

# 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.” 7BC 945

## Section #14: “SUMMARY, WARNING & APPEAL”

“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.” Manuscript 51, 1899. Ev 235.

“Roman Catholic principles will be taken under the care and protection of the state. This national apostasy will speedily be followed by national ruin.” RH June 15, 1897. LDE 134.

### Third Angel’s Message:

Ellen White states that the Third Angel’s Message is justification by faith; and bringing that into harmony with the message of James Chapter 2, regarding works of faith and works of the flesh, we understand that a man is justified not only by faith but by works also. Man is really justified by the righteousness of Jesus Christ.

“Several have written to me, inquiring if the message of justification by faith is the third angel's message, and I have answered, "It is the third angel's message in verity."” Review and Herald, April 1, 1890. Ev 190.

I know that some have a problem seeing that the Third Angel’s Message is indeed justification by faith; righteousness by faith. As we study the themes of Daniel and the Revelation, many are wondering why we have to be dwelling on those themes over and over again.

I want to pose a question; when we consider the angels in heaven; were they righteous beings? Definitely they were righteous beings. The Law of God was written in their hearts; the Law of Love. The whole point of our studying the righteousness of Jesus Christ is so that Law of righteousness will be written in our hearts.

But did the angels understand the Mystery of Iniquity as it unfolded in heaven? No. The angels that fell did not have a clear understanding of the mystery of iniquity. Had they understood it, perhaps they would not have fallen. We see the same case with Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden.

### Wisdom Needed

“All need wisdom carefully to search out the mystery of iniquity that figures so largely in the winding up of this earth's history. God's presentation of the detestable works of the inhabitants of the ruling powers of the world who bind themselves into secret societies and confederacies, not honoring the law of God,

should enable the people who have the light of truth to keep clear of all these evils. More and more will all false religionists of the world manifest their evil doings; for there are but two parties, those who keep the commandments of God and those who war against God's holy law". Ms 139, 1903, pp. 5, 6. ("The Message in Revelation," October 23, 1903.) 8MR 322.

It is important to understand the Mystery of Iniquity as it is unfolding so that we will not find ourselves serving Satan rather than Christ. The angels were righteous beings; Eve was a righteous being. We are fallen; six thousand years degenerated; and yet we think that we don't need Daniel and the Revelation that reveals the Mystery of Iniquity as it is unfolding in these last days.

## **Blessed are They**

Concerning the righteousness of Jesus, turn with me to Galatians 3:14:

Galatians 3:14 "That the blessing of Abraham might come on the Gentiles through Jesus Christ; that we might receive the promise of the Spirit through faith."

The 'Blessing of Abraham' is the righteousness of Jesus Christ, that we might receive the promise of the Spirit. Ellen White comments on the Blessing placed of the Revelation:

"The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto Him, to show unto His servants things which must shortly come to pass. . . . Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand." Revelation 1:1-3.

"Says the prophet: "Blessed is he that readeth"--there are those who will not read; the blessing is not for them. "And they that hear"--there are some, also, who refuse to hear anything concerning the prophecies; the blessing is not for this class. "And keep those things which are written therein"-- many refuse to heed the warnings and instructions contained in the Revelation; none of these can claim the blessing promised. All who ridicule the subjects of the prophecy and mock at the symbols here solemnly given, all who refuse to reform their lives and to prepare for the coming of the Son of man, will be unblest." GC 341.

We talk about righteousness by faith; we talk about the principles of righteousness, of justification, glorification and sanctification, but in practicality, we are not very willing to obey the Words of Christ if we will not read the Revelation and do those things which are written therein. For they are indeed the commandments of Christ—He's not compelling us, He's saying that we need to read and keep those things which are written therein. Is this not righteousness? Is this not obedience to God's expressed commands?

"In view of the testimony of Inspiration, how dare men teach that the Revelation is a mystery beyond the reach of human understanding? It is a mystery revealed, a book opened. The study of the Revelation directs the mind to the prophecies of Daniel, and both present most important instruction, given of God to men, concerning events to take place at the close of this world's history.

"To John were opened scenes of deep and thrilling interest in the experience of the church. He saw the position, dangers, conflicts, and final deliverance of the people of God. He records the closing messages which are to ripen the harvest of the earth, either as sheaves for the heavenly garner or as fagots for the fires of destruction. Subjects of vast importance were revealed to him, especially for the last church, that those who should turn from error to truth might be instructed concerning the perils and conflicts before them. None need be in darkness in regard to what is coming upon the earth." GC 341.

