

# **THABO MTETWA -**

## **Daniel 11: 40-45**

## DANIEL 11 VERSE 40

### THE TRUTH PREFIGURED:

"In the first angel's message men are called upon to worship God, our Creator, who made the world and all things that are therein. They have paid homage to an institution of the Papacy, making of no effect the law of Jehovah, **but there is to be an increase of knowledge on this subject.** {2SM 106.1}

"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. And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the sanctuary of strength, and shall take away the daily sacrifice, and they shall place the abomination that maketh desolate. 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. 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. Now when they shall fall, they shall be holpen with a little help: but many shall cleave to them with flatteries. 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. 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." {13MR 394.1}

**"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:** 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. And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting 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. But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased. {13MR 394.2}

"Before His crucifixion the Saviour explained to His disciples that He was to be put to death and to rise again from the tomb, and angels were present to impress His words on minds and hearts. But the disciples were looking for temporal deliverance from the Roman yoke, and they could not tolerate the thought that He in whom all their hopes centered should suffer an ignominious death. The words which they needed to remember were banished from their minds; and when the time of trial came, it found them unprepared. The death of Jesus as fully destroyed their hopes as if He had not forewarned them. So in the prophecies the future is opened before **us** as plainly as it was opened to the disciples by the words of Christ. The events connected with the

close of probation and the work of preparation for the time of trouble, are **clearly** presented. But multitudes have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed. **Satan watches to catch away every impression that would make them wise unto salvation**, and the time of trouble will find them unready. {GC 594.1}

## THE METHODOLOGY:

"Those who are engaged in proclaiming the third angel's message are searching the Scriptures upon the same plan that Father Miller adopted. In the little book entitled "Views of the Prophecies and Prophetic Chronology," Father Miller gives the following simple but intelligent and important rules for Bible study and interpretation:

"1. Every word must have its proper bearing on the subject presented in the Bible; 2. All Scripture is necessary, and may be understood by diligent application and study; 3. Nothing revealed in Scripture can or will be hid from those who ask in faith, not wavering; 4. To understand doctrine, bring all the scriptures together on the subject you wish to know, then let every word have its proper influence; and if you can form your theory without a contradiction, you cannot be in error; 5. Scripture must be its own expositor, since it is a rule of itself. If I depend on a teacher to expound to me, and he should guess at its meaning, or desire to have it so on account of his sectarian creed, or to be thought wise, then his guessing, desire, creed, or wisdom is my rule, and not the Bible."

The above is a portion of these rules; and in our study of the Bible we shall all do well to heed the principles set forth. " {RH, November 25, 1884 par. 25}

## DANIEL 11 VERSE 40, THE TIME OF THE END:

### Daniel 11:40A

"And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him..."

### Daniel 11:40B

"...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."

## TIME OF THE END:

### Revelation 12:6

<sup>6</sup>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.

"Did the papacy possess dominion that length of time/ The answer again is, Yes. The edict of the emperor Justinian, dated A.D.533, made the bishop of Rome the head of all the churches. But this edict could not go into effect until the Arian Ostrogoths, the last of the three horns that were plucked up to make room for the papacy, were driven from Rome; and this was not accomplished, as already shown, till A.D.538. The edict would have been of no effect had this latter event not been accomplished; hence from this latter year we are to reckon, as this was the earliest point where the saints were in reality in the hand of this power. From this point did the papacy hold supremacy for twelve hundred and sixty years? - Exactly. For 538 + 1260 = 1798; and in the year 1798, Berthier, with a French army, entered Rome, proclaimed a republic, took the pope prisoner,

and for a time abolished the papacy. It has never since enjoyed the privileges and immunities which it possessed before. Thus again this power fulfils to the very letter the specifications of the prophecy, which proves beyond question that the application is correct." (*Thoughts of Daniel and the Revelation* by Uriah Smith pg. 160}

#### Daniel 12:4-9

"But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, **even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall be increased.** <sup>5</sup>Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river. <sup>6</sup>And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders? <sup>7</sup>And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth forever that it shall be **for a time, times, and an half**; and **when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people**, all these things shall be finished. <sup>8</sup>And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? <sup>9</sup>And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for **the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.**

#### WHO IS THE KING OF THE NORTH?:

##### Jeremiah 25:9

<sup>9</sup>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.

##### Ezekiel 26:7

<sup>7</sup>For thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, I will bring upon Tyrus Nebuchadrezzar **king of Babylon**, a king of kings, **from the north**, with horses, and with chariots, and with horsemen, and companies, and much people.

##### Revelation 17:3-5

<sup>3</sup>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. <sup>4</sup>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. <sup>5</sup>And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.

"The woman (Babylon) of Revelation 17 is described as "arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness:...and upon her forehead was a name written, Mystery, Babylon the Great, the mother of harlots." Says the prophet: "I saw the woman drunk with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus." Babylon is further declared to be "that great city, which reigneth over the kings of the earth." Revelation 17:4-6, 18. **The power that for so many centuries maintained despotic sway over the monarchs of Christendom is Rome.** The purple and scarlet color, the gold and precious stones and pearls, vividly picture the magnificence and more than kingly pomp affected by the haughty see of Rome. And no other power could be so truly declared "drunken with the blood of the saints" as that church which has so cruelly persecuted the

followers of Christ. Babylon is also charged with the sin of unlawful connection with "the kings of the earth." It was by departure from the Lord, and alliance with the heathen, that the Jewish church became a harlot; and Rome, corrupting herself in like manner by seeking the support of worldly powers, receives a like condemnation." {GC 382.2}

## "PUSH AT HIM":

*naw-gakh'* - H5055

A primitive root; to *but* with the horns; figuratively to *war* against: - gore, push (down, -ing).

## KING OF THE SOUTH:

### Genesis 12: 9-10

<sup>9</sup>And Abram journeyed, going on still toward **the south**. <sup>10</sup>And there was a famine in the land: and Abram went down **into Egypt** to sojourn there; for the famine was grievous in the land.

### Revelation 11:7-8

<sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>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.

### Exodus 5:2

<sup>2</sup>And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go.

"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. According to the words of the prophet, then, a little before the year 1798 some power of satanic origin and character would rise to make war upon the Bible. And in the land where the testimony of God's two witnesses should thus be silenced, there would be manifest the atheism of the Pharaoh and the licentiousness of Sodom.

**"This prophecy has received a most exact and striking fulfillment in the history of France.** During the Revolution, in 1793, "the world for the first time heard an assembly of men, born and educated in civilization, and assuming the right to govern one of the finest of the European nations, uplift their united voice to deny the most solemn truth which man's soul receives, and renounce unanimously the belief and worship of a Deity."--Sir Walter Scott, *Life of Napoleon*, vol. 1, ch. 17. "France is the only nation in the world concerning which the authentic record survives, that as a nation she lifted her hand in open rebellion against the Author of the

universe. Plenty of blasphemers, plenty of infidels, there have been, and still continue to be, in England, Germany, Spain, and elsewhere; but France stands apart in the world's history as the single state which, by the decree of her Legislative Assembly, pronounced that there was no God, and of which the entire population of the capital, and a vast majority elsewhere, women as well as men, danced and sang with joy in accepting the announcement."--Blackwood's Magazine, November, 1870. {GC 269-270}

### **Jude 1:7**

<sup>7</sup>Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

**"France presented also the characteristics which especially distinguished Sodom.** During the Revolution there was manifest a state of moral debasement and corruption similar to that which brought destruction upon the cities of the plain. And the historian presents together the atheism and the licentiousness of **France, as given in the prophecy: "Intimately connected with these laws affecting religion, was that which reduced the union of marriage--the most sacred engagement which human beings can form, and the permanence of which leads most strongly to the consolidation of society--to the state of a mere civil contract of a transitory character, which any two persons might engage in and cast loose at pleasure. . . .** If fiends had set themselves to work to discover a mode of most effectually destroying whatever is venerable, graceful, or permanent in domestic life, and of obtaining at the same time an assurance that the mischief which it was their object to create should be perpetuated from one generation to another, they could not have invented a more effectual plan than the degradation of marriage. . . . " {GC 270}

"Where also our Lord was crucified." This specification of the prophecy was also fulfilled by France. In no land had the spirit of enmity against Christ been more strikingly displayed. In no country had the truth encountered more bitter and cruel opposition. **In the persecution which France had visited upon the confessors of the gospel, she had crucified Christ in the person of His disciples.**

"Century after century the blood of the saints had been shed. While the Waldenses laid down their lives upon the mountains of Piedmont "for the word of God, and for the testimony of Jesus Christ," similar witness to the truth had been borne by their brethren, the Albigenses of France. In the days of the Reformation its disciples had been put to death with horrible tortures. King and nobles, highborn women and delicate maidens, the pride and chivalry of the nation, had feasted their eyes upon the agonies of the martyrs of Jesus. The brave Huguenots, battling for those rights which the human heart holds most sacred, had poured out their blood on many a hard-fought field. The Protestants were counted as outlaws, a price was set upon their heads, and they were hunted down like wild beasts. {GC 271}

## **THE TRANSITION:**

On November 7, 1917, the Soviet Government came into power. Its advent was characterised by an immediate and radical alteration of the whole social structure of the State achieved by publication within a short time of a number of Decrees affecting most fundamentally various spheres of social and economic life.

The first Soviet laws affecting marriage and divorce were two Decrees, one published on December 19, 1917, on divorce, and the other published on December 20, 1917, on civil marriage...

In complete reversal of the principle of religious marriages the first words of the new Decree on marriage are: "The Russian Republic in future will recognise only civil marriages. . . . Children born out of wedlock were granted in every respect the same rights as legitimate children.

