

A Study Guide to

The Prophecies of Daniel and The Revelation

With Comments

The books of Daniel and the Revelation should be bound together and published. A few explanations of certain portions might be added, but I am not sure that these would be needed.

This is the suggestion that I made to Elder Haskell which resulted in the book he published. (The story of Daniel the Prophet, and The story of the Seer of Patmos). The need is not filled by this book. It was my idea to have the two books bound together, Revelation following Daniel, as giving fuller light on the subjects dealt with in Daniel. The object is to bring these books together, showing that they both relate to the same subjects.

A message that will arouse the churches is to be proclaimed. Every effort is to be made to give the light, not only to our people, but to the world. I have been instructed that the prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation should be printed in small books, with the necessary explanations, and should be sent all over the world. Our own people need to have the light placed before them in clearer lines.

The vision that Christ presented to John, presenting the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, is to be definitely proclaimed to all nations, people, and tongues. The churches, represented by Babylon, are represented as having fallen from their spiritual state to become a persecuting power against those who keep the commandments of God and have the testimony of Jesus Christ, To John this Power is represented as having horns like a lamb, but as speaking like a dragon.

Introduction

“There are in the Scriptures some things which are hard to be understood and which, according to the language of Peter, the unlearned and unstable wrest unto their own destruction. We may not, in this life, be able to explain the meaning of every passage of Scripture; but there are no vital points of practical truth that will be clouded in mystery. When the time shall come, in the providence of God, for the world to be tested upon the truth for that time, minds will be exercised by His Spirit to search the Scriptures, even with fasting and with prayer, until link after link is searched out and united in a perfect chain. Every fact which immediately concerns the salvation of souls will be made so clear that none need err or walk in darkness.

...Those who lived in past generations were accountable for the light which was permitted to shine upon them. Their minds were exercised in regard to different points of Scripture which tested them. But they did not understand the truths which we do. They were not responsible for the light which they did not have. They had the Bible, as we have; but the time for the unfolding of special truth in relation to the closing scenes of this earth's history is during the last generations that shall live upon the earth.

Special truths have been adapted to the conditions of the generations as they have existed. The present truth, which is a test to the people of this generation, was not a test to the people of generations far back.” 2 Testimonies 692,693

“There is no excuse for any one in taking the position that there is no more truth to be revealed, and that all our expositions of Scripture are without an error. The fact that certain doctrines have been held as truth for many years by our people, is not a proof that our ideas are infallible. Age will not make error into truth, and truth can afford to be fair. No true doctrine will lose anything by close investigation. We are living in perilous times, and it does not become us to accept everything claimed to be truth without examining it thoroughly; neither can we afford to reject anything that bears the fruits of the Spirit of God; but we should be teachable, meek and lowly of heart. There are those who oppose everything that is not in accordance with their own ideas.” Review & Herald 1892-12-20

“We have many lessons to learn, and many, many to unlearn. God and heaven alone are infallible. Those who think that they will never have to give up a cherished view, never have occasion to change an opinion, will be disappointed. As long as we hold to our own ideas and opinions with determined persistency, we cannot have the unity for which Christ prayed.” Review & Herald 1892-07-26

Daniel Chapter 2 Vision

2.31

Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof was terrible.

2.32

This image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,

2.33

His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.

2.34

Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

2.35

Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

2.36

This is the dream; and we will tell the interpretation thereof before the king.

2.37

Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

2.38

And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou art this head of gold.

2.39

And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

2.40

And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

2.41

And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

2.42

And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

2.43

And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

2.44

And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

2.45

Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

Comments & Notes

First Vision begins, it presents four great empires.

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

The Acts of the Apostles 585

This is talking about Daniel 11. More specifically the latter part of Daniel 11 and Daniel 12

God gave Babylon the "Scepter of power and authority" to rule.

1. Babylonian Kingdom has been given the power and authority to rule over all. 540 B.C.

2. Medo-Persian Kingdom now takes (is given by God) the power and authority to rule. 538 B.C.

3. Kingdom of Greece then takes (is given by God) the power and authority to rule. 331 B.C.

4. Next the Kingdom of Rome takes (is given by God) the power and authority to rule. 161 B.C.

The power and authority to rule is then taken by (is given by God) the Kingdoms of Europe and the world.

Ten Toes - Ten world powers at the end of time. See Rev. 17:3,12

The monarchs of the world inter-married, hoping to unite Europe but it was never united.

Kingdom of God destroys the kingdoms of the earth and takes back the power and authority to rule

First Vision ends.

Daniel Chapter 7 Vision

Comments & Notes

7.1

In the first year of Belshazzar king of Babylon Daniel had a dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote the dream, and told the sum of the matters.

7.2

Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold, the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea.

7.3

And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

7.4

The first was like a lion, and had eagle's wings: I beheld till the wings thereof were plucked, and it was lifted up from the earth, and made stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.

7.5

And behold another beast, a second, like to a bear, and it raised up itself on one side, and it had three ribs in the mouth of it between the teeth of it: and they said thus unto it, Arise, devour much flesh.

7.6

After this I beheld, and lo another, like a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

7.7

After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast, dreadful and terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten horns.

7.8

I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

7.9

I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.

7.10

A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.

7.11

I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

7.12

As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken away: yet their lives were prolonged for a season and time.

7.13

I saw in the night visions, and, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.

7.14

And there was given him 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.

7.15

I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.

Second Vision begins, it reveals the 5th empire.

Wind - Jeremiah 25:31,32. Zech. 7:14
The Sea - Rev. 17.15

1. Babylonian Kingdom receives the power and authority to rule.
540-538 BC

2. Medo-Persian Kingdom receives the power and authority to rule.
538-331 BC See notes on next page.

3. Kingdom of Greece receives the power and authority to rule.
331-161 BC

4. Kingdom of Rome receives the power and authority to rule.
161 BC – 351 AD

Ten horns - the Ten Kingdoms of Europe receives the power and authority to rule. Rome became divided between 351-483 AD

Papal Rome - Little horn conquered the Heruli, Vandals, and the Ostrogoths between 493 AD & 538 AD

Little horn - Papal Rome receives the power and authority to rule.
538 - 1798 AD

7:9 The Judgment scene

The Millennium

The Kingdom of Christ is given the power and authority to rule by God. The "Dominion" is given by God to whom he wills.

Dan.

7.16

I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

7.17

These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.

7.18

But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

7.19

Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces, and stamped the residue with his feet;

7.20

And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.

7.21

I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;

7.22

Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.

7.23

Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

7.24

And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and he shall be diverse from the first, and he shall subdue three kings.

7.25

And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

7.26

But the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

7.27

And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

Notes

Medo-Persian Kingdom: The Median and the Persian kingdoms united and became Medo-Persia. The Persians were the stronger of the two nations thus the reason why the bear raised up on one side and in Dan. 8 the ram has one horn longer than the other. The three ribs represent the three areas of the world that it conquered westward northward and southward.

The Bible, just as it reads, is to be our guide. Nothing is so calculated to enlarge the mind and strengthen the intellect as the study of the Bible. No other study will so elevate the soul and give vigor to the faculties as the study of the living oracles. The minds of thousands of ministers of the gospel are dwarfed because they are permitted to dwell upon commonplace things, and are not exercised in searching for the hidden treasure of the word of God. As the mind is brought to the study of God's word, the understanding will enlarge, and the higher powers will develop for the comprehension of high and ennobling truth. RH. 1897-09-28

Comments & Notes

The Roman empire was overrun by barbarians and crushed into ten kingdoms which are represented by the ten horns.

Papal power came into existence and destroyed three of the ten kingdoms.

Persecution of the Dark Ages.

The ten horns are the:
Anglo Saxons, Franks, Alemanne Lombards, Visigoths, Burgundians Suevi, Heruli, Vandals, Ostrogoths

Papal Rome subdued the Heruli, Vandals, and the Ostrogoths.

Change times - Sabbath to Sunday
Change laws - Removal of Second Commandment. Given power and authority to rule for 1260 years. The power and authority to rule is taken away from the Papal power and it is destroyed. See Rev.11:2,3; 12:6,14

Dominion - power and authority to rule is given to the saints.

Second Vision ends.

God was, in the beginning, dishonored by the holy pair in Eden, because they held the word of Satan above the word of God. This is the difficulty with the people today. If they would take God's Word just as it reads, and have reverence for it, and receive the sacred oracles of God as His voice, there would be a growing regard for the Law of Jehovah. RH. 1888-12-18

Daniel Chapter 8 Vision

8.1

In the third year of the reign of king Belshazzar a vision appeared unto me, even unto me Daniel, after that which appeared unto me at the first.

8.2

And I saw in a vision; and it came to pass, when I saw, that I was at Shushan in the palace, which is in the province of Elam; and I saw in a vision, and I was by the river of Ulai.

8.3

Then I lifted up mine eyes, and saw, and, behold, there stood before the river a ram which had two horns: and the two horns were high; but one was higher than the other, and the higher came up last.

8.4

I saw the ram pushing westward, and northward, and southward; so that no beasts might stand before him, neither was there any that could deliver out of his hand; but he did according to his will, and became great.

8.5

And as I was considering, behold, an he goat came from the west on the face of the whole earth, and touched not the ground: and the goat had a notable horn between his eyes.

8.6

And he came to the ram that had two horns, which I had seen standing before the river, and ran unto him in the fury of his power.

8.7

And I saw him come close unto the ram, and he was moved with choler against him, and smote the ram, and brake his two horns: and there was no power in the ram to stand before him, but he cast him down to the ground, and stamped upon him: and there was none that could deliver the ram out of his hand.

8.8

Therefore the he goat waxed very great: and when he was strong, the great horn was broken; and from it came up four notable ones toward the four winds of heaven.

8.9

And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.

8.10

And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.

8.11

Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the **daily sacrifice** was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.

8.12

And an host was given him against the **daily sacrifice** by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered.

8.13

Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the **daily sacrifice**, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot?

8.14

And he said unto me, Unto **two thousand and three hundred days**; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.

8.15

And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.

8.16

And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.

Third Vision begins.

Medo-Persian Kingdom

The Medes came first but the Persians were the stronger of the two.

See also Isaiah 45:24 - 45:6 , a prophecy about Cyrus.

Kingdom of Greece.

The notable horn representing Alexander the Great who conquered the world with incredible speed.

When Alexander died his four generals divided the kingdom amongst themselves.

Papal Rome grew out of the ruins of the Roman empire.

8:11,12,13 "Daily" is better translated "the mighty and the holy people" See 8:24. last part, also verses 15-25 is an explanation of the prophecy found in verses 2-14 See Appendix #1

"Sacrifice" should not be in the text at all; it was supplied by the translators. See EW 74. The statement can be found on the next page.

See also #1 in Appendix

2300 years till the judgment begins.

Began in 457 B.C. , ended 1844 A.D.

See Dan. 9:24

1 Day = 1 year see Ezekiel 4:6

I have appointed thee each day for a year.

Dan.

8.17

So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision.

8.18

Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.

8.19

And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.

8.20

The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.

8.21

And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.

8.22

Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

8.23

And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.

8.24

And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and **shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.**

8.25

And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.

8.26

And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.

“Then I saw in relation to the "daily" (Dan. 8:12) that the word "**sacrifice**" was supplied by man's wisdom, and does not belong to the text, and that the Lord gave the correct view of it to those who gave the judgment hour cry. When union existed, before 1844, nearly all were united on the correct view of the "daily"; but in the confusion since 1844, other views have been embraced, and darkness and confusion have followed.”

Early Writings of Ellen G. White Page 74 Par. 2

In every age there is a new development of truth, a message of God to the people of that generation. The old truths are all essential; new truth is not independent of the old, but an unfolding of it. It is only as the old truths are understood that we can comprehend the new. COL. 127

What is a “time”?

A comparison with parallel prophecies, ...by other designations [of time], enables us to calculate the length of time involved[in a “time times, and a half”]. In Rev.12:14 the period is...referred to earlier in the chapter by the designation “a thousand two hundred and threescore days” (Rev. 12:6). In Rev. 11:2,3 the expression “a thousand two hundred and threescore days” is equated with “forty and two months.” Thus it is clear that a period of three and a half times equals 42 months, ...equals 1260 days, and that a “time” represents 12 months, or 360 days. 4 BC 833.

A “time” represents a “Bible year” of 360 days. A Jewish month has 30 days in it thus 42 months equals 1260 days or a “time times and a half” or “a thousand two hundred and threescore days”.

Comments & Notes

Gabriel is told to give Daniel the interpretation of the previous vision. In these verses we are given the clue as to what the Daily is.

The first king was Alexander the Great.

When Alexander died, his four generals divided the kingdom amongst themselves.

Papal Rome

The Papacy persecutes & destroys God's people during the Dark Ages using the power of the state. See Dan 8:11-14

Third Vision ends.

"Did our Lord say that that day and hour should never be known? Did He not give us signs of the times, in order that we may know at least the approach of His coming, as one knows the approach of the summer by the fig tree putting forth its leaves? Matthew 24:32. Are we never to know that period, whilst He Himself exhorteth us not only to read Daniel the prophet, but to understand it? and in that very Daniel, where it is said that the words were shut up to the time of the end (which was the case in his time), and that 'many shall run to and fro' (a Hebrew expression for observing and thinking upon the time), 'and knowledge' (regarding that time) 'shall be increased.' Daniel 12:4. Besides this, our Lord does not intend to say by this, that the approach of the time shall not be known, but that the exact 'day and hour knoweth no man.' Enough, He does say, shall be known by the signs of the times, to induce us to prepare for His coming, as Noah prepared the ark."