"Why, then, this widespread ignorance concerning an important part of Holy Writ? Why this general reluctance to investigate its teachings? It is the result of a studied effort of the prince of darkness to

conceal from men that which reveals his deceptions. For this reason, Christ the Revelator, foreseeing the warfare that would be waged against the study of the Revelation, pronounced a blessing upon all who should read, hear, and observe the words of the prophecy.” GC 342.

If we truly understand the principles of righteousness by faith, we will be like the 144,000, and follow Christ whithersoever He goeth, and that indeed will be righteousness by faith.

## Present Truth

We believe that the Millerite history is repeated here at the end of the world to the very letter, when the 144,000 are raised up, and the fact that God is leading His people back to the foundational truths of Adventism that are represented on the 1843 and 1850 charts is once again making those charts Present Truth.

We believe that this message that we are sharing with you in this Prophecy Course is the Present Truth message for God’s people at the end of the world, and you need to investigate this for yourselves so as to know whether this is correct or not. If it is right, you need to understand it.

The Millerites ate the ‘Little Book’ of Daniel and found it sweet, but came into a bitter experience and if this history is going to be repeated to the letter, there will also be a ‘Little Book’ that we will have to partake of to parallel that history.

“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.

In Daniel 12:1 where Michael stands up, this marks the close of probation and so the ‘events connected with’ this are the last 6 verses of Daniel 11. We know this because verse 40 begins, ‘at the time of the end’ and is referring to 1798.

“The prophecy in the eleventh of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Much of the history that has taken place in fulfillment of this prophecy will be repeated. In the thirtieth verse a power is spoken of that “shall be grieved, and return, and have indignation against the holy covenant: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the holy covenant.” [Verses 31-36, quoted.] Scenes similar to those described in these words will take place.” 13MR 394.

In this course we have given a multitude of prophetic histories demonstrating that the history of the Millerites is being repeated here at the end of the world. The Seven Thunders that had to do with this history were sealed up in Revelation 10, and in Revelation 22, we see that just before the close of probation these Seven Thunders are unsealed. There were things in this history that have been sealed up to the Seventh-day Adventist people and just recently have they begun to be unsealed. The history of the Seven Thunders is repeated as the 144,000 are developed and this principle gives a key that unlocks much in the prophecies dealing with the end times.

At the end of the world there will be two classes in Adventism, there will be the Wise and the Foolish Virgins, and there will be a third class—those people who are still in Babylon and will hear the message proclaimed by the Wise and accept it, come out of Babylon, and receive the Seal of God. On the final generation, the remnant, shine all the accumulated rays of light from biblical and prophetic history from all the past ages.

In the end of the world the events connected with the close of probation are referenced in Daniel 11:40-45. Here the events connected with the close of probation have been clearly revealed, but multitudes

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have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed. When you see all the histories that line up with these end time events, the Bible becomes a book that is focused in on one little passage of scripture and you can see it spelled out so clearly.

When God's people understand the key of historical repetition that allows them to open the Prophetic Word and see how all the histories, Balaam, Thyatira, Elijah, the Exodus, the time of Christ, all repeat in this final history—the whole Bible becomes a 'Little Book' that is sweet in the mouth.

The Lion of the tribe of Judah has opened this truth to His people now. He has come down with the 'Little Book' open in His hand. When John takes the 'Little Book' from the Angel's hand in verses 8-10 of Revelation 10, and he eats the 'Little Book', he's building on what the Bible says about when a prophet eats the 'Little Book'. Ezekiel 3 and Jeremiah 15 teach us that when a prophet eats the little book it's marking a testing process for God's people. At that point Ezekiel and Jeremiah are empowered to carry a message to God's people that they do not want to hear, and that they will oppose. Sure enough, you can mark that when John took the 'Little Book' in Revelation 10 on August 11, 1840, a testing process began in the Millerite history that concluded with only fifty out of fifty thousand passing the test.

So when we are saying that the Lion of the tribe of Judah has now come down with the 'Little Book' open in His hand and it is now time to eat it and see how sweet it is; we are also saying that the final testing process that produces the 144,000 is underway. That testing process is clearly illustrated in the scriptures and it is illustrated also in our history.

