

An Introduction to
The Seven Thunders
of Revelation 10

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*This book shows the relationships of Bible prophecy
—past, present, future, and repeated—
specifically to the seven thunders in the last-days events.
We are on the very edge of the last-day events starting!*

I believe the Mighty Angel of Revelation 10 *brings us* the *little book of seven thunders* because they are extremely important, even vital to our understanding of how the books of Daniel and Revelation are especially designed for us as the last generation. It is paramount that we understand what the seven thunders are in relation to the transgression/abomination of desolation and their proper placement in last-day events—events that take place both here on earth and in the Heavenly Sanctuary! *Daniel's prophecies are designed and destined to be repeated as the last-day events, specifically, and as a whole*, with their interpretation coming from the *already fulfilled events of prophetic history*.

We're all carrying our baggage of preconceived ideas, and many times, more often than not, these prejudices keep us from understanding God's Truth and receiving His blessings. The very same preconceived ideas which kept ancient Israel from receiving her Saviour is preventing modern Israel from receiving great truths and prophecies which show Christ's movements in the last-day events. Because this subject may be new to you, *I would urge and beg of you to pray for the Guidance of the Holy Spirit*. I understand that *we must be on guard against error*, but, please don't let preconceived ideas, if they are not based in Scripture, stop you from studying this subject thoroughly.

*Prejudice blinds the mind,
and keeps the soul from understanding great truths.*

Please, take a moment to pray before reading this book.

“The dignity and glory of Christ is our strength. The Holy Spirit's guidance leads us into all truth. The Holy Spirit takes the things of God and shows them unto us, conveying them as a living power into the obedient heart. We then have the faith that works by love and purifies the soul, which takes the perfect impress of its Author.” Letter 21a, 1895. {Ev 166.4}

—May God Our Father Bless Your Study!

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Revelation 10

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¹ And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: and a rainbow was upon his head, and his face was as it were the sun, and his feet as pillars of fire:

² And he had in his hand *a little book open*: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth,

³ And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

⁴ And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.

⁵ And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,

⁶ And swore by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer:

⁷ But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, *the mystery of God* should be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

⁸ And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth.

⁹ And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey.

¹⁰ And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter.

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Chapter 11

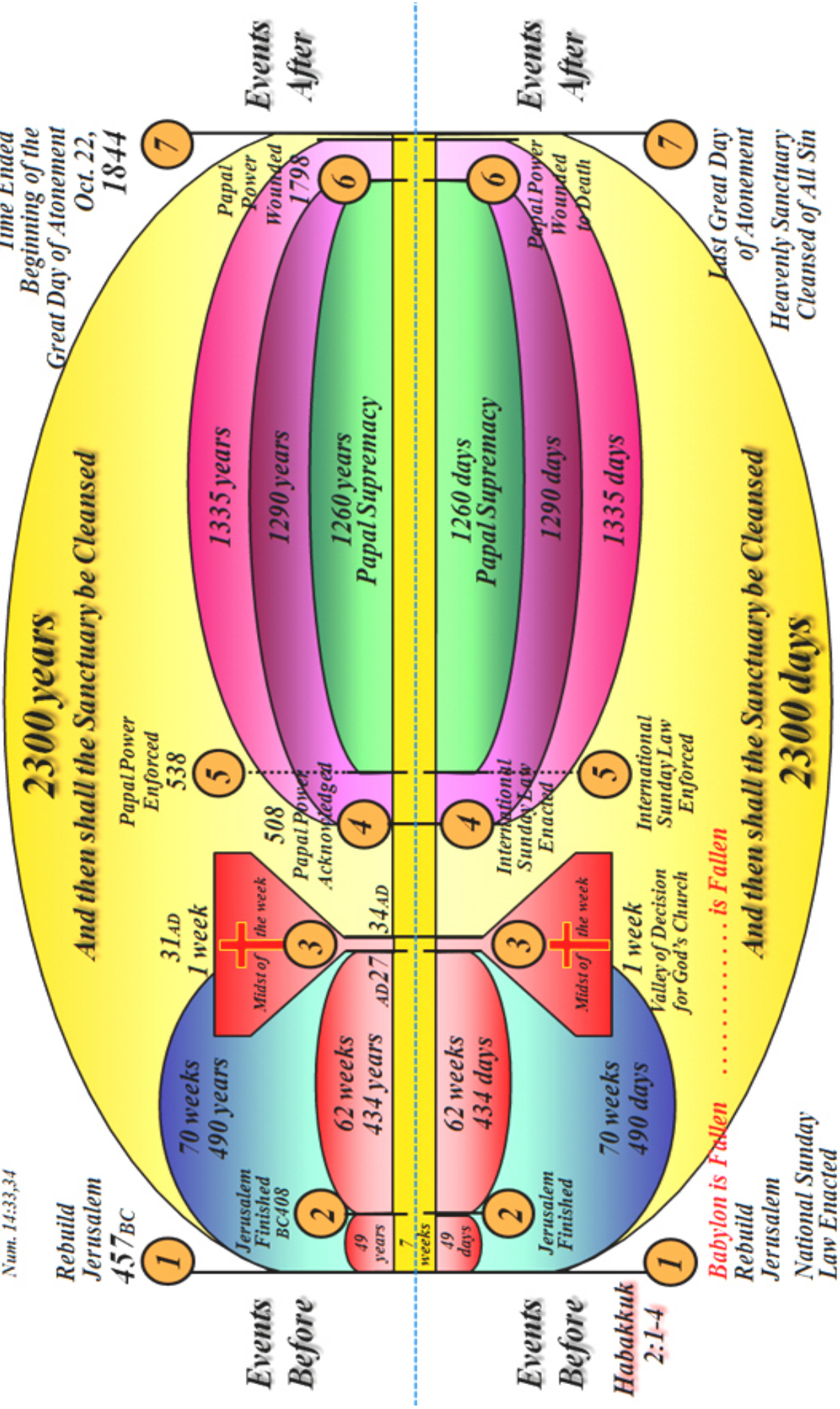
¹ And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, *Rise, and measure the temple of God, and the altar, and them that worship therein.*

² But the *court* which is without the temple leave out, and measure it not; for it is given unto the Gentiles: and the holy city shall they tread under foot forty *and* two months.

³ And I will give *power* unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred *and* threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.

The Prophetic History of Daniel — Type

Prophetic Time
A day for a year
Num. 14:33,34



An Introduction to the Seven Thunders

What is Sealed and What is NOT Sealed?—



The book of Revelation is *not* a sealed book! (Rev 1:11; 22:10) *Yet*, it is interesting to note as we look into the throne room vision (Rev 4 & 5), that the One who is sitting on the throne, —our Heavenly Father, has a *sealed* book in His right hand. We praise God with John that it is *only by the blood of the Lamb* that the book can be taken from the Father's hand. (Rev 5:5-7) We then see the book's seven seals unsealed (Rev 6), the trumpets are blown (Rev 8 & 9) in preparation for its reading, and it appears that most of the book is read by the Angel (Rev 5:3, 4) and understood by John (for he writes what he sees), —except for a *smaller portion* (Rev 10:2) of the book which is presented to him in Revelation 10. But here in the first few verses of Revelation 10 we see that even though John understands and is about to write, he is asked to “*seal up* those things which the seven thunders uttered, and *write them not*.” Rev 10:4

This has caused *a strange reaction* among those who read about the little book of seven thunders. When we come to Revelation 10, we understand the words “*seal up*” to be “closed up,” “shut up,” “impeded,” “blocked.” **But**, how much clearer this passage would be if we understood the meaning to be “validate,” “certify,” “authenticate,” “ratify,” which are also found in a Thesaurus for the word *seal*. We also find: “*As to mark with an indication of official sanction. A stamp affixed to a document (as to attest to its authenticity).*”

That which is sealed in Revelation 10 is only that portion of Scripture which deals with explaining the seven thunders from the little book of Daniel; and so they are to be understood by the last generation, for it is the last generation which takes part in those thunderous last-day events. (Rev 10:7 “finished”; see also Dan 12:9, 13, 4 “till the time of the end,” “and stand in thy lot at the end of the days,” “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end.”) So then, if the book of Revelation is *not sealed* (Rev 22:10), then we must conclude that the words “seal up” (Rev 10:4), which deals with the *little book of seven thunders*, is giving us clues as to *what* the little book is, *what* the seven thunders are, and *where* to find them! —And that is the reason John was asked not to write the seven thunders, —they had already been written in the little book of Daniel! “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro (in the Scriptures), and (spiritual) (prophetic) knowledge shall be increased.” (Dan 12:4). In the Revelation we find the “official sanction,” the “authenticity,” or the *primary purpose for the existence and fulfillment* of the prophecies in the little book of Daniel. It is not until the last generation comes upon the scene that the Revelation which John wrote (90 AD+–) would be used to *unseal the prophecies of Daniel* (written BC 606-534), and then, of course, because most of Daniel's prophecies have had a historical fulfillment, *then we conclude that the prophecies of Daniel are to be repeated as the last-day events*. That is the very reason John (as a symbol of the last generation) is asked to *eat* the little book of seven thunders, —and then told,

**“Thou must prophesy again
before many peoples, and nations,
and tongues, and kings.”**

Rev 10:11

**“Remember the former things of old: for I am God,
and there is none else; I am God, and there is none like me,
declaring the end from the beginning,
and from ancient times the things that are not yet done.”**

Isa 46:9-10, 12, 13

The Mighty Angel and the Little Book Open—

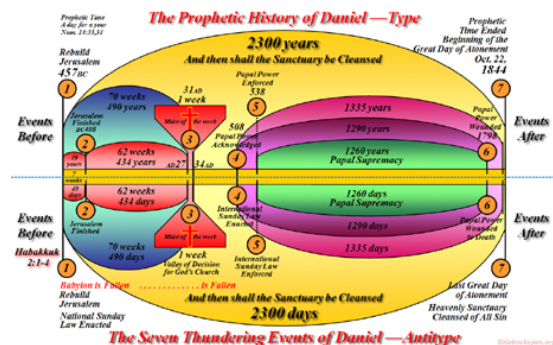
The **Mighty Angel** of Revelation 10 is Jesus Christ (Rev 1:15; Matt 17:2) who *paid for the little book open* with His blood as the slain Lamb (Rev 5). (Thought Question: Did Jesus die for a book, or the names in that book? Rev 21:27) What is the worth of this book that it would require the death of the Son of God? It must be a very important book if the only way to acquire the book from the Father’s right hand is by the blood of the Lamb, the price paid for our sin! The book is written within and on the backside (Rev 5:1); there is no more room to write the history of the world, its empires and nations, to record the history of every soul who ever lived—the book is nearly complete. (Therefore the 7 churches, the 7 seals, the 7 trumpets, and the 7 thunders of Revelation have their **more direct, complete fulfillment** in earth’s end-time events! **They take their place at the end of the book**, both *before* and *continuing with* the 7 plagues!) As the 7 seals of the book are unsealed (Rev 6), and as the 7 trumpets blow their warning judgments (Rev 8 & 9), a *smaller portion* of the book (Rev 10:2), “a little book open,” is now read (Rev 5:4) by the Mighty Angel (Rev 10:3), the Lion of the tribe of Judah (Rev 5:5); and there is heard the sound of thunder. (Thunder will get the attention of all; for we well know that where there is thunder there is a great storm.)



The seven thunders are *seemingly* sealed (Rev 10:4),—as is that portion of the book of Daniel which relates specifically to *the time of the end*,—**the last-day events** (Dan 12:9, 13). (Therefore, it is true that the seven thunders, Daniel’s repeated last-day fulfillment, has been *sealed* prior to this last generation.)

What are the seven thunders?

—**The seven thunders** are seven events which relate to and are **encapsulated in the seven times** of the *little book of Daniel*. (2300, 49, 434, 7, 1260, 1290, 1335.) The seven thundering events are identified by the *beginning and/or the ending events* of these seven times. The seven thunders are explained by these **ful-filled prophetic history events (in the type-years)**, as they specifically relate to the repeated last-day events **(in the antitype—literal days)**! The proper location of the seven thundering events is dependent

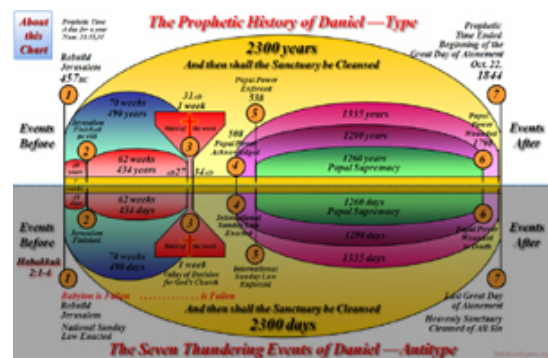


on God’s choosing and in His *appointed time(s)* —not man’s, and their placement in last-day events is understood by ***their relationships and explanation in fulfilled prophetic history!*** These seven major last-day events (with many other events) will be so Guided by the Mighty Angel of Revelation 10 in their placement and explanation, that there will be no argument, —***only decision!***

“And he said unto me, *Thou must prophesy again*” . . . from the “little book open” —which is the book of Daniel (Rev 10:11; 10:2). Thus, the seven thunders are based on their *prophetic fulfilled counterparts in history*. ***Who, but God alone, could make such a grand design***, thus showing who the true God is, and who are His true followers? We must join in with Heaven’s praise, “***Thou art worthy to take the book***, and to open the seals thereof: for thou wast slain, and hast redeemed us to God by thy blood out of every kindred, and tongue, and people, and nation; and hast made us unto our God kings and priests: and we shall reign on the earth.” (Rev 5:9, 10)

What are the seven events of prophetic history, —the Type?

As the seven thunders are based on Daniel’s ***fulfilled prophetic events*** of the past, those events would then be the seven events listed below: (In order of time, *symbolic years*.) (Note the corresponding numbers (1-7) on the **top half** of the *Mirror Chart*.) (The following is only a basic explanation of the *type and antitype* of the seven thunders and doesn’t offer a detailed explanation at this time.)



1. BC 457 —The decree to rebuild Jerusalem. “*The transgression of desolation*” set-up; the *daily* taken away; and the place of his sanctuary cast down. The beginning of the longest time period in Daniel, spanning 2300 symbolic days or 2300 years, ending October 22, 1844. Dan 8:13, 14; 9:25.

2. BC 408 —Jerusalem is finished; specifically the *wall of protection*, —49 years later. Dan 9:25.

3. 31 AD —Christ’s sacrifice in the *midst* of the seventieth week, —70 “weeks of years” (490 years) later. The *valley of decision*, seven years, for the professed church. The events on each side of the cross are important, but the focus is on the “*midst of the week*”, —where the Lamb of God demonstrates the importance of the Law by giving His life for the repentant sinner. Dan 9:24-27; Strong’s #H7620.

4. 508 AD —King Clovis of the Franks (c. 466–511) converts to Catholicism and makes preparations for the setting up of the “*abomination of desolation*” (the Papacy) by the *removal* of three *horn* powers. Dan 7:8; 11:29-35; 12:11.

5. 538 AD —“*The abomination of desolation*” is set-up; the *daily* taken away; the Papacy rules for 1260 years, the era of papal supremacy and oppression ending in 1798. Dan 7:25; 12:7.

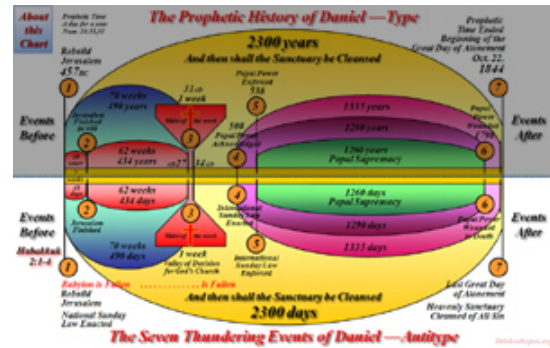
6. 1798 —The French Revolution, which began in 1789, abruptly cast off the Roman Catholic yoke. On February 20, 1798, Pius VI was dethroned, exiled, imprisoned, his private library confiscated, his estate given up to plunder, and his subjects placed under the military control of the French General Berthier. (But his *wound* was not a wound unto death, and was healed in later years under the Lateran Treaty of February 11, 1929.) Dan 7:25; 12:7.

7. October 22, 1844 —“*Prophetic time*” ends (a-day-for-a-year, Rev 10:6); The Sanctuary is ***NOT cleansed*** because the historical fulfillment is only the type! But it is the *beginning* of the ***Great Day of Atonement***; the judgment of the dead *begins and continues* until the starting of the repeated thundering last-day events, when the last great day of judgment *begins* for the living. Dan 8:14; Rev 11:1, 2.

What are the seven thundering events of the last days, —the Antitype?

So then we conclude that Daniel’s *historically fulfilled prophecies and events* are the template for their *repeated events*, which are understood as the ***seven thundering last-day events***: (In order of *time*, literal days. Rev 10:6) (Note the corresponding numbers (1-7) on the **bottom half** of the *Mirror Chart*.)

1. The First Thunder — “*The transgression of desolation*” is set-up (A National Sunday Law in the United States); the *daily* taken away; the place of *His sanctuary* is cast down; and the *decree to rebuild spiritual Jerusalem*, the spiritual temple, and specifically to repair the breach made in *the wall* (of God’s Law). The beginning of the longest time period in Daniel, reaches 2300 *literal days* to the final act of redemption, the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary. During this entire time, the wise will be watching and acting their parts in the events on earth, —but their main focus will be on the *final acts of Christ* in the Heavenly Sanctuary and the obliteration of their sins!!!



2. The Second Thunder — *The wall of protection is symbolic of the Law of God, the whole Law of God.* The Mighty Angel now steps out in a compelling stance and brings forth the Law of His Father to show the world that the judgment of the living has started! (My personal belief is that the *Ark of the Covenant* will be revealed at this time.) The last great controversy is centered on Who is to be worshipped and on what Holy Days (or unholy days) —the seventh-day Sabbath or Sunday. For the wicked, this is a terrifying act as of a mighty earthquake with lightning, thundering voices, and judgment (Rev 11:19); but the righteous rejoice in Jesus’ guidance and protection, and reflect His righteousness. *Seven weeks* have passed, and the saints begin to see a great storm of opposition gathering against them. Drawing warmth from the coldness of others, they use their energies and finances to teach all who will listen to prepare for what is coming next.

3. The Third Thunder —In the midst of the seventieth week the professed church of God *turns against* its Saviour. Could this be so? Ancient Israel *turned against* its Saviour! Are we better than they, or is our transgression worse than theirs? *Surely*, in the light of this repeated prophecy, the *last-day professed people of God will not* make the very same mistake that ancient Israel made! *Surely*, thunder and an earthquake will not be repeated! And what mistake was that? The rejection of Christ, His character, His Law, His Sabbath day of creative and redemptive rest! God forbid that anyone should have to prophesy the details of this repeated prophecy; oh, how could these events come true under such explicit warning?

There are many who are professed Christians, but they are not born of the Holy Spirit, who will become the greatest enemies of the saints. Dan 11:30-31; Matt 24:10. Scripture calls them the “synagogue of Satan” and they trouble the saints throughout the last-day events until Christ comes in the clouds. Just before Jesus comes these professed Christians “worship before [the saints] feet, and know that I [Jesus] have loved thee.” Rev 2:9; 3:9.

But not all is lost; for *as* a new, stronger church emerged out of the shaking of ancient Israel, *so* also will those who follow their Saviour in teaching *the Sabbath more fully*, and this time, they will take advantage of *completing the seven-fold covenant* (Dan 9:24) *with* their Creator, and with the early and latter rain of the Holy Spirit working in and through them —completing the harvest.

