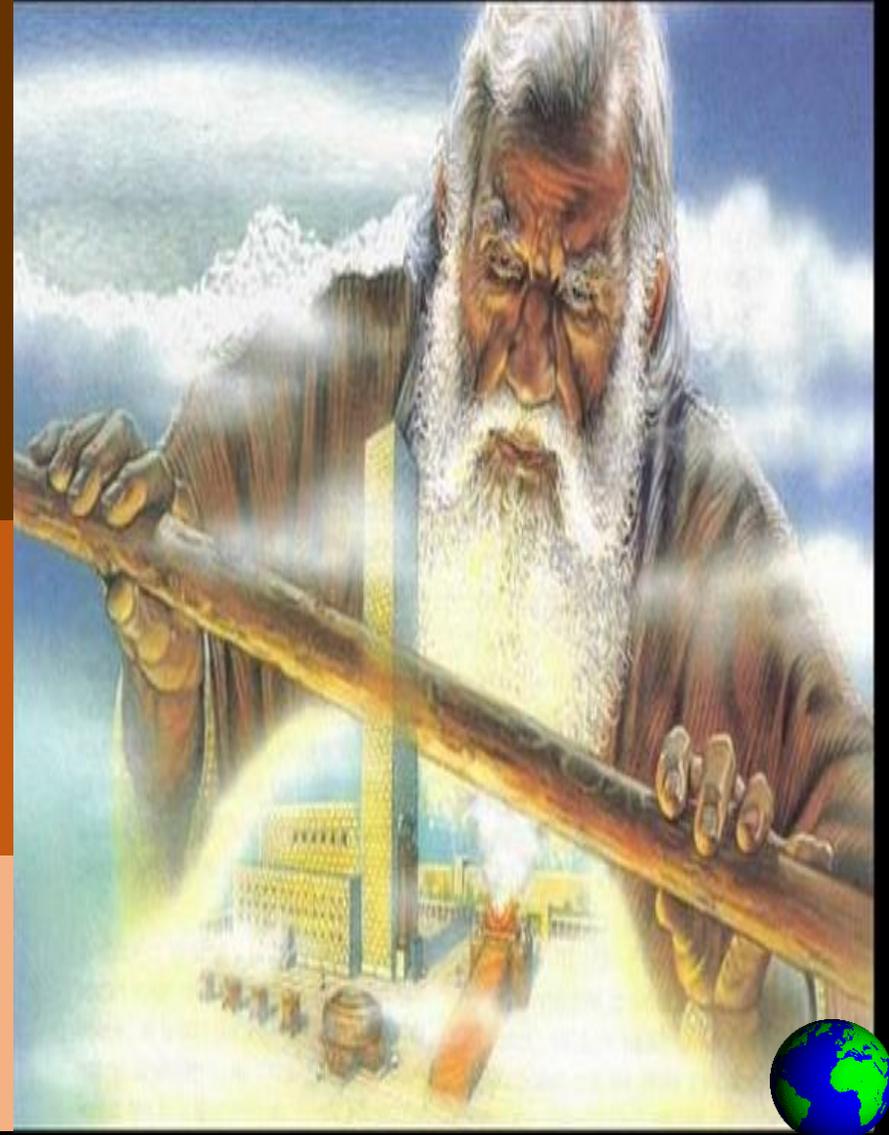


# ***The Measuring Rod – God's 10 Commandments***

God's law is a revelation of His nature; it defines how He lives. If we want to be in His Kingdom and live as He does, we must obey His law. Yet obeying God's law in no way minimizes grace. God first gives us the Redeemer and then asks us to walk in His commands. He frees His people from their slavery to sin, then says "go and sin no more" live according to the standard of His law. Grace precedes law, but obedience will result if true religion has taken root in the life.

"For the time has come for judgment to begin at the house of God; and if it begins with us first, what will be the end of those who do not obey the gospel of God? Now "If the righteous one is scarcely saved, where will the ungodly and the sinner appear?" (I Peter 4:17-18)

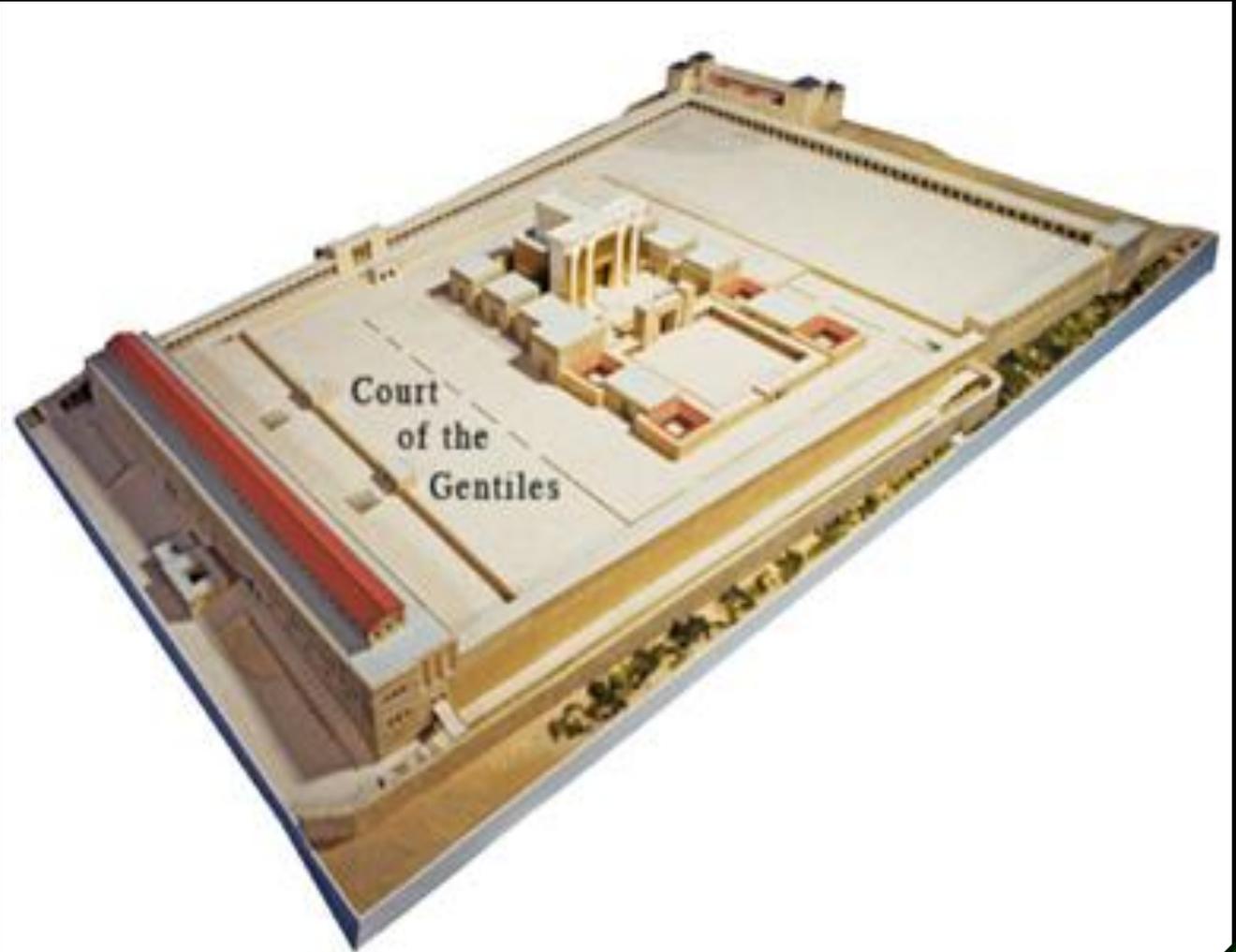
Those that worship are not literal Jews worshiping in a literal temple, but those who direct their worship to the heavenly temple, where Christ ministers in behalf of His children (see Hebrews 8)



# *The 2 parts of the Court of the Temple*

This is the court of the temple in which stood the altar of sacrifice and the laver. It represents the earth in contrast with "the temple of God" in heaven. The court typified Christ's work upon earth; His baptism and His sacrifice upon the cross.