There was a time when the Lord attempted to start this testing process and bring about the Latter Rain; it was in 1888. Each of the ancient prophets spoke more about the end of the world than their own time; that is what Sister White said and quoted:

1 Corinthians 10:11 "Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come."

Sister White is one of those prophets, what she wrote is speaking about the last days too. What she wrote about 1888 is also a message for us here living at the end of the world; among other things it is telling us our responsibility when the final warning message comes to our attention. Notice these statements about 1888 and you have the prophetic authority and the prophetic responsibility to take those passages about 1888 and bring them down to today because they are speaking more about now than they were then.

At the end of the world there will be a message that comes to God's people and you and I will have the ability to respond to that message just the way Jones and Waggoner's message was responded to in 1888. Brothers and sisters, we don't want to make the wrong choice on this message.

"An unwillingness to yield up preconceived opinions. . ."

I have had people say to me that what we are saying about the 'Mighty Angel' coming down on 9/11, and that it is Islam that took down the twin towers; that they have seen DVD presentations that show it was various globalists involved in that tragedy.

We do mark September 11, 2001 as the beginning of the third woe and the beginning of the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on God's people and the beginning of the testing time in Adventism.

We do mark that, but what we say that marks that is—just as in August 11, 1840 prophecy was fulfilled when the four great European powers put a restraint on Islam, on September 11, 2001, no matter who blew up the twin towers, a restraint was put upon Islam, as the president went to the United Nations and said, "You are either for us or against us—we are now in a war against terrorism." He immediately went into Afghanistan and Iraq. We are saying that no matter who blew up the towers, the Millerite

history IS being repeated and we better set aside our preconceived ideas and make sure that Bible prophecy isn't confirming this truth; because if it is—we are getting on the wrong side of the issue, as happened in 1888.

“An unwillingness to yield up preconceived opinions, and to accept this truth, lay at the foundation of a large share of the opposition manifested at Minneapolis against the Lord's message through Brethren {E.J.} Waggoner and {A.T.} Jones. By exciting that opposition Satan succeeded in shutting away from our people, in a great measure, the special power of the Holy Spirit that God longed to impart to them. The enemy prevented them from obtaining that efficiency which might have been theirs in carrying the truth to the world, as the apostles proclaimed it after the day of Pentecost. The light that is to lighten the whole earth with its glory was resisted, and by the action of our own brethren has been in a great degree kept away from the world.” 1SM 234

You may wonder how I can read something like this and know that the message of Jones and Waggoner is justification by faith in verity, and how can September 11, 2001 have anything to do with justification by faith in verity? Sister White says that the prophetic message that comes to God's people is to be used to arouse us of our unprepared condition and convict us of our sins that we might make preparation. If you and I are aroused to our condition, and the Holy Spirit convicts us of our sins—that is justification by faith in verity.

We have been conditioned in Adventism to think that the forth angel's message was Jones and Waggoner's message and it is simply someone standing in front of us explaining the details of the Gospel—justification; sanctification; confession; repentance; paralleling what Jones and Waggoner did. But when we look at the reform movements of sacred history, God's reform movements always begin with a prophetic message that is a testing message. Something in the world is about to take place, and there is a message from prophecy that reveals what it is, and that message is what tests God's people.

## Latter Rain

“We must not wait for the latter rain. It is coming upon all who will recognize and appropriate the dew and showers of grace that fall upon us. When we gather up the fragments of light, when we appreciate the sure mercies of God, who loves to have us trust Him, then every promise will be fulfilled. [Isa. 61:11 quoted.] The whole earth is to be filled with the glory of God.” (Letter 151, 1897). 7BC 984.

If we are going to receive the Latter Rain, we have to recognize it; that's why she says:

“Unless we are daily advancing in the exemplification of the active Christian virtues, we shall not recognize the manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the latter rain. It may be falling on hearts all around us, but we shall not discern or receive it.” TM 507.

What we are saying is that the Latter Rain is falling, and there are some of us that are recognizing that the Latter Rain is falling and we have the possibility of discerning and receiving it; but there's another group that does not recognize it, and they don't receive it. In other words, the Latter Rain begins to fall before the Sunday Law—it begins to fall when the wheat and the tares are still together. At the Sunday Law, the church is separated and those of us who have prepared a character for the Mark of the Beast, receive the Mark of the Beast and demonstrate it; and those of us who have prepared a character for the Seal of God, receive the Seal of God and then the Holy Spirit is poured out without measure.