Not less radical was the change in the divorce laws. It was the local civil courts who were now entrusted with divorce jurisdiction and a marriage could be dissolved by mutual consent of the spouses or at the request of one of them. . . . {*Some Aspects of Marriage and Divorce Laws in Soviet Russia.* Published in the *Modern Law Review*, vol. 12, Issue 3 on January 18, 2011}

## CHARIOTS, HORSEMEN, SHIPS:

### Exodus 14:9

<sup>9</sup> But the Egyptians pursued after them, all the horses and chariots of Pharaoh, and his horsemen, and his army, and overtook them encamping by the sea, beside Pihahiroth, before Baalzephon.

### Isaiah 43:16-17

<sup>16</sup> Thus saith the LORD, which maketh a way in the sea, and a path in the mighty waters; <sup>17</sup> Which bringeth forth the chariot and horse, the army and the power; they shall lie down together, they shall not rise: they are extinct, they are quenched as tow.

### Psalms 107:23

<sup>23</sup> They that go down to the sea in ships, that do business in great waters;

### Proverbs 31:14

<sup>14</sup> She is like the merchants' ships; she bringeth her food from afar.

"Only President Ronald Reagan and Pope John Paul II were present in the Vatican Library on Monday, June 7, 1982. It was the first time the two had met, and they talked for 50 minutes. . . . In that meeting, Reagan and the pope agreed to undertake **a clandestine campaign to hasten the dissolution of the Communist empire**. Declares Richard Allen, Reagan's first National Security Advisor: "This was one of the great secret alliances of all time." . . .

"Reagan came with very simple and strongly held views," says Admiral Bobby Inman, former deputy director of the CIA. "It is a valid point that he saw the collapse (of Communism) coming and he **pushed** it hard." During the first part of 1982, a five-part strategy emerged that was aimed at bringing about the collapse of the Soviet economy. . . .

1. The U.S. defense buildup, already under way, aimed at making it too costly for the Soviets to compete militarily with the U.S. Reagan's Strategic Defense Initiative-Star Wars became a centerpiece of the strategy.

2. Covert operations aimed at encouraging reform movements in Hungary, Czechoslovakia, and Poland.

3. Financial aid to Warsaw-Pact nations calibrated to their willingness to protect human rights and undertake political and free-market reforms.

4. Economic isolation of the Soviet Union and the withholding of Western and Japanese technology from Moscow. The administration focused on denying the USSR what it had hoped would be its principal source of hard currency in the twenty-first century: profits from a transcontinental pipeline to supply natural gas to Western Europe. . . .

5. Increased use of Radio Liberty, Voice of America and Radio Free Europe to transmit Administration's messages to the people of Eastern Europe. . . .

Like all great and lucky leaders, the pope and President exploited the forces of history to their own ends." {*TIME, February 4, 1992, 29-30*}

## THE WIRLWIND

### Isaiah 41:15-16

<sup>15</sup> Behold, I will make thee a new sharp threshing instrument having teeth: thou shalt thresh the mountains, and beat them small, and shalt make the hills as chaff. <sup>16</sup> Thou shalt fan them, and **the wind shall carry them away, and the whirlwind shall scatter them:** and thou shalt rejoice in the LORD, and shalt glory in the Holy One of Israel.

### Proverbs 1:27

<sup>27</sup> When your fear cometh as desolation, and your destruction cometh as a whirlwind; when distress and anguish cometh upon you.

## OVERFLOW:

*shaw-taf'* H7857

A primitive root; to *gush*; by implication to *inundate, cleanse*; by analogy to *gallop, conquer*: - drown, (over-) flow (-whelm), rinse, run, rush, (thoroughly) wash (away).

## TO PASSOVER:

### *aw-bar'* H5674

A primitive root; to *cross over*; ... overrun, make partition, (cause to, give, make to, over) pass (-age, along, away, beyond, by, -enger, on, out, over, through), (cause to, make) + proclaim (-amation), perish, ...

### Jeremiah 47:1-4

<sup>1</sup>The word of the LORD that came to Jeremiah the prophet against the Philistines, before that Pharaoh smote Gaza. <sup>2</sup> Thus saith the LORD; **Behold, waters rise up out of the north, and shall be an overflowing flood, and shall overflow the land, and all that is therein; the city, and them that dwell therein: then the men shall cry, and all the inhabitants of the land shall howl.** <sup>3</sup> At the noise of the stamping of the hoofs of his strong horses, at the rushing of his chariots, and at the rumbling of his wheels, the fathers shall not look back to their children for feebleness of hands; <sup>4</sup> **Because of the day that cometh to spoil** all the Philistines, and to **cut off** from Tyrus and Zidon every helper that remaineth: for the LORD will spoil the Philistines, the remnant of the country of Caphtor.

### Isaiah 8:7-8

<sup>7</sup> Now therefore, behold, the Lord bringeth up upon them the waters of the river, strong and many, even the king of Assyria, and all his glory: and he shall come up over all his channels, and go over all his banks: <sup>8</sup> And he shall pass through Judah; he shall overflow and go over, he shall reach even to the neck; and the stretching out of his wings shall fill the breadth of thy land, O Immanuel.



## DANIEL 11 VERSE 41

### Daniel 11:41

<sup>41</sup> 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.

### THE GLORIOUS LAND:

#### *tseb-ee'* H6643

from H6638 in the sense of *prominence; splendour (as conspicuous)*; also a gazelle (*as beautiful*):- beautiful (-ty), glorious (-ry), **goodly**, pleasant, roe (-buck). – *Strong's Concordance*

### Jeremiah 3:18-19

<sup>18</sup> In those days the house of Judah shall walk with the house of Israel, and they shall come together out of the land of the north to the land that I have given for an inheritance unto your fathers. <sup>19</sup> But I said, How shall I put thee among the children, and give thee **a pleasant land, a goodly heritage** of the hosts of nations? and I said, Thou shalt call me, My father; and shalt not turn away from me.

### Deuteronomy 3:25

<sup>25</sup> I pray thee, let me go over, and see **the good land that is beyond Jordan, that goodly mountain**, and Lebanon.

### Exodus 6:7-8

<sup>7</sup> And I will take you to me for a people, and I will be to you a God: and ye shall know that I [am] the LORD your God, which bringeth you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. <sup>8</sup> And I will bring you in unto **the land**, concerning the which I did swear to give it to Abraham, to Isaac, and to Jacob; and I will give it you for **an heritage**: I [am] the LORD.

### Daniel 11:16

<sup>16</sup> 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.

“Although Egypt could not stand before Antiochus, the king of the north, Antiochus could not stand before the Romans, who now came against him. No kingdoms were longer able to resist this rising power. Syria was conquered, and added to the Roman empire, when Pompey, B.C.65, deprived Antiochus Asiaticus of his possessions, and reduced Syria to a Roman province...

...The same power was also to stand in the Holy Land, and consume it. Rome became connected with the people of God, the Jews, by alliance, B.C.162, from which date it holds a prominent place in the prophetic calendar. It did not, however, acquire jurisdiction over **Judea** by actual conquest till B.C.63; and then in the following manner....

“Having put an end to the war, Pompey demolished the walls of **Jerusalem**, transferred several cities from the jurisdiction of **Judea** to that of Syria, and imposed tribute on the Jews. Thus for the first time was **Jerusalem** placed by conquest in the hands of that power which was to hold the “**glorious land**” in its iron grasp till it had utterly consumed it. {*Daniel and the revelation* 194, 196}

### Psalm 105:42-45

<sup>42</sup> For he remembered his holy promise, and Abraham his servant. <sup>43</sup> And he brought forth his people with joy, and his chosen with gladness: <sup>44</sup> And gave them the lands of the heathen: and they inherited the labour of the people; <sup>45</sup> **That they might observe his statutes, and keep his laws.** Praise ye the LORD.

### Exodus 5:1-9

<sup>1</sup> And afterward Moses and Aaron went in, and told Pharaoh, Thus saith the LORD God of Israel, Let my people go, that they may hold a feast unto me in the wilderness. <sup>2</sup> And Pharaoh said, Who is the LORD, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the LORD, neither will I let Israel go. <sup>3</sup> And they said, The God of the Hebrews hath met with us: let us go, we pray thee, three days' journey into the desert, and sacrifice unto the LORD our God; lest he fall upon us with pestilence, or with the sword. <sup>4</sup> And the king of Egypt said unto them, Wherefore do ye, Moses and Aaron, let the people from their works? get you unto your burdens. <sup>5</sup> And Pharaoh said, Behold, the people of the land now are many, and ye make them rest from their burdens. <sup>6</sup> And Pharaoh commanded the same day the taskmasters of the people, and their officers, saying, <sup>7</sup> Ye shall no more give the people straw to make brick, as heretofore: let them go and gather straw for themselves. <sup>8</sup> And the tale of the bricks, which they did make heretofore, ye shall lay upon them; ye shall not diminish ought thereof: for they be idle; therefore they cry, saying, Let us go and sacrifice to our God. <sup>9</sup> Let there more work be laid upon the men, that they may labour therein; and let them not regard vain words.

