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THE SNARES OF SATAN

"As the people of God approach the perils of the last days, Satan holds earnest consultation with his angels as to the most successful plan of overthrowing their faith. He sees that the popular churches are already lulled to sleep by his deceptive power. By pleasing sophistry and lying wonders he can continue to hold them under his control. Therefore he directs his angels to lay their snares especially for those who are looking for the second advent of Christ, and endeavoring to keep all the commandments of God.

"Says the great deceiver: 'We must watch those who are calling the attention of the people to the Sabbath of Jehovah; they will lead many to see the claims of the law of God; and the same light which reveals the true Sabbath, reveals also the ministration of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary, and shows that the last work for man's salvation is now going forward. Hold the minds of the people in darkness till that work is ended, and we shall secure the world and the church also.

"The Sabbath is the great question which is to decide the destiny of souls. We must exalt the Sabbath of our creating. We have caused it to be accepted by both worldlings and church-members; now the church must be led to unite with the world in its support. We must work by signs and wonders to blind their eyes to the truth, and lead them to lay aside reason and the fear of God, and follow custom and tradition.

"I will influence popular ministers to turn the attention of their hearers from the commandments of God. That which the Scriptures declare to be a perfect law of liberty shall be represented as a yoke of bondage. The people accept their ministers' explanations of Scripture, and do not investigate for themselves. Therefore by working through the ministers, I can control the people according to my will.

"But our principal concern is to silence this sect of Sabbath-keepers. We must excite popular indignation against them. We will enlist great men and worldly-wise men upon our side, and induce those in authority to carry out our purposes. Then the Sabbath which I have set up shall be enforced by laws the most severe and exacting. Those who disregard them shall be driven out from the cities and villages, and made to suffer hunger and privation. When once we have the power, we will show that we can do with those who will not swerve from their allegiance to God. We led the Romish Church to inflict imprisonment, torture, and death upon those who refused to yield to her decrees, and now that we are bringing the Protestant churches and the world into harmony with this right arm of our strength, we will finally have a law to exterminate all who will not submit to our authority. When death shall be made the penalty of violating our Sabbath, then many who are now ranked with commandment-keepers will come over to our side." *The Spirit of Prophecy*, volume 4, 339.

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Readers' Response

Dear Brother and Sister Pippenger, My many thanks for the blessings I have received through your ministry. My father-in-law gave us a set of the prophecy school DVD's and once I started them I couldn't stop listening and watching. I say listening because I borrowed a portable DVD player so I could listen in the car! God is reviving my commitment to Him and His church through them. With a new urgency I am bringing my children up in Godliness. I want so much to be among the ones who give the loud cry of this last day message and I want my husband and children giving it also!

I must share that a few weeks ago I had several days at home alone (very unusual for a mother of three). I had planned to spend time searching Adventist Home and Child Guidance for some answers to things I had been struggling with but the Lord impressed me to spend my time with the Prophecy School for it was what I really needed. Praise God. I truly found answer to exactly what I was searching for with my children. Through the still quiet voice He gave me answers and also as I looked up the part on Daniel 11 in Maxwell's God Cares, right where I was looking was a quote from Adventist Home that directly related to my situation. Praise God! May He bless your family abundantly as you work for Him.

Yours in Christ, C.K.

Dear Jeff and Kathy,

For about five weeks the customs kept your precious material at the customs house. We went to Lisbon personally. For more than 1 hour we had to go from office to office. They interrogated us like being at court. Finally they gave us the treasure duty free! Your messages and studies are the expenditure worth! Thank you so much for everything. I am glad to have now the book: The Ministry of Midwifery. We pray for all of

Greetings from Portugal, R.H.

Dear Sister Kathy,

Greetings from Kenya and from your dear coworkers in this side of the world. Thank you very much for the wonderful material messages you sent us. We have received them all in very good condition. Yes, F. and I now know that the Holy Spirit of God impressed you to send us these DVD's, video tapes, CD's, and the audio tapes and books.

We promise that we are going to make use of these materials not only by us listening and watching them, No, but as well as to share widely the messages contained therein to our fellow church members and many needy souls in this country.

We are only a small group of Seventh-day Adventist believers here in Kenya. We study the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation but we have never come across such messages given in these DVD's. Praise God! Now that you have sent us these DVD's we have already started to share the messages and these messages will really have a great impact to the souls of men. Just last evening we were listening to the ones titled The Scope of Daniel by Jamal Sankey. Very interesting! We will keep the Future for America ministry in our prayers. This ministry is doing a great work that deserves recommendations and support. We are only a poor ministry also taking care of poor orphans, already 52 children live and sleep in our rented house, we feed, cloth and school them everyday in our rented home, so we cannot have any financial to support you with, but our support to you will be our prayer. Keep up the good work and your reward is rich in Heaven. Jesus is just at the door. Please let

us be much ready for His coming. May God richly bless you.