## Preconceived Ideas

Have you ever wondered why we are told there is a point where the Holy Spirit is poured out without measure? When the Holy Spirit is first poured out it has to be poured out with measure because it is

poured out in a group of people, some of whom are recognizing this and some who aren't. Then when the two groups are separated, the Lord pours out His Spirit without measure.

"In searching the Scriptures you are not to endeavor to interpret their utterances so as to agree with your preconceived ideas, but come as a learner to understand the foundation principles of the faith of Christ. With eager interest, with fervent prayer, come to the word of God, that you may know what is truth, manifesting the same spirit as did Nathanael when he earnestly besought the Lord that he might know the truth." CSW 25.

### **Terrible Delusion**

In teaching the foundations of Adventism, we are teaching the principles of the faith of Christ, and when it comes to studying the foundational principles, the worse thing we can do is to refuse to set aside our preconceived opinions, especially when we know that we are Laodicean. There are those who are standing in opposition to the greatest light of all times, deceiving ourselves that Christ is with us—when He is outside of us!

"What greater deception can come upon human minds than a confidence that they are right when they are all wrong! The message of the True Witness finds the people of God in a sad deception, yet honest in that deception. They know not that their condition is deplorable in the sight of God. While those addressed are flattering themselves that they are in an exalted spiritual condition, the message of the True Witness breaks their security by the startling denunciation of their true condition of spiritual blindness, poverty, and wretchedness. The testimony, so cutting and severe, cannot be a mistake, for it is the True Witness who speaks, and His testimony must be correct." 3T 252.

### **Students of Prophecy**

You may not be one who tends to study prophecy, in spite of the fact that we are told that every Seventh-day Adventist is called to be a student of prophecy—but some of us think that we can pick and choose what we study—but we are all called to be students of prophecy. The reality is that until we are willing to set aside our preconceived opinions at the door of investigation, we are on a march to death.

"Ministers should present the sure word of prophecy as the foundation of the faith of Seventh-day Adventists. The prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation should be carefully studied, and in connection with them the words, "Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world." [JOHN 1:29.]" GW 148.

"Do you ask, What shall I do to be saved? You must lay your preconceived opinions, your hereditary and cultivated ideas, at the door of investigation. If you search the Scriptures to vindicate your own opinions, you will never reach the truth. Search in order to learn what the Lord says. If conviction comes as you search, if you see that your cherished opinions are not in harmony with the truth, do not misinterpret the truth in order to suit your own belief, but accept the light given. Open mind and heart that you may behold wondrous things out of God's word." COL 112.

There are some of us that when our favorite speaker is having meetings, will make the time to show up every meeting, but when presented with this prophetic message they claim they are too busy to investigate it. But with the claims we are making with this message, you need to set aside your preconceived opinions and look into it, because if what we are teaching here is correct, we don't have much time left to prepare a character for what is already rolling. It is light or it is not—and you need to know if this is indeed the truth for this time. Do you see any signs in the world; any wars, hurricanes, economic problems; incurable diseases?

“If the truth for this time, if the signs that are thickening on every hand, that testify that the end of all things is at hand, are not sufficient to arouse the sleeping energy of those who profess to know the truth, then darkness proportionate to the light which has been shining will overtake these souls. There is not the semblance of an excuse for their indifference that they will be able to present to God in the great day of final reckoning. There will be no reason to offer as to why they did not live and walk and work in the light of the sacred truth of the Word of God, and thus reveal to a sin-darkened world, through their conduct, their sympathy, and their zeal, that the power and reality of the gospel could not be controverted.” YRP 310.

You know full well as a Seventh-day Adventist that at some point in time you are going to get to the end of the world and there is going to be a message saying that we are at the end of the world. But because we are in a Laodicean condition, we don't think the end of the world is quite here yet. But I happen to believe that what we are sharing here is the message of the end of the world, and it is fatal to let our preconceived ideas and our Laodicean condition to prevent us from investigating this information thoroughly—it is absolutely fatal.