"In Egypt their taste had become perverted. God designed to restore their appetite to a pure, healthy state, in order that they might enjoy the simple fruits that were given to Adam and Eve in Eden. He was about to establish them in a second Eden, a goodly land, where they might enjoy the fruits and grains that He would provide for them. He purposed to remove the feverish diet upon which they had subsisted in Egypt; for He wished them to be in perfect health and soundness when they entered **the goodly land** to which He was leading them, **so that the surrounding heathen nations might be constrained to glorify the God of Israel**, the God who had done so wonderful a work for His people. Unless the people who acknowledged Him as the God of heaven were in perfect soundness of health, His name could not be glorified. {1BC 1102.3}

"God's law must be exalted, His authority maintained; and to the house of Israel was given this great and noble work. God separated them from the world, that He might commit to them a sacred trust. **He made them the depositaries of His law, and He purposed through them to preserve among men the knowledge of Himself.** Thus the light of heaven was to shine out to a world enshrouded in darkness, and a voice was to be heard appealing to all peoples to turn from idolatry to serve the living God. {PK 16.1}

"With great power, and with a mighty hand," God brought His chosen people out of the land of Egypt. Exodus 32:11. "He sent Moses His servant; and Aaron whom He had chosen. They showed His signs among them, and wonders in the land of Ham." "He rebuked the Red Sea also, and it was dried up: so He led them through the depths." Psalm 105:26, 27; 106:9. He rescued them from their servile state, that He might bring them to **a good land, a land which in His providence He had prepared for them as a refuge from their enemies.** He would bring them to Himself and encircle them in His everlasting arms; and in return for His goodness and mercy they were to exalt His name and make it glorious in the earth. {PK 16.2}

"The Lord's portion is His people; Jacob is the lot of His inheritance. He found him in a desert land, and in the waste howling wilderness; He led him about, He instructed him, He kept him

as the apple of His eye. As an eagle stirreth up her nest, fluttereth over her young, spreadeth abroad her wings, taketh them, beareth them on her wings: so the Lord alone did lead him, and there was no strange god with him." Deuteronomy 32:9-12. Thus He brought the Israelites unto Himself, that they might dwell as under the shadow of the Most High. Miraculously preserved from the perils of the wilderness wandering, **they were finally established in the Land of Promise as a favored nation.** {PK 17.1}

"The mystery of iniquity, which had already begun to work in Paul's day, will continue its work until it be taken out of the way at our Lord's second coming. The climax of the working of iniquity will soon be reached. When **the land** which the Lord provided as **an asylum for his people**, that they might **worship him according to the dictates of their own consciences**, the land over which for long years the shield of Omnipotence has been spread, **the land which God has favored by making it the depository of the pure religion of Christ**,--when that land shall, through its legislators, abjure the principles of Protestantism, and give countenance to Romish apostasy in tampering with God's law,--it is then that the final work of the man of sin will be revealed. Protestants will throw their whole influence and strength on the side of the Papacy; by a national act enforcing the false Sabbath, they will give life and vigor to the corrupt faith of Rome, reviving her tyranny and oppression of conscience. Then it will be time for God to work in mighty power for the vindication of his truth. {*Signs of the Times*, June 12, 1893 par.12}

**"The Lord has done more for the United States than for any other country upon which the sun shines.** Here He provided **an asylum for His people**, where they could **worship Him according to the dictates of conscience.** Here Christianity has progressed in its purity. The life-giving doctrine of the one Mediator between God and man has been freely taught. God designed that this country should ever remain free for all people to worship Him in accordance with the dictates of conscience. He designed that its civil institutions, in their expansive productions, should represent the freedom of gospel privileges. {*Mar* 193}

"The greatest and most **favored nation** upon the earth is the United States. A gracious Providence has shielded this country, and poured upon her the choicest of Heaven's blessings. **Here the persecuted and oppressed have found refuge.** Here the Christian faith in its purity has been taught. This people have been the recipients of great light and unrivaled mercies. But these gifts have been repaid by ingratitude and forgetfulness of God. The Infinite One keeps a reckoning with the nations, and their guilt is proportioned to the light rejected. A fearful record now stands in the register of Heaven against our land; but the crime which shall fill up the measure of her iniquity is that of making void the law of God. {4SP 398.1}

#### **Ezekiel 20:15**

<sup>15</sup>Yet also I lifted up my hand unto them in the wilderness, that I would not bring them into the land which I had given them, **flowing with milk and honey, which is the glory of all lands;**

#### **Leviticus 20:24-26**

<sup>24</sup>But I have said unto you, Ye shall inherit their land, and I will give it unto you to possess it, **a land that floweth with milk and honey:** I am the LORD your God, which have separated you from other people. <sup>25</sup>Ye shall therefore put difference between clean beasts and unclean, and between unclean fowls and clean: and ye shall not make your souls abominable by beast, or by fowl, or by any manner of living thing that creepeth on the ground, which I have separated from

you as unclean. <sup>26</sup> And ye shall be holy unto me: for I the LORD am holy, and have severed you from other people, that ye should be mine.

## HE SHALL ENTER INTO THE GLORIOUS LAND:

"When the leading churches of the United States, uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, shall influence the state to enforce their decrees and to sustain their institutions, **then Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy**, and the infliction of civil penalties upon dissenters will inevitably result.

"The beast with two horns "causeth [commands] all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads: and that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name." Revelation 13:16, 17. The third angel's warning is: "If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God." "The beast" mentioned in this message, whose worship is enforced by the two-horned beast, is the first, or leopardlike beast of Revelation 13 -- the papacy. **The "image to the beast" represents that form of apostate Protestantism which will be developed when the Protestant churches shall seek the aid of the civil power for the enforcement of their dogmas.** The "mark of the beast" still remains to be defined.

**"As the sign of the authority of the Catholic Church, papist writers cite "the very act of changing the Sabbath into Sunday, which Protestants allow of; . . . because by keeping Sunday, they acknowledge the church's power to ordain feasts, and to command them under sin."--Henry Tuberville, An Abridgment of the Christian Doctrine, page 58. What then is the change of the Sabbath, but the sign, or mark, of the authority of the Roman Church--"the mark of the beast"? {GC 445, 448}**

"There are many, even of those engaged in this movement for Sunday enforcement, who are blinded to the results which will follow this action. They do not see that they are striking directly against religious liberty. There are many who have never understood the claims of the Bible Sabbath and the false foundation upon which the Sunday institution rests. **Any movement in favor of religious legislation is really an act of concession to the papacy**, which for so many ages has steadily warred against liberty of conscience. Sunday observance owes its existence as a so-called Christian institution to "the mystery of iniquity;" and **its enforcement will be a virtual recognition of the principles which are the very cornerstone of Romanism. When our nation shall so abjure the principles of its government as to enact a Sunday law, Protestantism will in this act join hands with popery; it will be nothing else than giving life to the tyranny which has long been eagerly watching its opportunity to spring again into active despotism. {5T, 711.4}**

## NATIONAL APOSTASY FOLLOWED BY NATIONAL RUIN:

"The people of the United States have been a favored people; but when they restrict religious liberty, surrender Protestantism, and give countenance to popery, the measure of their guilt will be full, and "national apostasy" will be registered in the books of heaven. **The result of this apostasy will be national ruin.**

**"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.**" {Mar 216}

"With rapid steps we are approaching this period. When Protestant churches shall unite with the secular power to sustain a false religion, for opposing which their ancestors endured the fiercest persecution, then will the papal Sabbath be enforced by the combined authority of church and state. **There will be a national apostasy, which will end only in national ruin.** {Bible Training School, February 1, 1913 par.6}

- Not "Countries"

## MANY SHALL BE OVERTHROWN:

### Ezekiel 9:6

<sup>6</sup>Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and **begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.**

### 1 Peter 4:17

<sup>17</sup>For the time is come that judgment must begin at the house of God: and if it first begin at us, what shall the end be of them that obey not the gospel of God?

"We are to be ready and waiting for the orders of God. Nations will be stirred to their very center. Support will be withdrawn from those who proclaim God's only standard of righteousness, the only sure test of character. And all who will not bow to the decree of the national councils, and obey the national laws to exalt the sabbath instituted by the man of sin to the disregard of God's holy day, will feel, not the oppressive power of popery alone, but of the Protestant world, the image of the beast.

**"The great issue so near at hand will weed out those whom God has not appointed and He will have a pure, true, sanctified ministry prepared for the latter rain. . . {3 SM 385}**

"It is difficult to hold fast the beginning of our confidence firm unto the end; and the difficulty increases when there are hidden influences constantly at work to bring in another spirit, a counterworking element, on Satan's side of the question. **In the absence of persecution, there have drifted into our ranks some who appear sound, and their Christianity unquestionable, but who, if persecution should arise, would go out from us.** In the crisis, they would see force in specious reasoning that has had an influence on their minds. Satan has prepared various snares to meet varied minds. **When the law of God is made void the church will be sifted by fiery trials, and a larger proportion than we now anticipate, will give heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils.** Instead of being strengthened when brought into strait places, many prove that they are not living branches of the True Vine; they bore no fruit, and the husbandman taketh them away." {2 SM 367-368}

**“As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third angel's message, but have not been sanctified through obedience to the truth, abandon their position and join the ranks of the opposition.** By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they have come to view matters in nearly the same light; and when the test is brought, they are prepared to choose the easy, popular side. Men of talent and pleasing address, who once rejoiced in the truth, employ their powers to deceive and mislead souls. They become the most bitter enemies of their former brethren. When Sabbathkeepers are brought before the courts to answer for their faith, these apostates are the most efficient agents of Satan to misrepresent and accuse them, and by false reports and insinuations to stir up the rulers against them.” {GC 608}

“Revelation 18 points to the time when, as the result of rejecting the threefold warning of Revelation 14:6-12, the church will have fully reached the condition foretold by the second angel, and the people of God still in Babylon will be called upon to separate from her communion. This message is the last that will ever be given to **the world**; and it will accomplish its work. **When** those that “believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness” (2 Thessalonians 2:12), shall be left to receive strong delusion and to believe a lie, **then** the light of truth will shine upon all whose hearts are open to receive it, and all **the children of the Lord that remain in Babylon** will heed the call: “Come out of her, my people” (Revelation 18:4). {Mar 173}

## ESCAPE OUT OF HIS HAND:

### Jeremiah 44:30

<sup>30</sup>Thus saith the LORD; Behold, I will give Pharaohhophra king of Egypt into the hand of his enemies, and into the hand of them that seek his life; as I gave Zedekiah king of Judah into the hand of Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon, his enemy, and that sought his life.