The Great Controversy 359

Daniel Chapter 9 Vision

9.1

In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans;

9.2

In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

9.3

And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes:

9.4

And I prayed unto the LORD my God, and made my confession, and said, O Lord, the great and dreadful God, keeping the covenant and mercy to them that love him, and to them that keep his commandments;

9.5

We have sinned, and have committed iniquity, and have done wickedly, and have rebelled, even by departing from thy precepts and from thy judgments:

9.6

Neither have we hearkened unto thy servants the prophets, which spake in thy name to our kings, our princes, and our fathers, and to all the people of the land.

9.7

O Lord, righteousness belongeth unto thee, but unto us confusion of faces, as at this day; to the men of Judah, and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, and unto all Israel, that are near, and that are far off, through all the countries whither thou hast driven them, because of their trespass that they have trespassed against thee.

9.8

O Lord, to us belongeth confusion of face, to our kings, to our princes, and to our fathers, because we have sinned against thee.

9.9

To the Lord our God belong mercies and forgivenesses, though we have rebelled against him;

9.10

Neither have we obeyed the voice of the LORD our God, to walk in his laws, which he set before us by his servants the prophets.

9.11

Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him.

9.12

And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem.

9.13

As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the LORD our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth.

9.14

Therefore hath the LORD watched upon the evil, and brought it upon us: for the LORD our God is righteous in all his works which he doeth: for we obeyed not his voice.

9.15

And now, O Lord our God, that hast brought thy people forth out of the land of Egypt with a mighty hand, and hast gotten thee renown, as at this day; we have sinned, we have done wickedly.

Jeremiah 25.8-13

Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words, Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them against this land, and against the inhabitants thereof, and against all these nations round about, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations. Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle. And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and **these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years**. And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations. And I will bring upon that land all my words which I have pronounced against it, even all that is written in this book, which Jeremiah hath prophesied against all the nations.

The Jews were to be in captivity for 70 years and that time was almost up.

Daniel in his prayer shows us what we should be doing in these last days. We should be like Daniel, asking God to forgive us our sins and the sins of His people and pleading with Him to come and deliver us from captivity and take us to our home in heaven.

Dan.

9.16

O Lord, according to all thy righteousness, I beseech thee, let thine anger and thy fury be turned away from thy city Jerusalem, thy holy mountain: because for our sins, and for the iniquities of our fathers, Jerusalem and thy people are become a reproach to all that are about us.

9.17

Now therefore, O our God, hear the prayer of thy servant, and his supplications, and cause thy face to shine upon thy sanctuary that is desolate, for the Lord's sake.

9.18

O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our desolations, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies.

9.19

O Lord, hear; O Lord, forgive; O Lord, hearken and do; defer not, for thine own sake, O my God: for thy city and thy people are called by thy name.

9.20

And whiles I was speaking, and praying, and confessing my sin and the sin of my people Israel, and presenting my supplication before the LORD my God for the holy mountain of my God;

9.21

Yea, whiles I was speaking in prayer, even the man Gabriel, whom I had seen in the vision at the beginning, being caused to fly swiftly, touched me about the time of the evening oblation.

9.22

And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding.

9.23

At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to show thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

9.24

Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

9.25

Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

9.26

And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

9.27

And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Comments & Notes

70 weeks - 490 days - 490 years till probation for the Jews ended. The 70 weeks began in 457 B.C. ended in 34 A.D.

From the commandment, 457 B.C. 7 weeks - 49 days - years to build walls and streets (see Ezra, Nehemiah) and Threescore and two weeks: 62 weeks - 434 days - years. or a total of 69 weeks - 483 days - years till Jesus began his ministry from the beginning of the 70 weeks. or 62 weeks from the building of the walls etc. leaving 1 week - 7 days - years for Christ's ministry to the Jews. See verse 27

He will confirm the covenant for one week - 7 days - years. After 3 1/2 years he was crucified causing the oblation to cease. Stephen was stoned 3 1/2 years later, the Jewish nation was then rejected and the gospel then went to the world.

Daniel Chapter 11 & 12 Vision

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11.1

Also I in the first year of Darius the Mede, even I, stood to confirm and to strengthen him.

11.2

And now will I show thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia.

11.3

And a mighty king shall stand up, that shall rule with great dominion, and do according to his will.

11.4

And when he shall stand up, his kingdom shall be broken, and shall be divided toward the four winds of heaven; and not to his posterity, nor according to his dominion which he ruled: for his kingdom shall be plucked up, even for others beside those.

11.5

And the king of the south shall be strong, and one of his princes; and he shall be strong above him, and have dominion; his dominion shall be a great dominion.

11.6

And in the end of years they shall join themselves together; for the king's daughter of the south shall come to the king of the north to make an agreement: but she shall not retain the power of the arm; neither shall he stand, nor his arm: but she shall be given up, and they that brought her, and he that begat her, and he that strengthened her in these times.

11.7

But out of a branch of her roots shall one stand up in his estate, which shall come with an army, and shall enter into the fortress of the king of the north, and shall deal against them, and shall prevail:

11.8

And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, and with their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue more years than the king of the north.

11.9

So the king of the south shall come into his kingdom, and shall return into his own land.

11.10

But his sons shall be stirred up, and shall assemble a multitude of great forces: and one shall certainly come, and overflow, and pass through: then shall he return, and be stirred up, even to his fortress.

11.11

And the king of the south shall be moved with choler, and shall come forth and fight with him, even with the king of the north: and he shall set forth a great multitude; but the multitude shall be given into his hand.

11.12

And when he hath taken away the multitude, his heart shall be lifted up; and he shall cast down many ten thousands: but he shall not be strengthened by it.

11.13

For the king of the north shall return, and shall set forth a multitude greater than the former, and shall certainly come after certain years with a great army and with much riches.

11.14

And in those times there shall many stand up against the king of the south: also the robbers of thy people shall exalt themselves to establish the vision; but they shall fall.

Fourth Vision begins. It presents seven empires, Babylon has already fallen.

Medo-Persia 538 B.C. Fourth king was Xerxes

Grecia conquers Medo-Persia - Alexander the Great 331 B.C.

Alexander's kingdom was fought over by his four generals and was never united.

Egypt tries to become Empire #4
King of the south - Egypt.

Egypt and Syria form an alliance hoping to become 4th Empire.
King of the North - Syria.

Egypt and Syria at war.

Egypt punishes Syria

Egypt and Syria continue to struggle verses 9-13

Rome emerges (200 B.C.) and conquers Syria 65 B.C. Verses 14,15

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11.15

So the king of the north shall come, and cast up a mount, and take the most fenced cities: and the arms of the south shall not withstand, neither his chosen people, neither shall there be any strength to withstand.

11.16

But he that cometh against him shall do according to his own will, and none shall stand before him: and he shall stand in the glorious land, which by his hand shall be consumed.

11.17

He shall also set his face to enter with the strength of his whole kingdom, and upright ones with him; thus shall he do: and he shall give him the daughter of women, corrupting her: but she shall not stand on his side, neither be for him.

11.18

After this shall he turn his face unto the isles, and shall take many: but a prince for his own behalf shall cause the reproach offered by him to cease; without his own reproach he shall cause it to turn upon him.

11.19

Then he shall turn his face toward the fort of his own land: but he shall stumble and fall, and not be found.

11.20

Then shall stand up in his estate a raiser of taxes in the glory of the kingdom: but within few days he shall be destroyed, neither in anger, nor in battle.

11.21

And in his estate shall stand up a vile person, to whom they shall not give the honour of the kingdom: but he shall come in peaceably, and obtain the kingdom by flatteries.

11.22

And with the arms of a flood shall they be overflowed from before him, and shall be broken; yea, also the prince of the covenant.

11.23

And after the league made with him he shall work deceitfully: for he shall come up, and shall become strong with a small people.

11.24

He shall enter peaceably even upon the fattest places of the province; and he shall do that which his fathers have not done, nor his fathers' fathers; he shall scatter among them the prey, and spoil, and riches: yea, and he shall forecast his devices against the strong holds, even for a time.

11.25

And he shall stir up his power and his courage against the king of the south with a great army; and the king of the south shall be stirred up to battle with a very great and mighty army; but he shall not stand: for they shall forecast devices against him.

11.26

Yea, they that feed of the portion of his meat shall destroy him, and his army shall overflow: and many shall fall down slain.

11.27

And both these kings' hearts shall be to do mischief, and they shall speak lies at one table; but it shall not prosper: for yet the end shall be at the time appointed.

11.28

Then shall he return into his land with great riches; and his heart shall be against the holy covenant; and he shall do exploits, and return to his own land.

11.29

At the time appointed he shall return, and come toward the south; but it shall not be as the former, or as the latter.

11.30

For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.

11.31

And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength,

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Rome conquers Palestine.

Rome conquers Egypt. 47 B.C.

Pagan Rome established under Julius Caesar. 44 B.C.

Julius Caesar falls. Killed by his friends.

“Raiser of Taxes” Caesar Augustus (Jesus is born Luke 2:1)

Tiberius Caesar, “a vile person”

Crucifixion of “The Prince of the Covenant” - Christ. A.D. 31

Deception - Apostasy enters Christianity. A.D. 100

Persecution of the Early church.

Struggle of Roman bishops with Arianism. A.D. 270

The fall of Arianism. See Dan. 7:8

Intrigue and struggle for power.

Church hierarchy formed. A.D. 323

Fading power of pagan Roman emperors. A change takes place.

Barbarian invasions cause the fall of Rome A.D. 476. Constantine became a “Christian”. Has intelligence with them and the Catholic church comes into being. A change from paganism to “Christian”. ‘

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and shall take away the **daily sacrifice**, and they shall place (set up) the abomination that maketh desolate.

11.32

And such as do wickedly against the covenant shall he corrupt by flatteries: but the people that do know their God shall be strong, and do exploits.

11.33

And they that understand among the people shall instruct many: yet they shall fall by the sword, and by flame, by captivity, and by spoil, many days.

11.34

Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries.

11.35

And some of them of understanding shall fall, to try them, and to purge, and to make them white, even to the time of the end: because it is yet for a time appointed.

11.36

And the king shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done.

11.37

Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.

11.38

But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

11.39

Thus shall he do in the most strong holds with a strange god, whom he shall acknowledge and increase with glory: and he shall cause them to rule over many, and shall divide the land for gain.

11.40

And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.

11.41

He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many countries shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, even Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon.

11.42

He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape.

11.43

But he shall have power over the treasures of gold and of silver, and over all the precious things of Egypt: and the Libyans and the Ethiopians shall be at his steps.

11.44

But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many.

11.45

And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him.

12.1

And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

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Take away the **mighty and the holy people**' (See Appendix #1) using the power of the state, The Franks.

The Papacy rises. A.D. 508

Empire #5 - Papal supremacy #1 (538-1798)

God's people enter the Dark Ages.

A.D. 538

God's people share their faith, and are killed and persecuted for many days, 1260 years of papal persecution.

European Reformation gave hope.

A.D. 1500

Some of the reformers will fall, they will be tried and purged and made white, until "the time of the end" - "a time appointed" A.D. 1798

We now see a description of Papal beliefs and teachings during her rule.

The pope is god, priests not to marry, he shall claim to be over all, god.

Mary, a god whom his fathers knew not.

He will do this in the strong holds of Christianity....

At the time of the end (1798) Empire #6 Napoleon – France conquered Egypt and became "the king of the south". See #2 & #3 in Appendix

Verse 43 Empire #7 - Papal supremacy #2. But he (the king, the pope) returned to power. In 1929 when Mussolini gave him a kingdom, the papal states. The pope was again a king, a "beast". See Appendix #4 & 4B

Verse 44 "Tidings . . . from the east" (The Loud Cry) enrages the Papacy, brings about the Universal Death Decree (UDD) Rev. 13:15.

Verse 45 Papacy sets up a presence in Jerusalem. Soon after this the Papacy comes to its end.

Verse 12:1 When the Papacy moves to Jerusalem then Jesus stands up and we move into the last events of earth's history.

**“Let us read and study the
12th chapter of Daniel.
It is a warning
we shall all need to
understand before
the time of the end.”
Ellen G. White
Ltr. 161, July 30, 1903**

I have covered Daniel 12 in a separate paper.

Note:

The prophecies of Daniel primarily cover the time period from Babylon down to 1844. Daniel 1 to 11:40 deals with the time period prior to 1844 while Daniel 11:41 to the end of chapter 12 deals with the time period after 1844. Revelation deals primarily with the time period following 1844. Revelation 1 to 6:9 is dealing with the time period prior to 1844 except for the description of the Laodicean church and Revelation 6:10 to the end of Revelation 22 is primarily dealing with the time period after 1844 except for a brief history lesson found in Revelation 12. Revelation 13 again goes into future events.

The Sabbath question will be the issue in the great conflict in which all the world will act a part. [Rev. 13:4-8, 10 quoted.] This entire chapter is a revelation of what will surely take place [Rev. 13:11, 15-17 quoted] (MS 88, 1897).

See also Appendix #5

For a complete study on Daniel 12 there is a paper available, for a small donation of \$2.

Revelation chapters 1 to 4

1.1

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John:

1.2

Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw.

1.3

Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand.

1.4

John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;

1.5

And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

1.6

And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

1.7

Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

1.8

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

1.9

I John, who also am your brother, and companion in tribulation, and in the kingdom and patience of Jesus Christ, was in the isle that is called Patmos, for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ.