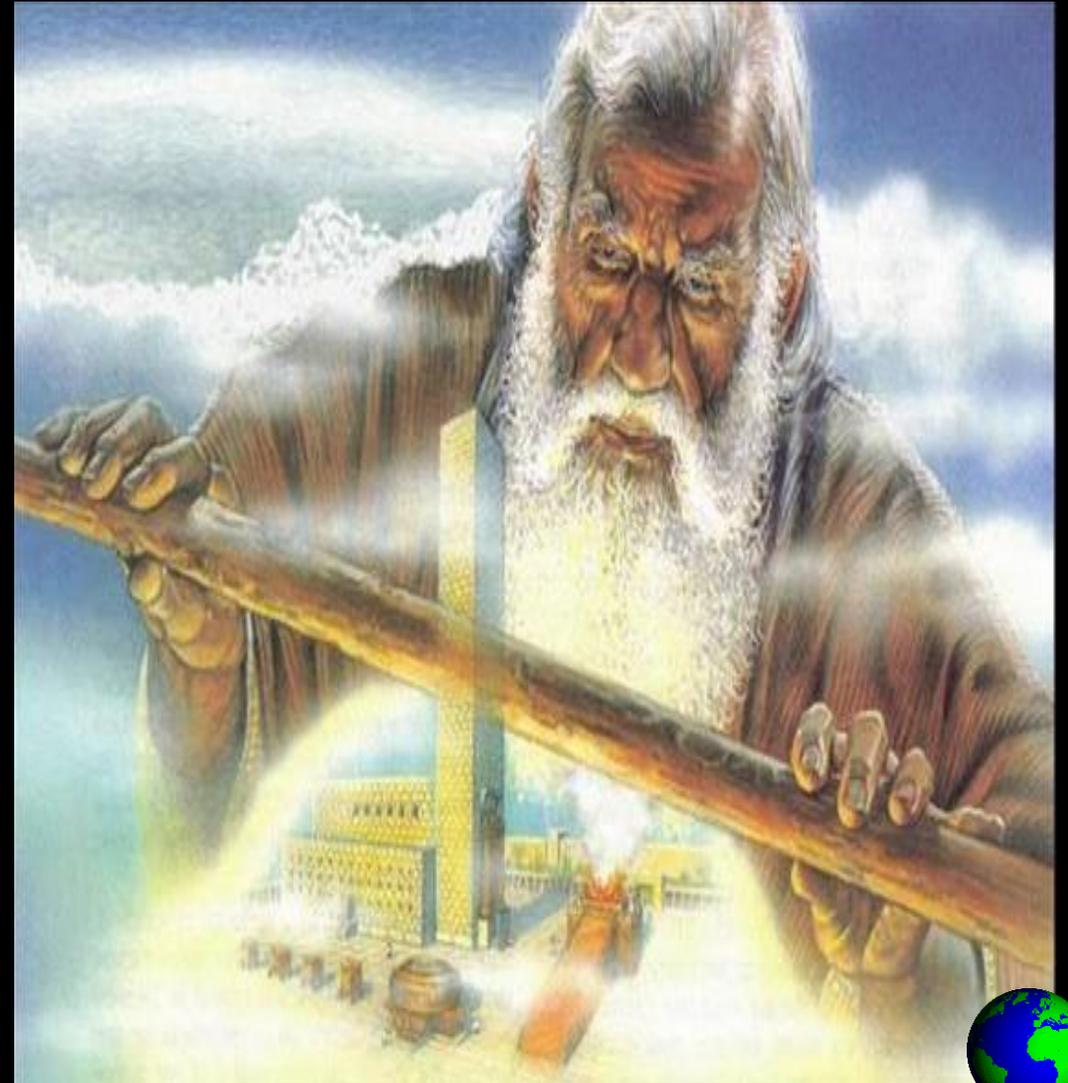
The courtyard of the Jerusalem temple was divided -- inner courts for the Jewish worshippers, and a large outer court for the Gentiles. The symbolism here is that the true worshippers are looking to the heavenly sanctuary, while the unconsecrated ones are in the outer court. The phrase "time of the Gentiles" is in an apocalyptic setting.



# *The Gentiles in the outer part of the court*

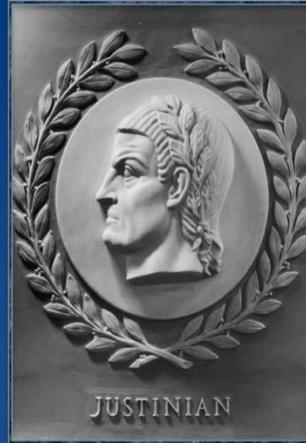
**24** And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and shall be led away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.- - Luke 21

If we turn to Daniel we see a lot of TRAMPLING going on. [7:7,19; 8:7,10] The connection points to the trampling of the holy place and its host in Daniel. The agent doing the trampling is an extension of the Roman Empire which reveals itself as both a religious and political power that causes desolation [7:21,25; 8:11-13; 11;21-25; 12:11] It attempts to reach into heaven itself, usurping Christ's daily ministry and casting truth to the ground. It reaches into heaven -- the true PLACE of the sanctuary, and casts the "place" of the sanctuary to the ground, claiming power over it, and trampling on it.- Papal Rome.



# The time, times & ½ time or 1260 days

This oppressive power is given a set TIME in prophecy during which the saints suffer under its "trampling". "A time, times, and half time" or 3 1/2 years. (Daniel 7:25; 12:7) This time period equals 42 months and thus establishes a specific link between Daniel 7 and Rev. 11. To make it even clearer, Rev. 11 defines that time in two different ways. 42 months in 11:2 and 1260 days in 11:3 Forth-two prophetic months of 30 days yield 1260 days. This in turn links this time of trampling with Rev. 12:6 and 14 as well. This shows this "trampling" by the "Gentiles" is the trampling of God's true church in the wilderness. – Papal Rome.



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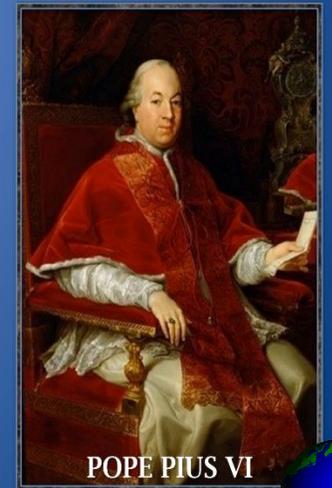
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"And the woman fled  
into the wilderness"



HOME OF THE WALDENSES



POPE PIUS VI



# ***The two witnesses – Old & New Testaments***

**3** And I will give *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

**4** These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth. – Revelation 11

The foundational witnesses for truth are the Old and New Testament. Both are witnesses to plan of salvation. Both are important testimonies to the origin and perpetuity of the law of God. Both witness to the covenant of promise. One points forward to the promised Saviour, the other reveals His life, death and resurrection. Both witness to great battle between good and evil and the final restitution of all things.



# *The two witnesses – Old & New Testaments*

“The two witnesses,” which are said to be “two olive trees” and “two candlesticks,” represent the Old and New Testaments. The olive trees represent the power of the Holy Spirit. The candlesticks symbolize the spiritual light of the scriptures. [Psalm 119:105; Zechariah 4:1-14](#). The two witnesses were to “prophesy...in sackcloth,” symbolizing mourning. The Bible was not readily available to the common people.