### Genesis 16:6-9

<sup>6</sup>But Abram said unto Sarai, Behold, thy maid **is in thine hand; do to her as it pleaseth thee**. And when Sarai dealt hardly with her, she fled from her face. <sup>7</sup>And the angel of the LORD found her by a fountain of water in the wilderness, by the fountain in the way to Shur. <sup>8</sup>And he said, Hagar, Sarai's maid, whence camest thou? and whither wilt thou go? And she said, I flee from the face of my mistress Sarai. <sup>9</sup>And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Return to thy mistress, and **submit thyself under her hands**.

### Job 1:12

<sup>12</sup>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.

“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.” {GC 588.1}

“As the sign of the authority of the Catholic Church, papist writers cite “the very act of changing the Sabbath into Sunday, which Protestants allow of; . . . because by keeping Sunday, they **acknowledge the church's power** to ordain feasts, and to command them under sin.”--Henry

Tuberville, An Abridgment of the Christian Doctrine, page 58. **What then is the change of the Sabbath, but the sign, or mark, of the authority of the Roman Church--"the mark of the beast"?"** {GC 448.1}

## EDOM, MOAB AND AMMON:

### Genesis 25:30

<sup>30</sup> And **Esau** said to Jacob, feed me, I pray thee, with that same red pottage; for I am faint: **there was his name called Edom.**

### Genesis 36:8

<sup>8</sup> Thus dwelt Esau in mount Seir: **Esau is Edom.**

### 2 Chronicles 25:20

<sup>20</sup> But Amaziah would not hear; for it came of God, that he might deliver them into the hand of their enemies, because **they sought after the gods of Edom.**

### Genesis 26:34-35

<sup>34</sup> And Esau was forty years old when he took to wife Judith the daughter of Beeri the Hittite and Bashemath the daughter of Elon the Hittite: <sup>35</sup> Which were a grief of mind unto Isaac and Rebekah.

“Ever subject to mere outward and earthly attractions, Esau took two wives of the daughters of Heth. **They were worshippers of false gods, and their idolatry was a bitter grief to Isaac and Rebekah.** Esau had **violated one of the conditions of the covenant**, which forbade **intermarriage between the chosen people and the heathen.** {PP 179}

### Genesis 19:30-38

<sup>30</sup> And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters. <sup>31</sup> And the firstborn said unto the younger, Our father is old, and there is not a man in the earth to come in unto us after the manner of all the earth: <sup>32</sup> Come, let us make our father drink wine, and we will lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. <sup>33</sup> And they made their father drink wine that night: and the firstborn went in, and lay with her father; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose. <sup>34</sup> And it came to pass on the morrow, that the firstborn said unto the younger, Behold, I lay yesternight with my father: let us make him drink wine this night also; and go thou in, and lie with him, that we may preserve seed of our father. <sup>35</sup> And they made their father drink wine that night also: and the younger arose, and lay with him; and he perceived not when she lay down, nor when she arose. <sup>36</sup> Thus were both the daughters of Lot with child by their father. <sup>37</sup> And the first born bare a son, and called his name Moab: the same is the father of the Moabites unto this day. <sup>38</sup> And the younger, she also bare a son, and called his name Benammi: the same is the father of the children of Ammon unto this day.

“I saw the state of the different churches since the second angel proclaimed their fall. They have been growing more and more corrupt; yet they bear the name of being Christ's followers. **It is impossible to distinguish them from the world.** Their ministers take their text from the Word, but preach smooth things. The natural heart feels no objection to this. It is only the spirit and power of the truth, and the salvation of Christ, that is hateful to the carnal heart. There is nothing in the

popular ministry that stirs the wrath of Satan, makes the sinner tremble, or applies to the heart and conscience the fearful realities of a judgment soon to come. **Wicked men are generally pleased with a form without true godliness, and they will aid and support such a religion.**" {1SG 189}

"Of Babylon at this time it is declared, "Her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." [REV. 18:5.] She has filled up the measure of her guilt, and destruction is about to fall upon her. **But God still has a people in Babylon; and before the visitation of his judgments, these faithful ones must be called out,** that they "partake not of her sins, and receive not of her plagues." Hence the movement symbolized by the angel coming down from Heaven, lightening the earth with his glory, and crying mightily with a strong voice, announcing the sins of Babylon. In connection with his message the call is heard, "Come out of her, my people." As these warnings join the third angel's message, it swells to a loud cry." {4SP 422}

"Servants of God, endowed with power from on high with their faces lighted up, and shining with holy consecration, went forth to proclaim the message from heaven. **Souls that were scattered all through the religious bodies answered to the call, and the precious were hurried out of the doomed churches, as Lot was hurried out of Sodom before her destruction.** God's people were strengthened by the excellent glory which rested upon them in rich abundance and prepared them to endure the hour of temptation. I heard everywhere a multitude of voices saying, "Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus." {8T 41}

"In vision I saw two armies in terrible conflict. One army was led by banners bearing the world's insignia; the other was led by the bloodstained banner of Prince Immanuel. **Standard after standard was left to trail in the dust as company after company from the Lord's army joined the foe and tribe after tribe from the ranks of the enemy united with the commandment-keeping people of God.** An angel flying in the midst of heaven put the standard of Immanuel into many hands, while a mighty general cried out with a loud voice: "Come into line. Let those who are loyal to the commandments of God and the testimony of Christ now take their position. Come out from among them, and be ye separate, and touch not the unclean, and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be My sons and daughters. Let all who will come up to the help of the Lord, to the help of the Lord against the mighty." {EW 278, 279}

### John 10:16

<sup>16</sup>And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, [and] one shepherd.

## ESCAPE OUT OF HIS HAND:

**maw-lat' H4422.**

a prim. Root; prop. To be *smooth*, i.e. (by impl.) to *escape* (as if by *slipperiness*); caus. To *release* or *rescue*; spec. to *bring forth* young, *emit* sparks:- deliver (self), escape, lay ,leap out, let alone, let go, preserve, save, x speedily, x surely

"Fearful is the issue to which the world is to be brought. The powers of earth, uniting to war against the commandments of God, will decree that no man may buy or sell, save he that has the mark of the beast, and, finally, that whoever refuses to receive the mark shall be put to death. [REV. 13:15, 17.] The word of God declares: "If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his



mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation." [REV. 14:9, 10.] But not one is made to feel the wrath of God until the truth has been brought in contact with his mind and conscience, and has been rejected. **There are many in the churches of our country who have never, even in this land of light and knowledge, had an opportunity to hear the special truths for this time.** The obligation of the fourth commandment has never been set before them in its true light. Jesus reads every heart, and tries every motive. The decree is not to be urged upon the people blindly. Everyone is to have sufficient light to make his decision intelligently. The Sabbath will be the great test of loyalty; for it is the point of truth especially controverted." {4 SP 422}

"When those that "believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness" (2 Thessalonians 2:12), shall be left to receive strong delusion and to believe a lie, then the light of truth will shine upon all whose hearts are open to receive it, and all **the children of the Lord that remain in Babylon** will heed the call: "Come out of her, my people" (Revelation 18:4). {Mar 173}

## DANIEL 11 VERSES 42-43

### Dan 11:42-43

<sup>42</sup> He shall stretch forth his hand also upon the countries: and the land of Egypt shall not escape. <sup>43</sup> 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.

### HE SHALL STRETCH FORTH HIS HAND:

- The Papacy's "hand" is the Sunday Law. In the original, "stretch" means to extend. Therefore we must conclude that the Sunday Law crisis will begin in America and extend beyond its borders.
- Note that the word "countries" in this verse is not supplied. Therefore, whatever Egypt represents, it has many countries.
- The word "escape" here in the Hebrew means that these countries that constitute Egypt at the end of the world shall not find deliverance. They shall not escape out of the papacy's hand in like manner to Edom, Moab and Ammon in verse 41 - they shall be conquered.

### EGYPT IS THE WORLD:

#### Exodus 20:1-2

<sup>1</sup>And God spake all these words, saying, <sup>2</sup> I am the LORD thy God, which have brought thee out of the land of **Egypt**, out of the **house of bondage**.

#### Galatians 4:3

<sup>3</sup>Even so we, when we were children, were in **bondage under the elements of the world**:

#### Colossians 2:8

<sup>8</sup>Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the rudiments of the world, and not after Christ.

#### Isaiah 19:1

<sup>1</sup> The burden of **Egypt**. Behold, **the LORD rideth upon a swift cloud**, and shall come **into Egypt**: and the idols of Egypt shall be moved at his presence, and the heart of Egypt shall melt in the midst of it.

#### Revelation 1:7

<sup>7</sup>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.