1.10

I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet,

1.11

Saying, I am Alpha and Omega, the first and the last: and, What thou seest, write in a book, and send it unto the seven churches which are in Asia; unto Ephesus, and unto Smyrna, and unto Pergamos, and unto Thyatira, and unto Sardis, and unto Philadelphia, and unto Laodicea.

1.12

And I turned to see the voice that spake with me. And being turned, I saw seven golden candlesticks;

1.13

And in the midst of the seven candlesticks one like unto the Son of man, clothed with a garment down to the foot, and girt about the paps with a golden girdle.

1.14

His head and his hairs were white like wool, as white as snow; and his eyes were as a flame of fire;

1.15

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

1.16

And he had in his right hand seven stars: and out of his mouth went a sharp twoedged sword: and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.

1.17

And when I saw him, I fell at his feet as dead. And he laid his right hand upon me,

God was, in the beginning, dishonored by the holy pair in Eden, because they held the word of Satan above the word of God. This is the difficulty with the people today. If they would take God's word just as it reads, and have reverence for it, and receive the sacred oracles of God as his voice, there would be a growing regard for the law of Jehovah. RH. 1888-12-18

Christ's coming will not be a secret. All who are alive will see him.

The Lord's day - The Sabbath day - Saturday, the seventh day of the week.

Jesus wanted John to send letters to each of the churches listed here. Each church also represented a period of church history and the conditions found inside and outside the church down through the ages.

Here we have a description of Christ as John saw him.

The candlesticks and stars are explained in verse 20.

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saying unto me, Fear not; I am the first and the last:

1.18

I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore, Amen; and have the keys of hell and of death.

1.19

Write the things which thou hast seen, and the things which are, and the things which shall be hereafter;

1.20

The mystery of the seven stars which thou sawest in my right hand, and the seven golden candlesticks. The seven stars are the angels of the seven churches: and the seven candlesticks which thou sawest are the seven churches.

2.1

Unto the angel of the church of Ephesus write; These things saith he that holdeth the seven stars in his right hand, who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks;

2.2

I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars:

2.3

And hast borne, and hast patience, and for my name's sake hast laboured, and hast not fainted.

2.4

Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love.

2.5

Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent.

2.6

But this thou hast, that thou hatest the deeds of the Nicolaitanes, which I also hate.

2.7

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the tree of life, which is in the midst of the paradise of God.

2.8

And unto the angel of the church in Smyrna write; These things saith the first and the last, which was dead, and is alive;

2.9

I know thy works, and tribulation, and poverty, (but thou art rich) and I know the blasphemy of them which say they are Jews, and are not, but are the synagogue of Satan.

2.10

Fear none of those things which thou shalt suffer: behold, the devil shall cast some of you into prison, that ye may be tried; and ye shall have tribulation ten days: be thou faithful unto death, and I will give thee a crown of life.

2.11

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; He that overcometh shall not be hurt of the second death.

2.12

And to the angel of the church in Pergamos write; These things saith he which hath the sharp sword with two edges;

2.13

I know thy works and where thou dwellest, even where Satan's seat is: and thou holdest fast my name, and hast not denied my faith, even in those days wherein Antipas was my faithful martyr, who was slain among you, where Satan dwelleth.

2.14

But I have a few things against thee, because thou hast there them that hold the doctrine of Balaam, who taught Balac to cast a stumblingblock before the children of

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Ephesus - The first church.
Ephesus means "first" or "desirable".
It represented the first Christian church and began during the life of Christ.

Smyrna - the second church.
Smyrna means "myrrh" or "sweet scent". It represents the history of the church when, though poor and persecuted by Pagan Rome, it was considered rich in the eyes of the Lord.

In A.D. 303 an edict of persecution was passed by emperor Diocletian, which was enforced to a greater or lesser degree for 10 years.

A day in prophecy = 1 year

Pergamos - the third church.
Pergamos means "exaltation" or "elevation"
Constantine became a "Christian" stopping the persecution of Christians and raising Christianity up to the level of the throne of Rome. Christianity became popular and the church was quickly filled with nominal Christians.

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Israel, to eat things sacrificed unto idols, and to commit fornication.

2.15

So hast thou also them that hold the doctrine of the Nicolaitanes, which thing I hate.

2.16

Repent; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will fight against them with the sword of my mouth.

2.17

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches; To him that overcometh will I give to eat of the hidden manna, and will give him a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.

2.18

And unto the angel of the church in Thyatira write; These things saith the Son of God, who hath his eyes like unto a flame of fire, and his feet are like fine brass;

2.19

I know thy works, and charity, and service, and faith, and thy patience, and thy works; and the last to be more than the first.

2.20

Notwithstanding I have a few things against thee, because thou sufferest that woman Jezebel, which calleth herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication, and to eat things sacrificed unto idols.

2.21

And I gave her space to repent of her fornication; and she repented not.

2.22

Behold, I will cast her into a bed, and them that commit adultery with her into great tribulation, except they repent of their deeds.

2.23

And I will kill her children with death; and all the churches shall know that I am he which searcheth the reins and hearts: and I will give unto every one of you according to your works.

2.24

But unto you I say, and unto the rest in Thyatira, as many as have not this doctrine, and which have not known the depths of Satan, as they speak; I will put upon you none other burden.

2.25

But that which ye have already hold fast till I come.

2.26

And he that overcometh, and keepeth my works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

2.27

And he shall rule them with a rod of iron; as the vessels of a potter shall they be broken to shivers: even as I received of my Father.

2.28

And I will give him the morning star.

2.29

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

3.1

And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead.

3.2

Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God.

3.3

Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee.

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It became important to test teachings and beliefs with the two-edged sword of God's word.

The purity of the church was largely lost during the two centuries that followed Constantine's accession to the throne. During 312 - 538 A.D. there was a uniting of church and state.

Thyatira - the fourth church.
Thyatira means "*sacrifice of contrition*".

This church covers the time period beginning in 538 AD. Paganism had come into the church to such an extent that God's Spirit left it. It still carried the name Christian but it was really Paganism with Christian names. It became so weak that it had to rely on the civil powers to enforce its beliefs.

This church covers the time period called the Dark Ages. This time period covers a period of earth's history that was dark indeed. Civilization was almost totally lost. There was a time of persecution of God's people as had never before been seen.

This was the period of the 1260 days - years of Papal persecution.

See Dan. 7:24, 25.

Sardis - the fifth church.
Sardis means "*prince of joy*".
This church covers the time period beginning at the Reformation, when Protestantism first broke through the darkness with the translation of the Bible into the English language by Wycliffe.
A great opportunity was opened to the people and nations and many took hold of the truth. It seemed that all Europe

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3.4

Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments; and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy.

3.5

He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment; and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father, and before his angels.

3.6

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

3.7

And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;

3.8

I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.

3.9

Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee.

3.10

Because thou hast kept the word of my patience, I also will keep thee from the hour of temptation, which shall come upon all the world, to try them that dwell upon the earth.

3.11

Behold, I come quickly: hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown.

3.12

Him that overcometh will I make a pillar in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and I will write upon him my new name.

3.13

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

3.14

And unto the angel of the church of the Laodiceans write; These things saith the Amen, the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

3.15

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

3.16

So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

3.17

Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

3.18

I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see.

3.19

As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent.

3.20

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.

3.21

To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.

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would become truly Christian but gradually there was a return to papal principles in nearly all of the countries which had espoused the cause of Protestantism. This was largely due to the work of the Jesuits.

Philadelphia - the Sixth church
Philadelphia signifies "*brotherly love*".

This church represents those who were tested and gained a real love for and a trust in God that could not be swayed during the 1844 Movement and the Great Disappointment. They became a close-knit group, where love and concern for each other bound them together. They were controlled by the Holy Spirit and overcame evil by the blood of the lamb. There is nothing negative said of them.

Laodicea - the seventh church
The last church of earth's history.
Laodicea means "*a people judged*". This church begins at the beginning of the investigative judgment and continues to Christ's second coming. Its people have found the truth but don't take hold of God's power, living in their own strength. They think that they have all they need to be saved but do not realize that they are lost. God is trying to wake them up to their real need of repentance and a total surrender to Him so He can then work in them to bring about the changes necessary for eternal life. Even if the study and pray and serve God, it is in their own strength and to God this "righteousness" is unacceptable, like filthy rags. God wants to be in control of the life and work in it the works that are acceptable to Him.

3.22

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.

**Behold, I stand at the door, and knock:
if any man hear my voice, and open the
door, I will come in to him.**

**Work out your own salvation
with fear and trembling.
For it is God which worketh in you
both to will and to do of His good pleasure.
Philippians 2:12, 13**

**I must work the works of him that sent me,
while it is day:
the night cometh, when no man can work.
John 9:4**

**He that hath an ear,
let him hear!**

**To him that
overcometh
will I grant to sit
with me in my
throne.**

**We are not saved by
good works, but. . .
we will be lost
without good works.**

**When I'm doing the
works they're
unacceptable,
but. . .
when God works
them out *through*
me, they become
Acceptable.**

Revelation Chapters 4 to 22 Vision

4.1

After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be hereafter.

4.2

And immediately I was in the spirit; and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne.

4.3

And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald.

4.4

And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.

4.5

And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.

4.6

And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal: and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.

4.7

And the first beast was like a lion, and the second beast like a calf, and the third beast had a face as a man, and the fourth beast was like a flying eagle.

4.8

And the four beasts had each of them six wings about him; and they were full of eyes within: and they rest not day and night, saying, Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty, which was, and is, and is to come.

4.9

And when those beasts give glory and honour and thanks to him that sat on the throne, who liveth for ever and ever,

4.10

The four and twenty elders fall down before him that sat on the throne, and worship him that liveth for ever and ever, and cast their crowns before the throne, saying,

4.11

Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honour and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.

Revelation 5

5.1

And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.

5.2

And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?

5.3

And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.

5.4

And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.

5.5

And one of the elders saith unto me, Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Juda, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals

First Sequence Begins

We find ourselves moving into the most holy place in the Sanctuary. – the Throne room of God.

If one takes note, there are a number of things (Seven Seals, the Seven Trumpets, the Three Woes, and the Seven Vials) in Revelation that tie Revelation all together showing that, it is essentially one continuous exposition of events, most of which are still in the future. God has revealed to us the sequence of events to take place and we dare not brake it up.

“For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.” Rev. 22:18,19

The book spoken of here is the book of Revelation.

* Book with Seven Seals

The book itself cannot be opened until all the seals are opened.

The Lion of the tribe of Judah is Christ (Jesus).

thereof.

5.6

And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth.

5.7

And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.

5.8

And when he had taken the book, the four beasts and four and twenty elders fell down before the Lamb, having every one of them harps, and golden vials full of odours, which are the prayers of saints.

5.9

And they sung a new song, saying, Thou art worthy to take the book, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation;

5.10

And hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.

5.11

And I beheld, and I heard the voice of many angels round about the throne and the beasts and the elders: and the number of them was ten thousand times ten thousand, and thousands of thousands;

5.12

Saying with a loud voice, Worthy is the Lamb that was slain to receive power, and riches, and wisdom, and strength, and honour, and glory, and blessing.

5.13

And every creature which is in heaven, and on the earth, and under the earth, and such as are in the sea, and all that are in them, heard I saying, Blessing, and honour, and glory, and power, be unto him that sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb for ever and ever.

5.14

And the four beasts said, Amen. And the four and twenty elders fell down and worshipped him that liveth for ever and ever.

Revelation 6

6.1

And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.

6.2

And I saw, and behold a white horse: and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.

6.3

And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see.

6.4

And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword.

6.5

And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.

6.6

And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.

6.7

And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.

The Lamb is Christ (Jesus).

Also notice the extensive use of the number seven.

Thus the Jewish leaders made their choice. Their decision was registered in the book which John saw in the hand of Him that sat upon the throne, the book which no man could open. In all its vindictiveness this decision will appear before them in the day when this book is unsealed by the Lion of the tribe of Judah. COL.294

The book with the seven seals will be opened at Christ's second coming and the wicked will see that it was their actions, their choices that kept them out of heaven.

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* 1st seal opened

The Apostolic Church (pure Church) This church has existed to a greater or lesser degree down through time.

* 2nd Seal opened

The church polluted with pagan forms that persecuted the true followers of God.

* 3rd seal opened

The church during the time when the pagan powers accepted Christianity and were "converted".

* 4th seal opened

The church under the control of the

6.8

And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.

6.9

And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

6.10

And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?

6.11

And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.

6.12

And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;

6.13

And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.

6.14

And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.

6.15

And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;

6.16

And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:

6.17

For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Revelation 7

7.1

And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree.

7.2

And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea,

7.3

Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

7.4

And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

7.5

Of the tribe of Juda were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Reuben were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Gad were sealed twelve thousand.

Papacy during the Dark Ages.
European nations given to its control.

* 5th seal opened

We now move into future events.

* 6th seal opened Also see
Math. 24:29

A secondary fulfillment took place on
Nov. 1, 1755, May 19, 1790, Nov. 13,
1833.

The primary events are still in the future as can be seen from the next few verses. See #12 in Appendix

“The battle of Armageddon will be fought. And that day must find none of us sleeping. Wide awake we must be, as wise virgins having oil in our vessels with our lamps. The power of the Holy Ghost must be upon us and the Captain of the Lord's host will stand at the head of the angels of heaven to direct the battle. **Solemn events before us are yet to transpire. Trumpet after trumpet is to be sounded; vial after vial poured out one after another upon the inhabitants of the earth. Scenes of stupendous interest are right upon us and these things will be sure indications of the presence of Him who has directed in every aggressive movement, who has accompanied the march of His cause through all the ages, and who has graciously pledged Himself to be with His people in all their conflicts to the end of the world.** He will vindicate His truth. He will cause it to triumph. He is ready to supply His faithful ones with motives and power of purpose, inspiring them with hope and courage and valor in increased activity as the time is at hand.”
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The Trumpets are a warning to the earth that the end is here and probation is about to close.