There are several reasons for this:

1. It was only available in Hebrew, Greek and Latin;
2. It had to be copied by hand so there were few copies;
3. During services scripture reading & sermons were in Latin;
4. Church’s stance was that since the common people could not understand the Bible, the clergy must interpret it for them;
5. Even after the Bible was translated into the common language of the people, the church forbade them to read it.



# ***The Bible OT & NT Prophecy in sackcloth***

**In the Council of Tolosanum in 1229, under Pope Gregory IX, we read in canons 14 and 2:**

"We prohibit laymen possessing copies of the Old and new Testament...We forbid them most severely to have the above books in the popular vernacular," The lords of the districts shall carefully seek out the heretics in dwellings, hovels, and forests, and even their underground retreats shall be entirely wiped out."

The church now plays down the brutality, the inquisitions, etc. but the truth is they did NOT want the common people studying the Bible on their own for it would lessen their control over the people.

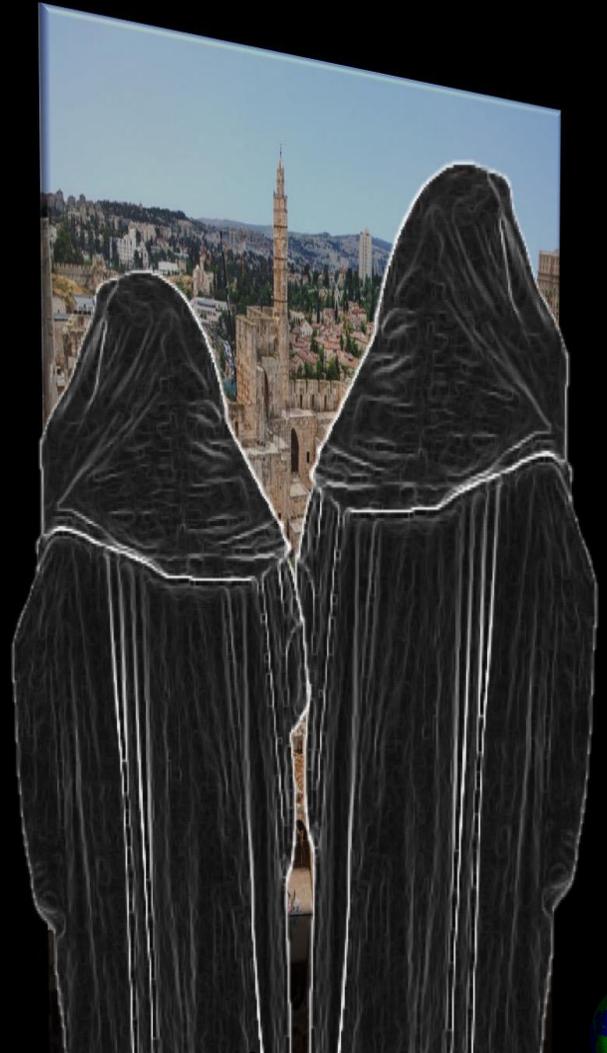
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Revelation 11:3



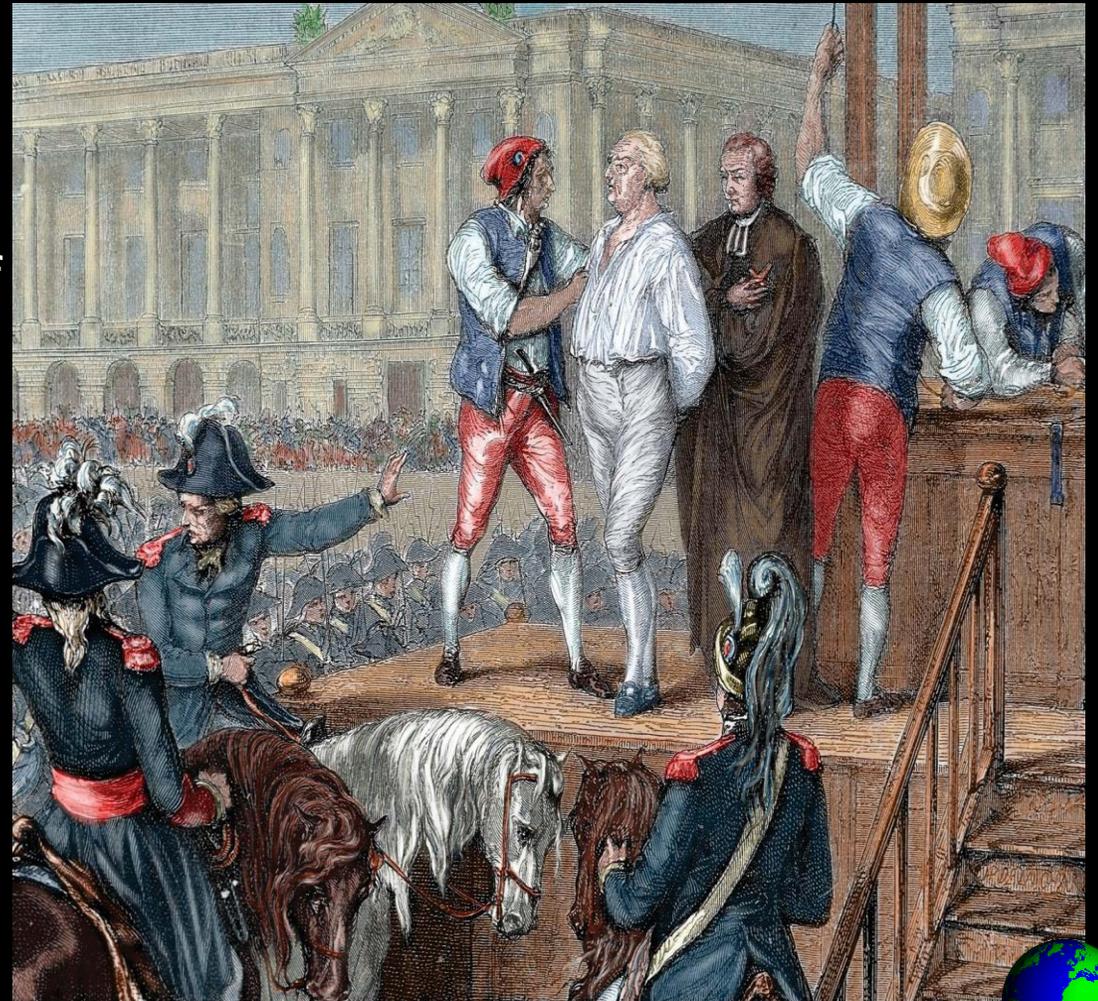
# The French Revolution & Rise of Atheism

**7** And when they shall have finished their testimony, the beast that ascendeth out of the bottomless pit shall make war against them, and shall overcome them, and kill them.