"Why is it so hard to lead a self-denying, humble life? Because professed Christians are not dead to **the world**. It is easy living after we are dead. But many are longing for the leeks and onions of **Egypt**. They have a disposition to dress and act as much like **the world** as possible and yet go to heaven. Such climb up some other way. They do not enter through the strait gate and narrow way."  
{1T 131}

“Many are not growing strong, because they do not take God at his word. They are conforming to **the world**. Every day they pitch their tents nearer to **Egypt**, when they should encamp a day’s march nearer the heavenly Canaan. We need individually to ask strength and grace from Heaven, that we may resist the temptation to assimilate to **the world**. { Signs of the Times, March 6, 1884, par. 7}

“The plagues upon **Egypt** when God was about to deliver Israel were similar in character to those more terrible and extensive judgments which are to fall upon **the world** just before the final deliverance of God’s people. {GC 627-628}

“Once again the Lord God of Israel is to execute judgment upon the gods of **this world**, as upon the gods of **Egypt**. {10MR 240}

## FIRST AMERICA THEN THE WORLD:

“As America, the land of religious liberty, shall unite with the papacy in forcing the conscience and compelling men to honor the false sabbath, **the people of every country on the globe will be led to follow her example.**” {6T 18}

“**Foreign nations will follow the example of the United States.** Though she leads out, yet the same crisis will come upon our people in all parts of the world.” {6T 395}

## USA INVOLVED IN THE GOALS OF THE VATICAN:

“Within the last few decades, amid the rumblings and the ruins of two World Wars, the **United States of America** has emerged paramount and dynamic on the stage of global politics. From across the great land mass of Eurasia, **Russia---the bastion of Communism**, equally dynamic in its struggle to build up new political structure---is challengingly waiting for the tumbling of the old pattern of society, confident that time is on her side. At the same time, **the Catholic Church**, seemingly preoccupied only with its religious tasks, is feverishly engaged in a race **for the ultimate spiritual conquest of the world**. But whereas the exertions of the U.S.A. and of the U.S.S.R., are followed with growing apprehension, those of the Vatican are seldom scrutinized. **Yet not a single event of importance that has contributed to the present chaotic state of affairs has occurred without the Vatican taking an active part in it.** The Catholic population of the world---400 millions---(Now closer to 2 billion) is more numerous than that of the United States and Soviet Russia put together. When it is remembered that the concerted activities of this gigantic spiritual mass depend on the lips of a single man, the apathy of non-Catholic American should swiftly turn to keenest attention. His interest, furthermore, should increase when he is made aware that **the United States is intimately involved in the attainment of both the immediate and the ultimate goals of the Vatican.**

These goals are:

1. The annihilation of Communism and of Soviet Russia.—**Daniel 11:40**
2. The **spiritual conquest** of the U.S.A.—**Daniel 11: 41**
3. The ultimate Catholicization of the world.”—**Daniel 11: 42, 43**

*(“The Vatican in World Politics” (Preface to the American Edition) by Avro Manhattan, 1949.)*

### **Ezekiel 29:17-19**

<sup>17</sup> And it came to pass in the seven and twentieth year, in the first month, in the first day of the month, the word of the LORD came unto me, saying, <sup>18</sup> Son of man, Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon caused his army to serve a great service against Tyrus: every head was made bald, and every shoulder was peeled: yet had he no wages, nor his army, for Tyrus, for the service that he had served against it: <sup>19</sup> Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD; Behold, **I will give the land of Egypt unto Nebuchadrezzar king of Babylon**; and he shall take her multitude, and take her spoil, and take her prey; and it shall be the wages for his army.

### **Jeremiah 46:18-20**

<sup>18</sup> As I live, saith the King, whose name is the LORD of hosts, Surely as Tabor is among the mountains, and as Carmel by the sea, so shall he come. <sup>19</sup> O thou daughter dwelling in Egypt, furnish thyself to **go into captivity**: for Noph shall be waste and desolate without an inhabitant. <sup>20</sup> Egypt is like a very fair heifer, but destruction cometh; it cometh out of the **north**.

### **Jeremiah 25:9**

<sup>9</sup> 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.

### **Isaiah 19:4**

<sup>4</sup> And the Egyptians will I give over into the hand of a cruel lord; and a fierce king shall rule over them, saith the Lord, the LORD of hosts.

### **Daniel 8:21-25**

<sup>21</sup> And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king. <sup>22</sup> Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power. <sup>23</sup> 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. <sup>24</sup> And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. <sup>25</sup> 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.

### **Daniel 11:43**

<sup>43</sup> 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.

## **POWER OVER THE TREASURES OF GOLD AND SILVER:**

### ***maw-shal'* H4910**

A primitive root; to *rule*: - (have, make to have) dominion, governor, X indeed, reign, (bear, cause to, have) rule (-ing, -r), have power.

### ***keh'-sef* H3701**

From H3700; *silver* (from its *pale* color); by implication *money*: - money, price, silver (-ling).

## ETHIOPIANS SYMBOLIZE THE RICH (FIRST WORLD) COUNTRIES:

### Job 28:19

<sup>19</sup> The topaz of Ethiopia shall not equal it, neither shall it be valued with pure gold.

### Isaiah 45:14

<sup>14</sup> Thus saith the LORD, The labour of Egypt, and **merchandise** of Ethiopia and of the Sabeans, men of stature, shall come over unto thee, and they shall be thine: they shall come after thee; in chains they shall come over, and they shall fall down unto thee, they shall make supplication unto thee, saying, Surely God is in thee; and there is none else, there is no God.

## LIBYANS SYMBOLIZE THE POOR (THIRD WORLD) COUNTRIES:

### *loob-bee*; H3864

(Daniel 11:43) patrial from a name prob. Derived from an unused root mean. To *thirst*, i.e. a *dry* region; appar. A *Libyan* or inhab. Of interior Africa (only in plur.): - Lubim (-s), Libyans.

- In the Greek the word Lybya means: Strong's G3033 **Libue** {lib-oo'-ay} Libuvh AV – Libya (1) 1) Libya meaning "**afflicted or weeping**" is a large region of northern Africa, bordering **Egypt**. In that portion of it which had Cyrene for its capital and was thence called Libya Cyrenaica.

### Job 34:28

<sup>28</sup> So that they cause the cry of the **poor** to come unto him, and he heareth the cry of the **afflicted**.

### Proverbs 22:22

<sup>22</sup> Rob not the poor, because he [is] **poor**: neither oppress the **afflicted** in the gate:

## LIBYA AND ETHIOPIA ALSO REPRESENT ARMIES:

### Jeremiah 46:8-9

<sup>8</sup> Egypt riseth up like a flood, and his waters are moved like the rivers; and he saith, I will go up, and will cover the earth; I will destroy the city and the inhabitants thereof. <sup>9</sup> Come up, ye horses; and rage, ye chariots; and let the mighty men come forth; the Ethiopians and the Libyans, that handle the shield; and the Lydians, that handle and bend the bow.

### Ezekiel 38:5

<sup>5</sup> Persia, Ethiopia, and Libya with them; all of them with shield and helmet:

## SHALL BE AT HIS STEPS:

### **mits âd H4703**

a *step*; figuratively *companionship*: - going, step, which comes from the root word: Strong's H6805 **tsâ ad tsaw-ad'** A primitive root; **to pace**, that is, **step regularly**; (upward) to *mount*; (along) **to march**; (down and causatively) to *hurl*: - bring, go, march (through), run over.

### **Amos 3:3**

<sup>3</sup> Can two walk together, except they be agreed?

## THE WHOLE WORLD:

### **Revelation 13:3**

<sup>3</sup> 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.

### **Revelation 17:12-13**

<sup>12</sup> 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. <sup>13</sup> These have **one mind**, and shall **give their power and strength unto the beast**.

### **Psalms 83:1-18**

<sup>1</sup> **A Song or Psalm of Asaph.** Keep not thou silence, O God: hold not thy peace, and be not still, O God. <sup>2</sup> For, lo, thine enemies make a tumult: and they that hate thee have lifted up the head. <sup>3</sup> **They have taken crafty counsel against thy people, and consulted against thy hidden ones.** <sup>4</sup> They have said, Come, and let us cut them off from *being* a nation; that the name of Israel may be no more in remembrance. <sup>5</sup> **For they have consulted together with one consent: they are confederate against thee:** <sup>6</sup> The tabernacles of **Edom [1]**, and the **Ishmaelites [2]**; of **Moab [3]**, and the **Hagarenes [4]**; <sup>7</sup> **Gebal [5]**, and **Ammon [6]**, and **Amalek [7]**; the **Philistines [8]** with the inhabitants of **Tyre [9]**; <sup>8</sup> **Assur [10]** also is joined with them: they have holpen the children of Lot. Selah. <sup>9</sup> **Do unto them as unto the Midianites; as to Sisera, as to Jabin, at the brook of Kison:** <sup>10</sup> *Which* perished at Endor: they became *as dung* for the earth. <sup>11</sup> Make their nobles like Oreb, and like Zeeb: yea, all their princes as Zebah, and as Zalmunna: <sup>12</sup> Who said, Let us take to ourselves the houses of God in possession. <sup>13</sup> O my God, make them like a wheel; as the stubble before the wind. <sup>14</sup> As the fire burneth a wood, and as the flame setteth the mountains on fire; <sup>15</sup> So persecute them with thy tempest, and make them afraid with thy storm. <sup>16</sup> Fill their faces with shame; that they may seek thy name, O LORD. <sup>17</sup> Let them be confounded and troubled for ever; yea, let them be put to shame, and perish: <sup>18</sup> That *men* may know that thou, whose name alone is JEHOVAH, *art* the most high over all the earth.

### **ex-oo-see'-ah G1849 (Revelation 17:13)**

from 1832 (in the sense of ability); *privilege*, i.e. (subj.) *force, capacity, competency, freedom*, or (obj.) *mastery* (concr. *magistrate, superhuman, potentate, token of control*), *delegation influence*:- authority, jurisdiction, *liberty*, power, right, strength.

## DANIEL 11 VERSE 44

### Daniel 11 :44

<sup>44</sup> 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.

### TIDINGS:

#### 1 Samuel 11:1-5

<sup>1</sup> Then Nahash the Ammonite came up, and encamped against Jabeshgilead: and all the men of Jabesh said unto Nahash, Make a covenant with us, and we will serve thee. <sup>2</sup> And Nahash the Ammonite answered them, On this condition will I make a covenant with you, that I may thrust out all your right eyes, and lay it for a reproach upon all Israel. <sup>3</sup> And the elders of Jabesh said unto him, Give us seven days' respite, that we may send messengers unto all the coasts of Israel: and then, if there be no man to save us, we will come out to thee. <sup>4</sup> Then came the messengers to Gibeah of Saul, and told the tidings in the ears of the people: and all the people lifted up their voices, and wept. <sup>5</sup> And, behold, Saul came after the herd out of the field; and Saul said, What aileth the people that they weep? And they told him the tidings of the men of Jabesh.

