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The REMNANT OF ISRAEL

"All ye inhabitants of the world and dwellers on the earth, see ye; when he lifteth up an ensign on the mountain, and when he bloweth a trumpet, hear ye."—Isaiah 18:3.

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THE BEGINNING

Continued from last month.

A record of its observance is found in Exodus 125th Chapter. Also Deut. 16 and in Numbers 28 and 29th Chapters.

The Apostle Paul comments on the same is found in First Cor. 11:20-34.

Also in the Epistle of John. In all these instructions we are told that the object of the ordinance is to teach. First, that no one is worthy to partake of it except those who are clean and have put away all sin and have been reconciled to their brethren, and last they must put away all false doctrine held by them by turning to the truth and its obedience. Last it was designed by the Passover Lamb to teach that Christ had offered Himself for the sins of the World. That whosoever believed in him might have eternal life. The fifteenth day was devoted especially to the day of unleavened bread. It taught that Christ would lie in the grave that day and last the wave sheaf taught that the third day he would rise again. All the Apostles understood this lesson especially after Christ taught them on the morning of the third day as was written by Moses and all the prophets. Luk. 24.

This anyone can see was an annual ordinance. Christ therefor made no change but said "As oft" as you serve this you do show forth the Lord's death till He comes." Had He in any way changed till then no such an expression would have been used and to use it in any other way is to destroy the importance of its observance at all for if He designed any other thing then it would only be meant by the word "oft" as nothing definite or even essential. But in case it was observed, to remember Him in the doing of it, But the time being definitely set the word "oft" was proper and easy of understanding. Why was the lamb to be taken up on the tenth day and kept till the fourteenth? That could prefigure the ministry of Christ for three and one half years before His crucifixion or it could refer back to the creation showing us that the council of peace between the Father and the Son occurred on the tenth day of creation after Adam had sinned in the garden. He was the Lamb slain from the foundation of

the World. It taught some lesson there is no doubt.

Eze. 12:2 says "This shall be the beginning of months to you. It shall be the first month of the year to you. Israel had been under Egyptian time. Hence the Lord now sets the month His own correct time. This we understand to be the teaching of this statement. It was not to start a new time. For He does not change. His time is fixed from the beginning.

FEAST OF WEEKS

This feast falling on the 2th of May it is also called the "Feast of Harvest." At this feast we are required to bring a new meat offering from the first fruits of the soil. It is called a new meat offering. Meat signifies Food.

Three times in the year all the males were required to appear before the Lord. None were to come empty-handed. The first was the passover, the second the feast of Harvest, and the last "the feast of ingatherings" and "Tabernacles."

In each of these three feasts the portion of the products of the soil and the increase of animals which belonged to God was to be rendered to Him. This with free will offerings of property or money which the person was impressed to give of "his own free will" without urging or solicitation was for the support of the Gospel and its work. This teaches us another thing. Namely how God's work is all systematic. The appointed seasons of worship were in harmony with the seasons of the year. The first was the beginning of the year the second at the time of the first ingathering of the crops. The third at the close of the crop year. Thus we see how the heavenly bodies and the worship of the people are all systematically arranged in order. Nothing about the Lord and His work on earth is unorganized. But remember. He alone is the organizer. We are simply material which makes the spiritual house as it is framed together into an holy temple of God. He is the builder and not us. He is the organizer and not us. All we do is to be guided by Him into all truth. We are told just what to do in this feast of the Harvest called the Pentecost.

The next set time is that of blowing of trumpets. This was to take place on the first day of the seventh month. This was an event preceeding the day of atonement on the tenth day of the seventh month. It is stated that "every soul who would not hear the trumpet and afflict his soul he was to be

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cut off from among the people. "That is he would not be reckoned among them as a true Israelite. This comes in Roman time the eighteenth of September. Five days before the fall Equinox on the twenty third of September. This blowing of trumpets indicated clearly that the day of Atonement was a point of great interest to Israel. The fall equinox when the sun started on its return trip indicated that the crop season was now over and the next thing in order was the gathering of the crop. It also indicated that it meant a settlement of accounts for the year. Hence the day of atonement came five days after the first half of the year ended. The day of atonement we have taken up in full in our other writings and will not comment further here. See "Time, Tradition and Truth" on that point. That event was selected on the 28th day of September. It was not a general gathering of the people.

THE FEAST OF TABERNACLES AND INGATHERINGS

This was a double feast and occurs on October 3rd or the fifteenth day of the seventh month. The object and purpose of this feast was, first to remind Israel of the time when they dwelt in the wilderness for forty years and also to point out the future when the Remnant would live over in the future Israel's experience again in the last days. Third, as they gathered in the fall crop called the "ingatherings." It taught them of the resurrection which would take place of all the righteous in the last days. This is a feast of eight days. The first day is a Sabbath and the last day a Sabbath. It says that Christ was the first fruits. That was indicated by the wave sheaf pointing to His resurrection the third day. So when the fall gathering of the crop at the end of the year so the righteous will be raised when He comes. Having written these feasts up so fully in our writings we will not enter into details more than to establish the time in this article for each feast to be held.