**8** And their dead bodies *shall lie* in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.

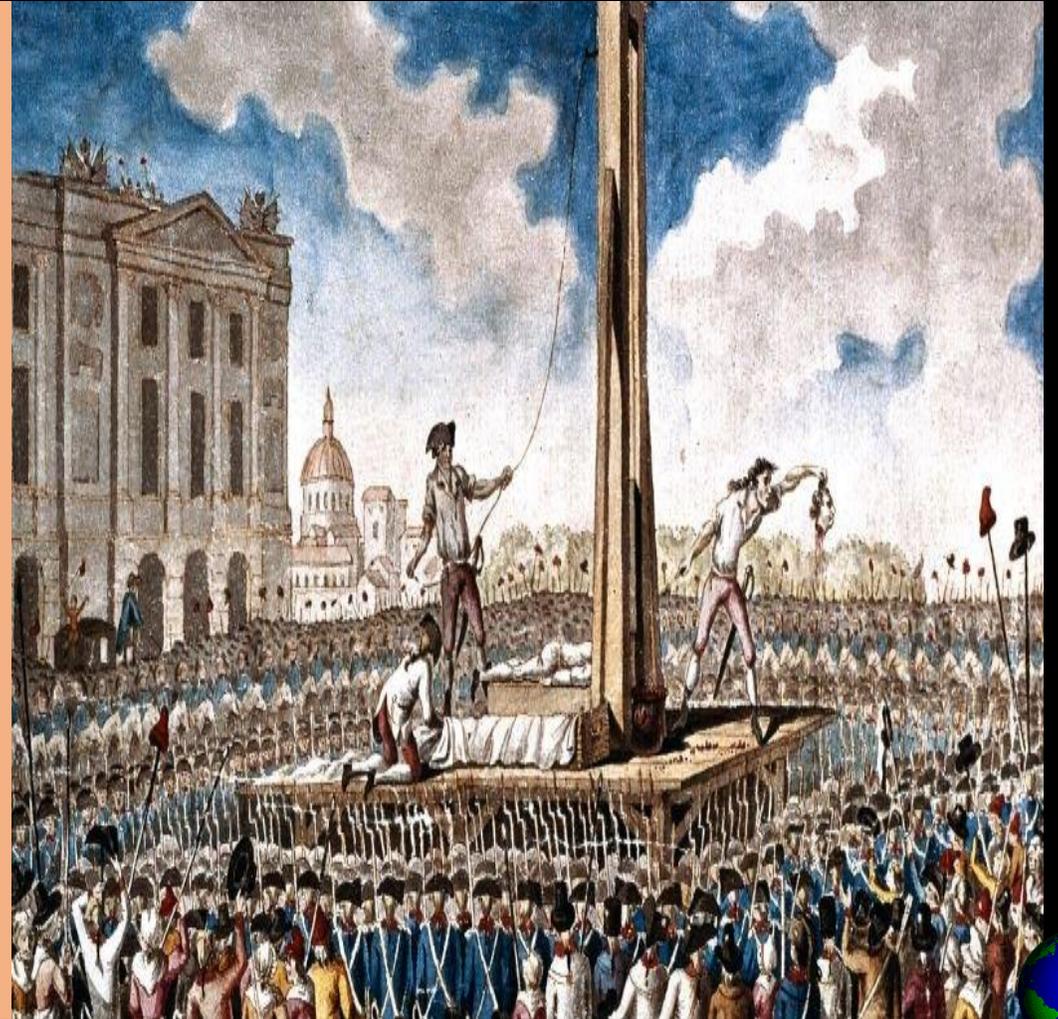
**9** And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves.

**10** And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth. – Revelation 11



# *The French Revolution & Rise of Atheism*

At the end of the 1,260 years when the “two witnesses” “have finished” prophesying “clothed in sackcloth” the beast comes out of the “bottomless pit” to “make war against them,” “and kill them.” The excesses and corruption of the Papal Church System and the church-supported aristocracy got so bad that their firmest supporter, France, became their worst enemy. This nation not only rejected Catholicism but God Himself; they cast out all morals and everything Christian and set up a new religion glorifying man, reason, and intellect of gods.



# The French Revolution & Rise of Atheism

During “The Reign of Terror” in France, the Bible was not only openly rejected but was also forbidden and publicly burned. For “three days and a half” (symbolizing [3.5 literal years](#)) the Bible would appear to be “dead.” For three and a half years the Revolutionaries of France did all in their power to oppose and destroy the Bible.



## RELIGIOUS TERROR

- ✦ New Republican Calendar
  - ✦ Sept. 22, 1792 = Day 1, Year 1
  - ✦ Months based on REASON = named after seasons
  - ✦ 30 DAYS IN MONTH
  - ✦ 10 DAYS IN WEEK
  - ✦ New Secular Holidays: Hatred of Traitors and Tyrants, Festival of the Supreme Being
- ✦ **GOAL: Stamp out Christianity**



# ***The French Revolution & Rise of Atheism***

France embraced an atheistic philosophy/religion and became part of the "great city" of false religions. Its characteristics are symbolized by "Sodom and Egypt where also our lord was crucified." "Sodom" is a notorious Biblical symbol for sexual perversion.

[Genesis 19:4-11](#); [Jude 7](#).

"Egypt" symbolizes atheism: "Who is the Lord that I should obey His voice to let Israel go?" Exodus 5:2.

"Where also our Lord was crucified" represents Christ, crucified in the person of His faithful followers when they are persecuted. [John 13:20](#); [Matthew 25:40, 45](#). In [Hebrews 6:4-6](#) those who once loved Christ and are guilty of wilful apostasy are said to "crucify... the Son of God afresh." France during the [French Revolution](#) embraced sexual licentiousness and atheism, rejected the Bible, and persecuted all Christians, both the true and the false together.

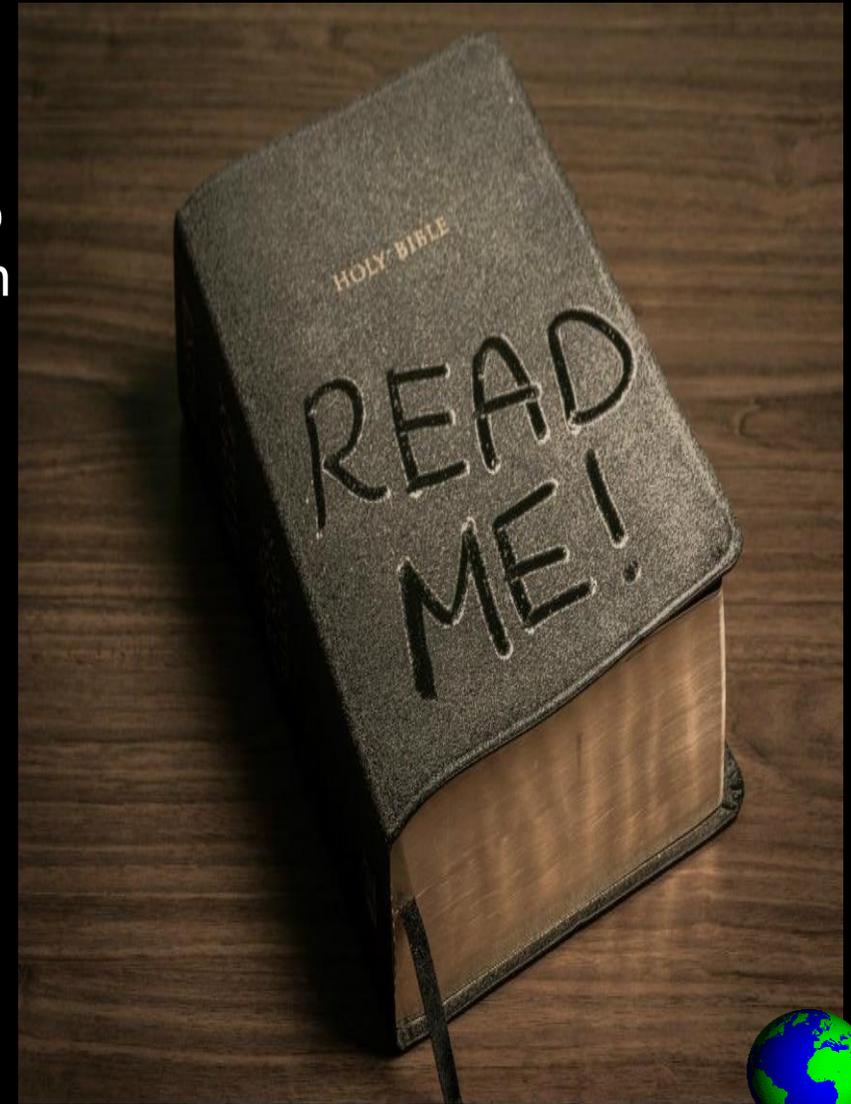


# ***God restores the Two Witnesses – OT & NT***

**11** And after three days and an half the Spirit of life from God entered into them, and they stood upon their feet; and great fear fell upon them which saw them.

