

# THE GOLDEN THREAD OF PROPHECY

“Those who take only a surface view of the Scriptures will, with their superficial knowledge, which they think is very deep, talk of the contradictions of the Bible, and question the authority of the Scriptures. But those whose hearts are in harmony with truth and duty will search the Scriptures with a heart prepared to receive divine impressions. The illuminated soul sees a spiritual unity, one grand golden thread running through the whole, but it requires patience, thought, and prayer to trace out the precious golden thread.”  
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## Lesson #05: “THE 1843 CHART”

### Its Place in Earth’s Final Warning

In this Lesson we will deal specifically with the 1843 chart. We have seen the parallels between the Millerite movement and the events to transpire at the end of this earth’s history.

One of the foundation stones that allowed the Millerites to arrive at the correct interpretation of the prophecies for their day was their understanding of the meaning of the “daily” in the book of Daniel. It is tragic that in our day, that predominantly, a great majority, are teaching something that says just the opposite of what the pioneers understood. This is a subject where Ellen White informed us that the pioneers were correct.

They understood:

- The “Daily” or continual desolation referred to Paganism
- Rome was the power in the book of Daniel that established the vision.
- Rome came in two phases and that represented two desolating powers.
- History confirms that both Pagan Rome and Papal Rome were persecuting powers.

### Directed by the Hand of the Lord

“I have seen that the 1843 chart was directed by the hand of the Lord, and that it should not be altered; that the figures were as he wanted them. That his hand was over, and hid a mistake in some of the figures, so that none could see it, until his hand was removed.” EW 74

The Lord is now removing His hand from some of the figures on this chart. He removed His hand from some of the figures right there at the Great Disappointment, as they had come to understand that while Miller had calculated the end of the 2300 days to come in 1843, it actually came in 1844. Now in our day, the Lord is removing His hand from the 2520 in the fullest sense.

“Then I saw in relation to the “Daily,” that the word “sacrifice” was supplied by man’s wisdom, and does not belong to the text; and that the Lord gave the correct view of it to those who gave the judgment hour cry. When union existed, before 1844, nearly all were united on the correct view of the “daily”; but in the confusion since 1844, other views have been embraced, and darkness and confusion have followed. Time has not been a test since 1844, and it will never again be a test.” EW 74, 75

The modern historians go to this passage, and insist that the only thing that Sister White is saying is that there will be no more time prophecies. She is saying so much more than just this. She is saying that the Lord gave the correct view of the “daily” to those who gave the judgment hour cry, that the Lord is the one who directed the formation of this chart, that He held His hand over some of the figures, and that this chart should not be altered. She also tells us that a different understanding of the “daily”, than those that gave the judgment hour message possessed, brings darkness and confusion.

### **Write the Vision and Make it Plain**

It was the passage in Habakkuk 2:1-4 convicted them to prepare the 1843 chart.

Habakkuk 2:1-4 “I will stand upon my watch, and set me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reprov'd. 2 And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the (COMPLETE) vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. 3 For the (COMPLETE) vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. 4 Behold, his soul which is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.”

There are two words in the book of Daniel that are translated ‘vision’; one, chazown, means the complete vision, the other, mar'eh, means a snapshot, or part of the whole vision. The Millerites recognized this referred to the whole vision and so put the whole story into the chart.

We have seen that the history of the Millerite movement is repeated at the end of time and so there is a time when this passage from Habakkuk will be present truth again. We believe events show that we have reached this time and the similar circumstances connected with this passage apply to the end of the world. It is our responsibility at the end of the world to once again set forth the vision where those who will read it can take this understanding and run with it.

It is our contention that in the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy it is clearly and soundly demonstrated that the final truths of the Advent message must be built upon the foundational truths of Adventism and it is not an accident that the foundation truths of Adventism are on this chart. Therefore, some of the final truths that we must understand that we may run and take this message to the world are developed from the correct understanding of this chart and therefore this 1843 chart is once again Present Truth.

There is also urgency about it, as Habakkuk and Ezekiel 12 are emphasizing that when you finally reach the point where these passages are once again understood to be present truth in connection with this chart, that there is no more tarrying time and the vision is going to come. The vision for us at the end is the 3<sup>rd</sup> angel's message against the Mark of the Beast and identifying the Sunday Law in the United States.