THE JUBILEE

Fifty days from the resurrection of Christ then came the Pentecost which indicated the ingathering of the first fruits of the harvest. So the same principle is carried out concerning the final jubilee, when every man would return to his own family and his own inheritance. The jubilee Trumpet was to be blown every forty nine years on the day of atonement. Then the feast of the Jubilee would take place the fiftieth year. Any one can see that the Jubilee is a part and belongs to these feasts. They can also see that these feasts are consecutive in their order and are designed to teach the Remnant people a great truth pertaining to the last days.

We will say there is no more important prophecy to study than to study these feasts in their consecutive order as given. In the 23rd Chapter of Leviticus and also the 25th of Leviticus on the Jubilee.

The fifty days from the resurrection to the Pentecost was literal time. So was the fifty years literal time ending each fifty years. So the last fifty in this prophecy of the feasts must be literal years. It must also be in connection with the last day atonement, and in connection with the feast of tabernacles. For at the end of forty years Israel entered the promised land. So at the last end of the future forty years the saints will be resurrected and be crowned with immortality and will then reign with Christ a thousand years.

We say in conclusion it will pay the reader to give this line of study special attention if you wish to know truth for these last days. The feast of tabernacles is near to come when

Israel will again be covered with the cloud by day and the pillar of fire by night. Let us be prepared to meet our Lord in that great day. The time is near when those who are now asleep will come forth. The time is near when those we love will greet us on that heavenly side of the dark shadow of death. The time is short in which to get ready for the event. Let every one now do their utmost in every way to prepare Israel for the closing struggle before them. Our Motto is, "let every day be our best in service to the Lord and His work while we can."

CLAIMS DISPROVED

The above is the title of a booklet of 48 pages recently issued by the Seventh Day Adventist General Conference Committee. It contains the investigation and result of the findings of an appointed Committee, by the General Conference. It contains copies of letters written, Affidavits taken, Photographic signatures of Mrs. E. G. White and the result of detective work in securing information, and correspondence with Police and so on, all to disprove that Margaret Rowen of California does not possess the gift of prophecy, as she claims. As I peruse this wonderful booklet, I had to stop in silence and think, is it possible that such a procedure is necessary for a class of Ministers who make such great claims as those here involved? Must they resort to such methods to decide whether Mrs. Rowen or anyone else has a scriptural Gift from the Lord to instruct and teach the Lord's Children? Is it possible that the only way to settle such a question as that is to ferret out the character of individuals as they have written letters, and told things regarding temporal things of life to see if her stories always agreed and her letters correspond with her statements on temporal things, in order to decide whether she was a prophet or not? I confess that when Ministers of the Gospel must resort to such methods of personality in order to discredit their opponent and break down their influence, is it any wonder that politicians and men of the world will follow Satan in his pernicious methods of accusing the Brethren? Have Ministers of the Gospel in such high standing who claim to be such as have a knowledge of the Bible sufficient to instruct not only the World at large but the religious teachers as well, must they resort to such methods? If they have the Bible as their guide cannot they with that great detector be able to refute unsound doctrine? Are they so blinded by their own methods which Mrs. Rowen now claim to use that they cannot see two inches before their face on spiritual things? Mrs. Rowen claims to have visions from the Lord. This investigation in the place of trying to condemn these visions of Mrs. Rowen by the Bible, resort to the Visions of Mrs. E. G. White to condemn them. We have challenged the Seventh Day Adventist Ministry by sending them a booklet also near the size of this one they issue to accept our challenge to prove by the Bible that Mrs. White was a true prophet and taught the Scriptures correctly by the positions she has taken in her interpretation of the Bible. Hundreds of these booklets were sent direct to the ministry of that people, but no reply comes to us.

It is also a fact that they have lost more members from their ranks by our teaching than I presume they have from Mrs. Rowen's teaching. All we ask of them is to take the

same scriptures wherein we use them and show by those scriptures that our teaching of them is not correct. Christ made Satan get behind Him when He told him a few things which was written. That is the only correct method I know of to settle questions of gifts, claimed to be possessed. It is by that method alone that any Minister has a right to deal with such questions. It seems too bad that Mrs. Rowen suffered herself to be drawn into personal things and even tried in a way to answer those who came to her to (in the language of the Apostle) "to find out her liberty in Christ."

All such investigations are a fraud and men ought to be ashamed to resort to such methods while they stand as representative of the people in such a high calling as that of the Ministry.

THE VISIONS

I do not hesitate to say and am ready to defend my statement by the Bible alone that neither of them, Mrs. White or Mrs. Rowen ever had a vision from the Lord, neither of them teach the Word of God in truth. Their teaching is contrary to the Bible. The Bible alone is sufficient to condemn them both. We need nothing else. Both have played plagiarism with other writings. Both have taught as they were led by others to teach and as circumstances demanded. He who follows either of them will be led by the blind like themselves. If there is any meeting of the question let it be done with the Bible and that only and not resort to personalities to prove this one lied and that one lied. God alone will settle that part of the issue. For one I will not enter into that line of argument further than when they take a position on the Bible that statement will be examined. No further, I will say that had Mrs. Rowen never been taught a false theory on the vision question by the Seventh Day Adventist she would now make them no trouble.