4. The Fourth Thunder —Sunday agitation and enforcement now reach world-wide proportions in a Universal Sunday Law (a *One-World Government Law*) with two phases; **1)** The fourth thunder is an *enactment* phase; and **2)** the fifth thunder is an *enforcement* phase. This *thirty day*, two-phase law, will be used as a time for the nations of the world to *decide, not if* they want to *join*, but to in fact join the New World Order of nations. Daniel wrote the prophecy of *the abomination of desolation* and Jesus placed it as the *main crisis* during the last-day events. Matt 24:15 This law is called *the abomination of desolation* for good reason, and in reality, there will **NOT** be a *free choice* given, —to any nation or individual! Force will be the end result used by the right arm of the Papacy, —the U.S. Preparation for setting up the Papacy and its image (*Universal Sunday worship Law*) will require the liquidation of three nations (and the absorption and reorganization of others) (Dan 7). (See also Rev 13.)

5. The Fifth Thunder —This is the *enforcement* phase of “*the abomination of desolation*,” a Universal Sunday Law is set up. *The sign* which the Papacy has from early ages claimed to prove her authority is Sunday worship. This law will require of every nation and every person, no matter what rank, nationality, status, allegiance, or citizenship, not only to acknowledge the *authority* of the law, but to honor the *worship* aspect of the law. This act of image worship is illustrated in Daniel 3 and will be repeated in every detail, in every nation, for every person alive on the planet. This is the final great test to come upon man! *The coming storm will be a controversy over **who, what, when, where, why, and how to worship.*** There will be many other issues, but the main subject of the thundering storm will be the Law of God, focused on worship on the seventh-day Sabbath, — or on Sunday which is based in paganism.

Everything that was fulfilled in *prophetic history* will be repeated in the last-day events, even more explicitly than before. The horrific pictures written in *Fox’s Book of Martyrs* don’t adequately describe what will happen during this last rule of the anti-Christ through the Papacy and the United States. 666 will be clearly identifiable at that time. Dan 7:7, 8; Rev 13:1-18.

This anti-Christ power rules the world for 3½ years or 1260 literal days. Dan 7:25; 12:7 Its goals will *not* be apparent at first, but it will place itself against *the daily ministration of Christ* in the Heavenly Sanctuary, deceiving the majority of Christians, “and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, *all these things shall be finished.*” Dan 12:7.

It’s hard for us, at this time, to understand that the U.S. would do anything the Papacy wishes, for our prejudices block our view. But this prophecy will be fulfilled in every detail! Unfortunately, the United States started down this one-way road back when she passed *the transgression of desolation*, a National Sunday Law, at the beginning of the 2300 literal days, **and there is no turning back!**

6. The Sixth Thunder —The Papacy comes to its end. This is not a wound that the Papacy can recover from; it is a wound unto eternal death! There is no second chance during the 1,000 years!

Mankind has sinned and has been given a probationary time to choose redemption through belief in Jesus Christ as their Saviour from sin. This *probationary time*, 6000 years, *will soon come to an end*. Probationary time ends when Jesus says, “He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.” (Rev 22:11) After this the seven last plagues will be poured out, ending with the seventh plague and the second coming of Jesus. The angel of the *fifth plague* specifically pours “out his vial upon the seat of the beast; and his kingdom was full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues for pain, And blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and repented not of their deeds.” (Rev 16:10, 11) It is this fifth plague which ends the 3½ year (1260 day) *desolating rule* of the Papacy. She will never be worshipped again!

7. The Seventh Thunder —*The cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary*; the great, *anti-typical Day of Atonement*, when the confessed sins of the saints will be forever cleansed and blotted out. **Hallelujah!** The cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary is NOT the second coming of Christ, neither is it the close of probationary time. Daniel was told, “Understand, O son of man: for *at the time of the end shall be the vision.*” “Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in *the last end of the indignation*: for at the *time appointed* the end shall be.” “**How long** shall be the vision concerning *the daily sacrifice*, and *the transgression of desolation*, to give both *the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot*? And he said unto me, *Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.*” (Dan 8:17, 19, 13, 14; See *Strong’s Hebrew* meaning for days – ‘ereb boqer [H6153-H1242], —*evening-morning* —*literal twenty-four hour creation days* taken from Gen 1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31.)

The final acts of Christ in the Heavenly Sanctuary are typified by the priest of ancient Israel. There are many events which lead up to this event, more than we can mention here, and so we will need to study deeper. We will want to take careful note of just when probation closed for the individual Israelite; when and how the High Priest carried the sins of all Israel into the Holy Place of the sanctuary; what exactly happened in the Most Holy Place with the blood; and what was the final act

of the High Priest which cleansed the sanctuary of all sin. Understanding all these things will help us follow along with the *last redemptive acts of Jesus* as our High Priest in the Heavenly Sanctuary. (Another consideration is that the last day of the 1335 days is **one day short** of the last day of the 2300 days (one year in the historical fulfillment). Is there a message here?)

The seven thunders are NOT . . .

Although the following events are included in the last-day events, it should be obvious that they *cannot* be one of the seven thunders, for none of the following events are associated with the events of *prophetic time* in the fulfillment of the 2300 year prophecy, —**the type!**

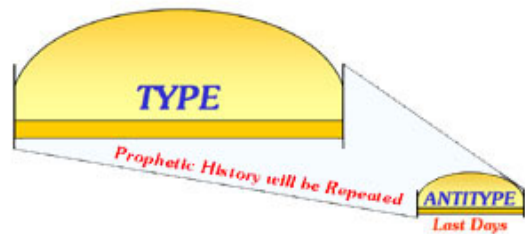
*** **None** of the seven thunders show the time for *the early or latter rain of the Holy Spirit*.

*** **None** of the seven thunders show the time of *the close of the world's probation*.

*** **None** of the seven thunders show the time of *the second coming of Jesus*.

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Prophetic Type Explains Prophetic Antitype—

The stance of Jesus, with one foot on the sea and the other on the earth, shows that God the Father (who is on the throne; Rev 4-5:1) places His Son in charge of the last-day events of earth's history (See Ezekiel chapters 1-9). His voice will be heard as each of the seven last-day thundering events follows the exact same pattern of correctly fulfilled prophetic history! **Type meets antitype!** *Prophetic history* reveals the past, the present, and the future! God's people will give the last messages as seen in the Revelation of Jesus Christ, because they correctly understand the **types in prophetic history**, and how the **antitype of those same prophecies** is to be *more directly fulfilled* in the last-day events of earth's history. (In other words, the people who give the correct last-day message of Christ and His Righteousness as shown in the seven thundering events will *also* have the correct prophetic message throughout history, for it is their *template!*)

The *Mirror Chart* is made to specifically show that the fulfilled historical prophecies from the book of Daniel (the top half) are to be repeated as the seven thunders (the bottom half), "*Thou must prophesy **again** before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.*" Rev 10:11. "*Understand, O son of man: **for at the time of the end shall be the vision.***" Dan 8:17; Hab 2:1-4.

"*At the **ending of the days,***" at the seventh event will be **the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary** (Dan 8:14; Rev 10:7), —the cleansing of all the sins of the faithful down through the 6,000-year controversy. This must be the greatest event of all Salvation, for as ancient Israel waited breathlessly once a year for the **finishing of the Day of Atonement, so also do we wait for the Last Great Day of Atonement**, when Jesus is seen coming out of the Heavenly Sanctuary (Rev 11:15-19) announcing that all sins recorded against those who have asked forgiveness are forgiven forever. These sins are then placed upon Satan as he is led into the 1,000-year desolate wilderness of this earth to meet his end. (Rev 20:2-4)

John was told to “write the things which thou hast seen” (Rev 1:19), but when we come to Revelation 10, we see that John is told NOT to write the contents of the little book, *the seven thunders*, **YET** he is *encouraged* (actually commanded) by the Angel to **take the little book into his hands and eat it** (Rev 10:8, 9). What could this mean? **It appears that we are to view John as the type of the last generation!** Eating a book of prophecy would be symbolic of actually taking part in the giving of its message and the development/fulfillment of its prophecy, and as it was with Ezekiel, **it becomes a living part of his life!** (Eze 2:8-10; 3:1-4) When is the last generation going to take the little book of Daniel and eat it? We read the answer from Rev 10:7, “But in the **days** of the voice of the seventh angel (the 7th trumpet; Rev 11:14-19), when he shall **begin** to sound (the message from the Heavenly Sanctuary), the mystery of God should be **finished** (1Tim 3:16; Col 1:27, 28), as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.” (Lev 23:27, 28; 25:9; Neh 10:33)

“Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days.” (1335 days—Dan 12:12) “And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.” “And at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be *found written in the book.*” (Dan 12:3, 1, 10)

The book of Revelation gives the words to the song, and Daniel is the music and tempo.

Daniel **was** a *sealed book* (Dan 12:9, 13); but Revelation is *an open book* (Rev 22:10), and it is the **Revelation of Jesus Christ which unseals and explains the seven thundering events of the book of Daniel** as taking place during the last great controversy between Christ and Satan (Rev 12). **Who will this last generation worship?** Will we worship the Creator (Rev 10:6; 14:6, 7) or the destroyer? (Rev 12:7-9; Dan 12:7).

Do we desire to understand what will be the *last great test of worship* for this last generation? (Matt 24:15; Dan 12:11) Will we make it our priority to study and know the wisdom of these things and be saved? (2Tim 2:15) Will the prophecy come true that half of those who profess to be Christians will have the door shut, that they would not know His coming? (Matt 25:1-12) *It would do us well to pray for the Holy Spirit to prepare our lives for eating the little book of seven thunders from Daniel, and according to God’s will, allow it to become a living part of our lives in these last days, that we may be found worthy to take part in these last great events of salvation!* Rev 10:8-10.

Surely, the events of these times will be trying, and we may cry out, “**How long, O Lord,** holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?” (Rev 6:10; Dan 8:13; 12:6) But we can be encouraged and walk in our Lord’s Guiding Spirit, for “many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but *the wise shall understand.*” (Dan 12:10).

May God Bless—

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Please understand, I do NOT claim to have all the answers! I am writing what my Saviour has asked me to write as I continue to see His guiding Spirit in my life and studies. Of one thing I am certain: This is **a growing understanding of the Plan of Salvation** for these last-days, and no one person will have all the answers. It will only be with the aid of the indwelling Holy Spirit of the early and latter rains, and the **combined** efforts of the saints that we will be able to pull together **a living testimony** which will see us through to our Reward. Let us all study God’s Word like we have never studied before, for time is short, and we must be correct on these subjects of salvation —this side of the last great events— or we may find ourselves on the wrong side at the wrong time!

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Ellen White and the Seven Thunders

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The first six paragraphs can also be found in the SDA Bible Commentary, Vol. 7, in the Ellen White section of Revelation 10, —7BC 971.3-971.8. (It appears that these paragraphs were written Aug. 16, 1900, and were filed in a section of Ms 59, 1900 (pp. 8, 9), called "*Jots and Tittles, II*" under the subheading "*Daniel and Revelation*," and partially released in *Manuscript 1*, May 4, 1950 for a Seminary class in Revelation (Andrews University) {1MR 99.1-100.1}. It was later released again with the seventh paragraph August 4, 1988. Entire Ms. {19MR 319.3-332.2}.

# Ellen White and the Seven Thunders

with commentary by Patrick McCoy

In the published works of Ellen White we find that she has written seven paragraphs about Revelation 10 and the seven thunders. The golden thread that is woven into the fabric of each of these paragraphs *is love*, which is shown especially in the seventh paragraph. Jesus would not have this book in His hand (Rev 10:2) if He had not paid the price of His blood for it. (Rev 5:6) John understands the real worth of this book, for he is brought to tears as it appears to him that no one is found worthy to take the book and loose the seven seals which bind the book, open the book, look upon the book, and read it. (Rev 5:1-4) This book is worth far more than any material thing could pay for it and that thought weighs heavily on John's heart. He is then made to understand that only the love of God, the blood of the Lamb sacrificed for sin can pay the price for the book. It is the price of man's redemption, and the names of those who enter into the Holy City "are written in the *Lamb's book of life*." (Rev 21:27; 3:5; 7:14)

In light of the Sanctuary services, which are portrayed in the Revelation and performed in the Heavenly Sanctuary, love is expressed to the *seven churches* of the last generation, each church receiving a personal and specific message showing the part that they play (or don't play) during the final events of earth's history. (Rev 2 & 3) A sealing message accompanies these letters of love given to the churches (Rev 6, *seven seals*; Rev 7) and even the judgments of the seven trumpets are given in love so that all will make a decision for or against that Love (Rev 8 & 9, *seven trumpets*). The end result of these messages coming from the Heavenly Sanctuary is the sealing of the servants of God in their foreheads with a knowledge and experience of love that no generation has ever received, making them a peculiar, chosen people. (Rev 7; 8:3-5; 14:1-7)

And now we come to Revelation 10 where we see the unsealed open book in the Mighty Angel's hand. There is no doubt in John's mind that this is Jesus, for it is Jesus who John saw take the book from the Father's hand in chapter 5.

*The seven paragraphs below are numbered for ease of reference and there is a history of the White Estate releases at the end of this section.*

## Paragraph 1

"The mighty Angel who instructed John was no less a personage than *Jesus Christ*. Setting His right foot on the sea, and His left upon the dry land, shows the part which *He is acting in the closing scenes of the great controversy with Satan*. This position denotes His supreme power and authority over the whole earth. The controversy has waxed stronger and more determined from age to age, and will continue to do so, to the concluding scenes when the masterly work-

ing of the powers of darkness shall reach their height. Satan, united with evil men, will deceive the whole world and the churches who receive not the love of the truth. But the mighty Angel demands attention. He cries with a loud voice. He is to show the power and authority of His voice to those who have united with Satan to oppose the truth." {19MR 319.3}

Jesus takes this specific stance to show His supreme power and authority for several reasons;

1. He stands with His stronger foot (right) on the sea (those in the chaos of the world; Rev 17:5) and left foot on the land (churches, professed Christians, claiming to be followers of the Lamb; Rev 13:11).

2. In this stance He is also showing that the seven thunders will involve the whole world; that this is the last great controversy, which involves everyone who is alive.

3. Jesus shows by His raised right hand and the way He is dressed that He is providing a *covenant relationship* in the messages of seven thunders. A cloud is the white raiment of His Righteousness and Priestly attire; the fire is the sealing, purifying effect of His Righteousness; and the rainbow represents the seven-fold covenant (Dan 9:24) as seen in the advancing colors of His Righteousness and promised restoration.

4. To show that He is in control of the last-day events, which He reads from the little book. (Rev 10:1)

We know that the seven thunders take place throughout the last-day events because the book is completely full and there is no more room to write anything more; we are at the end of the book! (Rev 5:1) The stage is set for "the concluding scenes" where Jesus "is acting in the closing scenes of the great controversy with Satan."

Twice our attention is also drawn to see that Jesus "cries with a loud voice." Speaking with a loud voice would imply the drowning out of other noises so that the attention of all would be on the words spoken. The description "loud voice" is used 12 times in the book of Revelation, and it appears that in this first paragraph our attention should be on the power and authority of Jesus' voice concerning the messages of the seven thunders. The little book in the Mighty Angel's hand is the book of Daniel. The word "Daniel" in Hebrew means the Mighty *Judge* of God (H1840, H1835, H410), which is an appropriate name for a book of prophecy whose primary fulfillment and purpose is to foretell the events during the judgment of the living. (Dan 8:14; Rev 10:6, 7; 11:1, 2) Thus, the main theme of the little book of judgment (the seven thunders) is found in the three angels' messages, and our attention is directed to the "loud voice" of the first angel; "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell

on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a **loud voice**, 'Fear God, and give glory to him; **for the hour of his judgment is come**: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.' (Rev 14:6, 7; See also Rev 11:1) During the last judgment, the test will be over *when, how, and who we worship*.

*We are also given the reasons why Jesus gives the seven thunders.*

(1) To show "the part which He is acting in the closing scenes of the great controversy with Satan."

(2) To show Jesus' "supreme power and authority over the whole earth." "The mighty Angel demands attention."

(3) Because "the masterly working of the powers of darkness shall reach their height."

(4) "Satan, united with evil men, will deceive the whole world and the churches who receive not the love of the truth."

(5) He is to show the power and authority of His voice to those who have united with Satan to oppose the truth."

## Paragraph 2

"After these seven thunders uttered their voices, the instruction comes to John as to Daniel in regard to the little book: "Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered." These *relate to future events* which will be disclosed in their order. Daniel shall stand in his lot at the end of the days. John sees the little book unsealed. *Then Daniel's prophecies have their proper place in the first, second, and third angels' messages to be given* to the world. The unsealing of the little book *was the message in relation to time*." {19MR 320.1}

I believe this second paragraph has the largest number of clues for finding what the seven thunders are. As we read and study this paragraph for the clues it contains, we should keep in mind that the subject of this entire paragraph is the seven thunders.

*Daniel was told to seal up* his book, "for at the time of the end shall be the vision." "Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation." "For the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end." "But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days." "When he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished." (Dan 8:17, 19; 12:9, 13, 7.)

*John was told to seal up* the seven thunders because the seven thunders were *already written*, —*in the little book of Daniel*, —*to be repeated as the seven thunders* (Rev 10:11), and because their events were for a living generation which is the last generation who would eat the little book of seven thunders, and would live through their events.

Our attention is first directed to the similarity of

the seven thunders shown to John and the book of Daniel both being sealed up (by Jesus) (Dan 12:5-7; Rev 10:1-6; 5:5-6). After drawing the parallel between Daniel and John (which is actually stating that they are one and that they interpret each other), Ellen White immediately states exactly what the seven thunders are. She is in the process of *unsealing the seven thunders* and also giving the primary reason for why *Daniel has a last-day (repeated) fulfillment!*

It is this similarity that provides us with the understanding that the little book in the Mighty Angel's hand which contains the seven thunders is the little book of Daniel. Plain and simple; the seven thunders are future events (future of EGW's writing, Aug. 16, 1900), but more correctly they relate to future events to be unfolded in a specific manner. (1) They relate to a specific order, (2) They relate to the giving of the three angels' messages of Revelation 14. (3) And they relate to the message in relation to time.

The subject is the seven thunders; therefore Daniel's prophecies, repeated as the seven thunders, have their fulfillment "at the end of the days." The previous paragraph tells us that **when** the Mighty Angel opens the little book of seven thunders, it "shows the part which **He is acting in the closing scenes of the great controversy with Satan**," —"the concluding scenes" and that ". . . He [Daniel] was given the blessed assurance that "at the end of the days" —in the closing period of this world's history— he would again be permitted to stand in his lot and place." {PK 547.1}

John sees the little book of Daniel unsealed as the seven thunders! Seventh-day Adventists have always taught that this *little book is Daniel*, but for some strange reason, have come short of stating that the little book of *Daniel also holds the mystery of the seven thunders*. Ellen White states here that the seven thunders and the little book of Daniel are one-and-the-same, —that the seven thunders is the repetition of Daniel!

It has always been taught that the symbolic year fulfillment, from BC 457 to 1844, is the proper place of the 2300 day prophecy (Dan 8:13-14). **But** this sentence says that the "proper place" of "Daniel's prophecies" is directly related to the seven thunders during the giving of the three angels' messages, "to be given [future] to the world," as last-day events.

Is there a conflict here? Is there a conflict between the historical prophecies of Daniel already fulfilled during the 2300 symbolic years **and** what is being taught here, that Daniel's prophecies "have their proper place" in the reality of the third angel's message, — fulfilled as last-day events? NO! Absolutely not! And this last sentence shows how we are to fit the past and the future fulfillments together.

Both of these first two paragraphs have consistently provided a look into the future. But this last sentence seemingly throws a couple of curves. We read that the unsealing of the little book of seven thunders "**was**" (1) "the message in relation to time" and

(2) this sentence is not so much future *as it is pointing to the prophetic past*; —the unsealing of the little book of Daniel “was”. . . (Question: If the seven thunders are yet future, why does it say that “the unsealing of the little book *was* the message in relation to time?”)