**12** And they heard a great voice from heaven saying unto them, Come up hither. And they ascended up to heaven in a cloud; and their enemies beheld them. – Revelation 11

The scene here is of the “two witnesses” as they are given new “life” and exalted in the sight of their enemies. After the French Revolution, protestant Europe looked back on its extremes with disgust, and sought with fervent effort to elevate the Bible to greater prominence than ever. The British Bible society, established in 1804, and the American Bible Society, established in 1816, began distributing large numbers of Bibles. In 1804 the total number of Bibles in circulation was about four million in over fifty languages. Today there are billions of Bibles in hundreds of languages making it the world’s most widely circulated book.



***Now the scene turns to the seventh  
of the seven trumpets***





**AD 1840 till the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Jesus**  
**Destruction of Jesus's 3<sup>rd</sup> enemy – Papal Rome**

# *We live in this trumpet time period today*

## 7<sup>TH</sup> TRUMPET



Revelation 11:15-19

15 "Then the 7<sup>th</sup> Angel blew his Trumpet, & there were loud voices in heaven, saying,

"The kingdom of the world has become the Kingdom of our Lord & of his Christ, & he shall Reign forever & ever."

16 And the 24 Elders who sit on their thrones before God fell on their faces & worshiped God, 17 saying, "We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, who is & who was, for you have taken your great power & Begun to Reign.

18 The nations raged, but your Wrath came, and the time for the dead to be judged, & for rewarding your servants, the prophets & saints, and those who fear your name, both small & great, and for destroying the destroyers of the earth."

19 Then God's temple in heaven was opened, & the Ark of his Covenant was seen within his Temple. There were flashes of lightning, rumblings, peals of thunder, an earthquake, & heavy hail."



# ***Introduction of the seventh trumpet***

The second "woe" (sixth trumpet) ended in 1840. The close was marked by the transfer of Moslem power into the hands of the western nations. The chapters attached to the sixth trumpet revealed the great changes which were occurring in the world. The fight for freedom and liberty raged strong in the centuries that preceded 1840. The power of the papacy had been broken. America won her freedom from European control and opened up a whole new style of government, honouring the freedoms of the individual, separating church from state, and granting freedom of religion. Indeed, the nations were angry, but now there is a peace and a freedom that will allow the last final message to be proclaimed to the world. Revelation 10 showed the beginnings of the last warning messages and announced that "in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as he has declared to his servants the prophets."

## MYSTERY *of the* 7TH TRUMPET

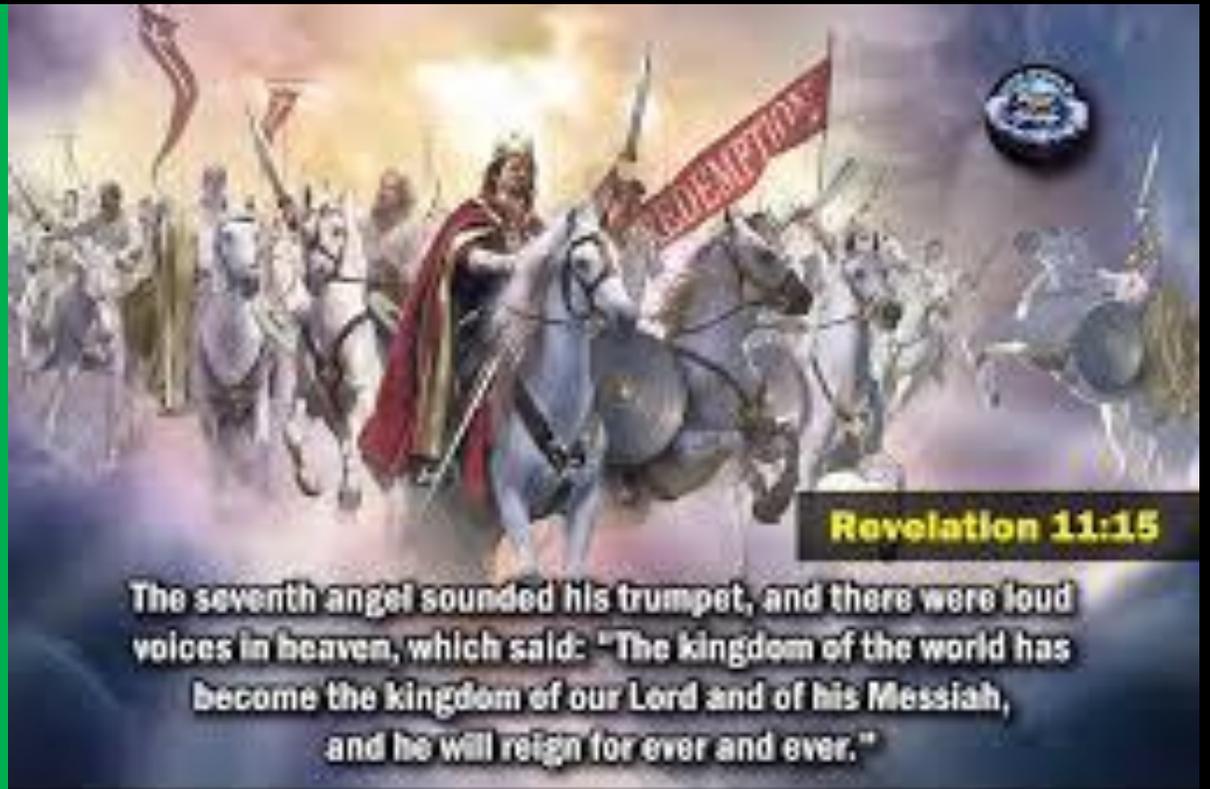


## ***The kingdoms are become Jesus's kingdoms***

**15** And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become *the kingdoms* of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. – Revelation 11

Daniel 7:13-14 tells us when Christ is brought before the Ancient of days at the investigative judgment, He is given dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Through Christ this 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. (Dan. 7:27)  
This is the focus, of the seventh trumpet! Just as the main focus in Daniel 7 was upon the Son of Man receiving the dominion....



**THE SEVENTH TRUMPET SOUND**



## ***The scene in heaven – God's Throne***

**16** And the four and twenty elders, which sat before God on their seats, fell upon their faces, and worshipped God,

**17** Saying, We give thee thanks, O Lord God Almighty, which art, and wast, and art to come; because thou hast taken to thee thy great power, and hast reigned. – Rev. 11

Again the prophet sees the conclusion. The twenty four elders, who were present before God's throne at Christ's ascension and witnessed His inauguration, exclaiming "Worthy, worthy is the Lamb that was slain", (Rev. 5:23) and who have served with their "bowls full of incense, which are the prayers of the saints" (Rev. 5:8), worship Him who is crowned King of Kings. Their song in chapter 5, was "You have redeemed us to God by Your blood...You have made us unto our God kings and priests, and we shall reign on the earth (Rev. 5:10) What joy they express that Christ has redeemed them, and bought back the lost inheritance! Their joy is a reflection of the great joy all the redeemed will experience as Christ receives the kingdom which He has won back with His own blood.



# *The investigative judgement in heaven*

**18** And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be judged, and that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldst destroy them which destroy the earth. – Revelation 11

Both Daniel and Revelation reveal the turmoil of earth's nations as they struggle against each other, seeking to grasp the dominion of the earth; seeking to gain the world at the expense of their souls. Each trying to subjugate the citizens of earth under their control by force.