### **Darkest Deception**

Speaking of the Mighty Angel which comes down in Revelation 18, she quotes verses 1 and 2, which is the Latter Rain, Loud Cry message of the Third Angel which is how we correctly understand this in Adventism. Then she says this:

“Well now, how are we going to know anything about that message if we are not in a position to recognize anything of the light of heaven when it comes to us? And we will just as soon pick up the darkest deception when it comes to us from somebody that agrees with us, when we have not a particle of evidence that the Spirit of God has sent them.” 1SAT 142

We have to recognize when the Mighty Angel comes down, and the Mighty Angel of Revelation 10 came down in the Millerite history when there was a restraint put upon Islam by the four great European powers. And for me to tell you that the Mighty Angel of Revelation 18 came down when there was a restraint put upon Islam in the world, should be enough of an argument to stimulate your sanctified curiosity to see if the arguments that we present along with that are valid, and they are.

### **The Work of the 144,000**

In Isaiah 58:12 we see one of the works of the 144,000 is:

Isaiah 58:12 “And they that shall be of thee shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.”

We have shown that in the 1843 and 1850 charts we can see the foundational truths of Adventism, and by returning to those truths we understand that the Millerite history is repeated at the end of the world and therefore that history is going to parallel our history. And we are saying that in the Millerite history, what brought the angel of Revelation 10 down in 1840 was when Islam had a restraint placed upon it—and we're saying that when Islam was restrained here at the end of the world, that this history begins with the Mighty Angel of Revelation 18 coming down.

### **Angry Horse**

But we know as Seventh-day Adventists when the Mighty Angel of Revelation 18 comes down, that the sealing of the 144,000 begins; that is how we've always understood it in Adventism, and that is correct.

That's the Latter Rain. Sister White has a passage where she tells us what the winds of strife in Revelation 7 are. We know in Adventism that the winds of strife are restrained when the sealing of the 144,000 begins. So when you see the winds of strife restrained, you know you have reached the place where the sealing of the 144,000 and the Latter Rain begins—and do you know what Sister White says symbolizes these four winds that are restrained? She says it is an angry horse.

“Angels are holding the four winds, represented as an angry horse seeking to break loose and rush over the face of the whole earth, bearing destruction and death in its path.” 20MR 216.

If you are going to maintain the foundations of Adventism, and you want to know what the angry horse was in the Millerite history, all you have to do is look at the 1843 and 1850 charts because when it comes to the fifth and sixth trumpet, it is represented on both charts as angry war horses—those horses represents Islam. So when Sister White says the four winds that are restrained are represented by an angry horse, the horse in Bible prophecy as understood in the foundational message of Adventism is Islam.

### **The Test is Underway**

There are other arguments to be made, but it is clear that the sealing time is underway; the testing time is underway and we don't have a possibility of passing the test unless we are willing to set aside our preconceived opinions at the door of investigation.

Let us just admit that we are at the end of the world in a Laodicean condition and it is time that the Lord is forewarning His people as He has promised:

Amos 3:7 “Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.”

Do you think God is going to come to the end of the world, when it is time to seal His people, and not forewarn them? How is He going to forewarn them—through Bible Prophecy.

“Why is it that men do not believe upon sufficient evidence?--Because they do not want to be convinced. They have no disposition to give up their own will for God's will. They are unwilling to acknowledge that they have cherished sinful unbelief in resisting the light that God has given them. They have been hunting for doubts, for pegs upon which to hang their unbelief.” RH, December 23, 1890 par. 3

### **Current Events; not Prophecy**

In Adventism, the prophetic message that we like, is based upon conspiracy theories, and some of the conspiracy theories are 100% spot on. No doubt the Jesuits have been doing their work for hundreds of years; and no doubt about it, it is Free-Masonry that set up the United Nations which is the Dragon Power; and no doubt about it, Rome is behind the scenes pulling the strings.

But all of that conspiracy speculation connected with that is not Bible Prophecy—it's simply current events. For over a hundred years we have preached current events from the news instead of true Bible Prophecy, and because of that we are full of our preconceived notions. It is time that God's people set aside the current events and come to understand end-time Bible Prophecy from the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy first!