Why is the arrow “was” pointing us back into the history of Daniel? I see this one sentence and this one word as the greatest of the clues given in these paragraphs for the understanding of the seven thunders. There is no doubt from this statement that the seven thunders are seven future events and that the “little book” of Daniel has the seven events “sealed up” within its prophecies! How many events are in the book of Daniel? I don’t know, but there are a few more than seven! How then would we find the seven events? ***I believe it must be simple!*** The little book of Daniel’s prophecies and the little book of seven thunders are one-and-the-same!

The answer is shown when Ellen White places Daniel’s book of historical prophecies (the was) in the same paragraph as that of understanding the seven thundering future events. We can then safely conclude that to understand the seven thunders is to say that ***Daniel’s prophetic past must be repeated “again”*** (Rev 10:11; PK 547.1, 2) and that the 2300 symbolic years is a type and the repeated events and times of Daniel are interpreted as the future thundering events —***the antitype***.

I believe this last sentence of the second paragraph is worded specifically this way to show that it is virtually impossible to pick seven events out of the book of Daniel without using time as the template, —***specifically prophetic time!*** (There is no doubt in my mind that Ellen White sometimes wrote in the code of the prophets, Daniel and John, and that only the Holy Spirit of that code can and will reveal the final acts of redemption in the Heavenly Sanctuary to the last generation of saints, —“the wise will understand.” Dan 11:32, 33; 12:4, 10.)

Therefore, we understand that the symbolic years is ***the type***, and that it was set up (started) in Daniel’s time and had its fulfillment of times, events, and nations down through the centuries, (even the Messianic prophecy of the seventy weeks fulfilled to the appointed day) and was fixed in time by the guiding hands of Jesus and our Heavenly Father (Rev 5). This proves that it is a Divine plan and that its specifications cannot be changed! This plan was not manmade, nor has any man understood these prophecies except that he received insight from Heaven. The ***type of prophecy*** takes on the same attributes as the ***type of the Sanctuary***. It is a *representation*, an *illustration*, a *shadow* of last-day events. It prefigures what will be repeated in its more direct fulfillment, the antitype, and thus, the historical fulfillment guides the last generation through not only the events on earth, but also the events in the Heavenly Sanctuary concerning the closing acts of redemption.

Yes, the unsealing of the little book of Daniel was

a message in relation to time, —historically. Not only the 2300 symbolic years, but all the times of Daniel; the seventy weeks-of-years prophecy of the Messiah (490 years); the 1260 and 1290 years of papal supremacy; and the 1335 years covering the same time period, giving hope by heralding the end of the 2300 years, —the beginning of the cleansing of the sanctuary and the true understanding of the events of the Heavenly Sanctuary. And so we conclude—

**Yes, the unsealing of the little book of Daniel as the last-day events of the seven thunders is also going to be a message in relation to time.** Can the events be repeated and not the time? NO! In fact, further study into the appointed times of Daniel shows that they, according to God’s Law, will have a ***major role*** in the closing events on earth, as well as the closing events of redemption in the Heavenly Sanctuary! ***The repeated events of Daniel are the antitype!*** Daniel’s times were written in “days” so that ***the primary fulfillment is to be understood and fulfilled in literal days, not symbolic years. The symbolic years is a pattern; it is the template.*** The light of the *pattern* shines on and explains the repeated, more complete fulfillment, so that the last generation of saints will not be surprised and overwhelmed by the teachers of false prophecy, and in fact they will be ready to spring into action at the right moment, to play their parts in the final events of redemption.

### Paragraph 3

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

In paragraph 2 & 3 Ellen White shows that Daniel and Revelation are one by the way she goes back and forth between the two books, first John (the Revelation) then Daniel, then Revelation, then Daniel, back and forth; she shows the two books working together, Daniel a sealed prophecy, and ***Revelation the book which opens the seven thundering last-day prophecies of Daniel***. John heard and understood the mysteries of the seven thunders and he was about to write them, when he was stopped. It seems strange that John was permitted to eat the little book of seven thunders (Rev 10:8-10), but he was stopped from writing them down (Rev 10:4). **Why? —Because they were already written in the little book of Daniel.** Writing them again would serve no purpose; in fact it would detract from the glory of Jesus, guiding the last generation of saints in digging out of the little book of Daniel the seven thundering events which are to transpire while giving the three angels’ warning messages!

***John is a type of the last generation.*** The full knowledge of the little book of seven thunders will *not* be fully understood until the last generation *eats* the little book, meaning, until they make it a part of



their lives by living through the thunderous events of the *repeated* Daniel. This will be a bitter experience, but with the Holy Spirit's blessing it will become a purifying, saving experience for the saints.

#### Paragraph 4

"The special light given to John which was expressed in the seven thunders was a delineation of events which would transpire under the first and second angels' messages. It was not best for the people to know these things, for their faith must necessarily be tested. In the order of God most wonderful and advanced truths would be proclaimed. The first and second angels' messages were to be proclaimed, **but no further light was to be revealed before these messages had done their specific work**. This is represented by the Angel standing with one foot on the sea, proclaiming with a most **solemn oath** that **time should be no longer**." {19MR 320.3}

At first glance, it may appear that the generation of 1844 **could** have had the seven thunders fulfilled to them, but this cannot be true! In the second paragraph, the seven thunders are defined as future events when "**Daniel's prophecies have their proper place** in the first, second, and **third angels' messages** to be given to the world." The third angel's message is "If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God." (Rev 14:9, 10) The reality of the third angel's message was NOT given before or after 1844, for the last great test of worship has not yet come, as of this writing. Thus there was no possibility of the seven thunders being fulfilled at that time, **not unless** the last-day events portrayed in the whole of Revelation —and primarily chapters 13 through 18— were fulfilled also at that time.

(Some today teach that the seven thunders **had a fulfillment** to the generation of 1844 and they pick seven events leading up to 1844, which they feel best explains what might be the seven thunders. But this is not so and has no basis in Daniel and Revelation!)

It was not best for the generation of 1844 to know and teach the seven thunders, for their faith must be tested on *the last event* of Daniel's time prophecies, the *end event* of 2300 years. Although they understood the time correctly, they misunderstood the event. (On the other hand, because we, the last generation, understand the historical *type* of Daniel's prophecies, we will then be correct on the time and the event!)

In the order of God most wonderful and advanced truths would be proclaimed: the Sanctuary and its last-day events; the state of the dead; the Sabbath and it taught more fully; etc. But **no further light about the seven thunders** would be revealed until the first and second angels' messages had **finished their specific work**, and the third angel is poised and ready to proclaim His message. This is represented

by the Angel standing with one foot on the sea, proclaiming with a most solemn oath that time should be no longer. (Rev 10:6)

In the second paragraph we found the first reference to time, "The unsealing of the little book **was** the message in relation to time." In this fourth paragraph we find the principle used for defining the use of **prophetic time**, "proclaiming with a most **solemn oath** that **time should be no longer**." The next paragraph applies the principle to the **prophetic times** of Daniel in the *historical fulfillment*.

#### Paragraph 5

"This time, which the angel declares with a solemn oath, is not the end of this world's history, neither of probationary time, but of **prophetic time**, which should precede the advent of our Lord. That is, the people will not have another message upon *definite time*. After this *period of time*, reaching from 1842 to 1844, there can be no *definite tracing* of the **prophetic time**. The **longest reckoning** reaches to the autumn of 1844." {19MR 320.4}

Again we must remember that the subject of these seven paragraphs is the explanation of the seven thunders. Thus, the time which is used to explain the seven thunders "is not the end of this world's history, neither of probationary time, but of **prophetic time**." **What is "prophetic time?"** **Prophetic time** is the "longest" time prophecy in the book of Daniel, —the 2300 **symbolic years** "which reaches to the autumn of 1844."

This paragraph is an explanation that **prophetic time** is the day-for-a-year principle which **ended when the 2300 years ended**, October 22, 1844. It also shows us that the ending of **prophetic time** is very important, for Jesus "declares [it] with a solemn oath" to His people. When the Mighty Angel **ended prophetic time** in 1844, He **opened the way** for Daniel's *repeated prophecies* to be fulfilled in literal days, and then "**Daniel's prophecies have their proper place**" in **the antitype**. (Unfortunately, some are still using the day-for-a-year principle to define time in the last-day events.)

**Why does the Angel need to swear a solemn oath to make His point about time?** By placing the oath on time the Mighty Angel is placing His promise on the events of the times. **As** great emphasis was placed upon the last event of the 2300 years, **so** will the last event of the 2300 days be of great significance to the living saints. It appears that the reason for **the emphasis of the solemn oath** is to draw attention to the last great act in the plan of redemption, when the "mystery of God will be finished." This last great act is not the close of this world's history, nor of probationary time. Ellen White says it this way concerning the last great act: "[1] *The coming of Christ as our high priest to the most holy place, for the cleansing of the sanctuary, brought to view in Daniel 8:14; [2] the coming of the Son of man to the Ancient of Days, as presented in Daniel 7:13; [3] and the coming of the Lord to His*

temple, foretold by Malachi [Mal 3:1-5], ***are descriptions of the same event***; and this is also represented by [4] *the coming* of the bridegroom to the marriage, described by Christ in the parable of the ten virgins, of Matthew 25.” {GC 426.1} (Emphasis supplied.)

We may, at this point, understand that the oath not only includes the ending of the times and events of Daniel, but more so, that this is the oath He gives to His bride that they shall soon be with Him forever. The event takes place in the Heavenly Sanctuary a short time before Jesus is seen coming to earth. (There is no doubt that we see only the first glimmer of the brilliant rays of light to be given to the last-day saints who will understand the little book far better than we do now.)

In conclusion, this ***time which the angel declares with a solemn oath*** is not only the end of the ***use of prophetic time***, a-day-for-a-year, ***but as the little book of Daniel is repeated***, this ***time*** is—

(1) ***The end of the literal applied time*** prophecies, a-day-for-a-day, which is ***used*** to define the last-day seven thundering events;

(2) It is the ***end of time*** allotted for the plan of redemption; (not the close of probation)

(3) And it primarily ***foretells the last great event in the plan of redemption, —the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary and the marriage of the Lamb.***

## Paragraph 6

“The Angel’s position, with one foot on the sea, the other on the land, signifies the wide extent of the proclamation of the message. It will cross the broad waters and be proclaimed in other countries, even to all the world. ***The comprehension of truth, the glad reception of the message, is represented in the eating of the little book.*** The truth in regard to the time of the advent of our Lord ***was*** a precious message to our souls.” {19MR 321.1}

Again we must remember that the subject of these paragraphs is the seven thunders. The position of the Angel symbolizes “the wide extent of the proclamation of the message” of the seven thunders! This message must be of great importance, for the message of the seven thunders “will cross the broad waters [seas, oceans] and be proclaimed in other countries, even to all the [entire] world.”

***“The comprehension of truth, the glad reception of the message [of the seven thunders], is represented in the eating of the little book.”*** It is only possible for the last generation to eat the whole book of Daniel, which becomes a part of their physical being because they participate in its events!

“The truth in regard to the time of the advent of our Lord ***was*** a precious message to our souls.” Here is another use of the word “was.” Ellen White places her personal experience here to show that those who have the ***repeated experience of the seven thunders will also participate*** in “the truth in regard to the time of the advent of our Lord” which will be a “precious message to our souls.” Isn’t it interesting that she dwells on the “honey” aspect of the message of Daniel and not the “bitter?”

## Paragraph 7

***“The greatest work to be done in this life is to make preparation for the future life, for that life which measures with the life of God.*** A probation has been granted us that, notwithstanding the difficulties, we may cultivate virtues which shall carry us into the higher life. ***Pure love for one another is exercised by those who are partakers of the divine nature.***” {19MR 321.2} (This paragraph only in 19MR.)

***What is the purpose of the seven thunders to those who see their value?***

- \* ***To make preparation*** for the future life.
- \* ***A life which measures*** with the life of God.  
—notwithstanding the difficulties—
- \* ***We may cultivate virtues*** which shall carry us into the higher life.
- \* ***Pure love for one another is exercised by those who are partakers of the divine nature.***

Truly, this is an inspired revelation from the throne of ***our Father***, as foretold by ***the Mighty Angel*** in the little book of seven thunders, telling of glories to come through the final acts of redemption in the Heavenly Sanctuary by our great High Priest living in our lives through ***the Holy Spirit, —the daily!***

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The first six paragraphs can also be found in the *SDA Bible Commentary*, Vol. 7, in the Ellen White section of Revelation 10, —7BC 971.3-971.8. (It appears that these paragraphs were written Aug. 16, 1900, and were filed in a section of Ms 59, 1900 (pp. 8, 9), called “*Jots and Tittles, II*” under the subheading “*Daniel and Revelation*,” and partially released in *Manuscript 1*, May 4, 1950 for a Seminary class in Revelation (Andrews University) {1MR 99.1-100.1}. It was later released again with the seventh paragraph August 4, 1988. Entire Ms. {19MR 319.3-332.2}.

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# Ellen White and Literal Time in the Last Day Events

Commentary by Patrick McCoy

Ellen White was shown in dreams and visions starting shortly after 1844 that the 2300 years was *a type* of what was to have a more complete fulfillment during the last-day events, —*the antitype*. I believe this is shown in the following statements placing the 2300 days in the future as well as with *all the events and times* of Daniel chapters 7-12, showing that it is the Mighty Angel, Christ, who is in control of the last-day events.

*Please*, take a moment to pray before reading the following. Great subjects of the Spirit cannot be understood without the enlightenment given with the Holy Spirit's Guidance. *Prejudice blinds the mind, and keeps it from understanding great truths!* —*May God Our Father Bless!*

## Statement #1

“Honored by men with the responsibilities of state and with the secrets of kingdoms bearing universal sway, Daniel was honored by God as His ambassador, and was given many revelations of the mysteries of ages to come. His wonderful prophecies, as recorded by him in **chapters 7 to 12** of the book bearing his name, were not fully understood even by the prophet himself; but before his life labors closed, he was given the blessed assurance that **“at the end of the days”** —*in the closing period of this world's history*— he would *again be permitted to stand in his lot and place*. It was not given him to understand all that God had revealed of *the divine purpose*. “Shut up the words, and seal the book,” he was directed concerning his prophetic writings; these were to be sealed “even to *the time of the end*.” “Go thy way, Daniel,” the angel *once more directed* the faithful messenger of Jehovah; “for the words are closed up and sealed till *the time of the end*. . . . Go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot *at the end of the days*.” Daniel 12:4, 9, 13.

“As we near the close of this world's history, the prophecies recorded by Daniel demand our special attention, as they relate to the very time in which we are living. With them should be linked the teachings of the last book of the New Testament Scriptures. Satan has led many to believe that the prophetic portions of the writings of Daniel and of John the revelator cannot be understood. But the promise is plain that special blessing will accompany the study of these prophecies. *“The wise shall understand”* (verse 10), was spoken of the visions of Daniel that were to be unsealed in the latter days; and of the revelation that Christ gave to His servant John for the guidance of God's people all through the centuries, the promise is, “Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein.” Revelation 1:3.” {PK 547.1, 2} (Emphasis supplied.)

Although Daniel was a valuable man in the three kingdoms he served, his primary focus throughout his life was on his calling, to be an ambassador for the

God of Heaven. He “was given many revelations of *the mysteries* of ages to come” “as recorded by him in chapters 7 to 12.” These chapters are considered to be the *prophetic chapters* of his book and Ellen White *is being specific in calling attention to them*. Daniel did not at first understand the mysteries revealed in the visions he was asked to write down, which often resulted in physical illness as he struggled to understand. Dan 7:28; 8:27. “But before his life labors closed, he was given the blessed assurance that **“at the end of the days”** —*in the closing period of this world's history*— he would *again be permitted to stand in his lot and place*.” The explanation and the *placement in time* of his prophecies was revealed to Daniel. He wrote them down so that we too will have this knowledge as we study his book.

*“At the end of the days”* is a phrase taken from the last verse of Daniel which is the explanation given to Daniel of the *proper placement in time* of his visions, “But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, *and stand in thy lot at the end of the days*.” Dan 12:13. This is “the man clothed in linen” —Jesus, who is speaking to Daniel. Dan 12: 6, 7.

I believe that Daniel knew that the *visions of time* had a placement in what we call the symbolic years, ending in 1844. Two of the reasons Daniel believed these *time prophecies* would be fulfilled in YEARS was (1) the fact that the 2300 days could **not** be fulfilled *as literal days* in Daniel's time for if they had a starting place in his time (as did the nations of the same prophecies), they would have ended long before the end of his life. (2) Coupled with that is the explanation of *the 70 weeks*, which *began* at the same time the 2300 years began. Daniel gives to us the understanding he received from Gabriel; the Hebrew meaning is **“a week (specifically, of years)”** [*Strong's Hebrew* number H7620; Dan 9:24; and is literally read *seventy weeks-of-years*] Thus, Daniel knew that the prophecies he was writing would be fulfilled hundreds and thousands of years into the future. (The disciples knew this also (Luke 21:24); they knew exactly where they were in Daniel's time prophecies!) —That being said, there is another side to this coin and Daniel knew it. From the beginning to the end of his visions, Daniel became *increasingly confused* because even though he knew the time had a fulfillment as years, he kept hearing from Gabriel and Jesus that these same prophecies were to have their placement “at the time of the end” “at the end of the days.” Dan 8:17; 12:13. This confusion is still alive and well today among the last generation and it should not be so! For Ellen White clarifies this statement of Daniel to mean—

—*In the closing period of this world's history*—  
The dashes on both ends of this statement are used to



give added clarification to the previous phrase. How are we to understand the phrase “**at the end of the days?**” She explains that it means “**in the closing period of this world’s history!**” Should we then conclude that the *closing period* is the ending of the 2300 symbolic years and associated times/events of 1844? **NO!** The end of the symbolic years was **not** “**the close of this world’s history!**” In context, Ellen White places Daniel’s *repeated* prophecies in the future of her writing. “**As we near the close of this world’s history, the prophecies recorded by Daniel demand our special attention, as they relate to the very time in which we are living.**” (Ellen White often placed herself among the last generation and last day events in her writings.)

**“He would again be permitted to stand in his lot and place.”** This is an interesting statement because we find that this is exactly what Scripture says about the *repeating of the little book of Daniel*. “And [the Mighty Angel, Jesus] said unto [the last generation], **Thou must prophesy again** before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.” Rev 10:11.

**Again** —*pal’-in*; *Strong’s Greek* number G3825; Rev 10:11; anew, back, once more, furthermore or on the other hand, to vibrate through the idea of oscillatory repetition, again. Root G906 to throw, more or less violent or intense. See also G3823 to wrestle.

**Must**—*dei*; The Mighty Angel says, “Thou **must** prophesy” —*Strong’s Greek* number G1163; Rev 10:11; it is necessary—as in binding, behooved, needs, needful. Root G1210 to bind, to be betrothed, to pledge to give oneself in marriage.

Another observation is seen in the phrase “permitted to stand in his lot **and place**.” The text being referred to is Daniel 12:13, “But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, **and stand in thy lot** at the end of the days.” Scripture does **not** say “**and place**.” It appears that Ellen White is *again* emphasizing that the *little book of Daniel will be repeated* “**as we near the close of this world’s history**.” Daniel will have his place “**at the end of the days**.” This is the very reason why she also states “Then Daniel’s prophecies **have their proper place** in the first, second, and third angels’ messages **to be given** to the world.” {7BC 971.4}

“The book that was sealed was not the book of Revelation, but that *portion of the prophecy of Daniel* which related to the last days. . . The book of Daniel is now unsealed, and the revelation made by Christ to John is to come to all the inhabitants of the earth. By the increase of knowledge [from Daniel] a people is to be prepared to stand in the latter days.” {2SM 105.1}

“We are standing on the threshold of great and solemn events. Many of the prophecies are about to be fulfilled in quick succession. Every element of power is about to be set to work. **Past history will be repeated**; old controversies will arouse to new life, and peril will beset God’s people on every side. Intensity is taking hold of the human family. It is permeat-

ing everything upon the earth. . . . {TM 116.2}

[What kind of *past history* will be repeated? ~**Prophetic history!**~ For she continues to explain—]

“Study **Revelation** in connection with **Daniel, for history will be repeated** . . . . We, with all our religious advantages, ought to know far more today [about *repeated prophetic history*] than we do know.” {TM 116.3}

This last observation takes note of the list of phrases Ellen White quotes which are given as evidence for **when** Daniel “would **again** be permitted to stand in his lot and place” “in the closing period of this world’s history.” “**Shut up the words, and seal the book**,” he was directed concerning his prophetic writings; these were to be sealed “**even to the time of the end**.” “**Go thy way, Daniel**,” the angel once more directed the faithful messenger of Jehovah; “for the words are closed up and sealed **till the time of the end**. . . . Go thou thy way **till the end be**: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot **at the end of the days**.” Dan 12:4, 9, 13. (See also Dan 8:17, 19, 26; 9:26, 27; 10:14; 11:27, 35, 40.