# *Papal Rome and its persecutions*



This is not the only way that this is a 'Woe' to 'Rome'. These verses show us; the dead are being judged. So how is this a 'Woe to Rome?—the saints and prophets are honored by their names being kept in the Book of Life as part of Jesus' Kingdom. Think of the hundreds of thousands of people tortured to death and massacred in the Dark Ages. They are placed in the list to receive their reward—Eternal Life with Jesus. **But what about those who killed them? What about those haughty church leaders who pretended to be God's agents? This is when the hidden things of darkness are made plain. Evil men have done many horrible deeds and they thought because the people who knew about it were all killed, that nobody knew what they had really done. But this Woe is the time when ALL the records are opened on those who have pretended to be Christians and their wicked deeds are all written there.**



# ***Papal Rome and its persecutions***

Here is a photo of 3 skeletons that were found buried beneath the hall floor of a Cathedral in Russia. They were found when the authorities demolished this old Catholic church to build a nuclear power plant. It looks like it was a young boy and his parents laid out there.

There were hundreds of hidden skeletons in this old church. Who were they? We don't know. BUT the 'watcher and the Holy One' who wrote on Belshazzar's wall KNOWS! And it is all coming out in the Investigative Judgment.

Indeed it is a Woe on all who have done evil while professing to belong to God. Nothing is overlooked; not even a little child who loved Jesus and was killed by wicked people is forgotten. All the true will receive reward and all the false will be blotted from the Book of Life.



# ***The investigative judgement in heaven***

It is while people are still living upon the earth that the work of investigative judgment takes place in the courts of heaven. Christ is presenting His subjects before the heavenly court! All are examined according to the record of the books of heaven to see if they are clothed in the garment of Christ's righteousness, their sins confessed and repented, covered by His blood, their lives and hearts yielded to His will.

The time to judge the dead is seen in Daniel 7 which takes place soon after the 1260 years, when the heavenly court gathers about the Ancient of Days, the books are opened and the court is in session. This is the court before which the Son of Man (Christ) is brought to receive the dominion and the kingdom, this is the court where the saints, through Christ become citizens of that kingdom. This is the court where Christ confesses the names of His overcoming saints, before the Father and before the angels. (Rev. 3:5)



# *The ark of the Covenant in heaven*

**19** And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament: and there were lightnings, and voices, and thunderings, and an earthquake, and great hail. – Revelation 11

The ark of God's testament is in the holy of holies, the second apartment of the sanctuary. In the ministration of the earthly tabernacle, which served "unto the example and shadow of heavenly things," (Hebrews 8:5) this apartment was opened only upon the great Day of Atonement for the cleansing of the sanctuary. Therefore the announcement that the temple of God was opened in heaven during the seventh trumpet and the ark of His testament was seen points to the opening of the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary at the end of the 2300 day/years (Daniel 8:14) These 2300 years point to 1844 as Christ entered there to perform the closing work typified by the Day of Atonement.



# **The Jesuits of Rome attempts to Romanism Islam**

"As a result of the vision of Fatima, Pope Pius XII ordered his Nazi army to crush Russia and the Orthodox religion and make Russia Roman Catholic." A few years after he lost World war II, Pope Pius XII startled the world with his phony dancing sun vision to keep Fatima in the news. It was great religious show biz and the world swallowed it.

The **Miracle of the Sun** ([Portuguese](#): *Milagre do Sol*), also known as the **Miracle of Fátima**, is reported to have occurred on 13 October 1917, attended by a large crowd who had gathered in [Fátima, Portugal](#), in response to a prophecy made by three shepherd children, [Lúcia Santos](#) and [Francisco and Jacinta Marto](#).



**The Shrine of Our Lady of Fátima  
Portugal**



## ***The Jesuits of Rome attempts to Romanism Islam***

"The Jesuits wanted Russia involved, and the location of this vision at Fatima could play a key part in pulling Islam to the Mother Church.

"In 1917, the Virgin Mary appeared in Fatima. "The Mother of God" was a smashing success, playing to overflow crowds. As a result, the Socialists of Portugal suffered a major defeat.

"Roman Catholics world-wide began praying for the conversion of Russia and the Jesuits invented the Novenas to Fatima which they could perform throughout North Africa, spreading good public relations to the Muslim world. The Arabs thought they were honoring the daughter of Muhammad, what the Jesuits wanted them to believe.



# *The ark of the Covenant in heaven*

Thunderings = the loud preaching of a warning message from God.

Earthquake = a great time of war and persecution just before Jesus' return.

Great Hail = the final of the 7 last plagues.

So you see that this Woe leads to the END of the Papal Roman power forever and the Second Coming of Jesus to 'gather His children home'.

Do you see why this is such an important time? Soon the living will be judged. Let's choose to be faithful, so Jesus will be given each one of us to be in His kingdom.



# Summary of the seventh trumpet

The time of the seventh trumpet begins with the heavenly judgment, and it extends into eternity, covering the events of the last days. This is the time when the heavenly High Priest who holds the golden censer, "filled it with fire of the altar", just like the earthly priests would do just before they entered the Most Holy Place on the day of atonement. It is also the time when He comes out "and casts [the censer] into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake." (Rev. 8:5)

**5** And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake. – Revelation 8



# Summary of the seventh trumpet

The seventh trumpet takes us to the restoration of the earth.

When that censor is cast down, mediation ceases, the seven last plagues fall. (See Rev. 16:18) As the thunders and lightnings and earthquake shatter the earth the commandments are again seen -- this time there is no ark of the covenant with a mercy seat. As God formerly revealed His law amid thunder and lightning from Mt. Sinai, He will again proclaim His law from the heavens in terrible majesty. Says the prophet, "The heavens shall declare His righteousness; for God is judge himself." (Ps. 50:6)

## KINGDOM BEGINS! 7<sup>TH</sup> TRUMPET



Matthew 6:10

"Our Father in Heaven...  
Let Your Kingdom Come,  
Your Will on Earth as it is in Heaven."

Revelation 11:15, 17  
"Then the 7th Angel blew his Trumpet...  
We give Thanks to You, Lord God Almighty...  
for You have taken Your Great Power  
& Begun to Reign."  
[RevelationScriptures.com](http://RevelationScriptures.com)