Yours in the Blessed Hope, B. & F.—Kenya

Dear Jeff,

I have listened to your video's and when you explain "dark sentences" of Daniel 8:23, you call it a foreign tongue or language. I am puzzled by this statement, based on our understanding of Biblical interpretation we should be able to find in scripture and in the concordance an agreement with that and I do not see that. That Hebrew word "Kheedaw" is used 17 times in the OT but not once is it used to mean a different language.

One of the things that paganism is known for is its "esoteric" and "exoteric" use of language. You can better call them riddles or hidden meanings within the words or sentences they use. The exoteric meaning is meant for those who do not have understanding of these dark sentences so that they in truth do not understand what is being said. But, those who have the understanding of the esoteric or hidden meanings of these words do. They are riddles. In fact when you read Proverbs 1:6, it gives you get that exact explanation.

The Beast speaks in this way to keep the truth away from those who have not been initiated into his select group. Scripture backs this understanding up as you review the below.

I truly appreciate what you are doing, for you have brought out the desire to better understand the words for they each have their own special meaning and we are as EGW tells us that they should be understood in that way.

Based on this understanding it validates even more that it is Paganism it does not take something away in the understanding of the "Daily" but enhances it. God Bless. Your Brother in Christ, R.

H2420: ee-daw'; fom H2330; a puzzle; hence a trick, conundrum, sententious maxim:—dark saying (sentence, speech), hard question, proverb, riddle.

Numbers 12:8—With him will I speak mouth to mouth, even apparently, and not in dark speeches;2420 and the similitude of the Lord shall he behold: wherefore then were ye not afraid, to speak against my servant Moses?

Judges 14:12—And Samson said unto them, I will now put forth2330 a riddle2420 unto you: if ye can certainly declare, it me within the seven days of the feast, and find it out, then I will give you thirty sheets and thirty change of garments.

Judges 14:13—But if ye cannot, declare it me, then shall ye give me thirty sheets and thirty change of garments. And they said unto him, Put forth2330 thy riddle,2420 that we may hear8 it.

Judges 14:14—And he said unto them, Out of the eater, came forth meat, and out of the strong, came forth sweetness. And they could not in three days expound the riddle.2420

Judges 14:15—And it came to pass on the seventh day, that they said unto Samson's wife, Entice thy husband, that he may declare unto us the riddle,2420 lest we burn thee and thy father's house with fire: have ye called us to take that we have? is it not so?

Judges 14:16—And Samson's wife wept before him, and said, Thou dost but hate me, and lovest me not: thou hast put forth2330 a riddle2420 unto the children of my people, and hast not told it me. And he said unto her, Behold, I have not told it my father1 nor my mother, and shall I tell it thee?

Judges 14:17—And she wept before him the seven days, while their feast lasted: and it came to pass on the seventh day, that he told her, because she lay sore upon him: and she told the riddle2420 to the children of her people.

Judges 14:18—And the men of the city said unto him on the seventh day before the sun went down, What is sweeter than

honey?, and what is stronger than a lion?, And he said unto them, If ye had not plowed with my heifer, ye had not found out my riddle.2420

Judges 14:19—And the Spirit of the Lord came upon him, and he went down to Ashkelon, and slew thirty men of them, and took their spoil, and gave change of garments unto them which expounded the riddle.2420 And his anger was kindled, and he went up to his father's house.

1 Kings 10:1—And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the Lord, she came to prove him with hard questions.2420

2 Chronicles 9:1—And when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon, she came to prove Solomon with hard questions2420 at Jerusalem, with a very great company, and camels that bore spices, and gold in abundance, and precious stones: and when she was come to Solomon, she communed with him of all that was in her heart.

Psalms 49:4—I will incline mine ear to a parable: I will open my dark saying 2420 upon the harp.

Psalms 78:2—I will open my mouth in a parable: I will utter dark sayings2420 of old.

Proverbs 1:6—To understand a proverb, and the interpretation; the words of the wise, and their dark sayings.2420

Ezekiel 17:2—Son of man, put forth2330 a riddle,2420 and speak a parable unto the house of Israel.

Daniel 8:23—And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences,2420 shall stand up.

Habakkuk 2:6—Shall not all these take up a parable against him, and a taunting proverb2420 against him, and say, Woe to him that increaseth that which is not his! how long?, and to him that ladeth, himself with thick clay!

Brother R:

My understanding of Daniel 8:32 includes, what I understand to be a biblical validation. I understand the following passage to be identifying pagan Rome as the power that followed Greece in Daniel 8.

And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up. And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practice, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people. And through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his hand; and he shall magnify *himself* in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand. Daniel 8:23–25.

Pagan Rome has some characteristics in this passage that agree with Moses' Deuteronomy prediction concerning the punishment of Israel that would be brought about by pagan Rome. The following is only part of the prediction:

Because thou servedst not the Lord thy God with joyfulness, and with gladness of heart, for the abundance of all *things*; Therefore shalt thou serve thine enemies

which the Lord shall send against thee, in hunger, and in thirst, and in nakedness, and in want of all *things*: and he shall put a yoke of iron upon thy neck, until he have destroyed thee.