There is a surprisingly large number of people who have *accepted* that the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation will be repeated, **but they restrict** in various ways what they feel doesn’t fit. Some even split the visions of Daniel stating that his first vision(s) are *separate* from the last, concluding that the 2300 days is to be understood **only as years**, and the *times of Daniel 12* (1260; 1290; 1335) are to be interpreted **only as literal days fulfilled in the last days**. But, we should note in these statements that there are *no limits set* upon Daniel (or Revelation), *events or time*, as to *what will or will not be repeated*. There are no limits set on *specific verses*; nor do these statements *exclude* any of the prophecies, or *parts of a prophecy such as the time elements*.

**There is so much in these two paragraphs which lead us to answers found in both Daniel and Revelation. Our study, as a whole, brings us to the understanding that the little book of Daniel will be repeated as the seven thunders** in the last days of earth’s history. **We are Daniel! We are John!** Pray that we are chosen to take part in these prophecies as they are repeated to the world with the three angels’ messages, to be betrothed with *the oath* of “blessed assurance” that *the Mighty Angel will re-create our soul temple in His image*.

“It was not given [Daniel] to understand **all** that God had revealed [in his prophecies] of *the divine purpose*,” but it is given to the last generation of saints who find it wise **to watch the movements of the Mighty Angel in the Heavenly Sanctuary and move with Him!**

## Statement #2

“In the Scriptures are presented truths that relate especially to our own time. To the **period just prior** to the



appearing of the Son of man, the prophecies of Scripture point, and here their warnings and threatenings *pre-eminently apply*. **The prophetic periods of Daniel, extending to the very eve of the great consummation, throw a flood of light upon events then to transpire.** The book of Revelation is also replete with warning and instruction for the last generation. The beloved John, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, *portrays the fearful and thrilling scenes connected with the close of earth's history*, and presents the duties and dangers of God's people. None need remain in ignorance, none need be unprepared for the coming of the day of God." {RH Sept. 25, 1883 par. 6} (Emphasis supplied.)

The phrase "to the period just prior to the appearing of the Son of man" might be understood as a *general, unspecified period of time* just before Jesus second coming. But this is not the case here, is it?

Writing specifically, so that we may clearly understand, Ellen White clarifies that "the prophetic periods of Daniel" "extend to the very eve of the great consummation." (The word *consummation* is used only one time in the Bible, Dan 9:27, which in context is connected to the shortest time period of Daniel, the seventy weeks, verse 24, *in effect, specifically placing it in last-day events.*)

And then, so that we understand the reason for why Daniel's *time periods* are used in the last-day events, Ellen White states that "the prophetic periods [plural] of Daniel" "throw a flood of light upon events then to transpire," "with warning and instruction for the last generation," which "portrays the fearful and thrilling scenes connected with the close of earth's history, and presents the duties and dangers of God's people."

**"None need remain in ignorance,  
none need be unprepared  
for the coming of the day of God."**

"Study Revelation in connection with Daniel,  
for history will be repeated.

**... We, with all our religious advantages,  
ought to know far more today than we do know.**

"Angels desire to look into the truths that are revealed to the people who with contrite hearts are searching the word of God and praying for greater lengths and breadths and depths and heights of *the knowledge which He alone can give.*" {TM 116.3, 4}

The prophetic time *periods* of Daniel with "their warnings and threatenings *pre-eminently apply*"\*\* to "the last generation." That is to say, they are notable above, even surpassing the historical prophecies, — that's because they take *their proper place of fulfillment as last-day events*. Their last-day fulfillment is *the antitype* and is therefore superior, and surpassing their historical counterpart prophecies in meaning and fulfillment — which was *the type*.

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** *Pre-eminently apply*: Superior in excellence; or notable above all others; outstanding. Distinguished for

something commendable or honorable. More important, skillful, or successful. *Webster's 1828 Dictionary.*

What are the prophetic periods of Daniel?

2300 days —Dan 8:14

70 weeks (490 days) —Dan 9:24-27

1260 days —Dan 7:25; 12:7

1290 days —Dan 12:11

1335 days —Dan 12:12

Statement #3

¶1 "A wonderful connection is seen between the universe of heaven and this world. The things revealed to Daniel were afterward complemented by the revelation made to John on the Isle of Patmos. These two books should be carefully studied. **Twice** Daniel inquired, **How long shall it be to the end of time?** {TM 114.6}

¶2 "And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? And He said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but *the wise shall understand.* And from the time that the 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. But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the days." [Dan 12:8-13 quoted] {TM 115.1}

¶3 "It was the Lion of the tribe of Judah who unsealed the book [of Daniel] and gave to John the revelation of what should be in these last days. RH, Feb 18, 1890. {TM 115.2}

¶4 "Daniel stood in his lot to bear his testimony which was sealed until the time of the end, when the first angel's message should be proclaimed to our world. These matters are of infinite importance in these last days; but while "many shall be purified, and made white, and tried," "the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand." [Dan 12:10] How true this is! Sin is the transgression of the law of God; and those who will not accept the light in regard to the law of God will not understand the proclamation of the first, second, and third angel's messages. The book of Daniel is unsealed in the revelation to John, and carries us forward to the last scenes of this earth's history. {TM 115.3}

¶5 "Will our brethren bear in mind that we are living amid the perils of the last days? Read Revelation in connection with Daniel. Teach these things." RH, Feb 18, 1890. {TM 115.4} (Emphasis supplied.)

As Christians, we are tired of this world of sin, so it is easy for our attention to be drawn to the *all important question* which we would love to have answered, "**How long**" will it be till we can go home to our Heavenly home? The disciples asked Jesus this question after He foretold the destruction of the temple.

Matt 23:37, 38. “Tell us, **when** shall these things be? and *what* shall be *the sign* of thy coming, and of *the end of the world?*” Matt 24:1-3.

How Long—

The first paragraph teaches us that Revelation complements Daniel. It is of infinite importance to us because the question regarding **remaining time** is not only used *twice* in Daniel (12:6 & 8:13), but *twice* in Revelation (6:10 & 10:6). The question is, **How long shall it be to the end of time?** The answer of *how long* is given in the next paragraph (¶2) and quotes two of the three *time periods* in Daniel 12, —the 1290 days and the 1335 days. We then conclude that Ellen White was NOT writing about the symbolic years, for the symbolic years only answer the question of *the end of prophetic time* (a-day-for-a-year), and *do not answer* the question, “**to the end of time.**” Furthermore, the symbolic years were completed (1290 years = 1798 / 1335 years = 1843) more than 45 years prior to this writing (1890) and throughout these paragraphs she is continually pointing forward from her time “to the last scenes of this earth’s history” as *the end of time*. (The third *time prophecy* of Daniel 12, the 1260 days, (*time, times, and a half*) is found in verse 7, and also answers the question **how long**. “When he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, **all these things shall be finished.**” See also Dan 7:25, 26.)

All indicators in these paragraphs for answering the question **how long** are pointing us to the future, during the last-day events when it can truly be said that “the time of the end” is “at the end of the days.” Dan 12:6, 9, 13. Therefore, the answers which are given in literal time in the book of Daniel (and Revelation), “**carries us forward** to the last scenes of this earth’s history.”

Twice—

Ellen White states that “**twice Daniel inquired, How long**” and in Daniel 12 she answers the question **how long** by quoting the 1290 days and the 1335 days, and by association the 1260 days.

We are left to search out for ourselves the other reference in Daniel where **how long** is asked. We find it in Daniel 8:13, 14. “**How long** shall be the vision concerning the *daily* sacrifice, and *the transgression of desolation*, to give both the *sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot*? And he said unto me, **Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.**”

The answers given in Daniel 8 and Daniel 12 are different time lengths, yet by context they are foretelling the same end-time events, —for the circumstances are the same! The *daily*, the (*transgression*) *abomination* of desolation, the *sanctuary* trodden under foot, and the *host* (*the holy people*) persecuted.

The sanctuary has NOT yet been cleansed; this is still a future event in the final atonement of sin, on the last Day of Atonement.

The End of Time—

It is also interesting to note that Ellen White takes this opportunity to clarify the question in Daniel 12:6 KJV, “How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?” **by paraphrasing**, “How long shall it be to the end of time?” Therefore, the answer she quotes gives both the events, *as well as the times!*

The River of Time—

In the vision of Daniel 7, Daniel is in bed, when he is taken into vision and *placed at the seashore* where he sees four beasts *coming up out of the sea*. Dan 7:1-3.

The answer of **how long** has a unique relationship with the rivers where Daniel had these visions. Daniel is standing by **the river Ulai** when he was given the vision of the ram, the goat, and the 2300 days. Dan 8:2. Again, Daniel finds himself **by a river**, the **Hiddekel**, when receiving the vision he calls “the great vision.” (Dan 11 & 12; Dan 10:4, 8.) In this last vision Daniel sees two angels, each standing on opposite banks of the river. Dan 12:5. Then Daniel sees something remarkable; there is a man clothed in linen, **Jesus, who is walking on the river, symbolizing that He is in control of the river of prophetic time.** Daniel understands that this river is related to the *times* of the vision (Dan 11:27, 29, 31, 35.), and seizes the opportunity to ask his question, **How long shall it be to the end of time?** Dan 12:6. (It appears that Jesus, the Angel standing on the river, is directing the circumstances so that Daniel is thinking of the time of the vision *in relation to the river* on which He is standing.)

Daniel receives his answer, but in the process of hearing the answer, he is witness to a very special act. Daniel witnesses Jesus swearing an oath “**by him that liveth for ever,**” —His Father and Himself. Dan 12:7 (John also sees this; Rev 4:9, 10; 5:13; 10:6.) By this act of swearing an oath, with both hands raised to His Father’s throne, Jesus testifies to Daniel, and to us, that we can count on these prophecies being fulfilled by the guiding hand of the throne of God. Jesus is again saying, “I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be.” Dan 8:19.

“The light that Daniel received from God was *given especially for these last days*. The visions he saw by the banks of **the Ulai and the Hiddekel**, the great rivers of Shinar, are now in process of fulfillment, and **all the events foretold will soon come to pass.**”

“Consider the circumstances of the Jewish nation when the prophecies of Daniel were given.” {TM 112.3-113.1}

We witness often how the books of Daniel and Revelation work together explaining the plan of salvation and for the glory of our Heavenly Father, who through Jesus interacts among the nations and the church to the end of the great controversy. We see this interaction between the two books concerning *the end of the river of prophetic time*. Jesus, the Mighty Angel of Revelation 10, has the little book of Daniel in His

hands. Where is Jesus standing? —At the *end of the river of prophetic time*, with “his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth.” Rev 10:1, 2. (He even brings the covenant of Daniel with Him. Dan 9:24.) Now we see Jesus “lift up his [right] hand to heaven” (the little book of Daniel is in His left hand) and “swears by him that *liveth for ever and ever* (Dan 12:7), who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, **that there should be time no longer.**” Rev 10:6. {See the next statement below: 7BC 971.7}

Although we understand that the ending of the *symbolic river of time* is the completion of the day-for-a-year prophecies, we will soon see another fulfillment of these time prophecies when the little book of Daniel *repeats* (Rev 10:11) its prophetic periods, —*fulfilled as the seven thundering last-day events*.

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**PS:** In *Testimonies to Ministers* (published 1923) (the above statement) Daniel 12:8-13 is quoted with the times 1290 and 1335 days, which answers the question “how long shall it be to the end of time.” **But** in the new *Manuscript Release* (published 1990) of these paragraphs the question is NOT answered because verses 11 & 12 **are . . . left out!** {18MR 15.1}

## Statement #4

¶2 “. . . the seven thunders . . . relate to future events which will be disclosed in their order. Daniel shall stand in his lot (teach the seven thunders) *at the end of the days*. John sees the little book (of Daniel) unsealed (future of this writing, 1900). Then Daniel’s prophecies (understood as the seven thunders) **have their proper place** in the first, second, and third angels’ messages **to be given** (as last-day events) to the world. *The unsealing of the little book* (of Daniel) was (and still is) *the message in relation to time.*” {7BC 971.4} (MS 59, 1900, pp. 8, 9.) (Emphasis supplied.)

This is the second paragraph of seven which was written fifty-six years after the last fulfillment of the symbolic time prophecies (2300 years) of the *little book* of Daniel. (Note page 11 for all paragraphs.) Daniel’s prophecies are an outline of events which were structured in symbolic time, a-day-for-a-year.

¶4 “. . . This is represented by the angel standing with one foot on the sea, proclaiming with a most solemn oath that time should be no longer.” {7BC 971.6}

A partial fulfillment is expressed here by only showing Jesus’ right foot on the sea (not included here is His left foot on the land), and proclaiming by oath “*that time should be no longer.*” **What kind of time ends?** The *subject* in these paragraphs is *time* which is related to understanding the book of Daniel (and the seven thunders), therefore, that time would relate to the prophecies of Daniel. The next paragraph gives the explanation. . .

¶5 “This *time*, which the angel declares with a solemn oath, is not the end of this world’s history, neither

probationary time, but of prophetic time, which should precede the advent of our Lord. That is, the people will not have another message upon definite time. After this *period of time*, reaching from 1842 to 1844, there can be no definite tracing of the prophetic time. The longest reckoning reaches to the autumn of 1844.” {7BC 971.7}

I believe that this is the most misused paragraph in Ellen White’s writings! If we understand what the subject of this paragraph is, prophetic time, then we will not misunderstand the meaning of this paragraph. The definition of prophetic time is given as “The longest reckoning reaches to the autumn of 1844.” Thus, prophetic time is the symbolic time which was used to explain the 2300 **years**, starting in BC 457 and ending October 22, 1844. We can then understand that when “Daniel’s prophecies (understood as the seven thunders) **have their proper place** in the first, second, and third angels’ messages to be given (as last-day events) to the world,” that prophetic time, a-day-for-a-year, will NOT be used. We can then conclude that in the repeated prophecies of Daniel, in the antitype, a-day-for-a-day is to be used to give His prophecies the structure of what and when Christ is doing for the last generation!

It is necessary for the symbolic prophetic time of the type, a-day-for-a-year, **to end** —so that the literal time prophecies of the antitype can **begin** the last-day events of the seven thunders.

## Statement #5

“Dear Brother Eli Curtis; . . .

“The Lord has shown me in vision, that Jesus rose up, and shut the door, and entered the Holy of Holies, at the 7th month 1844; but Michael’s standing up (Dan. 12:1) to deliver his people, is in the future. {WLF 12.4}

“This will not take place, until Jesus has finished his priestly office in the Heavenly Sanctuary, and lays off his priestly attire, and puts on his most kingly robes, and crown, to ride forth on the cloudy chariot, to “thresh the heathen in anger,” and deliver his people. [Hab 3:12] {WLF 12.5}

“Then Jesus will have the sharp sickle in his hand, (Rev. 14:14) and then the saints will cry day and night to Jesus on the cloud, to thrust in his sharp sickle and reap. {WLF 12.6}

“*This will be the time of Jacob’s trouble*, (Jer. 30:5-8) out of which, the saints will be delivered by the voice of God. {WLF 12.7}

“***I believe the Sanctuary, to be cleansed at the end of the 2300 days, is the New Jerusalem Temple, of which Christ is a minister.*** The Lord shew me in vision, more than one year ago [1846], that Brother Crosier had the true light, on the cleansing of the Sanctuary, &c; and that it was His will, that Brother C. should write out the view which he gave us in the *Day-Star, Extra*, February 7, 1846. I feel fully authorized by the Lord, to recommend that *Extra*, to every saint. {WLF 12.8}

“***I pray that these lines may prove a blessing to you,***



*and all the dear children who may read them.”* {WLF 12.9} April 21, 1847. (Emphasis supplied.)

A letter, written to Eli Curtis by Ellen White, was included in the little pamphlet *A Word to the Little Flock* which was circulated soon after the disappointment of 1844 to give hope to the Advent people by stating the reasons for misunderstanding the event. Ellen White has a few issues with Brother Curtis and points out some things she agrees with and some things she disagrees with. Each paragraph presents events which are yet future in the placement of last-day events. Then she states what she believes: that the Heavenly Sanctuary is to be cleansed at the end of the **2300 days!**

It is clear to me that she can only be talking about the *repeated* prophecies of Daniel in **literal days** for she well knew that the Heavenly Sanctuary was **NOT** cleansed at the end of the 2300 symbolic years of **prophetic time**. In this letter, she places the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary with the very last events of time, —during the time of Jacob’s trouble, when Michael stands up and lays off His priestly attire, puts on His kingly robes in preparation for coming to the earth, and the saints are delivered by the voice of the Father. **Absolutely amazing!** Ellen White knew about the *repeating of the little book of Daniel*, the ending of prophetic time, —the years, and the use of literal time in days for the completion of redemption by Christ in the Heavenly Sanctuary more than a year **before** the writing to Brother Curtis, April 21, 1847, —1846. And this, in fact, is the very point that the generation of 1844 misunderstood, for Ellen White says, “It was not best for the people [of 1844] to know these things [the repeating of Daniel as the seven thunders], for their faith must necessarily be tested. In the order of God most wonderful and advanced truths would be proclaimed. The first and second angels’ messages were to be proclaimed, but no further light [on the seven thunders] was to be revealed before these messages [the first and second angels] had done their *specific work*.” (Seven thunders, ¶4 of 7BC 971; pg. 11)

If we then believe the knowledge of *the seven thunders* is beginning to be understood (not yet the fulfillment), then that would very well **place us on the very door step of the reality of the third angel’s message!**

## Statement #6

“Jesus did not come to the earth as the waiting, joyful company expected, to cleanse the sanctuary by purifying the earth by fire. I saw that they were **correct in their reckoning of the prophetic periods; prophetic time closed in 1844, and Jesus entered the most holy place to cleanse the sanctuary at the ending of the days.**” {EW 243.2} (Emphasis supplied.)

- **Where did Jesus move to after 1844?** —*The Most Holy Place of the Heavenly Sanctuary.*
- **What is the final act He is to complete?** —The cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary from the sins of the repentant saints.

- **When will this act be finished?** —At the end of the 2300 literal days. “Unto two thousand and three hundred days [24 hour creation days]; then shall the *sanctuary be cleansed.*” Dan 8:14

## Statement #7

“How important, then, that every mind contemplate often the solemn scene **when the judgment shall sit** [Dan 7:9-14] and the books shall be opened, when, with Daniel, **every individual must stand in his lot, at the end of the days.**” [Dan 12:13] {Ev 221.3} (Emphasis supplied.)

This “solemn scene” is the time of judgment for the living, when the **color coded seven-fold everlasting covenant** is made with a very special group at “the ending of the [2300] days?” Dan 9:24, 4; Rev 10:1.

1. To finish the transgression
2. To make an end of sins
3. To make reconciliation for iniquity
4. To bring in everlasting righteousness
5. To seal up the vision
6. To seal up the prophecy
7. To anoint the Most Holy.

To Philadelphia Jesus writes, “Him that overcometh will I *make a pillar* in the temple of my God, and he shall go no more out: and I will write upon him *the name of my God, and the name of the city of my God*, which is new Jerusalem, which cometh down out of heaven from my God: and *I will write upon him my new name.*” Rev 3:12.