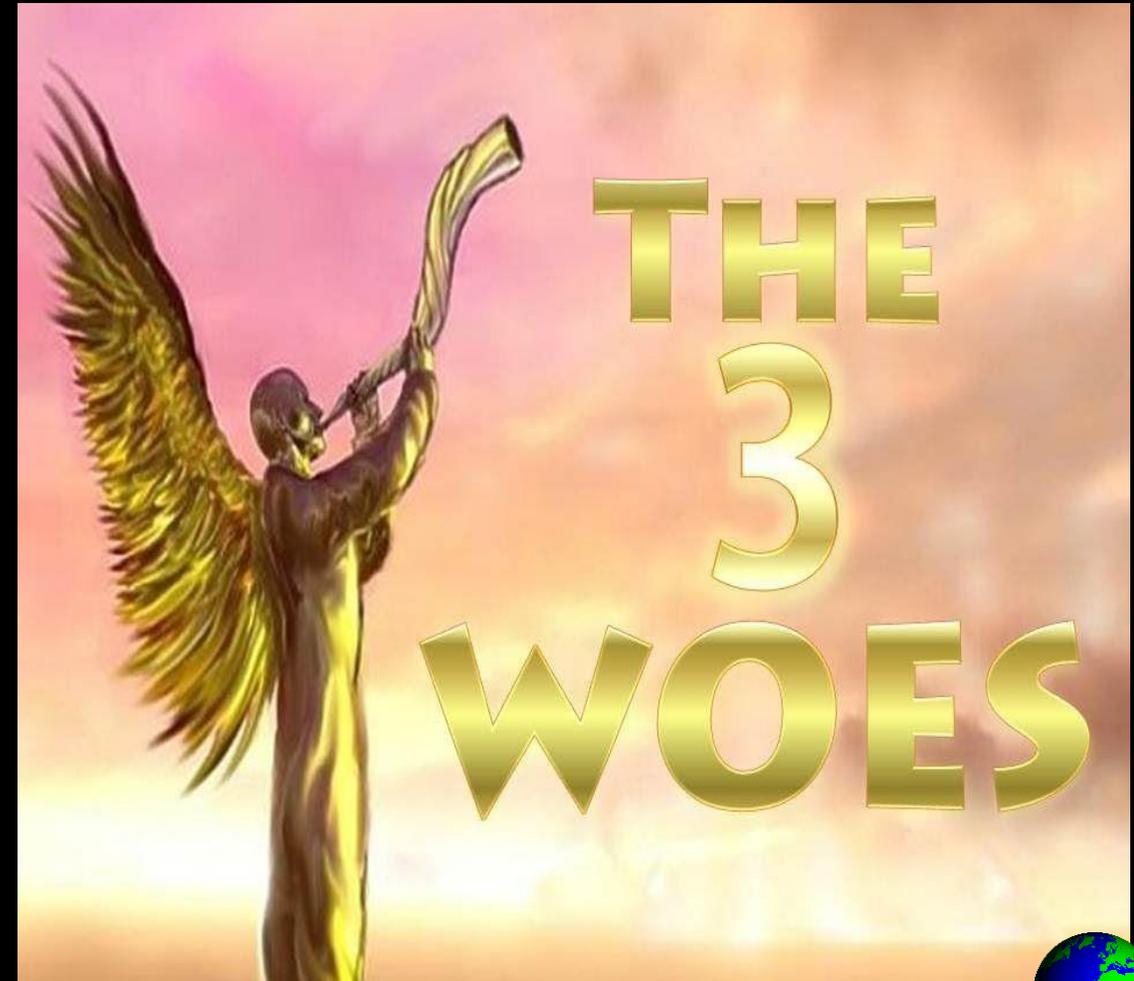


# ***The last 3 Trumpets, which are the three Woes, covers a lot of ground***

In the First Woe, the armies of Islam were attacking Papal Rome and Eastern Rome suddenly and without warning.

In the Second Woe again we see armies of Islam attacking Eastern Rome suddenly and without warning with explosives.

Now in the Third Woe, which began, we also see the likes of Sept. 11, 2001 with forces of Islam attacking suddenly, without warning and with explosives and they are attacking US which formed a secret agreement with the Vatican to bring down the USSR in 1989 and therefore can be considered part of Rome's armies.



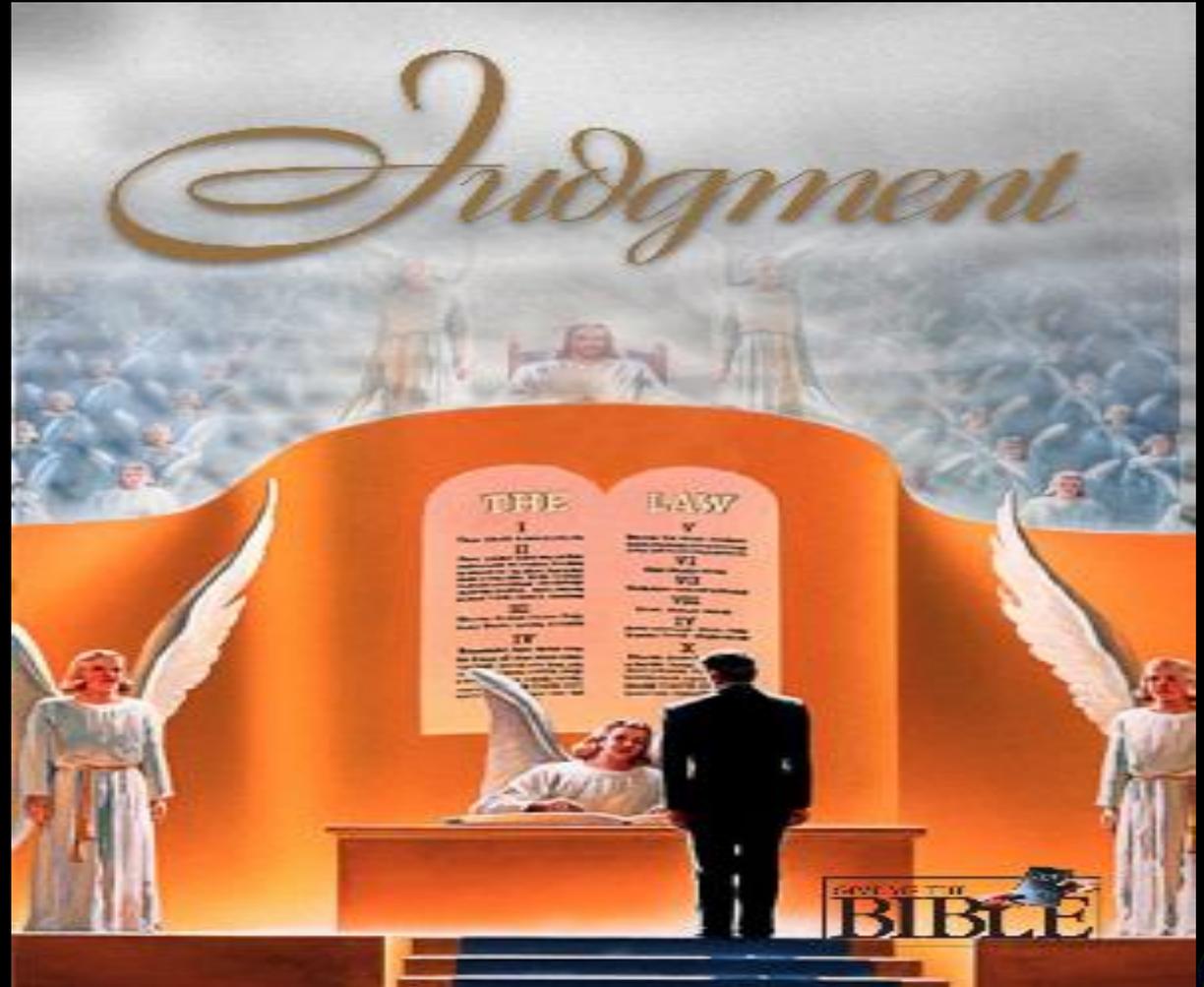
## ***What is it for us today? Why study all this?***

All kingdoms have laws, and the kingdom of God has the perfect law! That law was etched in stone by the finger of God, and is now in the ark of the covenant, still under the mercy seat where Christ's blood can pardon the repentant transgressor. When on earth, Christ said to His disciples, "I have kept My Father's commandments." John 15:10. By His perfect obedience He has made it possible for every human being to obey God's commandments. When we submit ourselves to Christ, the heart is united with His heart, the will is merged in His will, our minds are filled with heavenly thoughts; we walk with Him in paths of righteousness. This is what it means to be clothed with the garment of His righteousness, accepting His forgiveness, His merits, and walking with Him in paths of righteousness. His subjects will declare, "I delight to do thy will, O my God: yes, thy law is within my heart." (Ps. 40:8)



# *What is it for us today? Why study all this?*

For those who claimed belief in the Redeemer and remained faithful, Jesus represents them. Those who did not remain faithful or who claimed to be God's while following their own ways have no one to represent them. They are blotted out of the Book of Life. We are living in the time of the 7th Trumpet, when Jesus is receiving His kingdom. Soon the process will be finished and He'll come to take His people home.



# Which Way to Turn?

- While the final countdown for this earth nears the zero hour, every person on earth is making decisions that will determine his/her eternal destiny. Millions are wondering which way to turn, what choices to make.



