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Fourth Angel – Come Out! Babylon, the Daughters Desolation of Babylon

Chapter 18

Apostate Protestantism:

18:1 And after these [after Rev 14-17] things I saw another angel [4th Angel; to be given in connection with the 3rd message] come down [a message more pointed & direct; different from 1st three angels that were “flying in the midst”] from heaven, having great power [10 times the power of the Midnight Cry! Joel 2:23, 6T60]; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

The last note of mercy to be given:

18:2 And he [4th Angel] cried mightily with a strong voice [Loud Cry- Isa 40:9], saying, Babylon [R.C. Church and daughters] the great is fallen, is fallen, [a moral fall] and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird [descriptions of apostasy which will be completed by the work of Spiritualism].

18:3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies [extravagance, vanity, pride, luxury].

18:4 And I heard another voice [repeat of 3rd angel in Rev 14?] from heaven, saying, **Come out** [Jer 51:45] of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins [2Tim 3:5 TURN AWAY!!], and that ye receive not of her plagues. [Jer 50:8, 9; 1:15 come out of Spiritual Babylon]

18:5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered [Ex 6:5-6] her iniquities.

18:6 Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double [She begins to raise the arm of oppression against the saints- Ps 35:6].

18:7 How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, I sit a queen [Fulfilled Feb 29, 1892 with passage of Sunday Law. City of Babylon was literally known as the queen of the earth. It was called the golden city.], and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. [Compare with Isa 46:7-10; 57:15]

18:8 Therefore shall her plagues [7 last plagues] come in one day [a year will be occupied in that terrible visitation- Isa 34:8; Jer 51:46], death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong [is] the Lord God who judgeth her. [compare with Isa 46:7-10]

18:9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,

Verse 1: the 4th angel joins work of the 3rd angel and swells to “a Loud Cry”

Sinfulness of remaining in a lukewarm condition {RH April 1, 1890}

I saw the latter rain was coming as suddenly as the Midnight Cry and with ten times the power {SpM 4}

Verses 2 & 3:

I saw another mighty angel [4th angel- Rev 18:1-2] commissioned to descend to earth, and unite his voice with the **third angel**, and give power and force to his message. **Great power and glory** were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which went before and followed after this angel, penetrated every where, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. **The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel [of Rev 14 :8], is again given, with the addition of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844.** The work of this angel comes in at the right time, and joins in the last great work of the third angel's message, as it swells into a **loud cry**. {1SG 193.2}

Verses 2 & 4

We have taught, we have expected, that an angel is to come down from heaven, that the earth will be lightened with his glory. Then we shall behold an ingathering of souls similar to that witnessed on the day of Pentecost. {Lt25b-1892.35} But **this mighty angel comes bearing no soft, smooth message, but words that are calculated to stir the hearts of men to their very depths.** That an angel is represented as crying mightily with a strong voice, saying, “**Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen**, and is become the habitation of devils and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.” **“Come out of her, my people**, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and **that ye receive not of her plagues.**” [Revelation 18:2, 4.] Are we, indeed, as the human agencies to cooperate with the divine instrumentalities in **sounding the message of this mighty angel** who is to lighten the earth with his glory? {Lt25b-1892.36}

Verses 1-4

What is it that gives its kingdom to this power? Protestantism, a power which while professing to have the temper and spirit of a lamb, and to be allied to heaven, speaks with the voice of a dragon. It is moved by a power from beneath. {Lt232-1899.22}

“**And after these things,**” John writes, “I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and the cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.**” [Revelation 18:1-4.] **This is the message Satan would have silenced.** {Lt232-1899.23}

Come Out!

Plagues last for one year

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18:10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour [15 days- Rev 17:12] is thy judgment come. [Verses 9 & 10 direct parallel to Eze 32:9, 10]

18:11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more [now they are cut off; can't buy or sell]:

18:12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

18:13 And cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

18:14 And the fruits ["autumnal fruits"] that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shalt find them no more at all. [Gluttony rebuked]

18:15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,

18:16 And saying, Alas, alas, that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!

18:17 For in one hour so great riches is come to nought. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,

18:18 And cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What [city is] like unto this great city! [Gen 19:23-28]

18:19 And they 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 [15 days] is she made desolate.

18:20 Rejoice over her, [thou] heaven, and [ye] holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her.