## Statement #8

[1] *The coming* of Christ as our high priest to the most holy place, for the cleansing of the sanctuary, brought to view in Daniel 8:14; [2] *the coming* of the Son of man to the Ancient of Days, as presented in Daniel 7:13; [3] and *the coming* of the Lord to His temple, foretold by Malachi [Mal 3:1-5], **are descriptions of the same event**; and this is also represented by [4] *the coming* of the bridegroom to the marriage, described by Christ in the parable of the ten virgins, of Matthew 25. {GC 426.1} (Emphasis supplied.)

I believe this paragraph to be the most important explanation of last-day events given to the last generation!

The *events and times* of this paragraph will have **their more direct application in the very near future, and will take place among the seven thunders.**

When we as a people **truly understand** what this paragraph means as it relates to events on earth and events in the Heavenly Sanctuary, **we will no longer be asleep!** (Matt 25:1-13.)

## Statement #9

“As a people, we should be *earnest students of prophecy*; we should not rest until we become intelligent in regard to the subject of the sanctuary, which is brought out in the visions of Daniel and John. This subject sheds great light on our present position and work, and gives us unmistakable proof that God has **led us in our past**



experience. It explains our disappointment in 1844, showing us that the sanctuary to be cleansed was not the earth, as we had supposed, but that Christ then entered into the most holy apartment of the heavenly sanctuary, and is there performing the closing work of His priestly office, in fulfillment of the words of the angel to the prophet Daniel, “Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.” {RH, November 27, 1883 par. 9} {Ev 222.3}

“Our faith in reference to the messages of the first, second, and third angels was correct. *The great waymarks we have passed are immovable.* Although the hosts of hell may try to tear them from their foundation, and triumph in the thought that they have succeeded, yet they do not succeed. These pillars of truth stand firm as the eternal hills, unmoved by all the efforts of men combined with those of Satan and his host. We can learn much, and should be constantly searching the Scriptures to see if these things are so. *God’s people are now to have their eyes fixed on the heavenly sanctuary, where the final ministration of our great High Priest in the work of the judgment is going forward, —where He is interceding for His people.*” {RH, November 27, 1883 par. 10} {Ev 223.1} (Emphasis supplied.)

The subject of these two paragraphs is that “we become **intelligent** in regard to the *subject of the sanctuary*, which is brought out in the visions of Daniel and John”. . . . that we “are now to have [our] eyes fixed on the heavenly sanctuary, where the *final* ministration of our great High Priest in the work of the judgment is going forward.”

**Twice** the question is asked in Daniel, “**How long**” will it be to the end of time? (Dan 8:13; 12:6) Here, Ellen White quotes the other one of those answers. (See Statement #3.) Why? Because the final work of judgment performed by Jesus in the Heavenly Sanctuary involves *a work of preparation for and by the living saints*, and Jesus gives the time table of events so that they will be prepared for their final judgment; so that they will be able to stand. (Rev 6:17; 20:12; 15:2.) “Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.” Amos 3:7

**Praise God for such clarity, —for His love!** Christ is in the Heavenly Sanctuary “performing the closing work of His priestly office, in fulfillment of the words of the angel to the prophet Daniel, “Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.” (Dan 8:14) Jesus did not perform this work in 1844, but at that time went into the last and final phase of atonement. It is during the last events of earth’s history that Jesus will finish the last Atonement, on the last Day of Atonement at the end of the 2300 literal day prophecy! (Rev 10:7.)

“We can learn much, and should be constantly searching the Scriptures to see if these things are so.”

## Statement #10

“We are not of that *class who define the exact period of time* that shall elapse before the coming of Jesus the

second time with power and great glory. Some have set a time, and when that has passed, their presumptuous spirits have not accepted rebuke, but they have set another and another time; but many successive failures have stamped them as false prophets. “The secret things belong unto the Lord our God; but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children forever.” [Deut. 29:29] Notwithstanding the fact that there are false prophets, there are also those who are preaching the truth as pointed out in the Scriptures. With deep earnestness, with honest faith, prompted by the Holy Spirit, they are stirring minds and hearts by showing them that we are living near the second coming of Christ, but the day and hour of His appearing are beyond the ken of man; for “of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels of heaven, but My Father only.” [Matt. 24:36]

“**But there is a day that God hath appointed for the close of this world’s history. . . .**” [March 21, 1895.] {FE 335.1, 2} (Emphasis supplied.)

Ellen White was not of that generation “who define *the exact period of time* that shall elapse before the coming of Jesus the second time,” for Jesus did not cleanse the Heavenly Sanctuary in 1844. But it was her generation who defined the appointed time of the type of Daniel’s prophecies, who foretold *the end of symbolic time*, —a-day-for-a-year. Unfortunately, many did not accept the new truth about the Heavenly Sanctuary and continued to set time for the second coming of Jesus.

But there is a “class” of people —*the last generation*— who will “define the exact period of time that shall elapse before the coming of Jesus.” They will understand (Dan 11:32; 12:3, 10.) the meaning of the 2300 symbolic year type, and will properly interpret and teach the meaning of the 2300 literal day antitype, its *events*, its *times*, and its *appointed days*, in preparation to stand during the last acts of redemption.

Isn’t it interesting that **ancient Israel** was deceived by the same misunderstandings of time and events concerning the coming of Jesus!

## Statement #11

“Such subjects as [1] the sanctuary, in connection with [2] the 2300 days, [3] the commandments of God and [4] the faith of Jesus, are perfectly calculated to explain the past Advent movement and show what our present position is, establish the faith of the doubting, and give certainty to the glorious future. These, I have frequently seen, were the principal subjects on which *the messengers* should dwell.” {EW 63.2} (Emphasis supplied.)

This statement should now reveal more of Christ and His Righteousness than we have ever seen before. There is no doubt that the Sanctuary shows its connection to the 2300 symbolic years, and displays the working out of the plan of Redemption. The grand design of God tells of His love in **the type and the antitype** of the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation, and it is in the final *repeated* fulfillments that we see

the finishing of *the Last Great Day of Atonement*. When we eat of the little book of Daniel during the last seven thundering events we will “*give certainty to the glorious future.*”

The *messengers* are *not* the *sleeping wise*; and of course, they are *not* the *sleeping foolish*. *They are wide awake and it is they who herald the events of the Heavenly Sanctuary!* Matt 25:1-13.

## Statement #12

A serious question must be asked concerning the following section. Can this section in *Early Writings*, *End of the 2300 Days*, be *entirely applied* to the events and time leading up to and including 1844? The Heavenly Sanctuary was *not* cleansed in 1844; therefore *the wedding could not have been completed* at that time or for that generation. That would mean that *the cleansing and the wedding are still future*, and are to take place with these other last-day events, *completing the plan of salvation at the “End of the 2300 Days!”* The setting of these paragraphs is among last-day events, when “an exceeding bright light” *explains the cleansing and the wedding, during a time when Satan is impersonating Christ here on earth*. We often assume that this section is showing events associated with the end of the 2300 *symbolic years*, but is that what is being said here?

The section titles *before* and *after* the *End of the 2300 Days* section are—

- *The Last Plagues and the Judgment*  
and

- *Duty in View of the Time of Trouble*—

*which demonstrates that this section is taking place among last-day events.*

### End of the 2300 Days

I saw a throne, and on it *sat the Father and the Son*. I gazed on Jesus’ countenance and admired His lovely person. The Father’s person I could not behold, for a cloud of glorious light covered Him. I asked Jesus if His Father had a form like Himself. He said He had, but I could not behold it, for said He, “If you should once behold the glory of His person, you would cease to exist.” *Before the throne I saw the Advent people—the church and the world*. I saw two companies, one *bowed* down before the throne, *deeply interested*, while the other *stood* uninterested and careless. Those who were bowed before the throne would *offer up their prayers* and *look to Jesus*; then He would look to His Father, and appear to be pleading with Him. *A light* would come from the Father to the Son and from the Son to the praying company. Then I saw *an exceeding bright light* come from the Father to the Son, and from the Son it waved over the people before the throne. *But few would receive this great light*. Many came out from under it and *immediately resisted* it; others were careless and did not cherish the light, and *it moved off from them*. Some cherished it, and *went* and bowed down with the little praying company. *This company all*

*received the light and rejoiced in it, and their countenances shone with its glory.* {EW 54.2}

I saw *the Father rise* from the throne, [SEE PAGE 92] and in a flaming chariot *go into the holy of holies* within the veil, and *sit down*. Then Jesus *rose up* from the throne, and the *most* of those who were bowed down *arose with Him*. I did not see one ray of light pass from Jesus to the careless multitude *after* He arose, and they were left in perfect darkness. *Those who arose when Jesus did, kept their eyes fixed on Him* as He left the throne and *led them out a little way*. Then He raised His right arm, and we heard His lovely voice saying, “*Wait here; I am going to My Father to receive the kingdom; keep your garments spotless, and in a little while I will return from the wedding and receive you to Myself.*” Then a cloudy chariot, with wheels like flaming fire, surrounded by angels, came to where Jesus was. He stepped into the chariot and was *borne to the holiest [Most Holy], where the Father sat*. There I beheld Jesus, *a great High Priest, standing* before the Father. On the hem of His garment was a bell and a pomegranate, a bell and a pomegranate. Those who *rose up with Jesus* would send up their faith to Him in the holiest [Most Holy], and pray, “*My Father, give us Thy Spirit.*” Then *Jesus would breathe upon them the Holy Ghost. In that breath was light, power, and much love, joy, and peace.* {EW 55.1}

I turned to look at the company who were still *bowed before the throne; they did not know that Jesus had left it*. *Satan appeared to be by the throne, trying to carry on the work of God*. I saw them *look up* to the throne, and pray, “*Father, give us Thy Spirit.*” *Satan would then breathe upon them an unholy influence; in it there was light and much power, but no sweet love, joy, and peace*. Satan’s object was to *keep them deceived* and *to draw back* and *deceive God’s children*. {EW 56.1} (September, 1850) (Emphasis supplied.)

I believe a book could be written about this section in *Early Writings!* (It is clear that we have a great deal more study to do!) The events in these three paragraphs show the working of the Father, the Son, and Holy Spirit in the last segment of time, —the 2300 *days*. For the moment, let’s look at why one group is saved and the other lost.

We need to have a clear picture of who is standing and who is kneeling before the throne. Among the Advent people there is *the church* and *the world*. Those represented as of the world are *not* bowed, but *stand uninterested and careless*. The other group is bowed before the throne and all *appear* to be “deeply interested” and “praying” to be *enlightened about* these events portrayed in the Heavenly Sanctuary. But, reading more carefully, we see that *among the bowed, praying company, there are actually two groups*. There are some who are praying for the light, but in reality “immediately resist” the great light which explains these events and they do “not cherish the light, and *it moves off from them.*” Because they do not receive this great light, they do *not see Jesus move*, and thus, *they do not go with Him into the next division of His Sanctuary ministration*. The void

is immediately filled with the impersonation of Jesus by Satan, **not** in the Heavenly Sanctuary, but on earth. Satan appears in various places on earth saying that he is Jesus, trying to carry on the work of forgiving the people's sin and healing their diseases. This group "did not know that Jesus had left." When they did "look up," it was too late! **What happened?** They were "bowed" with their spiritual eyes closed, and when the time came to **watch Jesus move and move with Him**, "they did not know," **and they did not see Him**.

Interestingly, it appears that there are some of the world (those standing) who are not participants of the bowing company, but who are observing, and learn to "cherish" the light and "bow down with the little praying company."

Praise God that some who are "bowed before the throne," who are praying, are "**looking to Jesus**" and watching His movements in the Heavenly Sanctuary. With their eyes fixed on Jesus, they know the light is coming and when the time comes they receive the great light and **arise with Him** when He goes in before His Father in the Most Holy. Their attitude is purposeful, and when Jesus stands up, they "**keep their eyes fixed on Him**." They receive the solemn oath just before He goes into the wedding! It is they who pray the personal prayer for the Latter Rain, "My Father, give us

Thy Spirit." And it is they who are given the Holy Spirit of "**light, power, and much love, joy, and peace**" just before Jesus goes into the wedding. This group is bowed and praying before the moving throne (the changing events), and they keep their eyes open, watching for and participating in the final events of the Heavenly Sanctuary! "**This company all received the light and rejoiced in it, and their countenances shone with its glory.**"

Is it possible that Ellen White in her very *Early Writings* understood and gave us this detailed account of the events surrounding the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary and the wedding, which would be fulfilled during and at the end of the **2300 literal days**? And is it possible that just like the ten bridesmaids, we too are asleep (all of us, even the wise) to the greatest events which are now poised and ready to be fulfilled? Four generations have passed and what has each generation done with this information since it was given just after 1844, —1846-1900? And more importantly, what are we going to do with this light? **Will prejudice fill up our souls?** Will we be caught looking in the wrong direction when we should have **our eyes fixed on Jesus in the Heavenly Sanctuary, moving with Him in the final events of redemption?** How important it is for us to **strive daily** to seek and know Him who sits on the throne so that we can truly call Him—

***"My Father!"***

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***The appointed times of the symbolic years  
were used to herald the coming of the Messiah.***

***The appointed times of the literal days of the  
final events are used to herald the cleansing of the  
Heavenly Sanctuary and the wedding.***



# What is the “Transgression of Desolation” and the “Abomination of Desolation?”

This study from the  
bottom-half of the Mirror Chart.

## *Prayer is the Answer to Understanding Daniel—*

First, I would like to state that I believe this subject is very important, even vital in understanding what the book of Daniel (and Revelation) means to us as the last generation. It is paramount that we understand what the *abomination* is and its proper placement in the last-day events—events that take place both here on earth and in the Heavenly Sanctuary! So far as I know, very few are teaching that *Daniel is to be repeated as the last day events, specifically as a whole*, with its interpretation coming from the already fulfilled events of prophetic history. We all come carrying our baggage of *preconceived ideas*, and many times, more often than not, these *prejudices keep us from understanding God’s Truth*. Because this subject may be new to you, *I would urge and beg of you to pray for the Guidance of the Holy Spirit in this study*. I understand that *preconceived ideas*, if Scripturally based, can be a wall of protection for us against error. But, please don’t let *preconceived ideas*, if they are not based in Scripture, stop you from studying this subject thoroughly.  
—May God Bless!

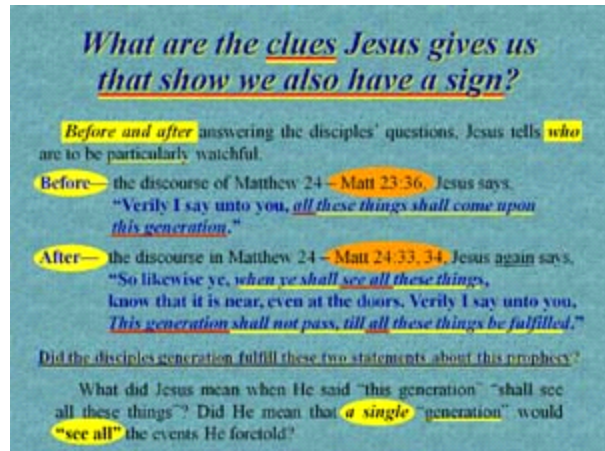


## *Jesus, the Disciples, and the Last Generation—*

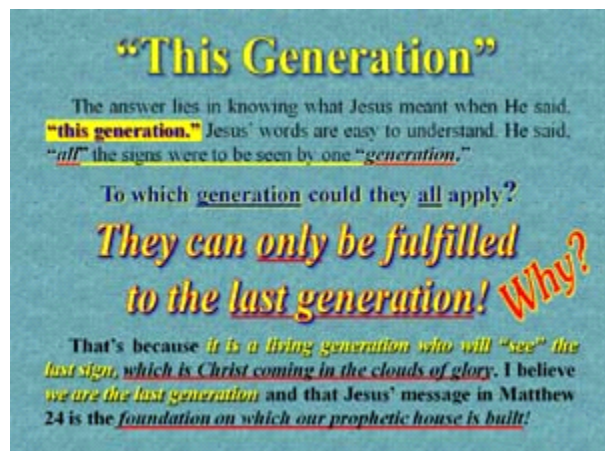
The disciples asked Jesus three questions (Matt 24:3), which he specifically answered as *the abomination of desolation* (Matt 24:15). Jesus placed this abomination in the future of His giving these warnings, and since the disciples asked these questions, it is to the disciples that He gave the answer. We know the disciples understood that Jesus was applying this abomination to their own time because Luke tells us, “when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.” Luke 21:20 They knew that the abomination was the Roman army; that the desolation was the destruction of the Temple; that it was fulfilled in 70 AD (Matt 23:38; 24:1, 2); and that this was a prophecy of Daniel which was being fulfilled at this time because the nation had rejected Christ as the Lamb of God. (John 1:29, 10)



**But**, this prophecy is far more important than we realize. Jesus was also teaching that this prophecy has a more complete fulfillment of the *abomination to the last generation*. Both *before* (Matt 23:36) and *after* (Matt 24:33, 34) giving this sermon on the Mount of Olives, Jesus tells that there would be a generation which would *not* pass till **all** the signs would be fulfilled. **All the signs** were *not* fulfilled to the disciples' generation. The *last sign*, which is Jesus coming in the clouds of glory, did *not* happen to the disciples' generation. There is only one generation for whom **all the signs** can be fulfilled in their lives, and that is the generation which sees the *last sign*, Jesus' second coming. **That generation can ONLY be the last generation!** Therefore the *abomination of desolation* has a special meaning and fulfillment to **this last generation!** (FS EGW; pg 39) What was the **type** for the disciples' generation will be the **antitype** fulfillment for the last generation!



It's interesting that Jesus was quoting "the *abomination of desolation*" from the book of Daniel, chapters 11:31 and 12:11, with threads leading to 8:13, the *transgression of desolation*. Jesus was teaching the disciples that if they wanted the answer, or wanted more on the subject, they should study the book of Daniel. (And so should we study these prophecies to discover the meaning for our time!) **But none of the three texts above could be used by the disciples** to explain the destruction of Jerusalem's Temple in 70 AD. **Only** Daniel 9:26, 27 can be used to explain the destruction of Jerusalem's Temple in 70 AD. (And of course, the prophecy of the destruction of Jerusalem's Temple would have to be at the



end of the *70 weeks-of-years*, the 490 years allotted to the Jewish nation to get their house in order. The prophecy of Dan 9:24-27 shows this exact fulfillment.) So why then did Jesus quote from Daniel 11 and 12 where the "abomination of desolation" is associated with the other prophetic times of Daniel (1260, 1290, and 1335.), **but not 70 AD?** In fact, these prophecies linked with the "abomination of desolation" were to be fulfilled hundreds of years in the future of the disciples' time. There is no doubt in my mind that we have yet to fully understand the meaning of the events of Daniel, both in *prophetic history* and *to be repeated* in the near future.

The *transgression of desolation* and the *abomination of desolation* are recurring subjects throughout the book of Daniel, in the stories and in the prophecies, from beginning to end. Both the *transgression* and *abomination* lead to *desolation*, —**the same universal desolation!** It is clear to see that the *Strong's Hebrew* meaning of *transgression* is not as harsh as the *Strong's Hebrew* meaning of the *abomination*, and because of association with the *daily*, the *sanctuary*, and the persecution of God's *saints* (the host), the *transgression* (by time and meaning) **progressively grows** into the *abomination*, and this finds its end in *desolation/destruction* after Michael stands up. Dan 12:1. Then, and only then, will we see the complete fulfillment of Daniel 12:7, "when he [the Papacy] shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, **all these things shall be finished.**" (Interesting, the exact words Jesus used! Matt 23:36; 24:33, 34.)