7.6

Of the tribe of Aser were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Nephthalim were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Manasses were sealed twelve thousand.

7.7

Of the tribe of Simeon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Levi were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Issachar were sealed twelve thousand.

7.8

Of the tribe of Zabulon were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Joseph were sealed twelve thousand. Of the tribe of Benjamin were sealed twelve thousand.

7.9

After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, of all nations, and kindreds, and people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed with white robes, and palms in their hands;

7.10

And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and unto the Lamb.

7.11

And all the angels stood round about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts, and fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God,

7.12

Saying, Amen: Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and thanksgiving, and honour, and power, and might, be unto our God for ever and ever. Amen.

7.13

And one of the elders answered, saying unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence came they?

7.14

And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said to me, These are they which came out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

7.15

Therefore are they before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple: and he that sitteth on the throne shall dwell among them.

7.16

They shall hunger no more, neither thirst any more; neither shall the sun light on them, nor any heat.

7.17

For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and shall lead them unto living fountains of waters: and God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes.

8.1

And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.

8.2

And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets.

8.3

And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer it with the prayers of all saints upon the golden altar which was before the throne.

8.4

And the smoke of the incense, which came with the prayers of the saints, ascended up before God out of the angel's hand.

8.5

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.

8.6

And the seven angels which had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

8.7

The previous EGW statement puts the prophecies of the trumpets and vials in the future. The vials are the Seven Last Plagues. See Rev. 15:1, 6-8 16:1-17.

The trumpets (seven first plagues) will most likely be sounded after the National Sunday Law is enacted in the USA or after the Universal Sunday Law. This is when the judgments of God will begin to fall. These are the first plagues or judgments that fall just before the seven **last** plagues fall. They affect only 1/3 of the earth whereas the seven last plagues affect the whole earth. They are a warning to the people of the earth to repent and join with God's people before it is too late. See Rev. 9:20; 15:1

When the Sunday Law is enacted it is the last call to flee the cities.

See Math. 24:15,16,33

See #7 in Appendix

Compare what happens under the Seven Trumpets with what happens under the Seven Last Plagues. The first is partial destruction, the second is complete and without mercy. Each one deals with the same things.

8:1 * 7th seal opened.

Silence in heaven for about ½ hr. or 7½ days following the enactment of the Sunday law, the last call to flee the cities followed by the falling of the first Judgments (Trumpets). There are thunderings and lightnings and an earthquake before the trumpets sound. See #13 in Appendix

8:2 ** Seven angels, seven trumpets
 "It is no time now for God's people to be fixing their affections or laying up their treasure in the world. The time is not far distant, when, like the early disciples, we shall be forced to seek a refuge in desolate and solitary places. As the siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies was the signal for flight to the Judean Christians, so the assumption of power on the part of our nation in the decree enforcing the papal Sabbath will be a warning to us. It will then be time to leave the large cities."

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See #8 in Appendix

Rev.

The first angel sounded, and there followed hail and fire mingled with blood, and they were cast upon the earth: and the third part of trees was burnt up, and all green grass was burnt up.

8.8

And the second angel sounded, and as it were a great mountain burning with fire was cast into the sea: and the third part of the sea became blood;

8.9

And the third part of the creatures which were in the sea, and had life, died; and the third part of the ships were destroyed.

8.10

And the third angel sounded, and there fell a great star from heaven, burning as it were a lamp, and it fell upon the third part of the rivers, and upon the fountains of waters;

8.11

And the name of the star is called Wormwood: and the third part of the waters became wormwood; and many men died of the waters, because they were made bitter.

8.12

And the fourth angel sounded, and the third part of the sun was smitten, and the third part of the moon, and the third part of the stars; so as the third part of them was darkened, and the day shone not for a third part of it, and the night likewise.

8.13

And I beheld, and heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth by reason of the other voices of the trumpet of the three angels, which are yet to sound!

Revelation 9

9.1

And the fifth angel sounded, and I saw a star fall from heaven unto the earth: and to him was given the key of the bottomless pit.

9.2

And he opened the bottomless pit; and there arose a smoke out of the pit, as the smoke of a great furnace; and the sun and the air were darkened by reason of the smoke of the pit.

9.3

And there came out of the smoke locusts upon the earth: and unto them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power.

9.4

And it was commanded them that they should not hurt the grass of the earth, neither any green thing, neither any tree; but only those men which have not the seal of God in their foreheads.

9.5

And to them it was given that they should not kill them, but that they should be tormented **five months**: and their torment was as the torment of a scorpion, when he striketh a man.

9.6

And in those days shall men seek death, and shall not find it; and shall desire to die, and death shall flee from them.

9.7

And the shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men.

9.8

And they had hair as the hair of women, and their teeth were as the teeth of lions.

9.9

And they had breastplates, as it were breastplates of iron; and the sound of their wings was as the sound of chariots of many horses running to battle.

9.10

And they had tails like unto scorpions, and there were stings in their tails: and their

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** First angel sounds his trumpet

** Second angel sounds his trumpet

** Third angel sounds his trumpet

Notice that the Seven Trumpets and the Seven Last plagues affect the same things in nature. The Seven Trumpets are also Seven Plagues. See Rev. 9:20.

** Fourth angel sounds his trumpet

*** Three Woes are pronounced.

There are still three more trumpets to be sounded, they are the three woes.

** Fifth angel sounds his trumpet.
Lasts for 150 days. Rev. 9:5

“When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:) then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains.”
Matt. 24:15, 16.

“The time is not far distant, when, like the early disciples, we shall be forced to seek a refuge in desolate and solitary places. As the siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies was the signal for flight to the Judean Christians, **so the assumption of power on the part of our nation [the United States] in the decree enforcing the papal Sabbath will be a warning to us. It will then be time to leave the large cities,** preparatory to leaving the smaller ones for retired homes in secluded places among the mountains.”
Maranatha
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After the Sunday Laws have been enacted terrible things will start to take place in quick succession around us. Daniel 12 and Revelation 7 and onward is God's way of letting us know what is going to be happening so we can be prepared for what will be be

Rev.

power was to hurt men **five months.**

9.11

And they had a king over them, which is the angel of the bottomless pit, whose name in the Hebrew tongue is Abaddon, but in the Greek tongue hath his name Apollyon.

9.12

One woe is past; and, behold, there come two woes more hereafter.

9.13

And the sixth angel sounded, and I heard a voice from the four horns of the golden altar which is before God,

9.14

Saying to the sixth angel which had the trumpet, Loose the four angels which are bound in the great river Euphrates.

9.15

And the four angels were loosed, which were prepared for **an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year**, for to slay the third part of men.

9.16

And the number of the army of the horsemen were two hundred thousand thousand: and I heard the number of them.

9.17

And thus I saw the horses in the vision, and them that sat on them, having breast-plates of fire, and of jacinth, and brimstone: and the heads of the horses were as the heads of lions; and out of their mouths issued fire and smoke and brimstone.

9.18

By these three was the third part of men killed, by the fire, and by the smoke, and by the brimstone, which issued out of their mouths.

9.19

For their power is in their mouth, and in their tails: for their tails were like unto serpents, and had heads, and with them they do hurt.

9.20

And the rest of the men which were not killed by these plagues yet repented not of the works of their hands, that they should not worship devils, and idols of gold, and silver, and brass, and stone, and of wood: which neither can see, nor hear, nor walk:

9.21

Neither repented they of their murders, nor of their sorceries, nor of their fornication, nor of their thefts.

Revelation 10

10.1

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:

10.2

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,

Comments & Notes

happening around us. It is to give His followers hope. As we see the prophecies unfolding we will know that it will all end in a short time and not go on forever. See timelines in Daniel 12. This will give us courage to hang on, faithfully, for our redemption draweth nigh.

“Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.” Amos 3.7

In the sounding of the trumpets, John did his best to describe literally what he saw happening just as Daniel did his best to describe the fourth beast.

*** First woe is past, two are yet to follow.

** Sixth Trumpet sounded. (Woe #2)
Lasts for 390 days & 1 Hr.

1 hour, 1 day, 1 month, 1 year = 391 days and 1 hour.

An army of 200,000 kill a third part of the men of the earth.

Here we can see that the trumpets are plagues (the seven first plagues that only effect 1/3 of the earth). They are sent to get the people of the earth to repent but most of them do not. Then the seven last plagues are sent on the unrepentant.

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Rev.

10.3

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

10.4

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.

10.5

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

10.6

And swore 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:

10.7

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.

10.8

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

10.9

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.

10.10

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.

10.11

And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

11.1

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.

11.2

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

11.3

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

11.4

These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth.

11.5

And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed.

11.6

These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will.

11.7

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.

11.8

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.

Comments & Notes

Seven Thunders -

Mystery of God - His allowing sin to exist on earth for six thousand years.

Great Disappointment of 1844

Prophecy again - another awakening just before Christ comes.

E.G. White? Still future?

Judgment

42 months = 1260 Days. A month = 30 days. See Rev 11:3

Two Witnesses - Old & New Testament. Great Controversy p. 267

1260 Prophetic Days, or years.

The witnessing of the two Witnesses is the preaching of the gospel (Three Angel's Messages) during the Dark Ages. Christians were killed and the Holy Bible was banned for three and one half years during the French Revolution. This will probably take place again during the last great persecution just before Christ's second coming during the sixth trumpet. At this time it will be re-enacted along with the parts of the prophecy that did not take place the first time.

The Three Angels Messages preached with the power of the fourth angel.

Rev.

11.9

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.

11.10

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.

11.11

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.

11.12

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.

11.13

And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.

11.14

The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly.

11.15

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.

11.16

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

11.17

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.

11.18

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

11.19

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 12

12.1

And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars:

12.2

And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered.

12.3

And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a **great red dragon**, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads.

Comments & Notes

Rev. 14:6

3½ days, or 3½ years or 1260 literal days of persecution. See Dan. 12:7

These texts describe what happened when the French people threw off all religious restraint.

3½ days or 3½ years. It was in 1793 that decrees were made that abolished the Christian religion and the authority of the Bible. 3 1/2 years later the decrees were rescinded. Since then the Bible has been held up as never before. These events take place just before the Seven Last Plagues and Christ's second coming.

*** Woe Two has ended and the third one follows. (Seventh trumpet)
** Seventh angel sounds his trumpet.

“Under the symbols of the great red dragon, a leopard-like beast, and a beast with lamb-like horns, the earthly governments which would be especially engaged in trampling upon God's law and persecuting His people, were presented to John.” Signs of the Times 02-08-1910

The great red dragon depicts Satan as the ruler of the nations and is not to be confused with the Beast of Rev. 13:1, even though they may look very similar. This is the power that tried to kill Jesus at his birth. At that time it was Pagan Rome which had Satan at its head, thus it appears as a red dragon, whereas the Beast in Rev. 13:1 is given power by the Dragon in Rev. 13:2, thus making it clear that they are not the same. It is Paganism disguised as Christianity. It no longer looks like a red dragon but it still operates on the same principals. It is Papal Rome. The 10 horns on the red dragon represent the 10 divisions of the Roman empire. Later we will look at what the seven heads represent and also the ten horns on the Beast.

First Sequence Ends, Rev. 11

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12.4

And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as soon as it was born.

12.5

And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to his throne.

12.6

And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there **a thousand two hundred and threescore days**.

12.7

And there was war in heaven: Michael and his angels fought against the dragon; and the dragon fought and his angels,

12.8

And prevailed not; neither was their place found any more in heaven.

12.9

And the great dragon was cast out, that old serpent, called the Devil, and Satan, which deceiveth the whole world: he was cast out into the earth, and his angels were cast out with him.

12.10

And I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, Now is come salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of his Christ: for the accuser of our brethren is cast down, which accused them before our God day and night.

12.11

And they overcame him by the blood of the Lamb, and by the word of their testimony; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

12.12

Therefore rejoice, ye heavens, and ye that dwell in them. Woe to the inhabitants of the earth and of the sea! for the devil is come down unto you, having great wrath, because he knoweth that he hath but a short time.

12.13

And when the dragon saw that he was cast unto the earth, he persecuted the woman which brought forth the man child.

12.14

And to the woman were given two wings of a great eagle, that she might fly into the wilderness, into her place, where she is nourished for **a time, and times, and half a time**, from the face of the serpent.

12.15

And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

12.16

And the earth helped the woman, and the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

12.17

And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

The Sabbath question will be the issue in the great conflict in which all the world will act a part. [Rev. 13:4-8, 10 quoted.] This entire chapter is a revelation of what will surely take place [Rev. 13:11, 15-17 quoted] (MS 88, 1897).

Revelation 13

13.1

And I stood upon the sand of the sea, and saw a **beast** rise up out of the sea, having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten crowns, and upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

13.2

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Second Sequence Begins, Rev. 12

Rev. 12 is a short preview of history.

Man child - Christ

1260 days or years (Dark Ages of Papal supremacy).

Dragon - The Devil, Satan, the Serpent.

At Christ's death Satan was no longer allowed to leave this earth to tempt other worlds or come to the gates of heaven. See #9 in Appendix

Woman or God's People, God's Church, those who do God's will.

1260 days or years of persecution.