They alone led her up to this delusion under which she is now suffering. She is not the first one among them who has tried the same thing. Of course they never have nor never will find one they accept as long as the revenue comes to the denomination as the result of Mrs. White's books and influence she exerted. While she was living, they then taught in case of her death another would be raised up. But circumstances have changed financially and that can't be as long as the people will be ruled by superstition in the place of the truth of God's Word.

We say to all, if you have any controversy let that controversy be settled before the people from a Bible standpoint only, and if any ever challenge my position that Mrs. White's writings are not in accord with sound Bible teaching we will be ready at all times to meet that issue from the Bible and the Bible only in connection with her own positions she has taken in Bible teaching in her writings.

All Denominations claim to take the Bible and the Bible only. I have just read in a booklet the fundamental principles of the Seventh Day Adventist. These words, "The Seventh Day Adventist have no creed but the Bible." I again read from the same booklet "And it is their custom to test that which purports to be light and truth, not by any declaration of faith, or formulated creed, but by the Bible, the Word of God itself."

I now read from the Booklet entitled "Claims Disproved" wherein Mrs. Margaret Rowen was being tried for heresy, both by the General Conference of that people and

also by the California Conference. The only proof in which she was proven to be a person who was deceived in her purported visions from God was the following statement pertaining to her prophecy. Here is Mrs. Rowen's prediction. In reference to an approaching famine she counsils our people to such a course of action as to lay up a supply of non-perishable food. Says this committee "This appears to be distinctly opposed to the positive instructions contained in "Early Writings." "Early Writings" is Mrs. White's book.

Thus in this case the Word of God as contained in the Bible is left entirely out and the writings of another supposed prophetess supercedes the Bible by them using it to prove whether the second prophetess is genuine in her predictions. This further proves that the Seventh Day Adventist holds another writing of higher authority than they do the Bible. It further proves that their declaration of faith is false on the face of it when they say the Bible only. I will add that she is not the only one tried by this creed. I am safe in saying that scores of members are tried by the same rule and disfellowshipped.

I wish to notice the booklet bearing this title "Claims Disproved" further. On page two we are told that these manifestations of Mrs. Rowen's first appeared in 1916. They caused much interest because of the physical manifestations connected with them. Then in 1917 the California Conference committee took the matter under advisement owing to the agitation in the churches. On pages 3 and 4 is found the report of this committee.

THE STANDARD OF THEIR INVESTIGATION

"Such an investigation we felt was in harmony with the following instruction which comes from a source which none should question." Let no message be proclaimed until they have born a careful scrutiny in every jot and title." In our work there must be no side issues advanced until there has been a thorough examination of the ideas entertained. That it may be ascertained from what source they have originated "Spiritual Testimonies to Ministers and Workers." No. 3, Page 61. Thus that standard of investigation was found to be in harmony with the predictions of Mrs. White.

In the year 1918 Elder Daniels president of the General Conference took the Matter under advisement as shown on page 5. On pages 6-13 is found a closely written article from one J. F. Blunt, who has spent much time in Mrs. Rowen's investigation. This lengthy article from him is designed to prove that Mrs. Rowen's supposed visions is the fruit of her own mind. He investigates her story which she told, her letters written concerning an alleged mother she found in Maryland. Her claimed visits to see her, which all reads like a novel. He claims he finds these stories and letters to be all a fake. Hence she could not be a prophetess. There is however a very interesting paragraph in this report of Mr. Blunt's regarding the supernatural condition of Mrs. Rowen when in vision. It reads thus "Her physical condition when in Vision." "Moreover had been made the subject of very extensive and unprejudiced investigation by those closely associated with her, and I myself had seen her in such experiences often enough so that I was fully persuaded that when she could not by any means have assumed the state of rigidity and flexibility by her own efforts. These things must now be accounted for by those who are capable of judging solely on the theory of the supernatural, as to her

truth or falsity it would appear highly improbable that she could assume at will such varying conditions while pretending to be in vision and the great accumulations of written communications coming from her while in vision, and so far surpassing in intellectual evidences anything she could naturally in her natural state cannot safely be contributed to her own mentality.

They are reasonably regarded by friends and foes alike as of supernatural origin. Their estimates varying only as to whether they come from above or beneath. But being highly moral and of a spiritual character of most of these communications, coming as they have while she was in trance, tended to those most intimate with the phenomena as convincing proof of her divine inspiration."

The above is of great interest to those who have heard and known so much as the writer about so claimed visions for the past forty-five years. Almost identically this same experience was experienced in the early days of Mrs. White's vision, when they first appeared. At that time there was much discussion as to the source from which they came. In fact there has been ever since that time. Permit me to say that thousands have quit them. I here give a paragraph which is found on page 27 of our appeal to the S. F. D. A. people, taken from a tract "A Word to the Little Flock" published soon after 1844.