### **The Effect of Every Vision**

Ezekiel 12:22 “Son of man, what is that proverb that ye have in the land of Israel, saying, The days are prolonged, and every (COMPLETE) vision faileth?”

Now the vision of the Millerites was “Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.” They believed the Lord was coming in 1843 and then 1844. That's the vision and the whole world was saying “the Lord's not returning yet”. That was the ‘proverb’ in the land, this isn't going to happen in 1843; this isn't going to happen in 1844.

In our day and age the proverb is, ‘As Adventists, we understand there is going to be a Sunday Law at some point in time—but we are not at that time yet. Its not going to happen yet, we still have some time yet.’ People are standing in Adventist pulpits today and telling the people that the Sunday Law is at least 200 years away!

What does Ezekiel say?

Ezekiel 12:23 “Tell them therefore, Thus saith the Lord GOD; I will make this proverb to cease, and they shall no more use it as a proverb in Israel; but say unto them, The days are at hand, and the effect of every (COMPLETE)vision. 24 For there shall be no more any vain (COMPLETE) vision nor flattering divination within the house of Israel. 25 For I am the LORD: I will speak, and the word that I shall speak shall come to pass; it shall be no more prolonged: for in your days, O rebellious house, will I say the word, and will perform it, saith the Lord GOD.”

Ezekiel 12:26 “Again the word of the LORD came to me, saying, 27 Son of man, behold, they of the house of Israel say, The (COMPLETE) vision that he seeth is for many days to come, and he prophesieth of the times that are far off. 28 Therefore say unto them, Thus saith the Lord GOD; There shall none of my words be prolonged any more, but the word which I have spoken shall be done, saith the Lord GOD.”

This passage and the one in Habakkuk are directly related to the Millerite time period and connected with the development of the chart and in connection with the tarrying time, and therefore if we are going to repeat this history again to the very letter, as inspiration tells us, there comes a point where once again the Lord is going to reveal through these passages of scripture in connection with this chart, that there is no more prolonging of the vision, its about to come to pass.

### **The 1290 and the 1335**

We are going to look at some of the components of the 1843 chart beginning with Daniel 12:11, 12. “And from the time that the daily [sacrifice] shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. 12 Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.”

It is stated very plainly in the Spirit of Prophecy that the word ‘sacrifice’ in this passage is added by the translators and does NOT belong there. This is the pioneer position. Now out of hundreds of supplied words in the Bible, there is only one case where we are so clearly warned by inspiration that the word does not belong there. This adds emphasis to the importance of this point.

### **No ‘Sacrifice’**

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We will uphold the understanding that the people who put the 1843 chart together had on the ‘daily’. We can uphold it, not just because they said so, it IS the correct understanding in the book of Daniel it can be demonstrated from the Hebrew, you can demonstrate it from history and you can demonstrate it from the Bible. The ‘daily’ represents Paganism. So we will add this to our quote:

### **The Daily: “Paganism”**

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There are two Hebrew words in the book of Daniel that are translated as ‘take away’. Daniel 11:31 and 12:11 that word is ‘sur’. It’s translated as ‘taken away’ the daily would be ‘taken away’; Paganism would be ‘taken away’. ‘sur’ in these texts does mean to take away, to remove. However in Daniel 8:11 when it talks about the ‘daily’ being taken away, the word there is <ruwm> <ruwm> but this word means to lift up and exalt.

## Sur: Remove

Daniel 12:11, 12. “And from the time that *Paganism* shall be *removed*, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.”

The fulfillment of paganism being removed is based upon the prophetic history that is set forth in Daniel 7. In Daniel 7 Pagan Rome is going to disintegrate into ten kingdoms. In order to prepare the way for the Papacy, three of the kingdoms had to be removed for the Little Horn of the Papacy to be set up.

How were they removed? The seven other European nations came into a church-state relationship with the Papacy and dedicated their means and military might to attacking the Heruli, the Ostragoths and the Vandals, removing them so the Papacy could take control of the world. In this combination of church and state, each of these seven European kings, beginning with Clovis in 496 AD, and ending in 508 AD came together in this union of church and state. In doing this, each of them changed the official religious profession of their nations from Paganism to Catholicism.