13:1 The beast that we see next in chapter 13 is a composite beast, made up of parts of the first beasts. . . . Leopard (Greece), Bear (Medo-Persia), and Lion (Babylon – it has seven heads which represent all the beast powers that have and will persecute God's people). 1 Babylon, 2 Medo-Persia, 3 Greece, 4 Pagan Rome, 5 Papal Rome, 6 United States - Lamb-like beast, and 7 Papal Rome - Wound healed

Revelation 13 goes quickly into present day events and then into the future.

This Beast is not the same as the dragon in Rev 12:3, 4. In the next verses we see it being given power by the dragon (Pagan Rome). They may look similar but they are not the same. The beast is Papal Rome. Also see verse 4 where we have the dragon and the beast. Also see Rev. 17:3,7-12.

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And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the **dragon** gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority.

13.3

And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

13.4

And they worshipped the **dragon** which gave power unto the **beast**: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him?

13.5

And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue **forty and two months**.

13.6

And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.

13.7

And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

13.8

And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.

13.9

If any man have an ear, let him hear.

13.10

He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience and the faith of the saints.

13.11

And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

13.12

And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

13.13

And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

13.14

And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

13.15

And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

13.16

And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

13.17

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.

13.18

Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding count the number of the beast: for it is the number of a man; and his number is Six hundred threescore and six.

Comments & Notes

Head was wounded in 1798. The pope was taken into captivity by the French army in 1798, 1260 years after its power began in 538. The wound began to heal when Vatican city was set up as a state again on February 11, 1929.

Present events. The original wound is increasingly being healed.

Future events:

42 months - 1260 days

Universal Sunday Law enacted

Beginning of Dan. 12:7 1260 & 1290 days time line. See also Rev. 13:12

This is talking about the near future because all kindred's, and tongues, and nations are not following him yet, and not all that dwell upon the earth are worshiping him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. This event is still to come.

Lamb-like Beast, the USA

See #10 in Appendix

Spake means Sunday Law in USA.

Beginning of the 1335 days Dan. 12:12

“It has been shown that the United States is the power represented by the beast with lamb-like horns, and that this prophecy will be fulfilled when the United States shall enforce Sunday observance, ...” Great Controversy page 578

See also 2 Thessalonians 2:3-12

Beast speaks – the Death Decree.
End of the 1260 days of Dan. 12:7

The Mark = Sunday Worship

Added up, the letters (Roman numerals) in his name equal 666
See #11 in Appendix

The Number of the beast is 666.

Second Sequence Ends

Revelation 14

14.1

And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads.

14.2

And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps:

14.3

And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.

14.4

These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

14.5

And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God.

14.6

And I saw another angel fly 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,

14.7

Saying with a loud voice, 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.

14.8

And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication.

14.9

And the third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand,

14.10

The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:

14.11

And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, who worship the beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.

14.12

Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

14.13

And I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Write, Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth: Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.

14.14

And I looked, and behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on his head a golden crown, and in his hand a sharp sickle.

14.15

And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to him that sat on the cloud, Thrust in thy sickle, and reap: for the time is come for thee to reap; for the harvest of the earth is ripe.

14.16

And he that sat on the cloud thrust in his sickle on the earth; and the earth was reaped.

Third Sequence Begins.

Three Angels Messages

First Angels Message

Second Angels Message

Third Angels Message

The close of probation for all.

Now we see Christ coming the second time with glory and power to get His faithful followers.

First sickle

Reaping of the righteous to receive their reward.

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14.17

And another angel came out of the temple which is in heaven, he also having a sharp sickle.

14.18

And another angel came out from the altar, which had power over fire; and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, saying, Thrust in thy sharp sickle, and gather the clusters of the vine of the earth; for her grapes are fully ripe.

14.19

And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great winepress of the wrath of God.

14.20

And the winepress was trodden without the city, and blood came out of the wine press, even unto the horse bridles, by the space of a thousand and six hundred furlongs.

Revelation 15

15.1

And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, **seven angels having the seven last plagues**; for in them is filled up the wrath of God.

15.2

And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, and over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God.

15.3

And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous are thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true are thy ways, thou King of saints.

15.4

Who shall not fear thee, O Lord, and glorify thy name? for thou only art holy: for all nations shall come and worship before thee; for thy judgments are made manifest.

15.5

And after that I looked, and, behold, the temple of the tabernacle of the testimony in heaven was opened:

15.6

And the seven angels came out of the temple, having the seven plagues, clothed in pure and white linen, and having their breasts girded with golden girdles.

15.7

And one of the four beasts gave unto the seven angels seven golden vials full of the wrath of God, who liveth for ever and ever.

15.8

And the temple was filled with smoke from the glory of God, and from his power; and no man was able to enter into the temple, till the seven plagues of the seven angels were fulfilled.

Revelation 16

16.1

And I heard a great voice out of the temple saying to the seven angels, Go your ways, and pour out the vials of the wrath of God upon the earth.

16.2

And the first went, and poured out his vial upon the earth; and there fell a noisome and grievous sore upon the men which had the mark of the beast, and upon them which worshipped his image.

16.3

And the second angel poured out his vial upon the sea; and it became as the blood of a dead man; and every living soul died in the sea.

16.4

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Second sickle

Gathering of the wicked to receive their reward.

Third Sequence Ends.

Forth Sequence Begins.

**** The Seven **last** plagues or Vials
See Rev. 15:6,7 16:1.

The word "last" would infer that there were some previous plagues — the Trumpets. The Seven Last Plagues come after the close of probation and are poured out without mercy upon the unrepentant wicked, whereas the Trumpets are mixed with mercy for they only affect one third of the earth. The Trumpets are a warning to the earth that the end is here and probation is about to close.

**** The seven angels with the seven vials full of the seven last plagues

**** First Plague

**** Second Plague

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And the third angel poured out his vial upon the rivers and fountains of waters; and they became blood.

16.5

And I heard the angel of the waters say, Thou art righteous, O Lord, which art, and wast, and shalt be, because thou hast judged thus.

16.6

For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy.

16.7

And I heard another out of the altar say, Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are thy judgments.

16.8

And the fourth angel poured out his vial upon the sun; and power was given unto him to scorch men with fire.

16.9

And men were scorched with great heat, and blasphemed the name of God, which hath power over these plagues: and they repented not to give him glory.

16.10

And the fifth angel poured out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain,

16.11

And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.

16.12

And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

16.13

And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

16.14

For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

16.15

Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

16.16

And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

16.17

And the seventh angel poured out his vial into the air; and there came a great voice out of the temple of heaven, from the throne, saying, It is done.

16.18

And there were voices, and thunders, and lightnings; and there was a great earthquake, such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.

16.19

And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.

16.20

And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.

16.21

And there fell upon men a great hail out of heaven, every stone about the weight of a talent: and men blasphemed God because of the plague of the hail; for the plague

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**** Third Plague

**** Fourth Plague

**** Fifth Plague

**** Sixth Plague

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**** Seventh Plague

It is done. God delivers His people, announces the day and hour of his coming. End of the 1335 days of Dan. 12:12

Voices of doom, a great earthquake. End of 1290 days of Dan. 12:11

“Soon we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave us the day and hour of Jesus' coming. The living saints, 144,000 in number, knew and understood the voice, while the wicked thought it was thunder and an earthquake. When God spake the time, He poured upon us the Holy Spirit, and our faces began to light up and shine with the glory of God, as Moses' did

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thereof was exceeding great.

Revelation 17

17.1

And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will show unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

17.2

With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

17.3

So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

17.4

And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:

17.5

And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

17.6

And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.

17.7

And the angel said unto me, Wherefore didst thou marvel? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

17.8

The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition: and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet is.

17.9

And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

17.10

And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space.

17.11

And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

17.12

And the ten horns which thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet; but receive power as kings **one hour** with the beast.

17.13

These have one mind, and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.

17.14

These shall make war with the Lamb, and the Lamb shall overcome them: for he is Lord of lords, and King of kings: and they that are with him are called, and chosen, and faithful.

17.15

And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

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when he came down from Mount Sinai. 1T 59

Fourth Sequence Ends.

Fifth Sequence Begins.

We now see another view of things present and to come.

Whore See Rev.17:3, 4, 15, 18
Woman / whore. The Church or Religious power, Papal Rome united with Apostate Protestantism. See Rev. 17:1, 2, 15, 18

Beast - Ruling power(s) (Papal Rome).

Seven Heads - The seven kingdoms Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Pagan-Rome Papal Rome, Atheism – Russia, USA, Papacy restored. Rev. 13:1-3, Rev. 17:8-11

Ten horns - The Ten Major World Powers that will support Papal Rome just before Christ comes back. Rev. 17:12

Woman - See Rev. 17:3,18

The Woman and the Whore are the same so the Beast and the Waters are exactly the same—the peoples of the earth and the ruling powers that are over them.

Seven mountains - The seven kingdoms Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, Pagan-Rome, Papal Rome, Atheism-Russia, USA, Papacy restored. See Rev. 17:10. Also see explanation of verse 10 on page 28.

Rev. 17:10 See next page

Eighth Beast - Papal Rome united with all the powers of the world. Rev. 17:17
Ten European Union kingdoms at the end of time will join with the USA & the Papal power for 1 Hour or 15 days. They will give their power and authority over to the Papacy. This becomes the Eighth Beast.

Lamb - Christ

Waters - See Dan. 7:2 Rev. 17:1, 2

Ten horns - Ten kingdoms of Europe, European Union, that will support and give their power to Papal Rome along

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17.16

And the ten horns which thou sawest upon the beast, these shall hate the whore, and shall make her desolate and naked, and shall eat her flesh, and burn her with fire.

17.17

For God hath put in their hearts to fulfil his will, and to agree, and give their kingdom unto the beast, until the words of God shall be fulfilled.

17.18

And the woman which thou sawest is that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth.

Revelation 18

18.1

And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

18.2

And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, 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.

18.3

For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.

18.4

And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

18.5

For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.

18.6

Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.

18.7

How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

18.8

Therefore shall her plagues come in **one day**, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.

18.9

And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,

18.10

Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

18.11

And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:

18.12

The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

18.13

And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

18.14

And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which

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with the USA, 7th beast, and just before Christ comes will end up destroying her. (Papal Rome)

Whore - See Rev. 17:1

Woman - Catholic Church which reigns over the world kingdoms. See Rev. 17:7

4th Angel; The Three Angel's Message given with great power and light. This will be done after Sunday legislation is enacted. See Rev. 14:6-12

This is still future because all nations have not drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication yet, and the kings of the earth have not committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are not waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies yet.

Read Isaiah 26:3,4; Isaiah 26:20,21

One Day = One year = 360 Days
The plagues will last for 360 literal days.

The Jewish year had 360 days in it. Rev. 18:8-24 The destruction of the Papacy. See Rev. 17:16,17

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- 17:10 The seven kings or kingdoms:
 - 1 Babylon
 - 2 Medo-Persia
 - 3 Greece
 - 4 Pagan Rome
 - 5 Papal Rome
 - 6 Atheism, France, then Russia
 - 7 USA

Five are fallen:

- 1 Babylon
- 2 Medo-Persia
- 3 Greece
- 4 Pagan Rome
- 5 Papal Rome

- One is: 6 Atheism France then Russia
 - 7 The other is not yet come: USA-1991
 - 8 Papacy restored – still future
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were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all.

18.15

The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,

18.16

And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!

18.17

For in **one hour** so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,

18.18

And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city!

18.19

And they cast dust on their heads, and cried, weeping and wailing, saying, Alas, alas, that great city, wherein were made rich all that had ships in the sea by reason of her costliness! for in one hour is she made desolate.

18.20

Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her.

18.21

And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

18.22

And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

18.23

And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

18.24

And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Revelation 19

19.1

And after these things I heard a great voice of much people in heaven, saying, Alleluia; Salvation, and glory, and honour, and power, unto the Lord our God:

19.2

For true and righteous are his judgments: for he hath judged the great whore, which did corrupt the earth with her fornication, and hath avenged the blood of his servants at her hand.

19.3

And again they said, Alleluia. And her smoke rose up for ever and ever.

19.4

And the four and twenty elders and the four beasts fell down and worshipped God that sat on the throne, saying, Amen; Alleluia.

19.5

And a voice came out of the throne, saying, Praise our God, all ye his servants, and ye that fear him, both small and great.

19.6

And I heard as it were the voice of a great multitude, and as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of mighty thunderings, saying, Alleluia: for the Lord God omnipotent reigneth.

Comments & Notes

After the 1 hour or 15 days that the Papacy has supremacy, the nations will destroy her in 1 hour - 15 literal days.

“Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.”
2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4

Jesus says that the last days of persecution will be shortened.

“And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.”
Matthew 24.22

This is comparing the 1260 years of persecution during the Dark Ages with the 1260 days of persecution just prior to His second coming. See Dan. 12. This time of persecution is very short compared to the first. If it were to go on as long as the first one did there would be no survivors.

Isaiah 25

Rev.

19.7

Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honour to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready.

19.8

And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of saints.

19.9

And he saith unto me, Write, Blessed are they which are called unto the marriage supper of the Lamb. And he saith unto me, These are the true sayings of God.

19.10

And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See thou do it not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.

19.11

And I saw heaven opened, and behold a white horse; and he that sat upon him was called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he doth judge and make war.

19.12

His eyes were as a flame of fire, and on his head were many crowns; and he had a name written, that no man knew, but he himself.

19.13

And he was clothed with a vesture dipped in blood: and his name is called The Word of God.

19.14

And the armies which were in heaven followed him upon white horses, clothed in fine linen, white and clean.

19.15

And out of his mouth goeth a sharp sword, that with it he should smite the nations: and he shall rule them with a rod of iron: and he treadeth the winepress of the fierceness and wrath of Almighty God.