## ***What is the Transgression of Desolation?—***

The seven thunders (last-day events) are *based on Daniel's fulfilled prophetic events* of the past. In the order of Daniel's literal time prophecies, the first event would be:

**The First Thunder** —*The Transgression of desolation* is set-up (A National Sunday Law in the United States starts last-day events); the *daily* taken away; the place of *His sanctuary* is cast down; and the *decree is given to rebuild spiritual Jerusalem* (the spiritual temple) and specifically to repair the breach made in the wall (of God's Law). We will do our part; but it is quickly seen that Jesus is in control! The longest time period in Daniel, the 2300 literal days, starts with a National Sunday Law (U.S.A.) and ends with the final act of redemption, the cleansing of the heavenly sanctuary. Dan 8:13, 14. (Note Thunder #1 on bottom half of the *Mirror Chart*.)

The *transgression of desolation* (and the *abomination of desolation*) is a last-day worship issue. Sunday worship is an attack by Satan against the seventh-day Sabbath rest which directs man's worship to his Creator. This contrived dilemma is progressive, and takes the form of forced worship laws —Sunday Laws. Starting in the United States as a "transgression", it becomes a major player in the final events from beginning to end, spreading to every country throughout the world as "the abomination" which leads to "desolation" (destruction). *Sunday worship* is a doctrine of the Papacy and it is these Sunday worship laws that will set up the Papacy for its final rule and war against the saints.

The message given by God's people is *salvation through Christ* as seen in the daily and final ministration in the Heavenly Sanctuary by Jesus, our High Priest. This message shows that life in Christ is keeping God's commandments and allowing the seventh-day Sabbath to *work its sanctifying seal* in the soul. This message is foretold by the testimony and faith of Jesus in the Revelation, which is the spirit of prophecy, given by the Holy Spirit in great measure to the last generation. (Rev 12:17; 14:12; 19:10)

Prophecy reveals that this last great war, with Satan as leader of rebellion and Jesus as leader of true freedom and worship, will continue even to the point that it appears God's side is losing; but the fulfillment of the plan will continue until fully completed on earth and in Heaven, and sin is shown to be what it is —*insanity*— *outside the covering of the Holy Spirit!*

The last great test will be over the Law of God which is an issue of worship. The day upon which we choose to worship, either Sunday or the seventh-day Sabbath, shows whose law we keep. (Ex 20:8-11) The question that all must ask is; Who is the Creator? The Creator of man is Jesus (John 1:1-3), and at creation, a memorial was set up to honor the true Creator. One day out of seven is to be regarded by man as blessed and sanctified by the Creator, and no work is to be done on the seventh day of the week, the Lord's Sabbath. (Gen 2:1-3; Lev 23:3; Mark 2:27, 28.) Man is to enter into a Sabbath rest, personally, with his Creator, seeking to know Jesus better. The Creator gave to man this day of worship so that they would not forget Who is their Creator and Redeemer (Re-Creator). (**Further Study:** *The Law of God* (15 Bible Studies); *The Bible Sabbath* (14 Bible Studies).)

*Could it be* that the book of Daniel foretells the *progression of Sunday laws*? Could it be that it tells of this last controversy in great detail? ***The answer is, most assuredly, YES!!!*** The whole of the book of Daniel (and Revelation for that matter), tells in great detail the progression of forced Sunday worship upon all the peoples of the earth, and then Jesus comes to save His elect! On the other-hand, these same prophecies and stories tell of the victory of the saints; not only victory over the beast and his image, but gaining victory over sin through Jesus, receiving *the seal of the living God*, and *the cleansing of the soul* and Heavenly temple!

*"Then I heard one saint speaking, and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, **How long** shall be the vision concerning the **daily** sacrifice, and the **transgression of desolation**, to give both the **sanctuary and the host** to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; **then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.**" Dan 8:13, 14.*



The Hebrew word translated as **transgression**, pronounced *peh'-shah*, is found in Daniel 8:13 where we find the *Strong's Hebrew* number H6588, which means; "**a revolt (national, moral or religious)**." Isn't this interesting? A Hebrew word, written more than 2500 years ago, has the exact translated English meaning and in every respect describes the first event of the seven thunders, —the **United States National Sunday Law** (Rev 13:14, 15). A National Sunday Law will be **a revolt** against God's law; it will be **a national law** of the United States; it will be **a moral issue** and it will be a test for every living person in America. And although this country was founded on the principle of *separation of church and state*, this law being **religious in nature** will be passed by the highest councils in the U.S. and the president. *Church and state* will from that point on have been joined together until the end of days and *nothing* can or will undo this law; it will only become progressively more severe. The fifth seal describes how severe: "And they *cried with a loud voice*, saying, **How long**, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood. . . ." Rev 6:9-11.

### **A revolt (national, moral or religious)** —H6588— (See also page 38.)

In the next few sections we will investigate the English translated meaning given in *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*—

#### **A revolt**—

*a national revolt*

*a moral revolt*

*a religious revolt*

#### **A Revolt**—

\*\*\* *Sunday image worship* is **a revolt** against the God of Heaven as the Creator and against His seventh-day Sabbath worship! Scripture calls it a revolt, —an uprising, a rebellion, especially against God's authority. Many will oppose and refuse to accept God's law which says to "**remember**" the seventh-day Sabbath, and it is this rebellion which *starts* the final time of trouble. This revolt is a thread that can be traced throughout the entire period of the 2300 days (the longest time period of Daniel; Dan 8:13-14) and its associated times; the seventy weeks allotted to *the church* (490 days; Dan 9:24-27); and *the wilderness* times of the 1260, 1290, and 1335 days. (Dan 7:25; 11:31; 12:7, 11, 12.) (See also Eze 20:13; Rev 12:6, 14; 17:3.) The prophecy states that (almost all) the whole world will worship or go along with this Sunday image (Rev 13:15-17) and will persecute the few who dare to be a Daniel and keep the law of God and its *sealing, sanctifying sign*, —the seventh-day Sabbath. Eze 20:12 (This alone shows that the few have the truth; not the many! It has always been this way.)

#### **National Revolt**—

\*\*\* *Sunday image worship* will become **a national revolt** against God's law. It may be that individual states in the U.S. will enact laws or enforce laws now on the books (Blue Laws) *before* a national act. Whatever the case with the individual states, what we understand from the prophetic writings is that it's not just a state act, **but a National act of law**. It is the *peh'-shah*, the first and beginning of *transgressions* which leads not only the United States down a one-way road to destruction, but leads by progression from *a transgression to an abomination*, a world-wide law enforcing Sunday image worship. It does not matter how many other countries pass National Sunday Laws (before the U.S.), although these laws may be harsh (even to death), it is only the law that is *nationally passed by the beast* with "two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon" of Revelation 13:11 that **prophecy acknowledges as the transgression leading to the abomination of desolation**. It is an **affront\*** and a **revolt** against God because the United States claims to worship the Christian God; they call themselves a *Christian "nation under God*, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." (*Pledge of Allegiance*; 1954.) (\* **Affront**: To insult intentionally, especially openly. To transgress; Violate or offend law; To cause to sin.)

**National revolt**, these are mighty strong words! Does not the greatest nation on earth, the United States, claim to be “one nation under God” —a Christian nation? Yet, men have become bold in transgression and transgression is sin.

It might be well for us to understand that *the transgression of desolation* is a phrase whose meaning we should look at **from God’s point of view**. The seventh day of the fourth commandment is **God’s memorial**, testifying of His **creative power** in making the world in six days and resting on the seventh day. But most Christians teach and accept that God’s law was abolished at the cross, thus it is perceived that it is not necessary to keep God’s memorial, the seventh-day Sabbath. Man may choose to say or believe anything about the law of God which is contrary to keeping God’s law. But the fact still remains; *transgression of the law of God is sin*.

**From a human standpoint**, living in the U.S., on the surface the Sunday Law won’t appear to be anything other than a law for the health and welfare of the people and nation. A number of disasters will happen within a short period (not only in the U.S.), which will make people conclude that there will be no recovery, —unless there is an *immediate return to God*. (*Return to God* implies that these disasters are the result of judgments from an angry God.) Its proponents will claim that a Nation-wide Sunday Law will help the economy revive and give stability to the nation. A great call for revival and reformation will come from the Christian churches, and of course, what better way is there than to worship God on a universal day of rest, —Sunday. But, this law will be nothing short of a revolt against God’s law!

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**P.S.—** Although we can with certainty trace the prophecies of Daniel 8 through the centuries starting with the ram and the goat interpreted as Medo-Persia and Greece (vrs 20-21); we must take note that the prophecy angel comes to Daniel and leaves no guessing as to its final and complete fulfillment. “He said, **Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation**: for at the **time appointed the end shall be**.” Dan 8:19 Please note that we are still in the chapter of the *transgression of desolation* (vrs 13), and only a few verses further we are told that the *desolation* is “*the last end of the indignation*” and that its end is “*at the time appointed*.” (vrs 19) Of course it is at an *appointed time*, for the desolation or the last end of the indignation will be at the **end of the 2300 days** (vrs 14). In fact, it’s the *time appointed* —it’s the *mo’ed*, which explains in great detail the last acts in the plan of redemption! (See H4150) (Dan 12:9, 10) (FS; see GC 426.1 and EW 54-56. —These pages cannot be placed within the framework of the fulfillment of the *historical type*.)

### **Moral Revolt—**

\*\*\* *Sunday image worship* will become a **moral revolt** against God. The very phrase *transgression of desolation* tells a story of sin. Throughout the Bible transgression is the breaking of the *moral law* of God. Transgression is sin, and the result of sin is destruction. Therefore the definition of this image worship day, Sunday, is sin and its result will be desolation. Sunday is not God’s created day of worship; nor is it recorded in the Bible that He changed the day of worship for any other day! For God to change His day of worship, He would have to change His Law, and God does not change. “For I am the Lord, **I change not**.” (Mal. 3:6) “The works of His hands are verity and judgment; **all His commandments are sure. They stand fast forever and ever, and are done in truth and uprightness**.” (Ps 111:7, 8)

There will soon be a great change in people’s lives, but the return will not be to God’s law, —but to man’s law. It will be taught that there was and is a change from the seventh-day Sabbath worship to Sunday worship. (There is no Scriptural proof of a change to Sunday, but that is what will be taught, and even now it’s what is believed by most Christians.)

For all practical purposes, the seventh-day Sabbath will *appear to be forgotten*. That’s why God placed the word “**remember**” as the first word of the fourth commandment. God in His foreknowledge, saw that the Sabbath of creation would be *forgotten* in the last days and trodden under foot, —

cast down, stamped upon, taken away, (Dan 7:25; 8:10-13) —“and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.” Dan 12:7.

“**Remember** the **Sabbath day, to keep it holy.** Six days shalt thou labor, and do all thy work: But the **seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God:** in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days *the Lord made* heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and *rested the seventh day:* wherefore the Lord **blessed** the **Sabbath day**, and **hallowed** it.” (Ex 20:8-11.)

### **A Religious Revolt—**

\*\*\* *Sunday image worship* will become **a religious revolt** against God. *Moral issues* are not usually considered *religious in nature* by the United States Governing powers. This will certainly be the case when Sunday is presented to the U.S. government as the only way to revive the nation. The enactment of the first phase of a National Sunday Law will most likely *not be considered religious* and will be passed for the health and welfare of the nation. In reality, it does not matter what steps are taken to make it look on the surface that it is *NOT religious*; —**it will be a religious issue.** The religious aspect of the Sunday rest day will become clearer as time progresses. At first the Sunday law will be a voluntary rest day, *a cease to work day* (possibly with no or limited penalties). The religious nature will show itself, when after a time, the Sunday law will become a worship issue and the penalties will get more severe.

The National Sunday Law is the *beginning* of the last great test and *starts* the last great **Day of Judgment** when God’s Law is brought forth from its hiding place to be the standard of judgment. (Rev 11:1, 19.) With the test now made law, the *judgment of the living begins*, and that judgment in a very specific fulfillment, will be left up to the individual *by their own choice*. This is exactly why the test is necessary! **Who will we worship?** (Dan 3:1, 17-18.) At first, this **last great test** for the last generation will be perceived by many as benign, even considered as not worthy of notice. The groups, the movements, the churches, and almost all politicians *will not perceive* what they are about to pass into law as harmful to the citizens of the U.S. They will espouse with *great enthusiasm* that enforced State Blue Laws, and *then* National Sunday Laws, will need to be passed and enforced with great speed for the saving of the Nation. **But** the book of Daniel (and Revelation) proclaims that when this law is passed *in the United States*, it will usher in events which will not only lead the U.S., but the whole world down a one-way road to destruction. (Matt 24:15-22; Rev 13 *all.*) Jesus says, “Behold, I have told you before.” (Vrs. 25.)

Very few will understand that Sunday laws are religious in nature,  
and are **from and for the worship of the god of this world!**  
**Sunday worship and Sunday laws** are not from the God of Heaven  
who gave the Ten Commandments to man on Mount Sinai  
and recorded them in Exodous 20!  
**Furthermore, it is not recorded in the Bible that God made a change!**

Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried;  
but the wicked shall do wickedly:  
and none of the wicked shall understand;  
**but the wise shall understand.**

Dan 12:10

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

Dan 11:32, 33



In the state where I live, there are a number of *Sunday Blue Laws* on the books; some enforced, some not. Idaho Law number 17-2502 says,

**“The first day of the week, commonly called Sunday, is hereby set apart as a day of public rest.”**

Idaho Code, 1932;  
*American State Papers on Freedom in Religion*, 3rd Ed.,  
page 459, compiled by William Addison Blakely

***U.S. Supreme Court***  
**1961**

**The Supreme Court declares that Sunday laws are economical and not religious, and are therefore legally constitutional.**

*Sunday laws* are an *establishment of religion* for those who worship on Sunday, and they are against those who may or may not keep another day holy. *Sunday laws* are a *restriction* of the *free exercise* of freedom of religion and a denial of *equal protection*, and they are an *infringement* of personal religious or non-religious belief.

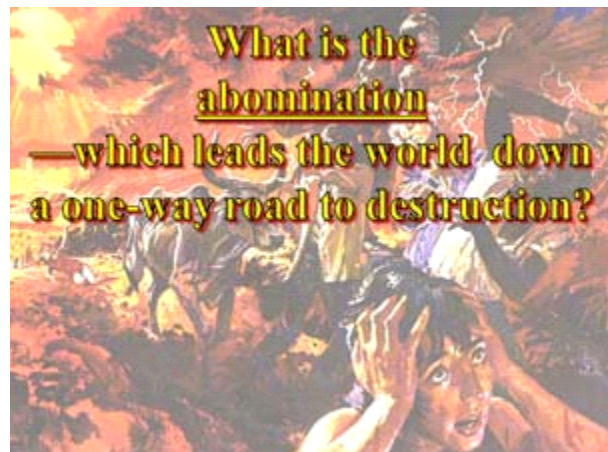
*The National Sunday Law will be a dramatic event* for many reasons to many people (both Christian and non-Christian), but it will *not* be the only event that starts the 2300 days. All the other times and their events have their fulfillment in *the last great day* of redemption, —*within the framework of the 2300 evenings/mornings*. Dan 8:14, 26; Gen 1:5.

### ***What is the Abomination of Desolation?—***

**The Fourth & Fifth Thunder—** When Jesus warned the disciples of the destruction of the Temple He quoted the book of Daniel. He told the disciples, “When ye therefore shall see the ***abomination of desolation***, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand.)” Matthew 24:15. (Note Thunders 4 & 5 on the bottom half of the *Mirror Chart*.)

The two places we find the *words abomination of desolation* in Daniel are,

“For the ships of Chittim shall come against him: therefore he shall be grieved, and return, and



have indignation against the **holy covenant**: so shall he do; he shall even return, and have intelligence with them that forsake the **holy covenant**. And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall pollute the **sanctuary** of strength, and shall take away the **daily** sacrifice, and they shall place the **abomination that maketh desolate**.” Dan 11:30, 31.

“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.” Dan 12:11.

The **daily**, the **covenant**, the **sanctuary**, and the **host** are associated with both the **transgression** in Dan 8:13 and the **abomination** of Dan 11:31 & 12:11. The prophetic picture we see concerning the issue of Sunday laws is that they become more severe, intense, and injurious toward the saints (the host) as the times and events of Daniel are fulfilled as last-day events. The *Strong’s Hebrew* number H8251 for **abomination** reflects this meaning.

\*\*\* Whereas the **transgression** of Daniel 8 (the 1st Thunder) —is a U.S.A. National Sunday Law— and has the meaning of **a revolt** against God’s law;

\*\*\* The **abomination** of Daniel 11 & 12 (the 4th & 5th Thunders) is still the same issue —but is now *standing before the whole world as a universal law*— and talks boastfully of standing in the **holy place** of God (Matt 24:15), and is described in *Strong’s* as a *disgustingly filthy idolatrous idol*.

This is exactly what is described by John, “saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an **image** to the beast,” “and he had power to give **life** unto the **image** of the beast, that the **image** of the beast should both speak [make laws], and cause that as many as would not **worship the image** of the beast **should be killed**” (Rev 13:14, 15) The **last great test** is over who will worship the beast by bowing down to its Sunday image. The choice for many will be simple. Those who worship on Sunday will be allowed to buy and sell what they need to stay alive. Penalties will continue to become more demanding until homes and land are taken away. Finally, showing what hatred can do, there will be a great deal of martyrdom during the second rule of the Papacy, so much so that the **saints cry out** (figuratively), “**How long**, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?” Rev 6:10 “**Woe, woe, woe, to the inhabitants of the earth,**” “**For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?**” Rev 8:13; 6:17. “Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, **till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads.**” Rev 7:3.

The Hebrew word for **abomination**, **shik-koots’**, shows the unyielding force used to secure worship from “all (“on the earth”), both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads” (Rev 13:16, 12, 13) We need make no mistake about this Sunday law controversy; *it will become a test* for the whole world. That is why the event that **starts** the 2300 **days** is a **transgression**, a U.S. National Law, and as time and events progress further into the great Day of Judgment (Rev 11:1, 2) for the church and the world, these laws **will grow progressively** into the **abomination**, a **Universal** (New World Order) **Sunday Law**, **fulfilling prophecy** by setting up the Papacy at the **beginning** of the 1290 and 1260 **days** for the second and final time.

The **transgression** and **abomination** of Daniel —Sunday *versus* seventh-day Sabbath issue— answers **our** question, “Tell us, **when** shall these things be? and **what** shall be **the sign** of thy coming, and of the **end of the world?**” Matt 24:3. Jesus explains in Matthew 24 that these laws will come with such speed that a person should **not** go back for the coat laid down in the heat of the day. Judgment will fall so fast, that people **will not have time** to move their belongings out of the cities! (Matt 24:16-18)



See larger chart on page 37.

Jesus goes on to say that those days will be so filled with judgments and persecution, that a mother will find it impossible to raise her child (outside of God's direct protection and guidance)(Matt 24:19). **Jesus says the Sabbath will be the issue and that even in our flight we are to keep His Sabbath holy!** (Matt 24:20) It is also written that the *abomination* is the cause for the **great tribulation** (Matt 24:21) and that the abomination is **set-up at the beginning of the great tribulation periods**: the **1260**, the **1290**, and the **1335 days**. (This would be a reference by Jesus to Daniel 12:6-7, 11-12, and the prophetic history *type* shows that this was the time of Papal supremacy during the Dark Ages.)

These times and events also include **the repeated prophecies of Revelation 11**; the burning in the streets "of the earth" the "**two witnesses**" (Rev 11:3), —the Old and New Testament, but *more specifically* the *two witnesses* are "**two prophets**" (Rev 11:10), —the books of Daniel and Revelation which "**shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.**" Rev 11:3 Daniel and Revelation are *the only two prophetic witnesses* of the 1260 days.

—**All these events will be repeated specifically as last day events!**—

### **The Times of Daniel 12 and the Abomination—**

**1260 days**— "It shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished" Dan 12:7 (See also Dan 7:25; and in Rev 12:14; 12:6; 11:2, 3; 13:5.)

**1290 days**— "And arms shall stand on his part, and they shall *pollute the sanctuary of strength*, and shall take away the *daily sacrifice*, and they shall place the *abomination that maketh desolate*. And such as do wickedly against the [*holy*] *covenant* shall he corrupt by flatteries." Dan 11:30-32. "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." Dan 12:11.