The Lord shall bring a nation against thee from far, from the end of the earth, as swift as the eagle flieth; a nation whose tongue thou shalt not understand; A nation of fierce countenance, which shall not regard the person of the old, nor show favour to the young:

And he shall eat the fruit of thy cattle, and the fruit of thy land, until thou be destroyed: which also shall not leave thee either corn, wine, or oil, or the increase of thy kine, or flocks of thy sheep, until he have destroyed thee. And he shall besiege thee in all thy gates, until thy high and fenced walls come down, wherein thou trustedst, throughout all thy land: and he shall besiege thee in all thy gates throughout all thy land, which the Lord thy God hath given thee. And thou shalt eat the fruit of thine own body, the flesh of thy sons and of thy daughters, which the Lord thy God hath given thee, in the siege, and in the straitness, wherewith thine enemies shall distress thee. Deuteronomy 28:47-53.

Notice that this power is a nation. It is the nation that brought the siege against Jerusalem where the Israel ate their own children from hunger. It is a nation of fierce countenance; swift as the eagle; that would bring an iron yoke; but—Israel would not understand this nation's language.

Moses here predicted pagan Rome's work of desolation against ancient Israel including the siege of Jerusalem. The nation brings a iron yoke that represents the iron kingdom of Daniel two. The nation is fierce, corresponding to the passage we started with in Daniel eight. The nation is represented by an eagle which one of the symbols of pagan Rome, and the nation would speak a language that was different than the languages spoken in the Middle East.

The languages of the Middle East are similar to one another, just as French and Spanish are similar, but the Latin language is as different to Hebrew as Chinese is to English. To understand that Daniel is addressing the prediction of Moses is consistent with the testimony of Daniel. Daniel understood the prophecies of Moses, especially Moses' prophecies concerning the punishment of Israel because of their disobedience:

Yea, all Israel have transgressed thy law, even by departing, that they might not obey thy voice; therefore the curse is poured upon us, and the oath that is written in the law of Moses the servant of God, because we have sinned against him. And he hath confirmed his words, which he spake against us, and against our judges that judged us, by bringing upon us a great evil: for under the whole heaven hath not been done as hath been done upon Jerusalem. As it is written in the law of Moses, all this evil is come upon us: yet made we not our prayer before the Lord our God, that we might turn from our iniquities, and understand thy truth. Daniel 9:11–13.

Daniel is identifying pagan Rome in Daniel 8, and in so doing Daniel is in agreement with the prediction of pagan Rome by Moses. Moses stated that one of the prophetic characteristics of the power was that it would speak a different language, and Daniel states that this very same power would speak "dark sentences." To suggest the dark sentences are a language that is not understood is in agreement with the revealed testimony concerning pagan Rome, and is based upon biblical grounds.

I don't have a problem identifying that pagan Rome's spiritualistic religion included and operated upon esoteric language, but for me this is at best, secondary to Moses prediction. Moses is identifying a political power that would bring desolation upon Israel. That power's religious manifestation includes spiritualism, including all of paganism's esoteric "mumbo jumbo"—but I point to Moses as the first witness to this characteristic, and believe that his reference specifies language that cannot be understood as the primary fulfillment, even if the esoteric language of spiritualism can also be understood there.

I would further state that those who incorrectly suggest that Daniel chapter 8 is some end of the world prediction, and that the ram, goat and the nation of fierce countenance are not the Medes and Persians, followed by Greece and pagan Rome, but some end time powers- almost always take this statement of "dark sentences" and apply as esoteric language to suggest that the power under discussion by Daniel was not pagan Rome. In doing this they of course destroy the foundational understanding of the pioneers, and are either unaware or refuse to acknowledge that Daniel's prediction here in chapter eight is simply a second testimony to Moses' prediction. The prophets agree with one another. That agreement being that pagan Rome would speak a different language than Hebrew, and if a Hebrew were confronted with the language of Latin, he would hear the noise, but it would only be dark sentences to him. He would need to figure out what was being said. The language would be a riddle to him, until he came to understand it.

Jeff

Jeff:

I was reading some of your material on the daily on Sabbath & ran across a quote you used from *The Great Controversy*, 49 that caught my attention. I thought it was important because of the false view of the daily & how Jean Handwerk said in her article in *The Firm Foundation*, using the same verses that William Miller used to say the daily was paganism, that the daily was Christ's priestly ministry.

She was quoting 2 Thessalonians 2:7—only he who now letteth will let, until he be taken out of the way.