19.16

And he hath on his vesture and on his thigh a name written, KING OF KINGS, AND LORD OF LORDS.

19.17

And I saw an angel standing in the sun; and he cried with a loud voice, saying to all the fowls that fly in the midst of heaven, Come and gather yourselves together unto the supper of the great God;

19.18

That ye may eat the flesh of kings, and the flesh of captains, and the flesh of mighty men, and the flesh of horses, and of them that sit on them, and the flesh of all men, both free and bond, both small and great.

19.19

And I saw the beast, and the kings of the earth, and their armies, gathered together to make war against him that sat on the horse, and against his army.

19.20

And the beast was taken, and with him the false prophet that wrought miracles before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

19.21

And the remnant were slain with the sword of him that sat upon the horse, which sword proceeded out of his mouth: and all the fowls were filled with their flesh.

Revelation 20

20.1

And I saw an angel come down from heaven, having the key of the bottomless pit and a great chain in his hand.

20.2

And he laid hold on the dragon, that old serpent, which is the Devil, and Satan, and bound him a thousand years,

Comments & Notes

Isaiah 25:9

Here is a picture of Christ's second coming.

Here is a description of what will become of the wicked at Christ's coming.

When Christ comes the powers of the earth will try to stop Him. . . the Battle of Armageddon.

Satan bound to this earth for a thousand years - the Millennium.

One thousand years - the Millennium.

Rev.

20.3

And cast him into the bottomless pit, and shut him up, and set a seal upon him, that he should deceive the nations no more, till the thousand years should be fulfilled: and after that he must be loosed a little season.

20.4

And I saw thrones, and they sat upon them, and judgment was given unto them: and I saw the souls of them that were beheaded for the witness of Jesus, and for the word of God, and which had not worshipped the beast, neither his image, neither had received his mark upon their foreheads, or in their hands; and they lived and reigned with Christ a **thousand years**.

20.5

But the rest of the dead lived not again until the thousand years were finished. This is the first resurrection.

20.6

Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection: on such the second death hath no power, but they shall be priests of God and of Christ, and shall reign with him a thousand years.

20.7

And when the thousand years are expired, Satan shall be loosed out of his prison,

20.8

And shall go out to deceive the nations which are in the four quarters of the earth, Gog and Magog, to gather them together to battle: the number of whom is as the sand of the sea.

20.9

And they went up on the breadth of the earth, and compassed the camp of the saints about, and the beloved city: and fire came down from God out of heaven, and devoured them.

20.10

And the devil that deceived them was cast into the lake of fire and brimstone, where the beast and the false prophet are, and shall be tormented day and night for ever and ever.

20.11

And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.

20.12

And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

20.13

And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.

20.14

And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

20.15

And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Revelation 21

21.1

And I saw a new heaven and a new earth: for the first heaven and the first earth were passed away; and there was no more sea.

21.2

And I John saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband.

21.3

And I heard a great voice out of heaven saying, Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and he will dwell with them, and they shall be his people, and God himself shall be with them, and be their God.

Comments & Notes

Six days of week, correlates to six thousand years of sin.
Sabbath comes on seventh day.
The 1000 years of the Millennium come following these six thousand years of sin.

After one thousand years the Millennium will end.

Now we are given a picture of what will happen after the one thousand years are over.

Jesus re-creates the earth while the righteous watch.

Rev.

21.4

And God shall wipe away all tears from their eyes; and there shall be no more death, neither sorrow, nor crying, neither shall there be any more pain: for the former things are passed away.

21.5

And he that sat upon the throne said, Behold, I make all things new. And he said unto me, Write: for these words are true and faithful.

21.6

And he said unto me, It is done. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end. I will give unto him that is athirst of the fountain of the water of life freely.

21.7

He that overcometh shall inherit all things; and I will be his God, and he shall be my son.

21.8

But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.

21.9

And there came unto me one of the seven angels which had the seven vials full of the seven last plagues, and talked with me, saying, Come hither, I will show thee the bride, the Lamb's wife.

21.10

And he carried me away in the spirit to a great and high mountain, and showed me that great city, the holy Jerusalem, descending out of heaven from God,

21.11

Having the glory of God: and her light was like unto a stone most precious, even like a jasper stone, clear as crystal;

21.12

And had a wall great and high, and had twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and names written thereon, which are the names of the twelve tribes of the children of Israel:

21.13

On the east three gates; on the north three gates; on the south three gates; and on the west three gates.

21.14

And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and in them the names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

21.15

And he that talked with me had a golden reed to measure the city, and the gates thereof, and the wall thereof.

21.16

And the city lieth foursquare, and the length is as large as the breadth: and he measured the city with the reed, twelve thousand furlongs. The length and the breadth and the height of it are equal.

21.17

And he measured the wall thereof, an hundred and forty and four cubits, according to the measure of a man, that is, of the angel.

21.18

And the building of the wall of it was of jasper: and the city was pure gold, like unto clear glass.

21.19

And the foundations of the wall of the city were garnished with all manner of precious stones. The first foundation was jasper; the second, sapphire; the third, a chalcidony; the fourth, an emerald;

21.20

The fifth, sardonyx; the sixth, sardius; the seventh, chrysolite; the eighth, beryl; the ninth, a topaz; the tenth, a chrysoprasus; the eleventh, a jacinth; the twelfth, an amethyst.

Comments & Notes

The new Jerusalem comes down from Heaven to earth.

Rev.

21.21

And the twelve gates were twelve pearls: every several gate was of one pearl: and the street of the city was pure gold, as it were transparent glass.

21.22

And I saw no temple therein: for the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb are the temple of it.

21.23

And the city had no need of the sun, neither of the moon, to shine in it: for the glory of God did lighten it, and the Lamb is the light thereof.

21.24

And the nations of them which are saved shall walk in the light of it: and the kings of the earth do bring their glory and honour into it.

21.25

And the gates of it shall not be shut at all by day: for there shall be no night there.

21.26

And they shall bring the glory and honour of the nations into it.

21.27

And there shall in no wise enter into it any thing that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.

Revelation 22

22.1

And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding out of the throne of God and of the Lamb.

22.2

In the midst of the street of it, and on either side of the river, was there the tree of life, which bare twelve manner of fruits, and yielded her fruit every month: and the leaves of the tree were for the healing of the nations.

22.3

And there shall be no more curse: but the throne of God and of the Lamb shall be in it; and his servants shall serve him:

22.4

And they shall see his face; and his name shall be in their foreheads.

22.5

And there shall be no night there; and they need no candle, neither light of the sun; for the Lord God giveth them light: and they shall reign for ever and ever.

22.6

And he said unto me, These sayings are faithful and true: and the Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to show unto his servants the things which must shortly be done.

22.7

Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

22.8

And I John saw these things, and heard them. And when I had heard and seen, I fell down to worship before the feet of the angel which showed me these things.

22.9

Then saith he unto me, See thou do it not: for I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren the prophets, and of them which keep the sayings of this book: worship God.

22.10

And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

22.11

He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

Comments & Notes

It is light in the city, day and night.

The close of probation.

Rev.

22.12

And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

22.13

I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

22.14

Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

22.15

For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

22.16

I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star.

22.17

And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

22.18

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book:

22.19

And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book.

22.20

He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

22.21

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

“There are men among us who profess to understand the truth for these last days, but who will not calmly investigate advanced truth. They are determined to make no advance beyond the stakes which they have set, and will not listen to those who, they say, do not stand by the old landmarks. They are so self-sufficient that they cannot be reasoned with. They consider it a virtue to be at variance with their brethren, and close the door, that light shall not find an entrance to the people of God. It will require heavenly wisdom to know how to deal with such cases. Light will come to God's people, and those who have sought to close the door will either repent or be removed out of the way. The time has come when a new impetus must be given to the work. There are terrible scenes before us, and Satan is seeking to keep from our knowledge the very things that God would have us know. God has messengers and messages for his people. If ideas are presented that differ in some points from our former doctrines, we must not condemn them without diligent search of the Bible to see if they are true. We must fast and pray and search the Scriptures as did the noble Bereans, to see if these things are so. We must accept every ray of light that comes to us. Through earnest prayer and diligent study of God's word, dark things will be made plain to the understanding.” Signs of the Times 05-26-1890

**The Prophecy of Christ as found in
Mathew 24:1-44**

24.1

And Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: and his disciples came to him for to show him the buildings of the temple.

24.2

And Jesus said unto them, See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you, There

Comments & Notes

He is coming very soon!

Fifth Sequence Ends.

Math.

shall not be left here one stone upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

24.3

And as he sat upon the mount of Olives, the disciples came unto him privately, saying, Tell us, when shall these things be? and what shall be the sign of thy coming, and of the end of the world?

24.4

And Jesus answered and said unto them, Take heed that no man deceive you.

24.5

For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.

24.6

And ye shall hear of wars and rumours of wars: see that ye be not troubled: for all these things must come to pass, but the end is not yet.

24.7

For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places.

24.8

All these are the beginning of sorrows.

24.9

Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.

24.10

And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

24.11

And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

24.12

And because iniquity shall abound, the love of many shall wax cold.

24.13

But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.

24.14

And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and then shall the end come.

24.15

When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)

24.16

Then let them which be in Judaea flee into the mountains:

24.17

Let him which is on the housetop not come down to take any thing out of his house:

24.18

Neither let him which is in the field return back to take his clothes.

24.19

And woe unto them that are with child, and to them that give suck in those days!

24.20

But pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day:

24.21

For then shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be.

24.22

And except those days should be shortened, there should no flesh be saved: but for the elect's sake those days shall be shortened.

24.23

Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; believe it not.

24.24

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

24.25

Behold, I have told you before.

Comments & Notes

Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.

2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4

Verses 15-20 Have a dual application It was for them when Jerusalem was destroyed and it is for us when a Church/State power which sets up National Sunday Laws and claims to have the authority of God on earth. We can then know that it is time to flee the cities.

It will not go well for those who have young children at this time.

This is the great tribulation or time of trouble that takes place just before Christ's second coming. It is tied together with verses twenty-nine and thirty.

Math.

24.26

Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

24.27

For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

24.28

For wheresoever the carcase is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

24.29

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:

24.30

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.

24.31

And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.

24.32

Now learn a parable of the fig tree; When his branch is yet tender, and putteth forth leaves, ye know that summer is nigh:

24.33

So likewise ye, when ye shall see all these things, know that it is near, even at the doors.

24.34

Verily I say unto you, This generation shall not pass, till all these things be fulfilled.

24.35

Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my words shall not pass away.

24.36

But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but my Father only.

24.37

But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

24.38

For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark,

24.39

And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

24.40

Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

24.41

Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

24.42

Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

24.43

But know this, that if the good man of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

24.44

Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

Comments & Notes

Christ's coming will not be a secret. Immediately after the tribulation, the sun will be darkened and the moon will not give her light. If the tribulation here mentioned is the same as the one found in verse 21, the above does not take place until after the time of trouble which is still in the future.

Christ appears in the clouds of glory to take his people home.

The signs found in verse 29 may have had a secondary fulfillment prior to 1844, but I believe that it is obvious from the texts that they are talking about an event to happen in the future.

We must remember that the pioneers believed that Christ was coming in 1844 so they would have seen the Dark day and the falling of the stars of their day as the fulfillment of these verses. We now realize where they erred. It was not Christ's second coming that had been prophesied to take place in 1844, but the beginning of the Judgment.

Since the common belief was that Christ was coming in 1844, these early believers put a number of future prophecies in the past since they were all to take place before Christ's coming and would therefore have to already have found their fulfillment by that time. This made complete sense to them, but we can now see that many of the prophecies that they thought were already fulfilled had not in reality been fulfilled but were still future events, some of which have been fulfilled since then.

Appendix

#1 The Daily: Assumed root of the following. (*tāmīd*) continuity. Most frequently this word is used in an adjectival genitive construction with *‘ōlā* for the continual whole burnt offering made to God every morning and evening (Ex 29:42; Num 28:6, 10, 15, 23; Ezr 3:5; Neh 10:34; cf. Ezk 46:15, every morning; and the continual *minhā*, Num 4:16 Neh 10:34; Lev 6:13. The word is used alone to designate the daily burnt offering in Dan 8:11-13; 11:31; 12:11. Numbers 4:7 refers to the “bread of continuity” meaning the bread that was always there.

The word is also used adverbially in connection with the cult to denote constancy in cultic duties (e.g. Aaron’s breastplate, Ex 28:29-30). **Some passages, however, stress constancy of personal devotion, e.g.,** Hosea 12:6, **“Turn to your God; keep mercy and justice and wait on your God continually.”** The Psalms likewise urge, **let his praises continually be in your mouth** (34:1; 71:6), **hope continually in the Lord** (71:14); **let God’s truth continually preserve you** (40:11); **let prayer be made to him continually** (72:15), and **keep his law continually** (119:44). Isaiah promises that **the Lord will continually guide those who respond to the social needs about them as evidence of true spirituality.** Indeed, **“Seek the Lord and his strength, seek his face continually”** (1Chronicles 16:11). W.C.K.

What about the word “Sacrifice” that is used in conjunction with the daily?

“Then I saw in relation to the “daily” (Dan. 8:12) that the word “sacrifice” was supplied by man’s wisdom, and does not belong to the text, and that the Lord gave the correct view of it to those who gave the judgment hour cry. When union existed, before 1844, nearly all were united on the correct view of the “daily”; but in the confusion since 1844, other views have been embraced, and darkness and confusion have followed.” Early Writings of Ellen G. White Page 74 Par. 2

It is obvious from this statement that the word sacrifice does not belong in these texts so we will remove it.