**1335 days**— "Blessed is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. But go thou thy way till the end be: for thou shalt rest, and stand in thy lot at the end of the *days*." Dan 12:12, 13.

**490 days**— This section is on *the times of Daniel 12*, but there is one more commentary by Daniel on *these abominations* which is found in Daniel 9:24-27, which seriously concerns the last generation of saints. Yes, there is no doubt that these events are inclusive of the seventy weeks, the spotlight being on the event in the *midst* of the last week. But if we look closely at these verses we find that their events are part of *the whole abomination issue*. God's side of the issue is shown in the **seven-fold covenant** made with His people. Dan 9:24. This covenant is directly and indirectly explained throughout the entire book of Daniel. Dan 9:3-21; 11:28, 30, 32. Daniel is very concerned about this covenant and we see him praying for his people that they will accept God's covenant provisions. Daniel points out that the issues of the seventy weeks *for the church* are **an extension of the transgression/abomination issue** as mentioned in the other parts of "the vision and prophecy." Dan 9:24. Daniel continues explaining this desolating problem stating that "for the **overspreading of abominations** he [the *destroyer* of the city and the sanctuary; vrs 26] shall make it desolate, even until the *consummation* [*Strong's* H3617: a completion; complete destruction; utterly to consume], and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate." This prophecy *extends further* than the immediate judgment concerning the seventy weeks allotted to the church, and points out that this *abomination issue* will continue to spread and grow until the completion of the judgments [Judgment; Dan 7:9-10, 13], —to the desolation of the earth.

There was **not** a full and complete fulfillment of these prophecies (Matthew 24 and Daniel 7-12), either for the disciples or during the Dark Ages. (FS EGW; pg 39.) The disciples' fulfillment in 70 AD is completely removed from the abomination of Dan 11:31 and 12:11-13 which was fulfilled in the Dark Ages. BUT, these events are **not** removed from each other when the *same events* of Daniel **are repeated within a short time period for the last generation**. It is then that *the antitype* will have its



“more complete fulfillment”. This is exactly why we see a progression from the *transgression* of Dan 8:13 to the full-blown *abomination* of Dan 11:31 (and its time, 1290 days, in Dan 12:11).

But, it is not all gloom and doom. There will be many hundreds of thousands, even millions, who during the final events will make their decision to worship their Creator and Re-Creator. For the first time in their lives they will honor their Saviour by keeping holy His seventh-day Sabbath, even with the threat of persecution. They will also receive the promised covenant rainbow which is around their Master’s head (Dan 9:24, 27; Rev 10:1) and some will give up their lives (Rev 6:9-11). It is only the 144,000 (Rev 7; 3:7-13; 14:1-4) that continue to live after Michael stands up (Dan 12:1), through the seven last plagues (Rev 16), when “the great river Euphrates” dries up announcing the coming of Jesus with the clouds of angels. Dan 10:4; 12:5; Rev 16:12; 1:7.

### ***What is the Desolation?—***

The world will be so deceived by the events of the anti-Christ that they won’t even see the end coming. The definition of the *Strong’s Hebrew* word [H8074] carries with it the meaning: *To stun; grow numb; devastate; stupefy*. Jesus says to the last generation that “as the days of Noah were, so shall also the coming of the Son of man be. For as in the days that were before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, And knew not until the flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.” Matt 24:37-39.

**And the great city was divided into three parts,  
and the cities of the nations fell:  
and great Babylon came in remembrance before God,  
to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath.  
And every island fled away, and the mountains were not found.  
Revelation 16:19, 20**

**And [the merchants of the world] cast dust on their heads,  
and cried, weeping and wailing, saying,  
Alas, alas, that great city,  
wherein were made rich all that had ships  
in the sea by reason of her costliness!  
for in one hour is she made desolate!  
Revelation 18:19**

### ***Conclusion—***

***Knowledge is not wisdom, and in and of itself, —knowledge does not save!*** Some seek to know these prophecies that they might save themselves, and fail to understand the wisdom of the saving power of Christ who gave the prophecies. Knowing these prophecies alone, without having a personal relationship with their Author, will not save one’s soul. ***Belief in Jesus as the slain Lamb of God, —saves!*** Rev 5:6, 9. ***Yet***, on the other hand, prophecy is given to reveal Jesus and His saving plan of redemption. Rev 1:3. ***Wisdom is the proper use of knowledge when guided by the Holy Spirit!*** Prov 9:10; James 3:17.

***Yes!*** The book of Daniel foretells in detail the formation of image worship in the United States of America (*the transgression*; Dan 8:13; Rev 13:14), and how it progressively develops into a world-wide Universal Sunday Law (*the abomination*; Dan 11:31; 12:11). Daniel shows that it is a destructive sequence of events, which is directed against God’s people (the host) and the Truth they teach from the Plan of redemption in the Heavenly Sanctuary. **THIS IS THE LAST GREAT TEST!** This test is designed to make the last generation, saint or sinner, choose Who he will worship! Seven warning trumpet judgments will get everyone’s attention! Rev 8:7–11:17.

*All must make the decision, **Who will the last generation worship?***

The choice is simple. Will we pay homage to the god who set up the **Sun**–day as his worship day (the image and mark of the beast; Rev 13)? **OR** Will we worship the Creator who made the seventh-day Sabbath for us (Mark 2:27, 28; Rev 4:11; 10:6; 14:7; 7:14)? God foresaw that after sin, we would need to receive His Sabbath’s sanctifying blessing (Gen 2:1-3; Ex 20:8-11; Lev 23), and thus receive the *seal* of His salvation. (Eze 20:12, 20; Rev 7:1-3; 9:4, 5.)

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

Revelation 12:17

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

Revelation 14:12

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

Revelation 19:10



***Prophetic history is  
designed to be repeated!***

***We have nothing to fear for the future,  
except as we shall forget  
the way the Lord has led us,  
and His teaching in our past history.***

{LDE 72.1} (1893)

## Daniel 8 & 9 → Daniel 11 & 12

- Transgression of desolation <sup>(8:13)</sup> → • Abomination of desolation <sup>(11:31)</sup> (12:11)
- rebellion, sin, a revolt → • Disgusting, filthy; especially (national, moral or religious) idolatrous or (concretely) an idol
- A time appointed. (8:19) → • An appointed time. (11:35)
- The question, “How long” <sup>(8:13)</sup> → • The question, “How long” <sup>(12:6)</sup> —

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| <p><b>2300 days</b></p> <p><b>70 weeks</b></p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">- 7 weeks</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">- 62 weeks</p> <p style="padding-left: 20px;">- 1 week</p> | <p>All of these times<br/>fit together to<br/>form a guiding<br/>prophetic chart for<br/>the last generation.</p> | <p><b>1260 days</b></p> <p><b>1290 days</b></p> <p><b>1335 days</b></p> |
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then shall the sanctuary be cleansed  
(8:14)  
and shall destroy the mighty and  
the holy people  
(8:24)

when he shall have  
accomplished to scatter  
the power of the holy people,  
all these things shall be finished  
(12:7)

National  
Sunday Law

Universal  
Sunday Law



# *Further Study:* *Strong's Hebrew Definitions of*

~ *transgression* ~

~ *abomination* ~

~ *desolation* ~

**Transgression**— (The following is from *Strong's Hebrew Concordance*.)

**H6588** פֶּשַׁע pasha' (peh'-shah) n-m.

1. a revolt (national, moral or religious)

[from *H6586*]

**KJV:** rebellion, sin, transgression, trespass.

**Root(s):** *H6586*

**H6586** pasha' (paw-shah') v.

1. to break away (from just authority), i.e. trespass, apostatize, quarrel

[a primitive root (identical with *H6585* through the idea of expansion)]

**KJV:** offend, rebel, revolt, transgress(-ion, -or).

**Root(s):** *H6585*

**H6585** pasa' (paw-sah') v.

1. to stride (from spreading the legs; to run), i.e. rush upon

[a primitive root]

**KJV:** go.

**Abomination**— (The following is from *Strong's Hebrew Concordance*.)

**H8251** שִׁקּוּץ שִׁקּוּץ shiqquwt (shik-koots') (or shiquwt {shik-koots'}) n-m.

1. disgusting, i.e. filthy

2. (especially) idolatrous

3. (concretely) an idol

[from *H8262*]

**KJV:** abominable filth (idol, -ation), detestable (thing).

**Root(s):** *H8262*

**H8262** shaqats (shaw-kats') v.

1. to be filthy, i.e. (intensively) to loathe, pollute

[a primitive root]

**KJV:** abhor, make abominable, have in abomination, detest, X utterly.

**Desolation(s); Desolate**— (The following is from *Strong's Hebrew Concordance*.)

**H8074** shamem (shaw-mame') v.

1. to stun (or intransitively, grow numb), i.e. devastate or (figuratively) stupefy (both usually in a passive sense)

[a primitive root]

**KJV:** make amazed, be astonished, (be an) astonish(-ment), (be, bring into, unto, lay, lie, make) desolate(-ion, places), be destitute, destroy (self), (lay, lie, make) waste, wonder.

"O my God, incline thine ear, and hear; open thine eyes, and behold our *desolations*, and the city which is called by thy name: for we do not present our supplications before thee for our righteousnesses, but for thy great mercies." Dan 9:18.

"And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war *desolations* are determined." Dan 9:26

## *Further Study:* *What Does Ellen White say* *about the Abomination of Desolation?*

### *The Last Generation!*

“Jesus, **looking down to *the last generation***, saw the *world involved in a deception similar to that which caused the destruction of Jerusalem*. The *great sin of the Jews* was their *rejection of Christ*; the *great sin of the Christian world* would be their *rejection of the law of God*, the foundation of His government in heaven and earth.” {GC 22.2}

“Jesus did not answer His disciples by taking up separately the destruction of Jerusalem and the great day of his coming. *He mingled* the description of these two events. Had He opened to His disciples future events as He beheld them, they would have been unable to endure the sight. In mercy to them *He blended* the description of ***the two great crises***, *leaving the disciples to study out the meaning for themselves* [and leaving the last generation to study out the meaning for ourselves]. When He referred to the destruction of Jerusalem, *His prophetic words reached beyond that event to the final conflagration* in that day when the Lord shall rise out of His place to punish the world for their iniquity, when the earth shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain. ***This entire discourse was given, not for the disciples only, but for those who should live in the last scenes of this earth’s history.***” {DA 628.1}

### *A More Direct Application to the Last Days!*

“We need to stay our faith upon God, for there is just before us a time that will try men’s souls. Christ, upon the Mount of Olives, rehearsed the fearful judgments that were to precede His second coming: (Matt. 24:6-8 quoted) While these prophecies received ***a partial fulfillment*** at the destruction of Jerusalem, they have ***a more direct application to the last days.***” {5T 753.1}

“The Saviour’s prophecy concerning the visitation of *judgments* upon Jerusalem *is to have another fulfillment*, of which that terrible desolation was *but a faint shadow*. In the fate of the chosen city we may behold the doom of a world that has rejected God’s mercy and trampled upon His law.” {GC 36.2}

“The ruin of Jerusalem was *a symbol* of the *final ruin that shall overwhelm the world*. The prophecies that received ***a partial fulfillment*** in the overthrow of Jerusalem ***have a more direct application to the last days.*** We are now standing on the threshold of great and solemn events. A crisis is before us, such as the world has never witnessed. And sweetly to us, as to the first disciples, comes the assurance that God’s kingdom ruleth over all. *The program of coming events is in the hands of our Maker*. The Majesty of heaven has the destiny of nations, as well as the concerns of His church, in His own charge.” {MB 120.2-122t}

“The future was mercifully veiled from the disciples. Had they at that time fully comprehended the two awful facts—the Redeemer’s sufferings and death, and the destruction of their city and temple—they would have been overwhelmed with horror. Christ presented before them an outline of the prominent events to take place before the close of time. His words were not then fully understood; but *their meaning was to be unfolded as His people should need the instruction therein given*. The prophecy which He uttered was *twofold in its meaning; while foreshadowing the destruction of Jerusalem, it prefigured also the terrors of the last great day.*” {GC 25.2, 3} [*Type—Antitype*]

“His word will bring as serious consequences upon God’s people today as did the same sin upon ancient Israel. There is a limit beyond which He will no longer delay His *judgments*. The desolation of Jerusalem stands as ***a solemn warning before the eyes of modern Israel***, that the corrections given through His chosen instruments cannot be disregarded with impunity.” {4T 167.1}

### ***What is there in Matthew 24 that decides the destiny of souls?***

“The twenty-fourth chapter of Matthew is presented to me again and again as something that is to be brought to the attention of all. We are today living in the time when the predictions of this chapter are fulfilling. Let our ministers and teachers explain these prophecies to those whom they instruct. Let them leave out of their discourses matters of minor consequence, and present the truths that **will decide the destiny of souls.**” {GW 148.2} (What **test** in Matthew 24 “**will decide the destiny of souls?**”)

### ***The Abomination of Desolation is—***

“It is not time now for God’s people to be fixing their affections or laying up their treasure in the world. The time is not far distant, when, like the early disciples, we shall be forced to seek a refuge in desolate and solitary places. **As** the **siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies** [the abomination of desolation: Matt 24:15] was **the signal** for flight to the Judean Christians, **so** the assumption of power on the part of **our nation** in the **decree enforcing the papal sabbath** [the abomination of desolation: Matt 24:15] **will be a warning to us.** It will then be time to leave the large cities, preparatory to leaving the smaller ones for retired homes in secluded places among the mountains. [Matt 24:16-22]. . . Every talent lent of God should be used to His glory in giving the warning to the world.” {5T 464.3-465t} (1885)

“By the **decree enforcing** the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, **our nation** [the U.S.] **will disconnect herself fully from righteousness.** When **Protestantism** shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the **Roman power**, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with **spiritualism**, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall **repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government**, and **shall make provision** for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, **then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near.**

“**As** the approach of the **Roman armies** [the abomination of desolation: Matt 24:15] was **a sign to the disciples** of the impending destruction of Jerusalem, **so** may this **apostasy** [the abomination of desolation: Matt 24:15] be **a sign to us** that the limit of God’s forbearance is reached, that the measure of **our nation’s iniquity is full**, and that the angel of mercy is about to take her flight, never to return. The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction and distress which prophets have described as the time of Jacob’s trouble. The cries of the faithful, persecuted ones ascend to heaven. And as the blood of Abel cried from the ground, there are voices also crying to God from martyrs’ graves, from the sepulchers of the sea, from mountain caverns, from convent vaults: “**How long**, O Lord, holy and true, dost Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?” [Rev 6:10, the fifth seal, is here placed in the future.] {5T 451.1,2}

“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** [the abomination of desolation: Matt 24:15]. There will be **a national apostasy**, which will end only in **national ruin.**” —Manuscript 51, 1899. {Ev 235.1}

### ***Who will be blamed for the judgments?***

“As men depart further and further from God, Satan is permitted to have power over the children of disobedience. He hurls destruction among men. There is calamity by land and sea. Property and life are destroyed by fire and flood. Satan resolves to charge this upon those who refuse to bow to the **idol** which he has **set up** [the abomination of desolation: Matt 24:15; Dan 12:11]. **His agents point to Seventh-day Adventists as the cause of the trouble.** “These people stand out in **defiance of law,**” they say. “**They desecrate Sunday.** Were they **compelled to obey the law for Sunday observance,** there would be a cessation of these terrible judgments.” {Mar 176.1} (1901)



### ***How wide-spread will this abomination be?***

“. . . Foreign nations will follow the example of the United States. Though she leads out, yet the same crisis will come upon our people ***in all parts of the world.***” {6T 395.1}

“. . . As America, the land of religious liberty, shall unite with the papacy in forcing the conscience and compelling men to honor the false sabbath, ***the people of every country*** on the globe will be led to follow her example.” {6T 18.2}

“The faith of individual members of the church ***will be tested*** as though there were not another person in the world.” (MS 1a, 1890) {7BC 983.1}

### ***The Earth Desolated!***

“**The Earth Desolated**” is the title of this section in *Early Writings*.

“My attention was again directed to the earth. The wicked had been destroyed, and their dead bodies were lying upon its surface. The wrath of God in the seven last plagues had been visited upon the inhabitants of the earth... After the saints had been delivered by the voice of God, the wicked multitude turned their rage upon one another. The earth seemed to be deluged with blood, and dead bodies were from one end of it to the other.

“The earth looked like a desolate wilderness. . . Here is to be the home of Satan with his evil angels for a thousand years. Here he will be confined, to wander up and down over the broken surface of the earth and see the effects of his rebellion against God’s law. For a thousand years he can enjoy the fruit of the curse which he has caused.” {EW 289.3-290.1}

“After speaking of the end of the world, Jesus comes back to Jerusalem, the city then sitting in pride and arrogance, and saying, “I sit a queen, . . . and shall see no sorrow.” As His prophetic eye rested upon Jerusalem, He sees that ***as*** she was given up to destruction, [***so***] the world will be given up to its doom. ***The scenes that transpired at the destruction of Jerusalem will be repeated at the great and terrible day of the Lord, but in a more fearful manner.***” (MS 40, 1897) {5BC 1123.1}

“Men will continue to erect expensive buildings, costing millions of money: special attention will be called to their architectural beauty, and the firmness and solidity with which they are constructed, but the Lord has instructed me that despite the unusual firmness and expensive display, these buildings *will share the fate of the temple in Jerusalem.* That magnificent structure fell. Angels of God were sent to do the work of destruction, so that one stone was not left upon another that was not thrown down.” (MS 35, 1906) {5BC 1098.7}

### ***The time has come for Daniel to stand!***

“[Dan. 12:9, 4, 10, 13 quoted.] The time has come for Daniel to stand in his lot. ***The time has come for the light given him to go to the world as never before.*** If those for whom the Lord has done so much will walk in the light, their knowledge of Christ and the prophecies relating to Him will be greatly increased as they near the close of this earth’s history.” (MS 176, 1899) {4BC 1174.4}

“***The seven thunders . . . relate to future events*** which will be disclosed in their order. Daniel shall stand in his lot at the *end of the days*. John sees *the little book* [of Daniel] unsealed. ***Then*** [all of] ***Daniel’s prophecies have their proper place*** in the first, second, and third angels’ messages ***to be given*** to the world. The unsealing of the little book [of Daniel] was [***and still is***] ***the message in relation to time.***” {7BC 971.4}

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# About the Mirror Chart

## *Jesus, the Author of prophecy.*

Satan is hard at work, dividing and scattering Christ's followers in every direction whenever possible. The prophecies give meaning and purpose to the Christian church. Bible prophecy is given as a cornerstone of the church; for the prophecies explain the plan of salvation through Jesus as the Lamb slain for the forgiveness of sin. Jesus is that foundation. But many people have turned away from the study of Daniel and Revelation believing that Jesus cannot be found in the prophecies, and thus they have no foundation, direction, purpose, and meaning in their *Christian life*. We should study the prophecies, for Jesus is the Author of these books; Daniel (Dan 10:5, 6; 12:7, 8; 3:25) and Revelation (Rev 1:1, 11, 19; 21:5, 6).

The first verse of Revelation tells us the purpose for the book; it is "the Revelation of Jesus Christ," and John was told to "*seal not the sayings of the prophecy* of this book: for the time is at hand." (Rev 22:10) We might just as well apply this to the book of Daniel, for we also see in Daniel that the Messiah is the main focus; "to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy," . . . "And he shall confirm the covenant with many . . ." (Dan 9:24, 27) In both of these prophetic books we find that it's Christ's sacrifice which is the center of our hope and it is upon Him that we anchor our faith.

The *Mirror Chart* teaches unique prophecies of the past which are *a type*, to be repeated in the near future as *the antitype*, —Jesus being the Center Focus! The more clearly we discern Christ, and receive His Spirit (Rev 5:6), the more boldly we will teach the simple truth that *Christ is our daily*:

*He is our daily* in the Most Holy before the Ark, before the Father, before His Law.