### OUT OF THE NORTH AND EAST:

#### Amos 8 :11-12

<sup>11</sup> Behold, the days come, saith the Lord GOD, that I will send a famine in the land, not a famine of bread, nor a thirst for water, but of hearing the **words of the LORD**: <sup>12</sup> And they shall wander from sea to sea, and from the **north** even to the **east**, they shall run to and fro to seek the word of the LORD, and shall not find it.

### PEACE AND SALVATION:

#### Isaiah 52:7-8

<sup>7</sup> How beautiful upon the mountains are the feet of him that bringeth good **tidings**, that **publisheth peace**; that bringeth good tidings of good, that **publisheth salvation**; that saith unto Zion, **Thy God reigneth**! <sup>8</sup> Thy watchmen shall lift up the voice; with the voice together shall they sing: for **they shall see eye to eye**, when the LORD shall bring again Zion.

### PEACE & SALVATION FOUND IN THE GOSPEL:

#### Romans 10 :15

<sup>15</sup> And how shall they preach, except they be sent? as it is written, How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the **gospel of peace**, and bring glad tidings of good things!

#### Romans 1 :16

<sup>6</sup> For I am not ashamed of the **gospel of Christ**: for **it is the power of God unto salvation** to everyone that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

### Ephesians 1:11-13

<sup>11</sup> In whom also we have obtained an inheritance, being predestinated according to the purpose of him who worketh all things after the counsel of his own will: <sup>12</sup> That we should be to the praise of his glory, who first trusted in Christ. <sup>13</sup> In whom ye also trusted, after that ye heard the **word of truth**, the **gospel of your salvation**: in whom also after that ye believed, **ye were sealed with that holy Spirit of promise**,

### Revelation 14:6-12

<sup>6</sup> 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, <sup>7</sup> 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. <sup>8</sup> 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. <sup>9</sup> 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, <sup>10</sup> 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: <sup>11</sup> 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. <sup>12</sup> Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.

## CHRIST'S SECOND COMING, DESTRUCTION OF BABYLON:

### Matthew 24:27

<sup>27</sup> 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**.

### Revelation 16:12

<sup>12</sup> 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.

## THE JUDGEMENT UPON ADVENTISM, TWO CLASSES, SEALING:

### Ezekiel 9:1-6

<sup>1</sup> He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man with his destroying weapon in his hand. <sup>2</sup> And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth **toward the north**, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brasen altar. <sup>3</sup> And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer's inkhorn by his side; <sup>4</sup> And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and **set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof**. <sup>5</sup> And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: <sup>6</sup> Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and **begin at my sanctuary**. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.



## THE SEALING:

### Revelation 7:1-3

<sup>1</sup> 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. <sup>2</sup> 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, <sup>3</sup> Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.

“I then saw the **third angel**. Said my accompanying angel, "Fearful is his work. Awful is his mission. He is the angel that is to select the wheat from the tares, and seal, or bind, the wheat for the heavenly garner. These things should engross the whole mind, the whole attention." {EW 118}

“**The books of Daniel and the Revelation are one.** One is a prophecy, the other a revelation; one a book sealed, the other a book opened. John heard the mysteries which the thunders uttered, but he was commanded not to write them.” {19MR 320.2}

## KING OF THE NORTH:

### Jeremiah 6:16-22

<sup>16</sup> Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, We will not walk therein. <sup>17</sup> Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken. <sup>18</sup> Therefore hear, ye nations, and know, O congregation, what is among them. <sup>19</sup> Hear, O earth: behold, I will bring evil upon this people, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, nor to my law, but rejected it. <sup>20</sup> To what purpose cometh there to me incense from Sheba, and the sweet cane from a far country? Your burnt offerings are not acceptable, nor your sacrifices sweet unto me. <sup>21</sup> Therefore thus saith the LORD, Behold, I will lay stumblingblocks before this people, and the fathers and the sons together shall fall upon them; the neighbour and his friend shall perish. <sup>22</sup> Thus saith the LORD, Behold, **a people cometh from the north country, and a great nation shall be raised from the sides of the earth.**

### Isaiah 10:5-6

<sup>5</sup> O Assyrian, the rod of mine anger, and the staff in their hand is mine indignation. <sup>6</sup> I will send him against an hypocritical nation, and against the people of my wrath will I give him a charge, to take the spoil, and to take the prey, and to tread them down like the mire of the streets.

## LINKED TO THIRD ANGELS MESSAGE IS THE HEALING MESSAGE OF HEALTH

### REFORM:

### Malachi 4:2

<sup>2</sup> But unto you that fear my name shall **the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings**; and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.

### Isaiah 58:6-8

<sup>6</sup> Is not this the fast that I have chosen? to loose the bands of wickedness, to undo the heavy burdens, and to let the oppressed go free, and that ye break every yoke? <sup>7</sup> Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? when thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? <sup>8</sup> **Then shall thy light break forth as the morning, and thine health shall spring forth speedily:** and thy righteousness shall go before thee; the glory of the LORD shall be thy rereward.

97. December 10, 1871, I was again shown that the **health reform is one branch of the great work which is to fit a people for the coming of the Lord.** It is as **closely connected with the third angel's message as the hand is with the body.** The law of **ten commandments** has been lightly regarded by man; but the Lord would not come to punish the transgressors of that law without first sending them a message of warning. **The third angel proclaims that message.** Had men ever been obedient to the law of ten commandments, carrying out in their lives the principles of those precepts, the curse of disease now flooding the world would not be. {CD 69}

Christ, the great Medical Missionary, is our example. Of Him it is written that He "went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of disease among the people." Matthew 4:23.

He healed the sick and preached the gospel. In His service, healing and teaching were linked closely together. Today they are not to be separated. {CH 395}

## "TROUBLE HIM":

### ***baw-hal'* H926**

A primitive root; to *tremble* inwardly (or *palpitate*), that is, (figuratively) *be* (causatively *make*) (suddenly) *alarmed* or *agitated*; by implication to *hasten* anxiously: - be (make) affrighted (afraid, amazed, dismayed, rash), (be, get, make) haste (-n, -y, -ily), (give) speedy (-ily), thrust out, trouble, vex.

## THEREFORE HE SHALL GO FORTH WITH GREAT FURY:

"..I saw that the holy Sabbath is, and will be, the separating wall between the true Israel of God and unbelievers; and that the Sabbath is the great question to unite the hearts of God's dear, waiting saints. I saw that God had children who do not see and keep the Sabbath. They have not rejected the light upon it. And at the commencement of the time of trouble, we were filled with the Holy Ghost as we went forth and proclaimed the Sabbath more fully." This view was given in 1847 when there were but very few of the Advent brethren observing the Sabbath, and of these but few supposed that its observance was of sufficient importance to draw a line between the people of God and unbelievers. Now the fulfilment of that view is beginning to be seen. "The commencement of that time of trouble," here mentioned does not refer to the time when the plagues shall begin to be poured out, but to a short period just before they are poured out, while Christ is in the sanctuary. At that time, while the work of salvation is closing, trouble will be coming on the earth, and the nations will be angry, yet held in check so as not to prevent the work of the third angel. At that time the "latter rain," or refreshing from the presence of the Lord, will come, to give power to the loud voice of the third angel...

...and prepare the saints to stand in the period when the seven last plagues shall be poured out." {EW 85,86}

"The two armies will stand distinct and separate, and this distinction will be so marked that many who shall be convinced of truth will come on the side of God's commandment-keeping people. When this grand work is to take place in the battle, prior to the last closing conflict, **many will be imprisoned, many will flee for their lives from cities and towns, and many will be martyrs for Christ's sake in standing in defense of the truth.** {Mar 199}

"A spurious sabbath is presented to be legislated into power, compelling the observance of a sabbath which God has not enjoined upon man. The persecutions of Protestants by Romanism, by which the religion of Jesus Christ was almost annihilated, will be more than rivaled, when Protestantism and popery are combined." {3SM 387}

## CHRIST DECLARES THE END FROM THE BEGINNING:

### Isaiah 46:9-10

<sup>9</sup> Remember the former things of old: for I am God, and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me, <sup>10</sup> Declaring the end from the beginning, and from ancient times the things that are not yet done, saying, My counsel shall stand, and I will do all my pleasure:

### Matthew 2:1-16

<sup>1</sup> Now when Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judaea in the days of Herod the king, behold, there came wise men **from the east** to Jerusalem, <sup>2</sup> Saying, Where is he that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen his star in the east, and are come to worship him. <sup>3</sup> When Herod the king had heard these things, **he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him.** <sup>4</sup> And when he had gathered all the chief priests and scribes of the people together, he demanded of them where Christ should be born. <sup>5</sup> And they said unto him, In Bethlehem of Judaea: for thus it is written by the prophet, <sup>6</sup> And thou Bethlehem, in the land of Juda, art not the least among the princes of Juda: for out of thee shall come a Governor, that shall rule my people Israel. <sup>7</sup> Then Herod, when he had privily called the wise men, enquired of them diligently what time the star appeared. <sup>8</sup> And he sent them to Bethlehem, and said, Go and search diligently for the young child; and when ye have found him, bring me word again, that I may come and worship him also. <sup>9</sup> When they had heard the king, they departed; and, lo, the star, which they saw in the east, went before them, till it came and stood over where the young child was. <sup>10</sup> When they saw the star, they rejoiced with exceeding great joy. <sup>11</sup> And when they were come into the house, they saw the young child with Mary his mother, and fell down, and worshipped him: and when they had opened their treasures, they presented unto him gifts; gold, and frankincense, and myrrh. <sup>12</sup> And being warned of God in a dream that they should not return to Herod, they departed into their own country another way. <sup>13</sup> And when they were departed, behold, the angel of the Lord appeareth to Joseph in a dream, saying, Arise, and take the young child and his mother, and flee into Egypt, and be thou there until I bring thee word: for Herod will seek the young child to destroy him. <sup>14</sup> When he arose, he took the young child and his mother by night, and departed into Egypt: <sup>15</sup> And was there until the death of Herod: that it might be fulfilled which was spoken of the Lord by the prophet, saying, Out of Egypt have I called my son. <sup>16</sup> **Then Herod, when he saw that he was mocked of the wise men, was exceeding wroth, and sent forth, and slew all the children that were in Bethlehem, and in all the coasts thereof, from two years old and under, according to the time which he had diligently enquired of the wise men.**