She was saying that Jesus was the one who was holding or restraining the Papacy from coming to power. In The Great Controversy, 49 the Lord through Sister White says, after quoting 2 Thessalonians 2:3,4-7. "Even at that early date he saw, creeping into the church, errors that would prepare the way for the development of the papacy. Little by little, at first in stealth and silence, and then more openly as it increased in strength and gained control of the minds of men, the mystery of iniquity carried forward its deceptive and blasphemous work. Almost imperceptibly the customs of heathenism found their way into the Christian church. The spirit of compromise was RESTRAINED for a time by the fierce persecutions which the church endured under PAGANISM."

So here the Lord was telling us in *The Great Controversy* the same thing William Miller said—paganism was the restraining power.

I was just talking to Kathy, and ordering some material and she said you were working in the garden. That is where I like to spend a lot of my time, but I do not get to spend as much there as I would like. May God keep you & bless you, your family & your ministry. AF

Dear Jeff,

I believe Paul sheds light on "the daily," in 2 Thessalonians 2. He wrote to these believers not to expect the coming of Christ to be soon, because "that man of sin" would be revealed first, as the result of apostasy or falling away from Christ. He then said, "Only he (masculine, pagan, imperial Rome) who now letteth (hinders) will let, (hinders) until he (masculine, pagan, imperial Rome) be taken out of the way." (Take away the daily.) Paul very likely was

referring to Daniel's prophecy. Paul was evidently saying, only imperial Rome now hinders the setting of that wicked one, that man of sin, that son of perdition, that mystery of iniquity, the papacy to reign supreme. He will blend or amalgamate paganism and Christianity into one world government, one world religion, one church-state union or confederacy worldwide. He will exist until the return of Christ, who shall destroy him with the Spirit of His mouth and the brightness of His coming, or, as Daniel put it, his body will be given to the burning flame, or, as Nebuchadnezzar dreamed, a stone cut out without hands smites the feet of the great image. Statecraft joined to churchcraft, and the entire system of human government and religion are eternally annihilated from God's pure, eternal universe. God's theocracy will then become universal and eternal in all its gracious and glorious benevolence. May the earth be lightened with His glory as we enter the final scenes. Sincerely and Respectfully, W.H.

Hey friend!

I'm currently building a more thorough presentation on Daniel 2 and other related subjects in order to better be able to present the truth concerning these subjects and I wanted to ask you for the reference where sister White draws a connection between the Millerite time period and the 10 virgins. You see, I'm trying to show that the Millerite time period will be repeated to the very letter and this is what she says of the parable of the 10 virgins.

I'm not quite sure how to search for this in her writings so any help would be greatly appreciated. I'm praying that God will bless you at this camp meeting and I look forward to hearing from you soon. WS

"The parable of the ten virgins of Matthew 25 also illustrates the experience of the Adventist people." *The Great Controversy*, 393.

"When the third angel's message is preached as it should be, power attends its proclamation, and it becomes an abiding influence. It must be attended with divine power, or it will accomplish nothing. I am often referred to the parable of the ten vir-

gins, five of whom were wise, and five foolish. This parable has been and will be fulfilled to the very letter, for it has a special application to this time, and, like the third angel's message, has been fulfilled and will continue to be present truth till the close of time. In the parable, the ten virgins had lamps, but only five of them had the saving oil with which to keep their lamps burning. This represents the condition of the Church. The wise and the foolish have their Bibles, and are provided with all the means of grace; but many do not appreciate the fact that they must have the heavenly unction. They do not heed the invitation, 'Come unto me, all ye that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light." Review and Herald, August 19, 1890.

The thing that hath been, it *is that* which shall be; and that which is done *is* that which shall be done: and *there is* no new *thing* under the sun. Is there *any* thing whereof it may be said, See, this *is* new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us. Ecclesiastes 1:9, 10.

Brother Jeff,

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. My wife and I met you and your wife one time in a church in Arkansas several years ago. We have several common friends such as AF, AB, and others. We appreciate your work and know that God is blessing your efforts. AF recently shared some papers that you wrote on the subject of the daily. I am enjoying learning more about the prophecies. One question we have is about the "little horn before whom there were three of the first horns plucked up by the roots." Brother V brought out in his series that the records concerning these three horns have been destroyed by the little horn power. It would be consistent with the practices and policies to

falsify the records concerning the history. This would include the pretense that they were doing something good while at the same time doing evil.

Therefore the conclusion that would be consistent with the rest of the history of the powers of darkness is that the reason that the three horns were plucked up is that they were standing firm and true, to the best of their light and knowledge, to the true God of heaven. I could include more history and references, and would be happy to if you would like some more later. Please let me know what you think about this if you have time. May the Lord continue to bless you desire to know the truth and to practice it, Sincerely, AH

Brother AH:

I don't have a problem with what you suggest. My understanding of this particular prophetic history is in development, a work in progress, so to speak. I recently spoke at a camp meeting in Florida that was hosted by those who uphold the pioneer position of the Godhead. They understand the Holy Spirit is strictly the Spirit of the Father or of Jesus; and that Jesus is God the Father's Son, as opposed to the common understanding that Jesus assumed the title of Son at some point in time in order to explain Himself and the Father to mankind. I am trying to express their understanding in a way that does not cause any of them to stumble over my words, for I once stated that this group does not believe there is a Holy Spirit, and by that I meant that they do not believe that the Holy Spirit is the third person of the Godhead, and when I stated that I received criticism that I had misrepresented their understanding. They do believe there is a Holy Spirit, but it is simply the spirit of either the Father or the Son.