It is now applicable as the physical condition of the two prophetesses are identically the same. So the S. D. A. people must not hereafter refer to the physical condition in order to sustain visions. Such conditions are manifested plentifully in the World now. All know of the much that has been offered on that line to sustain Mrs. White's visions to be from the Lord.

Here is the statements of her husband on the subject of her visions:

A SENSIBLE VIEW

Under this heading we present an extract written by Elder White about Mrs. White's visions. It is found on page 22: "A Word to the Little Flock." It reads as follows: "I cannot endorse sister Ellen's visions as being of divine inspiration, as you and she think them to be: yet I do not suspect the least shade of dishonesty in either of you in this matter. I may perhaps express to you my belief in the matter, without harm. It will, doubtless, result either in your good or mine. At the same time, I admit the possibility of being mistaken. I think that what she and you regard as visions from the Lord are only religious reveries, in which **her imagination runs in things in which she is most deeply interested.** While she is absorbed in these reveries she is lost to everything around her. Reveries are of two kinds, sinful and religious. Her's is the latter. Rosseau's, a celebrated French infidel, were the former. Infidelity was his theme, and his reveries were infidel. Religion is her theme, and her reveries are religious. In either case, the sentiment in the main, is obtained from previous teachings, or study." The above are not only facts, but are the only true position to be taken regarding Mrs. White's writings. Some say they are either of the devil or from God. Let it be as it may, one thing is sure, they were not visions from God like those written by any prophets making mistakes and then laying the mistake to God's Providence. Such a thing cannot be found in the Bible.

Now returning to the booklet of investigation. On pages 14, 15, and a part of 16 is recorded an interview with Mrs. Rowen and Elder Christian in 1920 as taken by a stenographer present. This was to ascertain as to the truthfulness of Mrs. Rowen's stories and conditions of her mind, and of her mother in the east, in other words a cross examination of Mrs. Rowen's statements. Page 16 and 17 is a letter written to Elder Daniels by Mrs. Rowen. It tells of her visit to the East and her experience with her new found mother. On page 18 is a letter from Mrs. Rowen's sister in the east to Elder Daniels, in which are conflicting statements to the one written by Mrs. Rowen to Elder Daniel. On page 19 is an affidavit from Mrs. Rowen's own mother who lives in Los Angeles, testifying that she is the legitimate mother and so on.

On pages 21-25 is found a lengthy affidavit from Mrs. Rowen's sister refuting her, Mrs. Rowen's, stories as written, and told about her alleged found mother in the east, and her reported visit when there as being such as she reported it to be. This affidavit was taken before a Notary Public in Elkton, Maryland, where the supposed mother was visited. Page 25 contains a purported letter from this newly-found mother's husband to Mrs. Rowen. Page 26 another letter from the supposed Mother. On page 27 is found statements from two of Mrs. Rowen's half brothers, the Post master and County treasurer, all showing the former reports of Mrs. Rowen being to Elkton, Maryland, and nothing to the whole story of the find of the mother and so on. On page 28 is found the statements of the Clerk of the Court, the Clerk of the County and County Commissioner which says no such persons by the name of her alleged mother or husband or the property claimed they possessed was in that county of Cecil, Maryland. On page 29 affidavits of persons living in Cecil County, 44 and fifty years who never heard of or knew such persons. On pages 30, 31 are several affidavits from Philadelphia to be a similar fake. On pages 32, 33 is recorded a similar experience regarding Mrs. Rowen's purported visit to Spokane, Wash., and her experience there of which was also a fake. Pages 33-45 is found a statement of Elder W. C. White concerning the finding in his mother's files of a certain testimony purported to be signed by his mother. This finding was the result that Mrs. Rowen has stated there was in Mrs. White's, files a testimony shown her in vision that Mrs. White had given before her death, in which she was so described personally and also her name mentioned appointing her as Mrs. White's successor in the office of prophetess. On finding this supposed testimony the statements are made by Elder White they were a forgery. Hence a copy of Mrs. White's signature is photographed with the letter showing the two signatures are not the same. He also relates how his office had been entered and how he found the file had been meddled with and so on. On pages 46, 47 is recorded another letter purporting to be from Miss Elsie A. Miller from Arizona in which she writes Elder White telling him how she had meddled with his mother's file and inserted a substitute for a testimony which she tore from his mother's file which she had taken out and expected to return. But now being expected to die she could not rest till she wrote him about it and tell how she substituted her own writing in the signature to the copy in the place of the original. Page 48 gives the findings of the General Confer-

ence committee on the case after four years of Experience and investigation of Mrs. Rowen's supposed visions. That decision is, they are not genuine and warns the Denomination to be on their guard for such will arise in the last days.