When Daniel 11:31 and 12:11, tells about the ‘daily’ Paganism, being ‘sur’, removed, it refers to this process from 496 to 508 AD where the seven European kings changed their nation’s legal religion from Paganism to Catholicism. By the year 508 Paganism had been removed. This is shown on the 1843 chart.

From the time that Paganism was removed, 508 AD, there should be 1290 day/years which extends to 1798 AD. Then we see verse 12 ‘Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.’

This has the same starting point as these verses are one unit, so from 508 AD the 1335 brings us to 1843 AD.

Some people question, what mistake in some of the figures that we are told God held His hand over on the 1843 chart. It had to do with the 2520 and the 2300 day prophecies because they passed from BC to AD and when Miller calculated the times, it was overlooked that there is no year 0 between BC and AD. This is what caused his calculations to point to 1843 instead of 1844. But the 1290 and the 1335 do NOT cross from BC to AD and so this does not affect them.

## The 1290 and the 1335

Daniel 12:11 “And from the time that the daily [sacrifice] shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.”

These verses clearly connect the removal of the Daily with the setting up of the Papacy, the two thoughts go together. The 1290 has to do with the setting up and wounding of the Papacy and the 1335 has to do with a blessing. They both have the same starting point as there is no grammatical way you can separate them in this passage.

In Daniel 12:11 we see that the removal of the ‘Daily’ is followed directly by the setting up of the ‘abomination that maketh desolate’, the Papacy and clearly connects the 1290 with this subject and then the 1335 and the blessing is another thought.

## Prophetic Pattern in Christ’s Life

At the prophetic level there is a pattern in the life of Christ.

## Preparation

"Christ was the anointed of God; yet his life was humble and without display. For thirty years of his life there is scarcely anything on record concerning him. His quiet, unostentatious life should be a lesson to parents, to guardians, to children, to youth, and even to manhood." YI, July 20, 1893

The first part of Christ's life consisted of 30 years of preparation. After that time, He was anointed with the Holy Spirit at His baptism, that is, He was empowered for His ministry.

Following His empowerment, Christ's testimony was given for 7 years, first 3 ½ by Himself followed by His death on the cross, and second 3 ½ by His disciples and apostles.

"And He shall confirm the covenant with many for one week." The "week" here brought to view is the last one of the seventy; it is the last seven years of the period allotted especially to the Jews. During this time, extending from A.D. 27 to A.D. 34, Christ, at first in person and afterward by His disciples, extended the gospel invitation especially to the Jews." GC 327

After the cross, He was resurrected and later ascended to heaven. Now in this pattern we also see depicted the 'End of the World' which was in AD 70 as Jerusalem and the temple were destroyed by the Roman armies.

## Second Coming

"In the days of the early Christians, Christ came the second time. His first advent was at Bethlehem, when He came as an infant. His second advent was at the Isle of Patmos, when He revealed Himself in glory to John the Revelator, who "fell at His feet as dead" when he saw Him." 19MR 40.

We also have a point representing the Second Coming of Christ when in AD 100 He appeared in glory to John on the Isle of Patmos to give him the prophecies of the book of Revelation.

So we now see this pattern; 30 years of preparation; then empowered by the Holy Spirit: then gave testimony for 3 ½ years; then His death followed by his resurrection and then His ascension. Then we see in AD 70 the representation of the end of the world and then in AD 100, the representation of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ to John on Patmos.

This Prophetic Pattern can be shown at least 5 different places in the Bible. We will look at the one in Revelation 11. Here we see the Word of God presented in a Prophetic Pattern as the persecution took place against the Word of God in the French Revolution.

The Bible is a type of Christ; He calls Himself 'the Word of God'. Here we will see the same prophetic pattern. In this sequence the 'preparation' part is not identified. If we bring a line of prophecy together with another line of prophecy, it is not a problem if one of the waymarks is missing, but if they are in the wrong sequence then you know you are misapplying something.

For example, Daniel 8 is a vision that identifies the Kingdoms of Bible Prophecy, but in that chapter Babylon is not mentioned and Medo-Persia is placed as the first kingdom in that chapter, while Babylon was the first in Daniel 2 and 7. So in the sequence we are looking at we do not see the preparation, but we see the others.

## Power

Revelation 11:3, 4 "And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth. These are the two olive trees, and the two candlesticks standing before the God of the earth."