*He is our daily* in the Holy Place, our bread and wine, our light, our prayer.

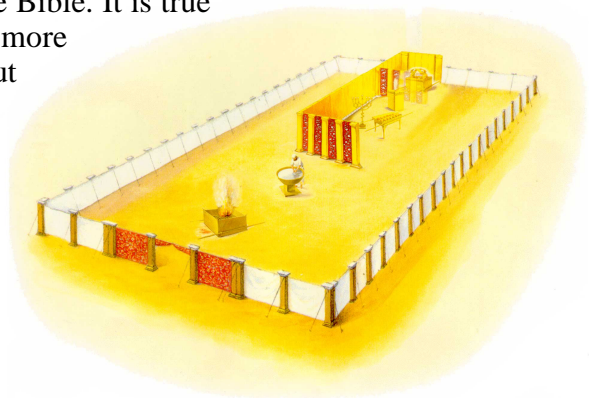
*He is our daily* in the Court of sacrifice and cleansing.

*He is our daily* in the camp, and is invited into our home, our heart.

*He is our daily* in our journeys of life.

## *For Christ is with us, Immanuel, He is our Daily!*

The truths we find in Daniel and Revelation are not narrow; they are profound and embrace many doctrines taught throughout the Bible. It is true that in the prophecies one must dig deeper and more strenuously into the symbolism for understanding, but the satisfaction comes when the golden threads complete the picture, and Christ is found anew to be the Author and Finisher of our faith. With our prophetic muscles strengthened, we become immovable and with renewed spiritual stamina we stand with Christ as living monuments of His grace. Let us practice the prayer of Christ and move with the Spirit's guidance in these last days as one in Christ Jesus. (John 15:1-9; Eze 1:9, 12, 19-20)



## What is the Mirror Chart teaching?

The *Mirror Chart* is a very unique chart, graphically portraying God's grand design through the centuries and the seven thundering last-day events. It is actually two charts divided by a **blue dotted horizontal center line** - - - - -.

**The upper half** teaches that there is a historical fulfillment of the 2300 years which is *the prophetic type*, —a lesson book for the last generation.

**The lower half** teaches that there is a last-day fulfillment of 2300 literal days and is the explanation of the seven thunders, which is *the antitype* of the same prophecies of Daniel. The 2300 years is the *type* which points to and explains the 2300 days, the *antitype*.

This chart portrays the plan of salvation, from both the earthly sanctuary of Moses (the type) and from the Heavenly Sanctuary of which Christ is now our High Priest (the antitype), using the time prophecies of Daniel and Revelation to explain the most important of the events in the plan of salvation. It teaches how Christ, the Angel of prophecy (Rev 10:1), completes the prophetic plan of salvation in both *history* and for *the last generation* by the *act of cleansing the Heavenly Sanctuary* from the sins of the repentant saints, —which is soon to be fulfilled! (Dan 8:14)

As mirrors of each other, the two halves of the *Mirror Chart*, both reflect the glory of the other. Each reflects the purpose of the other —the plan of salvation through Jesus Christ at the cross, and the most important end-result— the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary on the Last Great Day of Atonement. Only a great and loving Master Designer implanted this plan into the history of this world, —to be re-enacted in a *more direct fulfillment* as the last-day events! “*Thou must prophesy again*” is the cry of the Mighty Angel to those who will answer His call and eat the book. (Rev 10:1, 11) ***Prophetic history will be repeated!***

For Divine purposes, as the last-day prophetic scroll is unrolled, we will be privileged to take part in the events foretold, —and very soon the voices of the seven thunders *will be our voices* *guided by the Holy Spirit!* *How else will the world know the thunderings of God and be warned of judgments to come in these last days unless we are His voices!*

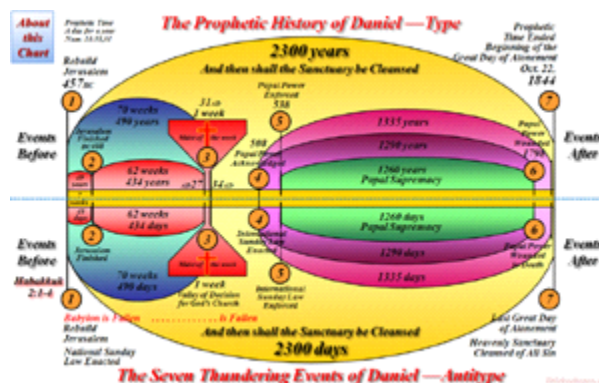
## How to use the Mirror Chart.

The *Mirror Chart* has *hot-spot links* to points of interest on the website— littlebookopen.org. As you click on an interesting area of study, it will take you to a page which hopefully is a brief explanation of the subject. Following the explanatory paragraphs is a *link* to the *Mirror Event*, an explanation of the same event on the other half of the *Mirror Chart*. If you wish to dig deeper, there is a section called **Further Study**. You will also find **FS** throughout the writings, which will take you to a **Further Study** page or section.

Time goes from left to right. Please take note that the time of the **upper half** of the chart is in years, and the time of the **lower half** of the chart is in days. When you read years, it means YEARS; and days means literal 24 hour DAYS.

The **upper half** of the chart starts with the date BC 457 (the third and last decree to rebuild Jerusalem) and ends in 1844 AD (the end of symbolic time). The **lower half** of the chart starts with the first thunderous event, the U.S. National Sunday Law, and **ends the great controversy** with the last thunderous event, the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary. All other *thunderous events* of Daniel and Revelation happen between these two events.

Neither the *Mirror Chart* nor the chart below it, the *Type and Antitype of the 2300 Years/Days Chart*, is drawn to scale.





## ***Similarities and Differences of the Mirror Chart***

When I first started writing down the similarities and differences of the two halves of the *Mirror Chart*, I thought that they could easily be separated into these two categories. But the more I tried to *separate* into similarities and differences, the more I found the ***similarities are differences***, and the ***differences are similarities***. If this doesn't make sense, hopefully it will as this study progresses. What I mean to say is that the more I study the two halves of this chart, the more I see them blend together.

### ***Similarities—***

**1. *The greatest similarity is the time.*** The **upper chart's** *time* is interpreted as *symbolic years*. (Eze 4:3-6; Num 14:34; Dan 9:24). The *timing* of the events is far more important than we now understand, and the *meaning of the times* and the *appointed times* of God's law will become more evident as time progresses through the seven thunderous events.

**2. *The events remain in the same scaled positions.*** It will be these *events* encased in Daniel's *times* that God will *voice* through the last generation as *thunder*. As the scroll of the last *prophetic times* unrolls (has its fulfillment), we will more clearly see why it is important to understand *God's appointed times*. (We may have less to say about the Papacy and more to say about God's Guiding Love! Dan 7:25; 11:31, 35; 12:7.)

The *events* of both the *years* and the *days* are the greatest similarities! And herein is the reason for the prophecies of Daniel being *repeated* (Rev 10:11). There are important lessons to be taught and learned from *prophetic history* concerning the *last seven thunderous events*, providing the last generation with the Personal Guidance needed to be victorious! It has been said—

***Those who refuse to remember  
and learn from the past—  
are condemned to repeat it!***

George Santayana

Although the top half of the chart progresses in *years*, and the bottom half progresses in *days*, the *Mirror Chart* is made so that the ***events line up***. In this way we can understand from the events of the past the explanation of the events of the future, —***type and antitype of time and events***.

**3. *The meaning of the events remains basically the same.*** The seven thunders are *seven events* from the little book of Daniel. The *seven times* of Daniel are used to *identify* the seven thundering events of Revelation, ***but it's the voices of the seven events that receive attention from the reading of the little book by the Mighty Angel***. What, in some cases, could *not* be fully explained in the historical fulfillment *I believe will be more fully explained* during the fulfillment of the seven thunders! (We will certainly understand these repeated prophecies better as the scroll is unrolled.)

**4.** It's interesting that there are hundreds, if not thousands of years between the fulfillment of the time and events of ***the type*** (the *years*) and ***the antitype*** (the *days*). One would think that the players and events would have changed because of the *difference and distance* between the time periods; ***but this is not the case***. The main players, God's church and the Papacy, —***are still the same!***

**5. LET THE PROPHECIES BE REPEATED!** What makes the *Mirror Chart* *years* and *days* ***similar*** (nearly identical) is the fact that ***they are repeated prophecy!*** So then, if the prophetic books of Daniel and Revelation are to be repeated, **THEN LET THE PROPHECIES REPEAT!** —as it was fulfilled in the *historic type*.

There is a great deal of confusion, and even chaos, from prophecy teachers who teach last-day *prophetic times* such as the 2300 *days*, 1260 *days*, 1290 *days*, 1335 *days*, etc. Those who teach these times all agree that it is *literal time* (with the exception of the displaced seventieth week teaching), but very few agree on how to arrange the times. In fact, ***I haven't seen any two agree!*** Some teach that the times are in succession, one after another. Some over-lay a few of the times, but leave out other times. Some place a time with question marks on 'either side? —not knowing where it is placed. And all too many build the placement of these *literal times* around a ***displaced seventieth***

week of seven years. Who gives these teachers the authority to arrange the prophetic times according to their own interpretation, and thus *rearrange the events*? The proper placement of the times of Daniel and Revelation *have been positioned by God Himself, and fulfilled in prophetic history*. The placement and the position of the times and events are to be **repeated, exactly as He set them** into *prophetic history*, but fulfilled in *literal time*. The seven thunders are **not based** on man's ropes of sand, **but upon God's fulfilled prophetic history!** We are not to guess at how the last-day events will be fulfilled. **Guessing will surely place us on the wrong side at the wrong time!**

What are the odds of seven prophetic events of history, located in time, **repeating** in the *exact* same sequence, but on a smaller scale, also located in time? Only the Mighty Angel, Jesus, can be responsible for the plan of salvation worked out in such a grand design! We are seeing only a small part of the plan which Jesus and His Father discussed in secret councils, —to the exclusion of Lucifer. No man could ever come up with a plan like this, let alone have the power to carry it out! And the odds of such repetition are too great for chance. Praise God that Jesus is in charge of events on earth and heaven, and it will soon be shown to the entire world that He is in control of the great prophetic design, from beginning to end!

(As we study deeper into these events and times, and witness the unrolling of the scroll, we will surely find that not all of the historical prophecies were completely fulfilled, for they were the *type*.) (And yet there have been many who have stoned others who did not agree with their personal interpretations of prophecy.)

### **Differences—**

1. **The greatest difference is the time.** The **lower half** of the chart's *time* is interpreted in *literal 24 hour days*, for that is the way Daniel was instructed to write it. We can praise God that the prophecy of the seven thunders is *not* repeated in years, —but in days! (Both Daniel and John were instructed to write the time of the prophecies in *literal time*. Daniel was told to **seal up** the real meaning of the book, and that his book would “stand” “at the end of the days.” And John was shown the **unsealing** of the little book (as Daniel). “The **unsealing** of the *little book* [of Daniel] was [and still is] **the message in relation to time**.” (Dan 12:4, 13; Rev 5:5; 10:2, 6; 7BC 971.4.)

2. **The 2300 years** had its fulfillment from BC 457 to 1844.

3. **The 2300 days** is still future and has its fulfillment between the National Sunday Law (*transgression of desolation*; Dan 8:13) and the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary (Dan 8:14).

4. It's a bit ironic that in reality, Daniel 8:14 is written using the word “*days*” with the Hebrew meaning of 24 hour creation days, and yet we interpret it (**correctly**) as years for the historical fulfillment. Yet, Daniel's prophecy is *primarily* meant to be fulfilled in the last-day events as “*days*.” Rev 10:7

5. **One of the proofs** that Daniel's prophecies were meant to be fulfilled in **symbolic years** is the prophecy of the seventy weeks-of-years or 490 years, —the coming of the Messiah in the midst of the seventieth week (Dan 9:24-27). Christ on the cross is the fulfillment and center of that prophecy.

**One of the proofs** that Daniel's prophecies are meant to be fulfilled in **literal days** is the prophecy of the 2300 DAYS. See Dan 8:17, 19, 13, 14; *Strong's Hebrew* meaning for days —**ereb boqer** [H6153-H1242], —**evening-morning** —*literal twenty-four hour creation days* taken from Gen 1:5, 8, 13, 19, 23, 31; “And the **evening and the morning** were the first [second, etc.] day.” We must also conclude that **NOT yet** has there been an end to sin, the last-day events fulfilled, *so that the Heavenly Sanctuary can be cleansed of sin*, and those sins placed on the head of the scape goat, Satan, which is led into the 1,000 year wilderness. And this, of course, is the ultimate fulfillment of the *last event* of the *time* prophecies of Daniel.

### **What the Mirror Chart is NOT.**

**This chart does NOT** represent a *dual application* in the sense that the interpretation can be entirely different for the same prophecy, even though it may be repeated thousands of years apart. But in fact, this chart shows that it is the repeating of the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation in the *most accurate interpretation*, the *primary application* of these prophecies.

**This chart does NOT** white wash or nullify the historical prophecies such as the 2300 years and all inclusive prophecies of both Daniel and Revelation. **Please take note:** The *Mirror Chart* does NOT teach that the 2300 years, starting in BC 457 and ending October 22, 1844, is done away with or that it is in any way made obsolete. **Just the opposite is true!** The 2300 years is a shadow of seven last-day events which will have their fulfillment during 2300 days! The *historical fulfillment* of the 2300 years has been telling generations of its importance and place in *prophetic history*, and without it, there can be no understanding of the 2300 last-day prophecy to guide us. It is a sad thing that we as the people of God have NOT yet understood its importance in the grand fulfillment of these books!!! Rev 5:1; 12:10.

**This chart does NOT** give a *detailed account* of the events of the 2300 years or of the days. This chart only gives a basic and brief understanding of how the events of the 2300 years teach us the closing plan of redemption in the 2300 days. Many books explaining the historical fulfillment are available. (See *Footnote*: a list of books at the end of this article.) The authors of these books have written valuable lessons we should learn from history which will greatly aid in understanding the repeated prophecies of the near future and the part which we are to play for the glory of our Saviour.

Another set of books that explain the seven thunders in their historical setting is a set called the *Conflict Set* by Ellen White and can be purchased at an Adventist Book Center. The set includes:

- Patriarchs and Prophets*
- Prophets and Kings*
- Desire of Ages*
- Acts of the Apostles*
- The Great Controversy*

With our *Bibles*, it is my belief that these books will become the most valuable study books as we live through the events of the seven thunders. We will be astounded at the new light they will give at that time and how we will need to *apply* the lessons written within to our lives through the power of the Holy Spirit. There is one other book we will long to read over and over, and understanding it will help us to hold fast our faith; —*Early Writings*, also by Ellen White.

### *The Type and Antitype of the 2300 Years/Days Chart*

The second chart and its explanation on the *Mirror Chart* page shows better the placement of the 2300 years in history and its relationship to the *repeated* 2300 days as the seven thundering last-day events. The 2300 years ended in 1844, and then after four generations, the 2300 days begins at the foretold event, —*the transgression of desolation* (Dan 8:13; a U.S. National Sunday Law), which grows into *the abomination of desolation* (Dan 11:31; 12:11; the setting up of the Papacy for world dominion), and ends at the cleansing of the Heavenly Sanctuary (Dan 8:14).

- \* The two time periods, the 2300 years and the 2300 days are *two different time periods*; they have their fulfillment at different periods in the plan of salvation and teach collectively that past *prophetic history* will be *repeated* as last-day events, specifically, the seven thunders. Rev 10:11
- \* The 2300 years *precedes* the fulfillment of the 2300 days.
- \* The 2300 years is the *type* and the *antitype* is the 2300 days. *The type is a shadow*. It *prefigures*, and is a *pattern*, which *points forward* to the fulfillment of the last-day events.





- \* *The fulfilled prophetic history of Daniel is **re-enacted** in the seven thunders of Revelation.*
- \* The **time between** the fulfillment of the 2300 **years** and the starting of the 2300 **days** is the judgment of the dead.
- \* **How long is short?** Yes, for those who are wondering, the 2300 **days** is 6 years, 3 months, and 20 days. Is that short, or is it too long for the last events? It is not for us to answer except to say that the events and days will pass by so fast that we will be praying for *more time* to teach those who thirst after Righteousness.
- \* **2300 days is NOT seven years.** The larger portion of Christians today who use time with their last-day events teach a fulfillment of an extended **seventieth week** of *seven years* (separated from the 69 weeks and displaced at the end of time), based on Daniel 9. It is taught that there is an “*abomination of desolation*” in the midst of the week of seven years, which involves the destruction of a literal rebuilt temple in Jerusalem by the anti-Christ. The false teaching of last-day events is already set up! If God allows, Satan will no doubt cause *these false interpretations* of Scripture to be fulfilled so that the eyes of all he is able to deceive will be on the temple in Jerusalem, rather than on the Heavenly Sanctuary, where Jesus is **completing** His most important work of redemption! (Matt 24:24; Dan 11:40-45; Rev 13:11-18; Dan 8:14; 9:24.)

## Conclusion

It is my belief that God has already led thousands of last-generation saints into these prophetic understandings around the world and that when the *appointed time* comes, *they will know exactly what to do* and *when to teach* these prophecies. They will know that the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy (Rev 12:17; 14:12; 19:10) and how it will be taught in the fullness of “the just shall live by his faith.” (Hab 2:4) Nothing can stop this ordained purpose of God, for these saints are not controlled by men of nations or church, but by God alone! They shall soon *arise with Jesus*, and ***their voices will be heard around the world as peels of thunder and God will be their power! Amen and Amen!***

**May God Bless** as you pray that the Holy Spirit will lead you into all Truth for these last days.

## Habakkuk 2:1-4

1. 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 reproved.
2. And the LORD answered me, and said, **Write the vision, and make it plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it.**
3. For the 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.**  
[Appointed time— Dan 8:19; 11:27, 29, 35.]

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<http://www.littlebookopen.org/7thun/mirror/00-about.htm>

## Footnote from page 46:

The following is a few of the books which I have used over the years in my studies of the prophecies and would not hesitate to recommend. Some are out of print, but most of them can be purchased at the Adventist Book Center.

*Strong's Exhaustive Concordance*, James Strong  
*Daniel and Revelation*, Uriah Smith

*Daniel the Prophet*, Stephen Haskell  
*Seer of Patmos*, Stephen Haskell  
*The Prophetic Faith of Our Fathers*, 4 volumes, LeRoy Froom  
*Beacon Lights of Prophecy*, W.A. Spicer  
*The Chronology of Ezra 7*, Siegfried H. Horn, Lynn H. Wood  
*Unveiling Daniel and Revelation*, R.A. Anderson  
*The Seven Epistles of Christ*, Taylor Bunch  
*The Greatest of the Prophets*, George McCready Price

**Newer Books—**

*The Message of Daniel*, C. Mervyn Maxwell (Also known as *God Cares, Vol. 1*)  
*The Message of Revelation*, C. Mervyn Maxwell (Also known as *God Cares, Vol. 2*)  
*Heaven's Open Door*, Erwin R. Gane  
*The Seventh-day Adventist Bible Commentary on Daniel & Revelation* (in one book)  
*A Symposium on Biblical Hermeneutics*, Edited by Gordon M. Hyde  
*Bible Readings for the Home*, Pacific Press —180+ Bible Studies  
*The Revelation of Jesus Christ to His People*, Verlene Youngberg - Out of print.  
*The Lamb Among the Beasts*, Roy C. Naden  
*Jesus is My Judge*, (A Study of Daniel), Leslie Hardinge  
*The Lamb - God's Greatest Gift*, (A Study of Revelation), Leslie Hardinge  
*Yahweh Shamah - God Is There!*, (A Study of Ezekiel), Leslie Hardinge

There is no need to go out and buy all these books. They are a few of the best books in my library which are excellent in explaining *prophetic history*. When people ask what are the top seven, I would first recommend buying *Strong's Exhaustive Concordance* and learn to use it well! Then I would suggest Smith, Haskell, Anderson, Maxwell, SDA Commentary, and Hardinge.

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