Thus I suppose one more of the supposed (by many) of the inspired prophets have now been numbered in the past and will soon be forgotten like several which we have known in the past have done. The point is, Who is responsible for such things? I say the positions the Denomination holds on the Question is alone responsible for it. They have taught that such a gift has existed among them. They have taught that the remnant people must have a living Prophet. They have even taught there should be many before the Lord comes. This one just considered is only in the line of their teaching. She has not varied but in one point in this investigation, that was in laying up food for the time of famine from that taught by Mrs. White. She has possessed the very physical conditions the denomination has taught that should exist. She has said but little about the Bible at all, and in many things Mrs. White had better kept still than what she did teach. We beg of those Ministers to come to the point of the Bible and the Bible only and believe it to be sufficient for every time of need. Please do not impose longer on an uninformed people by telling them they have a Prophet by which all interpretations of the scriptures must be decided. Do we beg of you let this be a lesson not to fool with such things longer. What would you think if the Bible had to be propped up at every conference and every meeting by telling superstitious stories of early experiences as you tell of Mrs. White in order to get the people to believe the Bible.

I will say in truth that hundreds of thousands of dollars have been spent in the last seventy-five years by you in sending at all meetings men on the special lines of the testimonies who have been sent as specialists to prop up the testimonies. If the Bible had to be so treated I would think it was weak why don't you see the same in the testimonies? If you will quit that course and let the testimonies stand just where the Bible stands on their own merit, they will die in one year and end the trouble.

Still one more point to prove Mrs. White infallible.

She said in a conference in 1854 there were some there "food for worms, some would pass through the seven last plagues and some would be translated when Christ comes." Out of the original 56 then present, there are 9 still known to be alive. Two more are unknown. The names and ages of the nine at that time was as follows: J. E. White, age six years; W. C. White, age one year; T. B. Lewis, age 15; Mary Abbie, 1 year; Ashell Smith, 18 years; Mrs. D. W. Revis, 2 years; Smith Kellog, 19 years; J. H. Kellog, 4 years; Emma Kellog, 6 years. We notice the oldest at that time still living was than 19 years old. One more, 18 and another 15 and so on down to one year old.

The Question, was she then addressing those who were such as would comprehend what she said, or did she include all even to babies? Every representative man then in the congregation is now dead and also with the women. Further, what does the reasonable mind think of such a test of divine inspiration? Did ever a prophet test inspiration in such a manner? What would you think of a prophecy that would have to be fulfilled in order to prove its truthfulness?

Some of these were rather young delegates to a conference. I do not hesitate to say from the light I believe I have on the Bible, these nine left will be much older than they are before they see the Lord coming. To my mind the prophecy at the time uttered was a failure and has so proven itself to be. But if I mistake not on the positions taken, there must be a miracle wrought by the Lord to preserve men who now live as men of any of these nine here mentioned to be living when the Lord comes. I do not deny but that a miracle could be wrought. But if it is, it will be done and known to have been for other reasons than to make Mrs. White's prophecy come true. Brethren, I beseech you to cease trying

to grab at straws to prove Mrs. White's visions to be from the Lord. They are not, and the more you say about it the more it will be seen you are trying a thing which cannot be proven.

A CATECHISM

A letter also with an enclosed Catechism for Seventh Day Adventist children and youth, with G. G. Rupert's Reply.

The letter reads as follows:

Detroit, Michigan.

Evening After Sabbath of Sept. 18, 1920.

Editor of the Remnant of Israel,
Britton, Okla.

My Dear Sir:—

I have seen a copy of your paper and I note that you have attacked the divinely-inspired prophetic of the last days, MRS. E. G. WHITE. How you can do this and be of The Remnant of Israel is something for you to explain.

I am enclosing you a copy of a Catechism I have just issued. I wish you would bring it to the attention of your readers with any review or criticism you may have to make upon it. All we want is the truth and if you cannot see it after reading the matchless words of the late Sister White, as quoted in my catechism, why, just say so.

Very truly yours,

JOB J. SCOTT.

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Old Number : 1678.

The writer seems very anxious that I should say something. It is not a common form to notice all that comes to this office. If I did, I would have nothing else to do. My work, as all my readers will testify, is to teach the Bible. So I will say I make no personal charge against anyone. I do show some times their wrong positions taken in their teachings. No one has ever heard me utter any thing personal against Mrs. E. G. White. I feel myself far above personalities in my writings, but as the writer urges me to say whether I believe her writings to be inspired as claimed by S. D. A. I must reply frankly, No I do not. My scriptural reasons for not believing them is plainly stated in my writings wherein I show they are not in harmony with the teaching of the Bible. Now if the writer of this letter, or any other of his Brethren wishes to prove they are, I ask them to take the same scripture wherein I have shown they are not, and give their reasons why they believe the Bible teaches in those same scriptures what she says it does. For instance, I will cite them to Daniel the eighth chapter, as but one of the many. I will give them. I will refer the reader to my "Positive appeal and Challenge to S. D. A. Ministers and People." When they will fairly meet the arguments presented in that appeal, then I will give plenty more which shows to my mind that she never had a vision from God. I will now notice this Catechism. Here it is:

A CATECHISM

For Seventh Day Adventist Children and Young People.