Let’s look at the first group of verses in Daniel where “the Daily” appears. See Daniel 8: 9-14

“And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land. And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the **Daily** was taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down. And an host was given him against the **Daily** by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered. Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the **Daily**, and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, Unto **two thousand and three hundred days**; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.” Dan. 8:9-14

Now let’s look at the following verses to see if the Scripture itself gives further light. We find the angel, Gabriel, gives Daniel the explanation for the preceding verses. See Daniel 8:15,16 and verses 23 – 25.

“And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and **shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.** And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.” Dan 8:23-25

*What is the subject at the center of these texts? The **mighty and the holy people.** Yet in verses 9 -14, God’s people are not mentioned. The central subject of verses 9-14 would seem to be the Daily. Why would the angel give Daniel an explanation of a group of texts with two different subjects in each? I believe that the Daily has been interpreted for us in Dan 8:23-25. Why do I believe this? Let’s look at some more evidence for this conclusion. What are the characteristics of the mighty and the holy people? They are the people who seek the Lord continually, who continually seek for God’s strength and power in their lives in order to overcome the evil one. They are continually giving thanks. They hope continually, obey continually and abide in Him continually. God’s holy people are continually striving to do his will. They have also been continually present in the earth, from the time of creation. God has always had faithful witnesses.*

“For this cause also thank we God without ceasing. . .” 1 Thessalonians 2:13; “Pray without ceasing.” 1 Thessalonians 5:17; “Seek the LORD and his strength, seek his face continually.” 1 Chronicles 16:11; “I will bless the LORD at all times: his praise shall continually be in my mouth.” Psalms 34:1; “Be thou my strong habitation, whereunto I may continually resort: thou hast given commandment to save me; for thou art my rock and my fortress.” Psalms 71:3; “ But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.” Psalms 71:14; “So shall I keep thy law continually for ever and ever.” Psalms 119:44; “Hold thou me up, and I shall be safe: and I will have respect unto thy statutes continually.” Psalms 119:117; “Then the king commanded, and they brought Daniel, and cast him into the den of lions. Now the king spake and said unto Daniel, Thy God whom thou servest continually, he will deliver thee.” Daniel 6:16; “But we will give ourselves continually to prayer, and to the ministry of the word.” Acts 6:4

Appendix

“Notwithstanding the prevailing iniquity, there was a line of **holy men** who, **elevated and ennobled by communion with God, lived as in the companionship of heaven**. They were men of massive intellect, of wonderful attainments. They had a great and holy mission – to develop a character of righteousness, to teach a lesson of godliness, not only to the men of their time, but for future generations. Only a few of the most prominent are mentioned in the Scriptures; but **all through the ages God had faithful witnesses, true-hearted worshipers.**” Ellen G. White Patriarchs & Prophets p. 84

“**In all ages the Lord has had a people** who, while holding communion with God, have by word and character called that attention of their fellow-men to the grand themes that are of eternal interest to humanity. Saints and martyrs of former ages, and the disciples who were privileged to hear the lessons from the lips of Jesus, were holy and self-denying. They were beloved and honored of God above many who in our day profess to be disciples of Christ and teachers of the people, - not because God is a respecter of persons; not because a clearer, brighter light shone upon them, but **because they steadfastly believed the truth, and practiced it in the daily life**. These men faithfully improved their talents, and God registered them among His profitable servants. They were acknowledged and honoured by God because they were faithful to the light which shone upon them. To those around them they reflected that light received from the Light of the world. By their close connection with heaven, their pure and holy conversation, they became channels of light and blessing to the world. **They walked humbly with their God**, rejoicing, not in the favor and praise of men, but in the light of truth. They did not seek ways, nor fashion excuses, whereby they might evade obedience to the commandments of Jehovah. **The chosen of God believed His word, rested on His promises, and their steadfast confidence and strong faith made them willing and able to suffer the loss of all things for His dear sake.**” E.G. White Bible Echoes 01-04-1897

Let's now compare verses 9-14 with verses 23-25 again,, remembering that verses 23-25 were given to Daniel as an explanation of the previous verses. For study purposes, let's also insert (mighty and the holy people) where the word Daily comes.

And out of one of them came forth a little horn, which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land.
And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven; and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them.
Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host, and by him the daily (mighty and the holy people) was (were) taken away, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.
And an host was given him against the daily (mighty and the holy people)
by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered. Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the daily (**mighty and the holy people**), and the transgression of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, Unto **two thousand and three hundred days**; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. Dan. 8:9-14

And in the latter time of their kingdom,
when the transgressors are come to the full,
a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.
And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power:
and he shall destroy wonderfully,
and shall prosper, and practice,
and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.
And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand;
and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many:
he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes;
but he shall be broken without hand.
Dan 8:23-25

Now let's put 'Mighty and holy people' in all the other places that 'Daily' appears in the prophecies of Daniel.

And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the **mighty and the holy people**, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate. Dan 11:31

Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand. And from the time that the **mighty and the holy people** shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. Dan. 12:10-12

Let's look at the texts again with some amplification.

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And out of one of them came forth a little horn (*Papacy*), which waxed exceeding great, toward the south, and toward the east, and toward the pleasant land (*Palestine*). And it waxed great, even to the host of heaven (*made himself to be God*); and it cast down some of the host and of the stars to the ground, and stamped upon them. Yea, he magnified himself even to the prince of the host (*said that he was God*), and by him the (**mighty and the holy people**) (*who continually seek God's face*) (*were*) taken away (*persecuted and killed throughout the known world, almost to extinction*), and the place of his sanctuary was cast down (*God's system of worship done away with - Sunday worship by 'Christians'. People were told they could not go to God personally but had to go through a priest*). And an host (*armies & power*) was given him against the (**mighty and the holy people**) (*who continually seek God's face*) by reason of transgression, and it cast down the truth to the ground; and it practiced, and prospered. Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision concerning the (**mighty and the holy people**) (*who continually seek God's face*), and the transgression of desolation (*Papal system*), to give both the sanctuary and the host (*all that represents God*) to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. (*This time period began in 457 BC and covers the Dark Ages down to the fall of 1844*). Dan. 8:9-14

And arms shall stand on his part (*armies will support him*), and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength (*change God's word and laws*), and shall take away (*kill, persecute and scatter*) the (**mighty and the holy people**) (*who continually seek God's face*), and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate (*put their beliefs and traditions, Sunday worship, in place of God's word*). Dan 11:31

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Now look at Revelation 3:5-7 to see if it supports the above conclusion, since it is dealing with the same subject and time period.

“And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his name, and his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the **saints**, and to **overcome them**: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations.

*These prophecies are all dealing with God's laws, His word, His people and what is happening to them. The subject (sacrifice) which the translators inserted into the KJV should rather be, (God's **mighty and holy people**) and the adverb (daily) refers to those who **continually** seek God's face. This conclusion was come to after much soul searching and sincere prayer pleading with God to reveal the truth to me about the Daily. We are in the last days and if it is to be understood, now is the time. I believe God has answered my prayer.*

Note:

When we study what historians have written about the prophecies found in Daniel 11 and 12 and Revelation 6:11 and onward we need to remember that they believed that Jesus was coming in 1844. Because of this they would have believed that all prophecy would be fulfilled previous to this date. Since this was their thinking, they took prophecies that are yet future and attached to them past events that seemed to fit them. You need a very good imagination to make them fit. I believe Ellen White also believed that these prophecies were still future events since she said “Solemn events before us are yet to transpire. Trumpet after trumpet is to be sounded; vial after vial poured out one after another upon the inhabitants of the earth. Scenes of stupendous interest are right upon us. . . .” 3 SM 426 The trumpets are found in Revelation 8-11 and the vials are found in Revelation 16. If one looks at Revelation carefully it can be seen that Revelation 4 to 22 is basically one continuous sequence of events and is not broken up into segments as some believe it to be. Revelation 1, 2, and 3 is a picture of church history. Daniel 12 contains three timelines that will be very important to those who live through the time of trouble which is just before us. “Let us read and study the 12th chapter of Daniel. It is a warning we shall all need to understand before the time of the end.” Ellen G. White Ltr. 161, July 30, 1903 [Rev. 13:4-8, 10 quoted.] This entire chapter is a revelation of what will surely take place [Rev. 13:11, 15-17 quoted] (MS 88, 1897). I believe we are living at the very end of the 5th seal of Revelation 6:9 and that the 6th seal of Revelation 6:12 is about to be opened and then the rest of Revelation will unfold in quick succession.

#2

Daniel 11:40, 41 And at the time of the end shall the king of the south (Napoleon, who had just taken Egypt and become the king of the south) push at him (the Papacy). Napoleon took the pope captive in 1798, and then the king of the north (The Ottoman Turkish Empire) which had been the king of the north for almost 350 years, declared war against Napoleon because Egypt had long been semi-dependent on the Ottoman Empire which it was unwilling to lose. This king of the north thereafter “came against him (the

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king of the south, now Napoleon) like a whirlwind, with chariots, with horsemen, and with many ships” and “overflowed and passed over,” 41 and “entered into the glorious land” (Judea) and “the land of Egypt shall not escape.” Napoleon lost Egypt to the Turks.

#3

The king of the south is “Spiritual” Egypt or Atheism. After Egypt lost their power and influence France, led by Napoleon, took Egypt and became king of the south.

"The great city" in whose streets the witnesses are slain, and where their dead bodies lie, is "spiritually" Egypt. Of all nations presented in Bible history, Egypt most boldly denied the existence of the living God and resisted His commands. No monarch ever ventured upon more open and highhanded rebellion against the authority of Heaven than did the king of Egypt. When the message was brought him by Moses, in the name of the Lord, Pharaoh proudly answered: "Who is Jehovah, that I should hearken unto His voice to let Israel go? I know not Jehovah, and moreover I will not let Israel go." Exodus 5:2, A.R.V. This is atheism, and the nation represented by Egypt would give voice to a similar denial of the claims of the living God and would manifest a like spirit of unbelief and defiance. "The great city" is also compared, "spiritually," to Sodom. The corruption of Sodom in breaking the law of God was especially manifested in licentiousness. And this sin was also to be a pre-eminent characteristic of the nation that should fulfill the specifications of this scripture. The Great Controversy 269. **This quote was written prior to 1910.**

#4

We have no time to lose. Troublous times are before us. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place. **The prophecy in the eleventh of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment.** Much of the history that has taken place in fulfillment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that "shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant." [Verses 31-36, quoted.]

Scenes similar to those described in these words will take place. We see evidence that Satan is fast obtaining the control of human minds who have not the fear of God before them. Let all read and understand the prophecies of this book, for we are now entering upon the time of trouble spoken of: [Dan. 12:1-4, quoted.] Manuscript Releases Volume Thirteen p. 394 **This quote was written prior to 1910.**

The abomination that maketh desolate - Papal Rome. Thought to change Sabbath to Sunday, caused people to confess to the priest, taught the immortality of the soul, eternal burning in Hell, Mary is redeemer, persecuted and killed God's people etc.

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#4B Tidings from the east, the preaching of the Three Angel's Messages, will cause the Papacy to become furious against God's people and persecution will begin again. The final time of trouble. Verse 45. The Papacy will make his headquarters in Jerusalem. The pope is even now making arrangements to reign from Jerusalem. He already has an embassy there. He will then come to his end.

#5

We are close to the time spoken of by Daniel the prophet: "At that time shall Michael stand up, that great prince that standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation, even to that same time: but at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one whose name shall be found written in the book. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever"

[Daniel 12:1-3]. **The Lord is about to do a short and effectual work in the earth.** Manuscript Releases Volume 5, page 212

#6

The voice of God is heard from heaven, declaring the day and hour of Jesus' coming, and delivering the everlasting covenant to His people. Like peals of loudest thunder His words roll through the earth. The Israel of God stand listening, with their eyes fixed upward. Their countenances are lighted up with His glory, and shine as did the face of Moses when he came down from Sinai. The wicked cannot look upon them. And when the **blessing is pronounced** on those who have honored God by keeping His Sabbath holy, there is a mighty shout of victory. The Great Controversy page 640

#7

For years I have been given special light that we are not to center our work in the cities. The turmoil and confusion that fill these cities, the conditions brought about by the labor unions and the strikes, would prove a great hindrance to our work. Men are seeking to bring those engaged in the different trades under bondage to certain unions. This is not God's planning, but the planning of a power that we should in no wise acknowledge. God's word is fulfilling; the wicked are binding themselves up in bundles ready to be burned.

We are now to use all our entrusted capabilities in giving the last warning message to the world. In this work we are to preserve

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our individuality. We are not to unite with secret societies or with trade unions. We are to stand free in God, looking constantly to Christ for instruction. All our movements are to be made with a realization of the importance of the work to be accomplished for God. Testimonies Volume 7, page 84

Evangelizing Big Cities From Outposts

As God's commandment-keeping people, we must leave the cities. As did Enoch, we must work in the cities but not dwell in them. Nothing that savors of extravagance is to be seen in the outlay of means for building or for furnishing because we have a prospect of receiving donations. Find a location that has a favorable atmosphere and carry on your work, but keep away from the residences of the rulers of the land. Exert your God-given powers for the people who need to be uplifted. Place not your institutions in the midst of the homes of wealthy men. If possible we must secure for the sanitarium a site that will not be crowded, where there is ground that can be cultivated. Nothing is to be done for display. By strict economy we are to show that we realize that we are strangers and pilgrims on the earth. Manuscript Releases Volume Ten, page 241

#8

Transgression has almost reached its limit. Confusion fills the world, and a great terror is soon to come upon human beings. The end is very near. We who know the truth should be preparing for what is soon to break upon the world as an overwhelming surprise.