In any case, at that camp meeting there was a brother that presented the history of the early church councils where most of Catholic doctrine was invented and ratified, ect. He had very excellent information identifying that the Arians (the three horns) were at least two things of interest. They were Sabbath keepers, and above that they believed in a monotheistic God. In a few of the early council meetings in Catholic history Catholicism was inventing and establishing their understanding of the trinity. In that time-period the Catholic hatred of the Arians believers was based upon the Sabbath of course, but at that point in history, the Catholics were more specifically and aggressively opposed to the Arian concept of God the Father and God the Son. The speaker referred to a passage in Daniel 11:37, 38:

Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all. But in his estate shall he honour the God of forces: and a god whom his fathers knew not shall he honour with gold, and silver, and with precious stones, and pleasant things.

The speaker identified that it was in these early church meetings that the papacy accepted the trinity, and then began to persecute those who opposed the trinity concept. The papacy at that point began to regard a "a god whom his fathers knew not". The presentation was very well documented and interesting.

The presentation also agreed with the prophetic concept that pagan Rome had to remove three obstacles, or enemies, (those being Syria, Egypt and Israel) before they took control of the world, and that modern Rome will overcome three enemies before it takes control of the world, those being the Soviet Union, the USA, and the United Nations. Prophetically, Rome always has three obstacles and or enemies to overcome before it takes control of the world. To understand the three horns as enemies of the papacy would be consistent with that prophetic fact, and if they were being true to the Sabbath and the revealed understanding of the Godhead, as opposed to Sunday and the false concept of God as identified by the Catholic trinity doctrine, then it fits. Jeff

Dear Jeff,

I was disappointed again, when you chose not to correct the false impression you left on the minds of your readers in the February issue of your newsletter. You bore false witness against your neighbor.

To say that those who are giving "the Godhead" message, do not believe in the Holy Spirit, is a lie, a lie, a lie! It was said to counteract their credibility, and will never pass the investigative judgment in process above. I am appealing to you once more to correct that error.

"And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie." Revelation 21:27 Haste thee, soul, the hour is late, not much more will mercy wait, Haste, or thou in anguish cry-Ah, too late!

Sincerely with Concern, W.H.

Dear Kathy & Jeff,

I've spoken with you Kathy a few weeks ago about my alumni reunion in C. It went well and I was able to get 4 of the 25 attending alumni and one spouse to come over Sabbath afternoon and watch message #3 of the 2004 Prophecy School DVDs. I also gave out your web address as info also. I hope you are able to update it soon! That night everyone who didn't come was asking me about the videos and what was so great about them, so "Jeff Pippenger" and "prophecy" were topics with the class of 1987 reunion! I've also been on the phone with many others and encouraging them to check your web site as well and I pray they order something. Another couple I showed some DVD's to said they'd be interested in seeing something that included the latest current events as of 2007. Do you have something to recommend? My dad, has been showing the '04 DVDs and the number of attendees and "viewing nights" is growing. I also hope to begin showing them to anyone interested in the weeks to come. In light of the Virginia Tech shootings and today's Supreme Court ruling on partial birth abortions, it seems our last day events are overlapping constantly. Are the 2004 DVD's your best recommendation for sharing among SDA's? Thank you for your ministry. TK

Sister TK:

I am sorry I haven't been keeping up with my emails.

Praise the Lord about the reunion. I believe this is the message that should be confronting Adventism now.

There have been times in our ministry where for a while we were drawn into closely tracking and sharing current events in our presentations. I came to a point though where I realized that current events set in the context of prophecy was a very easy way to stir up Seventh-day Adventists, but that it did not seem to produce any long term revival and reformation for the audience in general. A weekend meeting or a current video presentation of these events will produce excitement, but if the audience does not truly have a thorough and firm understanding of the prophetic word the current events are very short term in there effect. I therefore turned away from much of that in my vocal presentations. I think we need to first understand the prophecies from inspiration and then the Holy Spirit can use the events in a more productive manner. We therefore share current events in our newsletter, more than anywhere else. Sometimes even there we are dealing with some prophetic subject where there is not enough room in the newsletter to share them. Are you receiving our newsletter? If you aren't and would like to, we need your address.