Question—Is the Bible and the Bible only sufficient for the Remnant Church?

Answer—"In ancient times God spoke to men by the mouth of Prophets and Apostles. IN THESE DAYS he speaks to them by the Testimonies of His Spirit" Testimony for the Church, No. 33, page 189.

Q.—To whom has God given these Testimonies?

A.—To Mrs. Ellen G. White. "One stood by my side, and said: "God has raised you up, and has GIVEN YOU WORDS TO SPEAK TO PEOPLE and to reach hearts, AS HE HAS GIVEN TO NO OTHER ONE." Test. 33, p. 195.

Q.—Should one receive these Testimonies?

A.—"I saw in striking against the visions they did not strike against the worm, the feeble instrument that God spake through, BUT AGAINST THE HOLY GHOST." Vision of Mrs. E. G. White at Topsham, Maine, Jan. 31, 1849.

Q.—Do the Testimonies teach things omitted by the Bible?

A.—Yes, many hundreds of historical and other incidents never mentioned in the 66 books of the Old and New Testaments are brought to light by the Testimonies of Sister White.

Q.—Can you definitely mention some of these incidents thus recorded?

A.—Yes. We will begin with Adam. The Scriptures nowhere mention his size. Mrs. White informs us (Spiritual Gifts, Vol. 111, page 34, published by S. D. A. Pub. Assoc., Battle Creek, 1864) that Adam "was more than twice as tall as men now living upon the earth, and was well proportioned."

Q.—Was his complexion described?

A.—Yes "his complexion was neither white, nor sallow but ruddy." (p. 34.)

Q.—Did Sister White in vision, also see Eve?

A.—Yes, "Eve was not quite as tall as Adam. Her head reached a little above his shoulders." (p. 34.)

Q.—Did Sister White know of the size and appearance of Seth?

A.—Assuredly. "Seth was of more noble stature than Cain or Abel, and resembled Adam more than any of his other sons." (p. 60.)

Q.—Did Adam and Eve know of the fall of Satan?

A.—Sister White says: "Angels of God visited Adam and Eve, and told them of the fall of Satan, and warned them to be on their guard." (p. 39.)

Q.—What was the appearance of a serpent in those days?

A.—"A serpent was a very beautiful creature with wings; and while flying through the air his appearance was very bright, resembling the color of burnished gold. He did not go upon the ground, but went from place to place thru the air, and ate fruit like man." (p. 40.)

Q.—After Eve had partaken of the forbidden fruit, what did she say to her husband?

A.—She "told him that by eating the fruit she had felt, instead of death a pleasing influence." (p. 42.)

Q.—What effect did this news have on Adam?

A.—"I saw a sadness come over the countenance of Adam. * * * He told Eve that he was quite certain that this was the foe that they had been warned against. * * * Adam regretted that Eve had left his side, but now the deed was done. His love for Eve was strong. He resolved to share her fate. He seized the fruit and quickly ate it." (p. 42.)

Q.—Are all the details of Satan's rebellion in Heaven related?

A.—Yes, on pages 36, 37 and forward in Spiritual Gifts, Vol. 111.

Q.—Is much said of the Patriarch Enoch?

A.—Yes, for instance, "Enoch was troubled in regard to the dead. It seemed to him that the righteous and the wicked would go to the dust together, and that would be their end. He could not clearly see the life of the just beyond the grave." (p. 55.)

Q.—Did Satan think he would be destroyed by the flood in Noah's day?

A.—"And even Satan himself, who was compelled to be amid the warring elements, feared for his own existence." (page 70.)

Q.—When we read in Exodus 7:12 concerning the rods of the magicians that "they became serpents," do we get the real meaning?

A.—By no means! Sister White informs us, "They did not really cause their rods to become serpents, but, by magic aided by the great deceiver, made them appear like serpents, to counterfeit the work of God." (pp. 205, 206.)

Q.—Are there many other similar illustrations of adding to the Biblical teaching?

A.—Indeed there are! The author cannot at this time give more than a brief summary.

Q.—Kindly give at least ten instances?

A.—I will refer you to "The Desire of Ages" written by Sister Ellen G. White for the following:

(1) Jesus had brothers who were older than He. (p. 87.)

(2) They sided with the Jewish rabbis in opposing Jesus. (p. 86.)

(3) They often accused Him of cowardice. (p. 89.)

(4) Reveals the secluded spot where Philip and Nathanael used to meet for prayer. (p. 140.)

(5) Reveals what took place at the re-union of the Capernaum nobleman and his son. (p. 199.)

(6) Informs us that the man who was healed by our Saviour (St. John 5:9) forgot that it was the Sabbath day. (p. 203.)

(7) The disciples and their companions fled in terror at the approach of the demon. This chapter is based on Matt. 8:23-34, Mark 4:35-41 and 5:1-20, Luke 8:26-39. You will note that nothing is said in these Scripture references about this incident; it is found only in Sister White's writings.