John writes: "And I saw a great white throne, and Him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them. And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works." Revelation 20:11,12.

Are we as a people asleep? Oh, if the young men and young women in our institutions who are now unready for the Lord's appearing, unfitted to become members of the Lord's family, could only discern the signs of the times, what a change would be seen in them! The Lord Jesus is calling for self-denying workers to follow in His footsteps, to walk and work for Him, to lift the cross, and to follow where He leads the way. Testimonies for the Church Volume 8, page 28

#9

Now there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them. And the LORD said unto Satan, Whence comest thou? Then Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. And the LORD said unto Satan, Behold, all that he hath is in thy power; only upon himself put not forth thine hand. So Satan went forth from the presence of the LORD. Job 1:6,7,12,

Again there was a day when the sons of God came to present themselves before the LORD, and Satan came also among them to present himself before the LORD. And the LORD said unto Satan, From whence comest thou? And Satan answered the LORD, and said, From going to and fro in the earth, and from walking up and down in it. . . So went Satan forth from the presence of the LORD, and smote Job with sore boils from the sole of his foot unto his crown. Job 2:1, 2, 7

#10

The prophecy of Revelation 13 declares that the power represented by the beast with lamb-like horns shall cause "the earth and them which dwell therein" to worship the papacy – there symbolized by the beast "like unto a leopard." The beast with two horns is also to say "to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast;" and, furthermore, it is to command all, "both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond," to receive "the mark of the beast." [REV. 13:11-16.] It has been shown that the United States is the power represented by the beast with lamb-like horns, and that this prophecy will be fulfilled when the United States shall enforce Sunday observance, which Rome claims as the special acknowledgment of her supremacy. GC page 578

#11

Number of the beast is 666

His name in Latin

V	5	F	0	D	500		
I	1	I	1	E	0		
C	100	L	50	I	1		
A	0	I	1				
R	0	I	1				
I	1						
U	5						
S	0						
Total	112	Total	53	Total	501	Total for name	666

His name in Greek as well as in Hebrew also adds up to 666

#12 I believe we are now in the time of the 5th seal and the 6th seal is not yet open, The events that took place on Nov. 1, 1755, May 19, 1790, and Nov. 13, 1833 fit the description in verses 12 & 13 to a degree but they were not world-wide. Also verse 14 and

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on has not been fulfilled. I believe we may very well see a world-wide re-enactment of these verses but time will tell. I don't believe we have long to wait. Verse 14 and onward has definitely not been fulfilled yet so it is definitely still in the future as well as all the following verses.

#13 When the 7th seal is opened there is silence in heaven for about a ½ hour or about 7½ days. I believe this is a time period immediately following the enactment of the Sunday law. It is a time of silence when God holds the winds of his wrath long enough for His people who are still in the cities to flee. Thunderings and lightnings follow and an earthquake. Then the seven trumpets (the first seven judgments) begin to sound which are a last warning to the world and cause all to take sides.

Other Statements:

“Under the symbols of the great red dragon, a leopard-like beast, and a beast with lamb-like horns, the earthly governments which would be especially engaged in trampling upon God's law and persecuting His people, were presented to John. Their war is to be carried on till the close of time. The people of God, symbolized by a holy woman and her children, are represented as greatly in the minority. In the last days, only a remnant still exists. John speaks of them as those that "keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.”” Signs of the Times 02-08-1910

“More and more, as the days go by, it is becoming apparent that God's judgments are in the world. In fire and flood and earthquake He is warning the inhabitants of this earth of His near approach. The time is nearing when the great crisis in the history of the world will have come, when every movement in the government of God will be watched with intense interest and inexpressible apprehension. In quick succession the judgments of God will follow one another – fire and flood and earthquake, with war and bloodshed.

Oh, that the people might know the time of their visitation! There are many who have not yet heard the testing truth for this time. There are many with whom the Spirit of God is striving. The time of God's destructive judgments is the time of mercy for those who have had no opportunity to learn what is truth. Tenderly will the Lord look upon them. His heart of mercy is touched; His hand is still stretched out to save, while the door is closed to those who would not enter.” Testimonies for the Church Volume 9, page 97

“The youth should seek God more earnestly. The tempest is coming, and we must get ready for its fury by having repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord will arise to shake terribly the earth. We shall see troubles on all sides. Thousands of ships will be hurled into the depths of the sea. Navies will go down, and human lives will be sacrificed by millions. Fires will break out unexpectedly, and no human effort will be able to quench them. The palaces of earth will be swept away in the fury of the flames. Disasters by rail will become more and more frequent; confusion, collision, and death without a moment's warning will occur on the great lines of travel. The end is near, probation is closing. Oh, let us seek God while He may be found, call upon Him while He is near! The prophet says: "Seek ye the Lord, all ye meek of the earth, which have wrought His judgment; seek righteousness, seek meekness: it may be ye shall be hid in the day of the Lord's anger.”” Signs of the Times, 04-21-1890

“By the decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, our nation will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near.

As the approach of the Roman armies was a sign to the disciples of the impending destruction of Jerusalem, so may this apostasy be a sign to us that the limit of God's forbearance is reached, that the measure of our nation's iniquity is full, and that the angel of mercy is about to take her flight, never to return. The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction and distress which prophets have described as the time of Jacob's trouble. The cries of the faithful, persecuted ones ascend to heaven. And as the blood of Abel cried from the ground, there are voices also crying to God from martyrs' graves, from the sepulchers of the sea, from mountain caverns, from convent vaults: "How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?"

The Lord is doing His work. All heaven is astir. The Judge of all the earth is soon to arise and vindicate His insulted authority. The mark of deliverance will be set upon the men who keep God's commandments, who revere His law, and who refuse the mark of the beast or of his image.

God has revealed what is to take place in the last days, that His people may be prepared to stand against the tempest of opposition and wrath. Those who have been warned of the events before them are not to sit in calm expectation of the coming storm, comforting themselves that the Lord will shelter His faithful ones in the day of trouble. We are to be as men waiting for their Lord, not in idle expectancy, but in earnest work, with unwavering faith. It is no time now to allow our minds to be engrossed with things of minor importance. While men are sleeping, Satan is actively arranging matters so that the Lord's people may not have mercy or justice. The Sunday movement is now making its way in darkness. The leaders are concealing the true issue, and many who unite in the movement do not themselves see whither the undercurrent is tending. Its professions are mild and apparently Christian, but when it shall speak it will reveal the spirit of the dragon. It is our duty to do all in our power to avert the threatened danger. We should

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endeavor to disarm prejudice by placing ourselves in a proper light before the people. We should bring before them the real question at issue, thus interposing the most effectual protest against measures to restrict liberty of conscience. We should search the Scriptures and be able to give the reason for our faith. Says the prophet: "The wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand." Testimonies Volume 5, page 451, 452

"Through the two great errors, the immortality of the soul and Sunday sacredness, Satan will bring the people under his deceptions. While the former lays the foundation of spiritualism, the latter creates a bond of sympathy with Rome. The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in stretching their hands across the gulf to grasp the hand of spiritualism; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the Roman power; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience.

As spiritualism more closely imitates the nominal Christianity of the day, it has greater power to deceive and ensnare. Satan himself is converted, after the modern order of things. He will appear in the character of an angel of light. Through the agency of spiritualism, miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and many undeniable wonders will be performed. And as the spirits will profess faith in the Bible, and manifest respect for the institutions of the church, their work will be accepted as a manifestation of divine power. The line of distinction between professed Christians and the ungodly is now hardly distinguishable. Church members love what the world loves and are ready to join with them, and Satan determines to unite them in one body and thus strengthen his cause by sweeping all into the ranks of spiritualism. Papists, who boast of miracles as a certain sign of the true church, will be readily deceived by this wonder-working power; and Protestants, having cast away the shield of truth, will also be deluded. Papists, Protestants, and worldlings will alike accept the form of godliness without the power, and they will see in this union a grand movement for the conversion of the world and the ushering in of the long-expected millennium.

Through spiritualism, Satan appears as a benefactor of the race, healing the diseases of the people, and professing to present a new and more exalted system of religious faith; but at the same time he works as a destroyer. His temptations are leading multitudes to ruin. Intemperance dethrones reason; sensual indulgence, strife, and bloodshed follow. Satan delights in war, for it excites the worst passions of the soul and then sweeps into eternity its victims steeped in vice and blood. It is his object to incite the nations to war against one another, for he can thus divert the minds of the people from the work of preparation to stand in the day of God." The Great Controversy page 588, 589

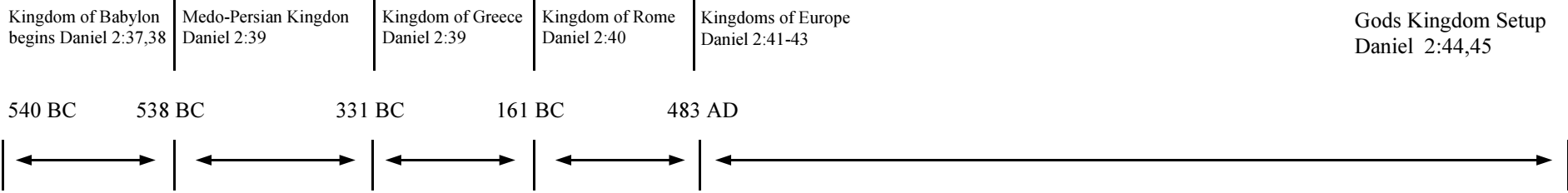
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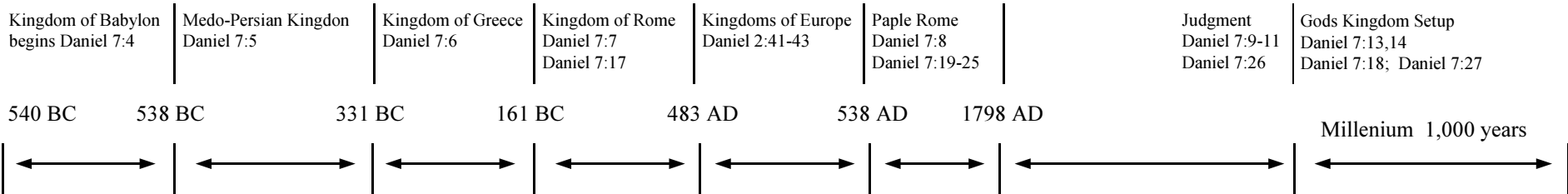
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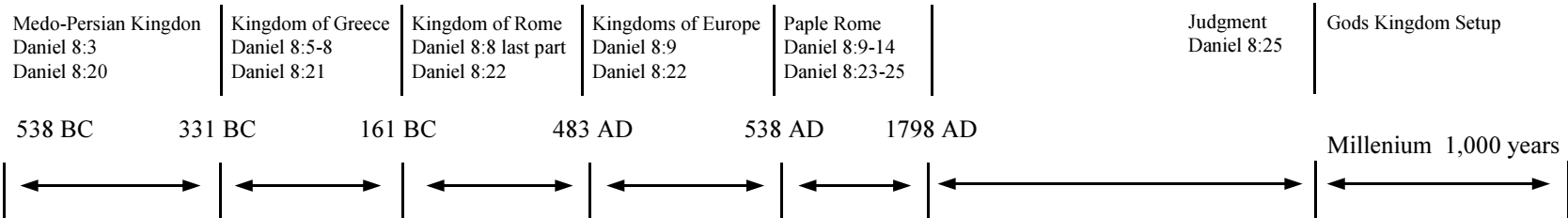


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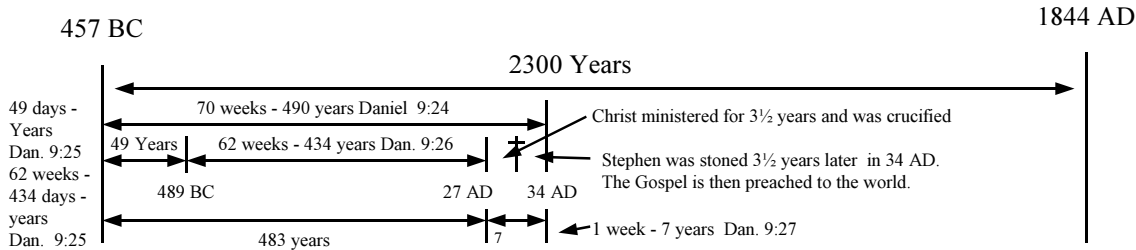


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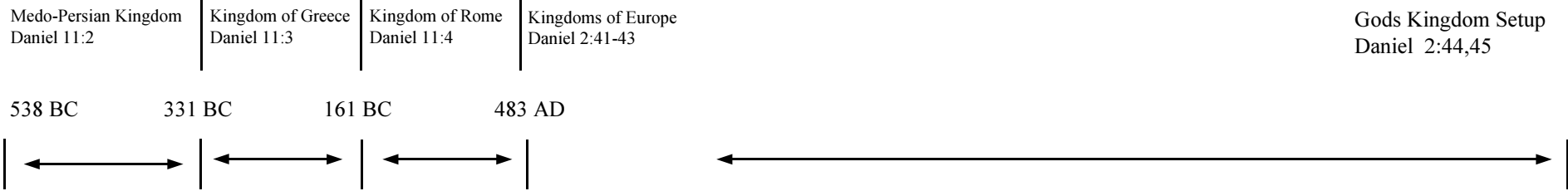
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