Matthew 7:13

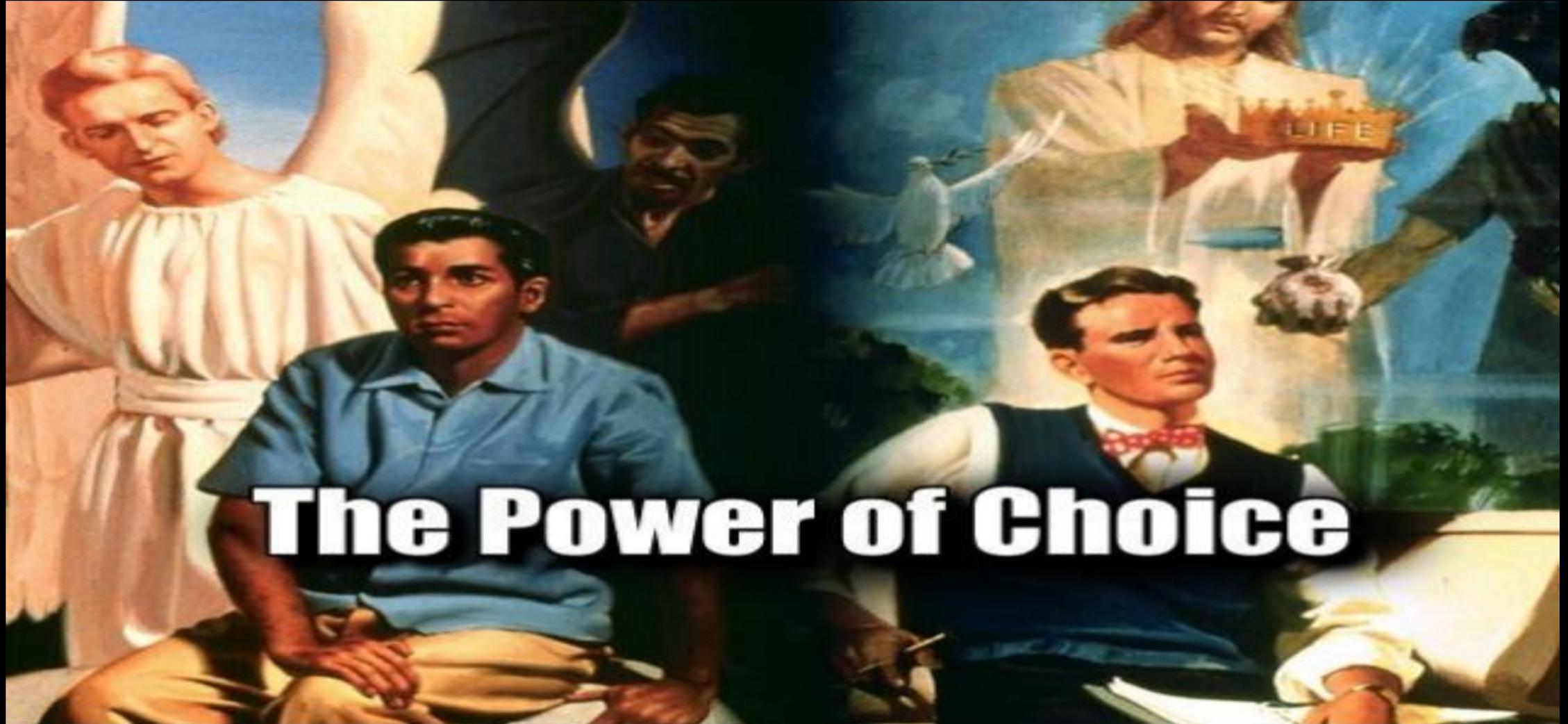


# Concluding remarks

The overcomer is the individual Christian who enjoys special benefits in eternity for refusing to give up his faith in spite of persecution during life on earth.

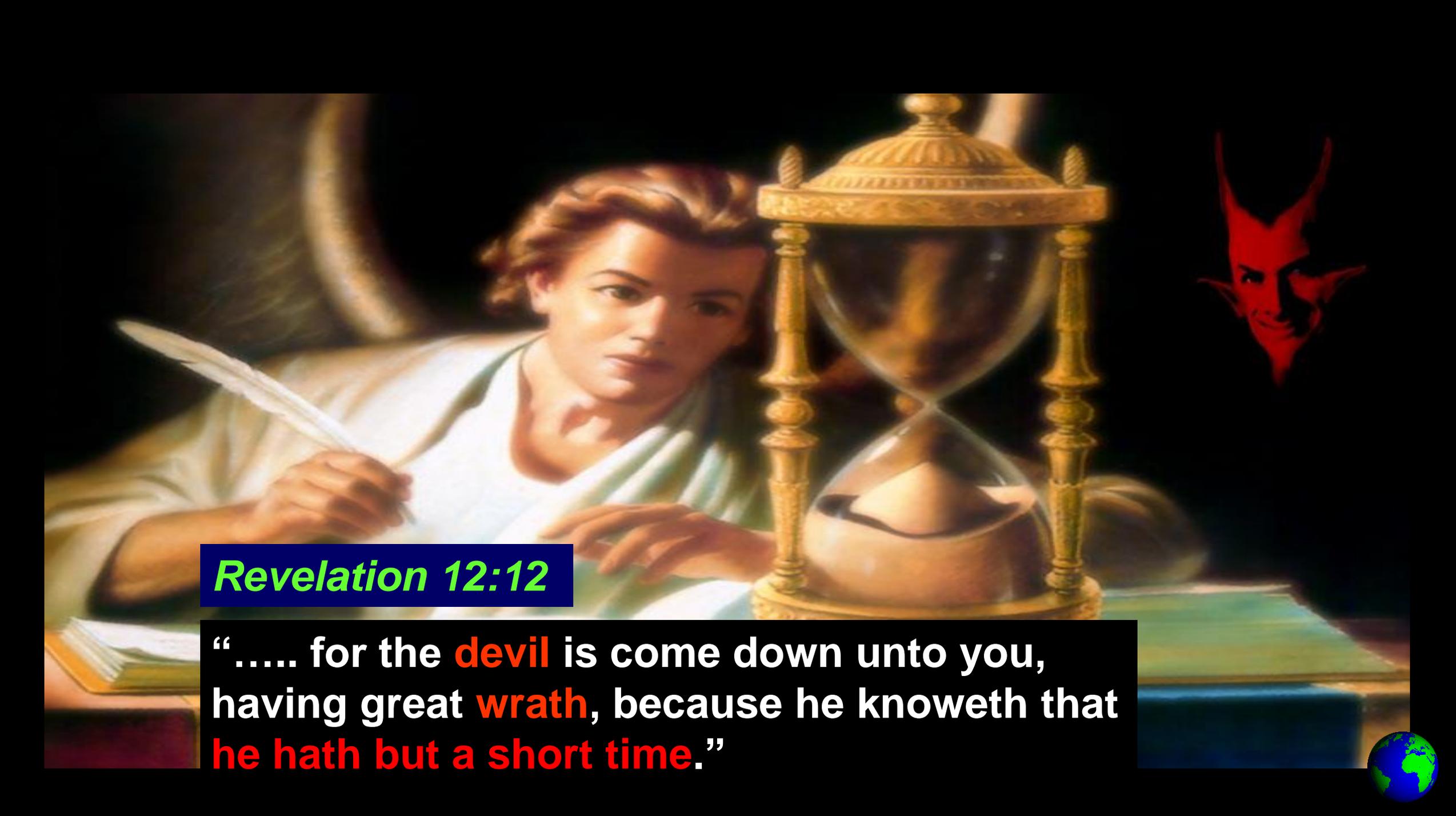


*God has given all:*



**The Power of Choice**



An angel with a halo and wings is shown writing in a book with a quill pen. To the right of the angel is a large, ornate golden hourglass. In the background, a red devil's face with horns is visible. The scene is set in a dimly lit room with a book on a desk.

**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



**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?**