"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 when he came down from Mount Sinai." {1T 59}

"Satan is a diligent Bible student. He knows that his time is short, and he seeks at every point to counterwork the work of the Lord upon this earth. **It is impossible to give any idea of the experience of the people of God who shall be alive upon the earth when celestial glory and a repetition of the persecutions of the past are blended.** They will walk in the light proceeding from the throne of God. By means of the angels there will be constant communication between heaven and earth. And Satan, surrounded by evil angels, and claiming to be God, will work miracles of all kinds, to deceive, if possible, the very elect. God's people will not find their safety in working miracles, for Satan will counterfeit the miracles that will be wrought. God's tried and tested people will find their power in the sign spoken of in Exodus 31:12-18. They are to take their stand on the living word: "It is written." This is the only foundation upon which they can stand securely. Those who have broken their covenant with God will in that day be without God and without hope." {CCh 39.5}

## DANIEL 11 VERSE 45, 12:1

"When God sends to men warnings so important that they are represented as proclaimed by holy angels flying in the midst of heaven, he requires every person endowed with reasoning powers to heed the message. **The fearful judgments denounced against the worship of the beast and his image should lead all to a diligent study of the prophecies to learn what the mark of the beast is, and how they are to avoid receiving it.** But the masses of the people turn away their ears from hearing the truth, and are turned unto fables. The apostle Paul declared, looking down to the last days, "The time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine." That time has fully come. The multitudes do not want Bible truth, because it interferes with the desires of the sinful, world-loving heart; and Satan supplies the deceptions which they love. {GC 595-596}

### Daniel 11:45

<sup>45</sup> 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.

## TABERNACLES CONNECTED WITH SANCTUARY (CHURCH/RELIGIOUS SYMBOL) :

### Exodus 25:8-9

<sup>8</sup> And let them make me a **sanctuary**; that I may dwell among them. <sup>9</sup> According to all that I shew thee, after the pattern of the **tabernacle**, and the pattern of all the instruments thereof, even so shall ye make it.

### Numbers 4:16

<sup>16</sup> And to the office of Eleazar the son of Aaron the **priest** pertaineth the **oil** for the light, and the **sweet incense**, and the **daily meat offering**, and the anointing oil, and the oversight of all the tabernacle, and of all that therein is, in the sanctuary, and in the vessels thereof.

## PALACE A SYMBOL OF STATE:

### Daniel 4:4, 29-30:

<sup>4</sup> I Nebuchadnezzar was at rest **in mine house**, and flourishing in **my palace**: <sup>29</sup> At the end of twelve months he walked in the palace of the kingdom of Babylon. <sup>30</sup> The king spake, and said, Is not this great Babylon, that I have built for the house of the kingdom by the might of my power, and for the honour of my majesty?

### 1 Kings 21:1

<sup>1</sup> And it came to pass after these things, that Naboth the Jezreelite had a vineyard, which was in Jezreel, hard by the palace of Ahab king of Samaria.

## COMMANDMENTS OR DECREES AND LAWS ISSUE FORTH FROM THE PALACE:

### Esther 3:15

<sup>15</sup> The posts went out, being hastened by the king's commandment, and **the decree was given in Shushan the palace**. And the king and Haman sat down to drink; but the city Shushan was perplexed.

## THE SEAS:

### Revelation 17:15

<sup>15</sup> And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

### Isaiah 17:12-14

<sup>12</sup> Woe to the multitude of many people, which make a noise like the noise of the seas; and to the rushing of nations, that make a rushing like the rushing of mighty waters! <sup>13</sup> The nations shall rush like the rushing of many waters: but God shall rebuke them, and they shall flee far off, and shall be chased as the chaff of the mountains before the wind, and like a rolling thing before the whirlwind. <sup>14</sup> And behold at eveningtide trouble; and before the morning he is not. This is the portion of them that spoil us, and the lot of them that rob us.

## THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN:

### Daniel 9:16

<sup>16</sup> 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.

### Psalms 48:1-2

<sup>1</sup> Great is the LORD, and greatly to be praised in **the city of our God, in the mountain** of his holiness. <sup>2</sup> Beautiful for situation, the joy of the whole earth, is **mount Zion**, on the sides of the north, the city of the great King.

### Zechariah 8:1-3

<sup>1</sup> Again the word of the LORD of hosts came to me, saying, <sup>2</sup> Thus saith the LORD of hosts; I was jealous for **Zion** with great jealousy, and I was jealous for her with great fury. <sup>3</sup> Thus saith the LORD; I am returned unto **Zion**, and will dwell in the midst of **Jerusalem**: and **Jerusalem shall be called a city of truth**; and **the mountain of the LORD of hosts the holy mountain**.

### Joel 2:1

<sup>1</sup> Blow ye the trumpet **in Zion**, and sound an alarm in **my holy mountain**: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the day of the LORD cometh, for it is nigh at hand;

### Joel 3:16-17

<sup>16</sup> The LORD also shall roar out of **Zion**, and utter his voice from **Jerusalem**; and the heavens and the earth shall shake: but the LORD will be the hope of **his people**, and the strength of the **children of Israel**. <sup>17</sup> So shall ye know that I am the LORD your God dwelling in **Zion**, my **holy mountain**: then shall **Jerusalem** be holy, and there shall no strangers pass through her any more.

### Isaiah 2:1-3

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem. <sup>2</sup> And it shall come to pass in the last days, that the mountain of the LORD's house shall be established in the top of the mountains, and shall be exalted above the hills; and all nations shall flow unto it. <sup>3</sup> And many people shall go and say, Come ye, and let us go up to the **mountain of the LORD**, to the **house of the God of Jacob**; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for out of Zion shall go forth the law, and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

### 1 Timothy 3:15

<sup>15</sup> But if I tarry long, that thou mayest know how thou oughtest to behave thyself in the **house of God, which is the church of the living God**, the pillar and ground of the truth.

## THE GLORIOUS LAND AND GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN ARE NOT THE SAME THING:

### Jeremiah 17:3

<sup>3</sup> **O my mountain in the field**, I will give thy substance [and] all thy treasures to the spoil, [and] thy high places for sin, throughout all thy borders.

The original word for “field” is:

**sadeh {saw-deh'} or saday {saw-dah'-ee} H7704**

from an unused root meaning to spread out; **1) field, land** 1a) cultivated field 1b) of home of wild beasts 1c) plain (**opposed to mountain**) 1d) land (**opposed to sea**)

## BETWEEN THE SEAS AND THE GLORIOUS HOLY MOUNTAIN:

### Daniel 11:45 (*Amplified Bible*):

<sup>45</sup> And he shall pitch his palatial tents between the seas **and** the glorious holy Mount [Zion]; yet he shall come to his end with none to help him.

### Daniel 11:45 (*New King James Version*):

<sup>45</sup> And he shall plant the tents of his palace between the seas **and** the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and no one will help him.

### Revelation 16:13-16

<sup>13</sup> And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon [UN], and out of the mouth of the beast [Rome], and out of the mouth of the false prophet [USA]. <sup>14</sup> 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. <sup>15</sup> Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame. <sup>16</sup> And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

## WHERE DOES ARMAGEDDON TAKE PLACE? - WITHIN OR WITHOUT THE CHURCH?:

### 2 Chronicles 35:20-24

<sup>20</sup> After all this, when Josiah had prepared the temple, Necho king of Egypt came up to fight against Charchemish by Euphrates: and Josiah went out against him. <sup>21</sup> But he sent ambassadors to him, saying, What have I to do with thee, thou king of Judah? I come not against thee this day, but against the house wherewith I have war: for God commanded me to make haste: forbear thee

from meddling with God, who is with me, that he destroy thee not. <sup>22</sup> Nevertheless Josiah would not turn his face from him, but disguised himself, that he might fight with him, and hearkened not unto the words of Necho from the mouth of God, and came to fight **in the valley of Megiddo**. <sup>23</sup> And the archers shot at king Josiah; and the king said to his servants, Have me away; for I am sore wounded. <sup>24</sup> His servants therefore took him out of that chariot, and put him in the second chariot that he had; and **they brought him to Jerusalem**, and he died, and was buried in one of the sepulchres of his fathers. And all Judah and Jerusalem mourned for Josiah.

#### Isaiah 10:24–27, 32–34

<sup>24</sup> Therefore thus saith the Lord God of hosts, O my people that dwellest in **Zion**, be not afraid of the Assyrian: he shall smite thee with a rod, and shall lift up his staff against thee, after the manner of Egypt. <sup>25</sup> For yet a very little while, and **the indignation shall cease, and mine anger in their destruction**. <sup>26</sup> And the Lord of hosts shall stir up a scourge for him according to the slaughter of Midian at the rock of Oreb: and *as his rod was upon the sea*, so shall he lift it up after the manner of Egypt. <sup>27</sup> And it shall come to pass **in that day**, *that* his burden shall be taken away from off thy shoulder, and his yoke from off thy neck, and the yoke shall be destroyed **because of the anointing**.