We know that the two witnesses represent the Bible, the Old and the New Testaments. Here we see that they are empowered and prophecy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, which works out to 1260 days or 3 ½ prophetic years. They are to give their testimony for the same period as Christ, but in prophetic not literal years.

Revelation 11:5 “And if any man will hurt them, fire proceedeth out of their mouth, and devoureth their enemies: and if any man will hurt them, he must in this manner be killed. 6 These have power to shut heaven, that it rain not in the days of their prophecy: and have power over waters to turn them to blood, and to smite the earth with all plagues, as often as they will”.

After this period of testimony, they are killed, just as Christ died after the 3 ½ years of His testimony.

Revelation 11:7, 8 “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. 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.”

Was Christ crucified literally in Sodom or Egypt? No, this is a prophetic statement which shows us to apply the information symbolically.

Revelation 11:9, 10 “And they of the people and kindreds and tongues and nations shall see their dead bodies three days and an half, and shall not suffer their dead bodies to be put in graves. 10 And they that dwell upon the earth shall rejoice over them, and make merry, and shall send gifts one to another; because these two prophets tormented them that dwelt on the earth.”

## **Resurrection**

The next thing in the Life of Christ is resurrection so we see another parallel:

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

They were resurrected right on target.

## **Ascension**

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

Here we see they ascended to heaven.

## **Earthquake**

Revelation 11:13 “And the same hour was there a great earthquake, and the tenth part of the city fell, and in the earthquake were slain of men seven thousand: and the remnant were affrighted, and gave glory to the God of heaven.”

A city in Bible Prophecy represents a kingdom; so it is talking about something that was the tenth part of a kingdom. What kingdom was divided into ten parts? Pagan Rome was, so this is referring to something that was one of those ten parts. France was one of the ten and France was hit with a terrible upheaval in the revolution of the late 1700s. This was what the earthquake referred to.

In the Spirit of Prophecy we find that the French Revolution is a type of the final destruction at the end of the world, and the chaos and anarchy that occur during the Seven Last Plagues, and so again we see a parallel in the pattern.

## Second Coming

Revelation 11:14, 15 “The second woe is past; and, behold, the third woe cometh quickly. And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become the kingdoms of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever.”

The 3<sup>rd</sup> woe is the escalating catastrophes that final lead to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ.

So in the pattern of the Life of Christ we see a prophetic pattern that is repeated here in Rev. 11 in the story of the 2 witnesses, the Bible. The Bible says on the testimony of 2 or 3 a thing shall be established.

## Pattern of Antichrist

Now we are going to look at another example of this pattern to see an argument regarding the validity of the 508 date on the Prophetic Chart.

Now we will look at the pattern in the Antichrist and we will see the same pattern as in the Life of Christ. First we see a preparation period, a time to prepare for the establishment of the Papacy to take control of the world and it was the same as for Christ, 30 literal years. It began in 508 AD.

In 538 the Papacy was empowered to give its satanic testimony for 3 ½ prophetic years, 1260 literal years ending in 1798.

In 1798 it received a deadly wound and died. So now we are waiting for the resurrection of this power when it's deadly wound is healed. Following that it is going to ascend into power before the whole world. Then the fall of Babylon will take place at the end of the world and the Seven Last Plagues; finally its destruction at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ.

The difference in the antichrist pattern and the others is that the others are already past history while the Antichrist pattern is part way thorough and will complete in the future.

The deadly wound of the Papacy is about to be healed and as it is healed the Papacy will ascend to the throne of the earth. In that same time when the Loud cry message goes forth, “Babylon is fallen”, Babylon will fall completely; Michael will stand up; human probation will close and the 7 last plagues be poured out. Then it all culminates in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Christ.

Just as there was a change in focus in the pattern of Christ's life, so there is a change of satanic focus in the antichrist pattern. The satanic religion that had been in the world prior to the Papacy was Paganism, then there was a change and the premier satanic religion of the world became Papalism.

As we lay all this out and as we see 508-538 and the preparation followed by the empowerment of the Papacy in this pattern it confirms the position of the pioneers on the 1843 chart.

## Summary

As we look around Earth today, we see that the deadly wound of the Papacy is very soon to be healed. Troublous times, such as no human pen can describe are just before us. We have a spiritual preparation to make in our lives, families and churches so we can be about the business of sounding the final messages to awaken others to prepare while there is still time to do so.