Sorry for the long delay in answering. Jeff P.S. I re-reading my answer to you, I noticed I left out one thought. The 2004 Prophecy School DVD's are the best starting point from my perspective, but they should be followed by the 2006 series and the Idaho and Blythe Series. If you need to acquaint some in a brief fashion of the concepts then the Diamond Lake series and the White Salmon series, (though White Salmon is only VHS) is also good. Jeff

Hello Brother Pippenger,

How are you? I just wanted to inquire of the DVDs you have available. I'm interested in all but especially Daniel 11&12. I have been an Adventist for almost 17 years. I consider my much better than average when it comes to knowing what the Bible says than most I know. However, until last year, I have never studied the prophecy of Daniel 11:40-45. I have never heard anyone talk about it in any church I have ever attended.

Last year, something hit me to start inquiring of these things. I started out with a massive series on cassette by Pastor SB on Daniel. It is 79 cassettes. I'm sure you have heard of Pastor B. In my opinion, his understanding of the Bible and explaining it is far greater than what I have heard. God has truly blessed this man with talent. But, when it comes to the Glorious Land, he does not hold the position of it being the United States. His chief argument is if you literalize (or localize) the Glorious Land than you must do the same for the King of the North and King of the South, which seems to make sense. Then I obtained a DVD series from a man by the name of RF who teaches the Glorious Land as the Sunday Law in the United States.

After much study, prayer, consideration, I hold the position that the glorious land is the Sunday Law in the United States. I am interested in obtaining the DVDs for much further study. You have ALOT of material that I want to delve into. Please send me any information on all your products. Books, tapes, CDs, DVDs, VHS, etc... Thank you very much and God Bless, DR

P.S. Are you ever on the East Coast for seminars?

Brother DR:

We go wherever we are invited, but have not been to the East coast for a few years now.

I am familiar with Pastor B, and know RF, but there is more reasons why men resist the truth of the glorious land than is easily recognized, even by the men themselves. When you identify the glorious land as the USA it impacts many truths. Therefore many come up with arguments against this truth that does not hold up against a thorough test. For

instance, James White correctly identifies the king of the north in the passage as the papacy. That is a literal power. The king of the south initially in 1798 in verse 40 was atheistic France and then later the Soviet Union, also literal powers. So for Pastor B to argue against the USA as the glorious land because of that requiring a literal application of the king of the north and south is a convoluted argument, for they are both literal powers, as is the USA. Daniel and Revelation agree with each other and the lamb-like beast of Revelation 13:11, though represented by a symbol is the literal United States. You can find a list of our available materials at our website: futurenews.org Jeff

Hello Jeff,

I saw you when you were at Diamond Lake Church in Washington State. I pray that God is blessing your ministry.

I have a question. I have been reading the *Prophetic Time* series and am on number five, but when in that series you get to Daniel 8:17 you said that the vision that Daniel was talking about in this is the little glimpse which is Mare'h but according to my Young's Concordance it is Chazon which is the entire vision. Can you clarify this. It may be that you have a better dictionary than I do that is more complete.

I have also been wondering how you come up with the Greek and Hebrew meanings of the words. What do you use for this. I have the Strongs and the Youngs concordances but it still is not very informative. Is there a Greek and Hebrew dictionary that you could recommend or maybe even something else that you have found especially helpful. Also where have you gotten all of your books of the early pioneers like William Miller are they all in one spot like a CD Rom of something like that? Thank you so much. C

Sister C:

I have used Strong's Concordance through the years as the primary source. It wasn't until about two years ago that it was pointed out to me that Strong's was incorrect on Daniel 8:17. The new Strong's which they checked with a computer has corrected it, but that was just recently printed. I have made a public clarification in previous newsletters.

I use the SDA Bible dictionary. There may be a better one, but for what I am pointing out, it is close enough. The definition of the names, that I point out are never to the level where I argue the deeper linguistics. I simply look at the basic meaning given.

I have come across some pioneer books through the years, but my main reference is the Pioneer CD rom. It is called "Words of the Pioneers", and I am sure if you run a web search you can locate a place to order it from. It is very helpful. Everyone should have it. It can be incorporated into the Ellen White CD rom, where you can use the same search engine for the pioneer writings and Ellen White. God bless. Jeff

Greetings Jeff:

I hope all is well in the Lord. I am forwarding this question to you on behalf of HP, who submitted his question on my website, thinking I was you. He has a good question, so when you can email him that would be great. EP.