(8) The blind leading the blind, the dumb shouting the loudest, and the cripples breaking the most palm branches at the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. (p. 572.)

(9) The resurrected Lazarus led the beast upon which Christ rode into Jerusalem. (p. 572.)

(10) Little children, during the ministry of the Saviour, fell asleep on His breast. (p. 592.)

Q.—Does a prophet always lead in the proclamation of advanced truths?

A.—Not necessarily, judging from the manner in which the Sabbath was introduced into the Adventist ranks.

Q.—How, when and by whom was the Sabbath introduced?

A.—"The Sabbath was first introduced to the attention of the Adventist people at Washington, N. H. A faithful Seventh-day Baptist sister, Mrs. Rachel D. Preston, from the State of New York, having removed to this place, brought with her the Sabbath of the Lord. Here she became interested in the doctrine of the glorious advent of the Saviour at hand. Being instructed in this subject by the Adventist People, she in turn instructed them in the commandments of God, and as early as 1844 nearly the entire church in that place, consisting of about forty members, became observers of the Sabbath of the Lord. The oldest body of Sabbath-keepers among Seventh-Day Adventists is therefore at Washington, N. H. (page 506, History of the Sabbath, by Eld. J. N. Andrews, Review & Herald Publishing Co., Washington, D. C.)

Q.—Is Eld. Andrews the only witness to the above?

A.—No. Eld. J. N. Loughborough in his "Great Second Advent Movement," published by the Review & Herald, says, at page 249:

"During the 'midnight cry,' in 1844, the Lord began to lead the minds of his people to the keeping of the seventh-day Sabbath. This doctrine, among Adventists, arose on this wise: Mrs. Rachel Preston, a Seventh-day Baptist, moved to Washington, N. H., where there was a church of Adventists. She accepted the advent doctrine, and that church, composed of about forty members, through her missionary labors, accepted the Sabbath of the fourth commandment."

Q.—Did this make an impression upon the Advent body?

A.—Yes. According to "The Midnight Cry," of Sept.

5, 1844, many persons were exercised over it. This was before the great disappointment.

Q.—When did Joseph Bates accept the Sabbath?

A.—When on a visit to the Washington N. H. Church in 1845. (Eld. Loughborough's book, p. 250.)

Q.—What was the result of his presenting this subject to Sister White?

A.—"In 1846, on a visit to New Bedford, Mass., I became acquainted with Bro. Joseph Bates. He was keeping the Sabbath and urged its importance. I did not feel its importance, and thought that Brother Bates erred in dwelling upon the fourth commandment more than the other nine." (Spiritual Gifts, Vol. 11, page 82.)

Q.—What happened later on?

A.—"The Lord gave me a vision. * * * I was amazed as I saw the fourth commandment. A halo of glory was all around it." (p. 83.)

Q.—Did others lead in the crusade against pork-eating?

A.—Yes. In this particular, also, the Lord made it clear that even humble church members may see the truth of the Word of God before those who have been especially blessed.

Q.—What were some of the things said in Testimony No. 5 (Review & Herald, Battle Creek, 1859) given at Mannsville, New York, Oct. 21, 1858?

A.—"I saw that your views concerning swine's flesh would prove no injury if you have them to yourselves; but in your judgment and opinion you have made this question a test. * * * If God requires His people to abstain from swine's flesh, He will convict them on the matter.

Q.—What was the common practice among Adventists in 1860 as revealed by a letter addressed to Mrs. Curtis, of Pilot Grove, Iowa?

A.—Dear Sister Curtis-- I felt sorry as I read your letter. I believe you to be in error. The Lord showed me two or three years since that the use of swine's flesh was no test. Dear Sister, if it is your husband's wish to use swine's flesh, you should be perfectly clear to use it."

Ellen G. White.

On the rear was the following:

"That you may know how we stand on this question, I would say that we have just put down a 200 pound porker."

"James White."

Q.—Did the REVIEW & HERALD hold the same opinion?

A.—Yes. In Vol. XIII, No. 3, we read:

"To your query concerning the lawfulness of eating pork, we have not time or space to give an extended reply. We will only refer to one declaration of Paul's which in our opinion is sufficient so far as the Bible is concerned, TO DEMOLISH COMPLETELY ALL DISTINCTION WHICH PEOPLE MAY ENDEAVOR TO RAISE BETWEEN MEATS. (1 Tim. 4)"

(To be continued.)

A LETTER AND A REPLY

Oct. 7th., 1920. 113 Rose Ave., Long Beach, Cal.
G. G. Rupert, Britton, Okla.

Dear Friend:—

I noticed in your tract entitled "The Seventh Day Adventists are false Alarmists" that you promise to send material to anyone to prove that some of the writings of Mrs. White are purely copies from Geikie, DeAubigne, and Coneubere and Howson. You promise to send this proof and plenty of it. I therefore kindly request you to mail this material to me, as I am very anxious to have such proof if it can be given.

Thanking you in advance, I am

Yours in Christian service,
C. S. Prout.