<sup>32</sup> As yet **shall he remain at Nob that day: he shall shake his hand against the mount of the daughter of Zion, the hill of Jerusalem**. <sup>33</sup> Behold, the Lord, the Lord of hosts, shall lop the bough with terror: and the high ones of stature *shall be* hewn down, and the haughty shall be humbled. <sup>34</sup> And he shall cut down the thickets of the forest with iron, and Lebanon shall fall by a mighty one.

#### Judges 5:19-22

<sup>19</sup> The kings came and fought, then fought the kings of Canaan in Taanach by the waters of **Megiddo**; they took no gain of money. <sup>20</sup> They fought from heaven; the stars in their courses fought against Sisera. <sup>21</sup> **The river of Kishon swept them away**, that ancient river, the river Kishon. O my soul, thou hast trodden down strength. <sup>22</sup> Then were the horsehoofs broken by the means of the pransings, the pransings of their mighty ones.

### THE SPIRITUAL CONFLICT BETWEEN ELIJAH AND THE PROPHETS OF BAAL ENDED WITH THE DESTRUCTION OF THE FALSE PROPHETS IN THE RIVER KISHON:

#### 1 Kings 18:38-40

<sup>38</sup> Then the fire of the LORD fell, and consumed the burnt sacrifice, and the wood, and the stones, and the dust, and licked up the water that was in the trench. <sup>39</sup> **And when all the people saw it, they fell on their faces: and they said, The LORD, he is the God; the LORD, he is the God.** <sup>40</sup> And Elijah said unto them, Take the prophets of Baal; let not one of them escape. And they took them: and **Elijah brought them down to the brook Kishon, and slew them there**.

#### Joel 2:20

<sup>20</sup> But I will remove far off from you the northern *army*, and will drive him into **a land barren and desolate**, with his face toward the east sea, and his hinder part toward the utmost sea, and his stink shall come up, and his ill savour shall come up, because he hath done great things.

**“Satan is ever intruding himself between the soul of man and God. . . .** This lesson in regard to Peter needs to be studied carefully.



"Peter did not desire to see the cross in the work of Christ. The impression which his words would make was directly opposed to that which Christ desired to make on the minds of His followers, and the Saviour was moved to utter one of the sternest rebukes that ever fell from His lips. . .

"Satan was trying to discourage Jesus, and turn Him from His mission; and Peter, in his blind love, was giving voice to the temptation. The prince of evil was the author of the thought. His instigation was behind that impulsive appeal. . . . He was seeking to fix Peter's gaze upon the earthly glory, that he might not behold the cross to which Jesus desired to turn his eyes. And through Peter, Satan was again pressing the temptation upon Jesus. But the Saviour heeded it not; His thought was for His disciple. **Satan had interposed between Peter and his Master**, that the heart of the disciple might not be touched at the vision of Christ's humiliation for him. The words of Christ were spoken, not to Peter, but to the one who was trying to separate him from his Redeemer. "Get thee behind Me, Satan." No longer interpose between Me and My erring servant. Let Me come face to face with Peter, that I may reveal to him the mystery of My love. {CC 312.4}

"The whole world," He said, "is God's great vineyard. The cities and villages constitute a part of that vineyard. These must be worked. Satan **will try to interpose himself** and discourage the workers, so as to prevent them from giving the message of light and warning in the more prominent as well as in the more secluded places. Desperate efforts will be made to turn the people from truth to falsehood. Angels of heaven are commissioned to co-operate with the efforts of God's appointed messengers on earth. Ministers must encourage and maintain an unwavering faith and hope, as did Christ, their living Head. They must keep humble and contrite in heart before God." {7T 34.2}

"The work of Satan is to **interpose** his sophistry, his lying statements, to lead men to believe a lie rather than the words of God, which are the truth. It is thus that he leads men into presumptuous sins. Satan is ever at work to keep out of our minds the doctrine of the cross of Christ; for this is the counter-influence through which sin is to be vanquished and man be brought back to his allegiance to the law of God. {RH, September 29, 1891 par. 3}

## THE STANDING UP OF MICHAEL:

### Daniel 12:1

<sup>1</sup> 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.

### Acts 7:55

<sup>55</sup> But he, being full of the Holy Ghost, looked up stedfastly into heaven, and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing on the right hand of God,

"The seventy weeks, or 490 years, especially allotted to the Jews, ended, as we have seen, in A.D. 34. At that time, through the action of the Jewish Sanhedrin, the nation sealed its rejection of the gospel by the martyrdom of Stephen and the persecution of the followers of Christ. Then the message of salvation, no longer restricted to the chosen people, was given to the world. The disciples, forced by persecution to flee from Jerusalem, "went everywhere preaching the word." "Philip went down to the city of Samaria, and preached Christ unto them." Peter, divinely guided,

opened the gospel to the centurion of Caesarea, the God-fearing Cornelius; and the ardent Paul, won to the faith of Christ, was commissioned to carry the glad tidings "far hence unto the Gentiles." Acts 8:4, 5; 22:21. {GC 328.1}

### Isaiah 3:13

<sup>13</sup>The LORD standeth up to plead, and standeth to judge the people.

### Psalms 35:1-8

<sup>1</sup>A Psalm of David. **Plead my cause, O LORD**, with them that strive with me: **fight** against them that fight against me. <sup>2</sup> Take hold of shield and buckler, and **stand up** for mine help. <sup>3</sup> Draw out also the spear, and stop the way against them that persecute me: say unto my soul, I am thy salvation. <sup>4</sup> Let them be confounded and put to shame that seek after my soul: let them be turned back and brought to confusion that devise my hurt. <sup>5</sup> Let them be as **chaff** before the wind: and let the angel of the LORD chase them. [Dan2:35; Matt3:12] <sup>6</sup> Let their way be dark and slippery: and let the angel of the LORD persecute them. <sup>7</sup> For without cause have they hid for me their net in a pit, which without cause they have digged for my soul. <sup>8</sup> **Let destruction come upon him at unawares**; and let his net that he hath hid catch himself: into that very destruction let him fall.

### Isaiah 66:16

<sup>16</sup>For by fire and by his sword will the LORD plead with all flesh: and the slain of the LORD shall be many.

### Jeremiah 25:31

<sup>31</sup>A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.

### Ezekiel 38:14-23

<sup>14</sup>Therefore, son of man, prophesy and say unto Gog, Thus saith the Lord GOD; In that day when my people of Israel dwelleth safely, shalt thou not know it? <sup>15</sup> And thou shalt come from thy place out of the north parts, thou, and many people with thee, all of them riding upon horses, a great company, and a mighty army: <sup>16</sup> And thou shalt come up against my people of Israel, as a cloud to cover the land; **it shall be in the latter days**, and I will bring thee against my land, that the heathen may know me, when I shall be sanctified in thee, O Gog, before their eyes. <sup>17</sup> Thus saith the Lord GOD; Art thou he of whom I have spoken in old time by my servants the prophets of Israel, which prophesied in those days many years that I would bring thee against them? <sup>18</sup> And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face. <sup>19</sup> For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; [Rev15:1] <sup>20</sup> So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall shall fall to the ground. <sup>21</sup> And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother. <sup>22</sup> And **I will plead against him with pestilence** [Rev16v2 – first plague] and with blood [Rev16:3-6 – second and third plagues]; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones [Rev16:21 – under

7th plague], fire, and brimstone [Rev16:8-9].<sup>23</sup> Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the LORD.

## STANDING UP OF MICHAEL = TIME OF TROUBLE/CLOSE OF PROBATION:

**"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, everyone that shall be found written in the book." **When this time of trouble comes, every case is decided; there is no longer probation, no longer mercy for the impenitent.** The seal of the living God is upon His people. This small remnant, unable to defend themselves in the deadly conflict with the powers of earth that are marshaled by the dragon host, make God their defense. The decree has been passed by the highest earthly authority that they shall worship the beast and receive his mark under pain of persecution and death. May God help His people now, for what can they then do in such a fearful conflict without His assistance!" {5T 212-213}

## CLOSE OF PROBATION AND JACOB'S TROUBLE:

"At the commencement of the holy Sabbath, January 5, 1849, we engaged in prayer with Brother Belden's family at Rocky Hill, Connecticut, and the Holy Ghost fell upon us. I was taken off in vision to the most holy place, where I saw Jesus still interceding for Israel. On the bottom of His garment was a bell and a pomegranate. **Then I saw that Jesus would not leave the most holy place until every case was decided either for salvation or destruction, and that the wrath of God could not come until Jesus had finished His work in the most holy place, laid off His priestly attire, and clothed Himself with the garments of vengeance.** Then Jesus will step out from between the Father and man, and God will keep silence no longer, but pour out His wrath on those who have rejected His truth. I saw that the anger of the nations, the wrath of God, and the time to judge the dead were separate and distinct, one following the other, also that Michael had not stood up, and that the time of trouble, such as never was, had not yet commenced. The nations are now getting angry, but when our High Priest has finished His work in the sanctuary, **He will stand up**, put on the garments of vengeance, **and then the seven last plagues will be poured out.**

**"I saw that the four angels would hold the four winds until Jesus' work was done in the sanctuary, and then will come the seven last plagues.** These plagues enraged the wicked against the righteous; they thought that we had brought the judgments of God upon them, and that if they could rid the earth of us, the plagues would then be stayed. **A decree went forth to slay the saints,** which caused them to cry day and night for deliverance. This was the time of Jacob's trouble." {EW 36-37}

## CLOSE OF PROBATION FOLLOWED BY SECOND COMING:

"When the work of the investigative judgment closes, the destiny of all will have been decided for life or death. **Probation is ended a short time before the appearing of the Lord in the clouds of heaven.** Christ in the Revelation, looking forward to that time, declares: "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. And, behold, I come quickly; and My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be." Revelation 22:11, 12." {GC 490}