Re: the 144,000

The pioneers believed that only 144,000 are sealed from 1844 until the second coming of Christ. They would be made up of all whom received the third angel's message. Those who died in the message would be resurrected on the special resurrection of Daniel 12:2 at the seventh plague and EGW in Early Writings says that during this time that there are only 144,000 living saints in numbered when Christ comes. Uriah Smith has a footnote in his 1912 edition 677, 678, commenting on Revelation 14:13. Based on the story of Gideon, the flood, how many where faithful during Christ's first coming and the shaking in 1844, I think the pioneers where right. Do you have a comment? I live close to Yosemite close to Fresno, Ca are you scheduled to come sometime close to here? I appreciate your studies thank you. Brother HB

Hello H, here is the answer I received from Jeff. EP

Brother EP and H:

My only observation is that I think it is an overstatement to say the pioneers believed. I think it should be stated that some of the pioneers believed. Years ago we ran an article by Loughborrough where he taught that the 144,000 is made up of all the faithful Adventist since 1844, including those who die. His reasoning is used by the SDA Reform movement who hold this view. Once we ran the article we received a wave of input from those who identified that there was no firm consensus by the pioneers on the 144,000. So even though I am not threatened by this brother's thoughts, I think he is overstating it when he says "the pioneers believed". Jeff

Here is H's response.

So would you say that Smith was also wrong on this point? Have you read his footnote commentary on Revelation 14:13? Once I tried to put together a line upon line study from the Spirit of Prophesy on last day events and to my surprise according to E.W. there are only 144,000 living saints at Christ's second coming if you can show me different I would greatly appreciate it. The great multitude of Revelation 7:9, EGW says in The Great Controversy are all the redeemed before the throne of God including the 144,000. Smith agrees. EGW's vision in Early Writings she is able to enter the temple because she is one of the 144,000. Is the number symbolic? The Bible says they are numbered EGW says 144,000 in number. When did the sealing of 144,000 start? At the special resurrection of Dan12:2. Those who resurrect, who had believed in the third angel's message, plus those who are alive, total 144,000, see Early Writings.

I'd asked Pastor WM and he told me he believed in a literal 144,000. I know there are different opinions and one pastor told me that this would be a sad gospel if only the remnant of last day was 144,000. But I've yet to find someone who can prove from the Word of God different than what Smith, Haskel and EGW say. Is this message to hard to swallow, I believe that this is what the church believed before our numbers increased that's why the footnote in the latter printings of Smith's book was taken out. Is the study of the 144,000 still sealed message? How do you prove that those who are called out of Babylon are not part of that message? There is only one message for the end time and that is the sealing message. I'm not set on concrete I would only like to know the truth. HB

Brother HP:

The problem with this reasoning is found in Revelation:

15:2, 3—And I saw as it were a sea of glass mingled with fire: and them that had gotten the victory over the beast, and over his image, and over his mark, *and* over the number of his name, stand on the sea of glass, having the harps of God. And they sing the song of Moses the servant of God, and the song of the Lamb, saying, Great and marvellous *are* thy works, Lord God Almighty; just and true *are* thy ways, thou King of saints

The group here mentioned is singing the song of Moses and the Lamb, and it is the 144,000 in the following passage that are singing the song before the throne.

4:1–4—And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty *and* four thousand, having his Father's name written in their foreheads. And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred *and* forty *and* four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins.

These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, *being* the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.

The 144,000 are those who sing the song of Moses and the Lamb, and according to Revelation they are those who have gotten the victory over the beast and his image. The beast and image test comes during the Sunday law testing time, and those Adventists who are laid to rest before that time, and who come up in the special resurrection do not go through that testing period and get that special victory.

I don't expect brother H to accept or follow the logic I am suggesting, but part of the problem he is suggesting is that he is placing the sealing of God's people at the special resurrection when he states, "When did the sealing start of 144,000? At the special resurrection of Daniel 12:2. Those who resurrect who had believed in the third angels' message plus those who are alive total 144,000, see *Early Writings*."

There are many passages of inspiration that teach that the sealing begins at the Sunday law in the USA, not at the special resurrection. Sister White states:

"Not one of us will ever receive the seal of God while our characters have one spot or stain upon them. It is left with us to remedy the defects in our characters, to cleanse the soul-temple of every defilement. Then the latter rain will fall upon us as the early rain fell upon the disciples on the day of Pentecost." *Testimonies*, volume 5, 214.

If we accept brother HP's ideas then the latter rain falls at the special resurrection, well after the close of probation, and the latter rain is what empowers us to proclaim the last warning message, and the message is proclaimed while probation is still open. Jeff

Hi Jeff.

I was just wondering if you had encountered this quote? I think it directly links the fulfilling of Revelation 18 to September 11, 2001. It seems to go along with your answer to my question that was published in your January 2007 Newsletter.