MY REPLY TO THE ABOVE LETTER

I am not the author of the tract referred to as sent to you. But will relate my personal experience.

TWO BOOKS

One of the above books is "The Life and Epistles of St. Paul by Coneubere and Howson." The other is "Sketches from the Life of Paul" by Mrs. E. G. White.

The first named I purchased in the year 1881 of the Review and Herald Publishing Association in Battle Creek, Mich. The other I purchased of the same parties in the same place in 1883. Both have been in my library ever since. The publishers preface says of the latter, "The writer having received special help from the Spirit of God is able to throw light upon the teaching of Paul and their applications to our own time as no other writings are able to do. She has not suffered herself to be drawn aside to discuss theories, or indulge in speculation. No extraneous matter is introduced. Consequently much that is considered in other books which is interesting to the curious and has a certain value but which is after all little more than a theory, finds no place in this work."

Mrs. E. G. White is a writer well known in the World among Christian people. She is known as one who stands at the head of the Denomination of the Seventh Day Adventist as a writer. For the reason she is held by them to be one who has received visions and revelations direct from God. Therefore her writings to them stand equal to the scriptures and a divine interpreter of the Bible which interpretation stands at the head of every other interpreter to them. Thus these two books have been in my library, one 39 years and the other 37 years.

Seven years ago 1913, I was impressed to make a comparison and study of the two books by comparing them. I found in the order of writing and as to the consecutive arrangement and thought followed by them both to be the same. I also made a comparison of Chapters and pages. That also of the direct language used in expression and so on. I kept a list of the pages of each which I examined up to 383 pages in Coneubere and Howson and 288 in Mrs. White's book. Permit me to say out of this total of 287 pages read in Mrs. White's book 133 pages was found to be a similiarity in the consecutive order of arrangement, Identity of thought, and in many cases identity of expression, but with no reference made to the C and H book in quotation marks, name, or even such a book as being in existence. But to the contrary I found that a child could see that the making of Mrs. White's book was similar to the sketch of the life of Paul. But that sketch gathered from the Bible illumination she had gathered from the Bible illuminations was not from the former book inspiration then the and should be accepted.

But this is not of Paul was not soon vanished, but neither has it been held by those and of great value treasure which reveals all things from Coneubere and Howson could not be compared that some of the books. So it is

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GOOD WORD FROM BATTLE CREEK, MICH.

We have just received word from Elder Schenk, saying the Sabbath meetings there were excellent. He ordered two Yellow Perils and one hundred of the tract "Bible Doctrine is the Latter Rain." The next day I received an order from Elder Black ordering all the Yellow Perils on hand saying he could sell hundreds of them if he had them. He also ordered two hundred tracts and twenty "Time Tradition and Truth."

These Brethren are strong in handling the truth.

There has been in all sixty thousand pages of literature gone to Battle Creek this summer. Sure when it is all out some thing will be stirring in that part of the field.

Let all pray daily that the Word may have free course into the hearts of the people at the great center of reform on the Sabbath.

NEW SUBSCRIBERS

Now is the time of the year when both new subscriptions and also old ones should be secured for the new year. I notice in my exchanges that other papers secure new subscriptions by their friends sending in names in order to help the paper.

Is it because this paper does not teach truth, or is it because it teaches too much truth, that we do not get more?

Our policy is not to beg, or urge too strong. Neither to extortion. This is a paper intended to teach true Christian principles. Neither of those are such. The true principle is that each one does their duty without too much urging. I will state the facts and leave the result with the Lord and the people. I can say this paper has never been self supporting by far from the subscription list. I expect that many would give up their job if they had the same pay we are getting for this work. But we are not complaining. Always thankful each day for the privilege of the work and for food and raiment to sustain us. I expect to hold on till things get worse than I have ever seen them yet. The pay is ahead, and I can also say here also, for when we receive such evidence of the good the paper is doing we feel richly paid. Our correspondence is worth a million to us. There is one point only that worries me, that is that the work does not go faster and more can rejoice with us.

My faith and courage was never better. Pray for us and help us if you wish to do so. We can promise you a rich blessing from the Lord which you surely will receive.

FROM A WORKER

I am in receipt of a letter from Mrs. C. F. Druery who gives to the readers some expressions taken from her correspondence. "After a steady weeks work, some time ago, I have sent my literature out to almost all the workers in the world. Thousands and thousands of pages I send out alone with the help of God for the workers to read. I have sent out many warnings and your books advertising the Gospel and never receive a word of the Gospel in return. I am serving the message. I am serving the message. I am serving the message."

ing in Turkey. My effort in sending money there last spring by direct cable, saved eight lives. They came out under the Greek flag. The message is onward, I want you to tell the people to be in earnest and work and use their means. Tell them I said so."

I will add that during the past six months Sister Druery has traveled from California to New York on a northern route, then returning by the way of Florida and Arizona, visiting and scattering literature of her own printing and also advertising the literature of this office. She is surely one who is willing to sell all and buy the field. May God bless her labors and at last give her a bright crown with many stars. The reader will hear more from her later.

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