“They have been ready to accept testimony which is weak and insufficient, testimony which God has not given them in his word, but which pleases them because it agrees with their ideas, and is in harmony with their disposition and will. These souls are in great peril. If they will bow their proud will, and put it

on God's side of the question; if they will with humble, contrite hearts seek for the light, believing that there is light for them, then they will see light, because the eye is single to discern the light which comes from God. They will acknowledge the evidence of divine authority. Spiritual truths will shine forth from the divine page. But the heart must be open for the reception of light, for Satan is ever ready to obscure the precious truth which would make them wise unto salvation. If any do not receive it, it will forever remain a mystery of mysteries to them." RH, December 23, 1890 par. 3

There is to be in the Seventh-day Adventist churches a wonderful manifestation of the power of God; Sister White tells us that the Advent movement of 1840-1844 was a wonderful manifestation of the power of God, and when she tells us that, she is comparing it to the history when the Mighty Angel of Revelation 18 comes down:

"The angel who unites in the proclamation of the third angel's message is to lighten the whole earth with his glory. A work of world-wide extent and unwonted power is here foretold. The advent movement of 1840-44 was a glorious manifestation of the power of God; the first angel's message was carried to every missionary station in the world, and in some countries there was the greatest religious interest which has been witnessed in any land since the Reformation of the sixteenth century; but these are to be exceeded by the mighty movement under the last warning of the third angel. The work will be similar to that of the Day of Pentecost. As the "former rain" was given, in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at the opening of the gospel, to cause the upspringing of the precious seed, so the "latter rain" will be given at its close for the ripening of the harvest." GC 611

"There is to be in the [Seventh-day Adventist] churches a wonderful manifestation of the power of God, but it will not move upon those who have not humbled themselves before the Lord, and opened the door of the heart by confession and repentance. In the manifestation of that power which lightens the earth with the glory of God, they will see only something which in their blindness they think dangerous, something which will arouse their fears, and they will brace themselves to resist it. Because the Lord does not work according to their ideas and expectations they will oppose the work. "Why," they say, "should we not know the Spirit of God, when we have been in the work so many years?"--RH Extra, Dec. 23, 1890.

### **God's Truth Dangerous?**

We recently shared this message with a group of Adventists and there was one of those well-known leaders that over and over again would stand up and say, "I agree with the prophetic message that we are hearing here—the way they are setting forth the prophetic message is correct—the sequence is correct. But it is dangerous!" and he said it more than once. "It's dangerous".

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"The third angel's message will not be comprehended, the light which will lighten the earth with its glory will be called a false light, by those who refuse to walk in its advancing glory."--RH May 27, 1890. LDE 210.

When John ate the 'Little Book' in the Millerite history, he was doing nothing more than when Jeremiah ate the 'Little Book' and when Ezekiel ate the 'Little Book'; it's identifying a testing process going on, and the very worse thing that could happen is to be in a testing process when you don't even know there is a test going on around you! There is a test going on in Adventism about the prophetic message that is

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unfolding to God's people right now; and it would be in your best interest to study it out and make sure what we are presenting is correct—or incorrect, because if it is correct—you want to pass the test!

"If the [people of the] world are to be convinced of sin as transgressors of God's law, the agency must be the Holy Spirit working through human instrumentalities. The church needs now to shake off her death-like slumber, for the Lord is waiting to ble<sup>s</sup>s His people who will recognize His blessing when it comes, and diffuse it in clear, strong rays of light.

"Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean. . . . And I will put my Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes" [Ezekiel 36:25, 27]. If the wilderness of the church is to become as a fruitful field, and the fruitful field to be as a forest, it is through the Holy Spirit of God poured out upon His people. 15MR 309

The Holy Spirit is poured out upon those who recognize that we are in the time when it is being poured out. That is what Zechariah says:

Zechariah 10:1 "Ask ye of the LORD rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds, and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field."

It doesn't say 'pray for the Latter Rain', it says pray in the time of the Latter Rain. You have to know that you are in the time of the Latter Rain, to pray for the Latter Rain.

I hope we have challenged you to study and discern for yourself if these things are so. We truly believe that they are, and so we get up like a watchman on the walls to sound the trumpet—and if we get up on the wall and sound the trumpet, that means that when you hear the trumpet, you are supposed to raise up your trumpet and send that warning message all down the line. The watchman has sounded the trumpet, final events are at hand, and Adventism is still sleeping on—don't be caught sleeping with the foolish virgins!