"How comes the word that I have declared that New York is to be swept away by a tidal wave? This I have never said. I have said, as I looked at the great buildings going up there, story after story, 'What terrible scenes will take place when the Lord shall arise to shake terribly the earth! Then the words of Rev. 18:1-3 will be fulfilled.' The whole of the eighteenth chapter of Revelation is a warning of what is coming on the earth. But I have no light in particular in regard to what is coming on New York, only that I know that one day the great buildings there will be thrown down by the turning and overturning of God's power. From the light given me, I know that destruction is in the world. One word from the Lord, one touch of his mighty power, and these massive structures will fall. Scenes will take place the fearfulness of which we can not imagine." Review and Herald, July 5, 1906. KΒ

Sister KB:

Nine-eleven may be a partial fulfillment of this, but it seems to me that the Lord's shaking that she is referring to is more than the Twin Towers. I do think its interesting that the passage in volume 9 of the Testimonies that deals with a fairly close description of "nine-eleven" is found in volume nine, beginning on page eleven. Jeff

Dear Brother Jeff:

I have always believed that nothing is in the Bible that is not there for some purpose—and I know you believe that also. But in the chapters of Ezekiel we see a careful, in depth information about a temple that was apparently never built. I have asked about this and have been informed that this was a conditional prophecy and it just was never fulfilled and is therefore rather redundant. I don't accept that and I was

wondering if you had any views on it? I was wondering if it could at all contain prophetic information for the setting up of the final 'temple' of God—the 144,000? Have you learned anything regarding it? Your sister in Jesus, PT

Sister PT:

I am not prepared to deal with this passage. I have been asked this several times, and for whatever reason I have not been directed to spend my time studying and working through this passage. I am hoping I am not being resistant to something I should do, but there is only so many hours in a day. Jeff

Brother Jeff:

I am deeply concerned about Hope International's new editor HH and I was wondering if you have any material you can email that is replying to his stand on the daily? PT

Sister PT:

I am dedicating the next few newsletters to his foolishness. The response will begin in the near future. He is really not saying anything new. His history does not deny the pioneer position, it confirms it, but he spins it where the uninformed and those who are basically unconcerned easily accept, to their own destruction. Jeff

Brother Jeff:

Oh, I had one other thing to mention. In the presentations at Hot Springs reference was made to King Arthur. From what I have understood from history, Arthur was a king of Wales and somewhat a legendary figure. I think he did exist but not as a king over Britain. Are you sure that it should not be another name here? PT

Sister PT:

The pioneers and Uriah Smith refer to him. But it is history, not inspiration. I have heard this argument before, but I am simply referring to the pioneers and their historical sources, but whether Arthur or not it was 508

that England came into church state relation with the papacy. So I do not know. I am not necessarily a historian, but am simply referencing the pioneer position in agreement with prophecy. I would not have a problem correcting the Arthur reference, but I would like to see the historians address Uriah Smith's reference of this fact. I realize Smith has some errors and this could be one of them, so someone should demonstrate his incorrect thinking here, and then I will put that info in a newsletter for clarification. Jeff

Brother Jeff:

Daniel 12:11: And from the time that the daily sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days.

I am having a serious problem to understand this verse as it seems to me that it is saying that there is 1290 days BETWEEN the removal of the Daily and the SETTING UP of the Papacy—but we interpret it as the setting up to the deadly wound of the Papacy. I am missing a clue here somewhere. God Bless! PT

Sister PT:

The setting up is identifying the preparation process of thirty years between 508 and 538 that was necessary to prepare the papacy to be in control for 1260 years. We have a study called the Pattern of Christ that identifies that the antichrist is governed by the Christ. What I mean is that there was a specific pattern in the life of Christ that the papacy parallels. Christ was 30 years in preparation and when He was thirty years old he was empowered to give His testimony for three and a half years, then He died, then resurrected, then ascended, then came the destruction of Jerusalem in AD 70 which is a type of the seven last plagues time period, then Christ appeared to John in AD 100 to deliver the Revelation, and in so doing Sister White says when He visited John on Patmos it represented His second coming.

Therefore the pattern of Christ is thirty years preparation, three and a half years testimony, death, resurrection, ascension, seven last plagues, second coming.

The antichrist power was thirty years in preparation from 508 through 538. This was the time when the papacy was set up. Then in 538 it was empowered to give its testimony for three and a half years. Then it died (received the deadly wound). It is now resurrecting to life, and soon will ascend to the throne of the earth, then the seven last plagues will be poured out and Jesus will return.

Daniel 12:11 must be considered in connection with the seven direct places where we are told the papacy would rule for 1260 years. Daniel 12:11 is not simply identifying how long the papacy would rule, but also adding the truth that there would be a thirty year preparation process that preceded her empowerment.

There are other witnesses to this pattern. The story of the Old and New Testament in Revelation eleven follows this identical pattern, for the two witnesses there are a type of Christ. Adventism from the Millerites through the 144,000 also follow this pattern, though in Adventism and Revelation 11 there are no specific time periods as are found in the life of Christ and the papacy. Jeff

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2007 Prophecy Campmeeting

Where: Ozone, Arkansas

When: July 15th through July 22nd

Speakers: Manjit Biant, Jeff Pippenger, Pastor Restrepo, Tico Restrepo, Jamal Sankey, and Russell Williams

Languages: English and Spanish

Topics: Daniel 11— The Prophetic Pattern—The 1843 Chart—The 2520—Revelation 13, 16, & 17— The Three Enemies—The Time Prophets—The Daily—Islam—Country Living—Questions and Answers—& more

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