18:21 And a mighty angel took up a stone [Jer 50:1-4; 51:60-64] like a great millstone [Babylon sinks to rise no more], and cast [it] into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

18:22 And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft [he be], shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

18:23 And the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the



Verses 12 & 13:

Enumeration of great Babylon's merchandise & slavery of conscience by the creeds

Verses 15-19:

Emotions of the wicked

Verses 20-22:

Emotions of the righteous saints

Verses 23 & 24:

Saints rejoice over great Babylon in her destruction

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great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries ["*pharmakeia*" / *pharmacy- drugs!*] were all nations deceived.

18:24 And in her [*Babylon*] was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth [*Jer 51:48, 49*].

Verse 23 has a striking fulfillment today (2020-21) in light of the Covid 19 'vaccination' / injection crisis. The whole world is being deceived that it is safe when many are dying or have permanent disabilities from the poisonous injection!!



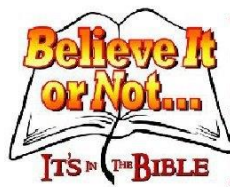
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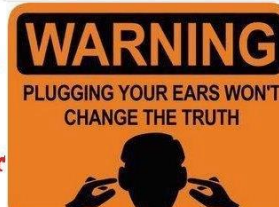


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THE GREAT APOSTASY THE FALLING AWAY



"DIVORCE" Babylon with all her **CORRUPTED** traditions and doctrines taught by man and **PURSUE COVENANT** with Father Yahuwahi!



Jer 51:6 **FLEE** from the midst of Babel, and let each one save his life! Do **NOT** be cut off in her crookedness, for this is the **time of the vengeance** of Yahuwah יהוה, the **recompense** He is repaying her.

Rev 18:4 And I heard another voice from the heaven saying, "**COME OUT** of her (Babel), my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you **receive of her plagues**."

The sins of **Babylon** will be laid open. The fearful results of a union of Church and State, the inroads of Spiritualism, the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power,--all will be unmasked. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred. Thousands upon thousands have never listened to words like these. In amazement they hear the testimony that **Babylon is the church, fallen because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth** sent to her from Heaven. {4SP 424.1}

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1 And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

2 And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird.

3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.



God has set a limit beyond which the wickedness of man will not be allowed to continue. It was that way at the flood; it was that way at Sodom and Gomorrah and it is that way now! "Surely the wrath of man shall praise thee: the remainder of wrath shalt thou restrain." Ps 76:10. As the end troubles come, God's people will come very close to Jesus and put away all their sins and worldly ways; then the full power of God's Spirit will come to them and He will send the final warning through the earth like lightning.

Revelation 14 announced the fall of Babylon. "Babylon" is a term which embraces not only paganism and the Roman Catholic Church, but religious bodies, apostate protestant's, which have withdrawn from that church, but still cling to many of her errors and traditions. The fall of Babylon is a spiritual one, from which the people of God must come out since it has become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. These are a terrible description of apostasy, she has piled up an accumulation of sins even to the heavens, and has become subject to the judgments of God.

The spiritual fall of Babylon cannot be applied only to the mother of Babylon, the harlot, since the papal system has since its beginning been in an apostate condition. Nor can it be applied to the pagan branch of Babylon, since that religion has never been favored of God. Fall indicates a group that was once favored of God and has fallen from that position. The fall occurs near the same time as the impending destruction of Babylon and for these reasons we conclude it applies to the fallen protestant churches that grew out of the papal system.

The protestant churches, a result of the reformation, were once favored of God but the reformation stalled. It failed to advance in the light of truth and has clung to some of the mother of harlot's erroneous doctrines and errors. They have fenced themselves in with creeds of their own design and constitute a mixture of truth and error leading to great confusion. Confusion is the very definition of the word "Babylon"! This has left them where they will finally develop a character as odious in the sight of God as that of the church from which they withdrew.

Protestantism has been reformed into Presbyterianism, that into Congregationalism, and that into Baptistism, etc., etc. Methodism has attempted to reform all but has reformed itself into many forms of Wesleyism. All protestant religions today retain to some degree in their ecclesiastical organizations, worship, doctrines, and observances various relics of popery. They are at best only reformations in part. The doctrines and traditions of men impair the power and progress of the gospel. The term Babylon, as applied to them, is not a term of reproach, but is simply expressive of the confusion and diversity of sentiment that exists among them. Babylon need not have fallen. She might have been healed (Jeremiah 51:9) by receiving the truth, but she rejected it.

Babylon experienced the beginning of its spiritual fall by the rejection of the first angel's message of Revelation 14. The announcement in this chapter, 18, could not have gone forth before that time. In not accepting the truth of the Second Coming of Christ and in rejecting the first angel's message, the churches failed to walk in the advanced light shining on their pathway from the throne of God. As a result, confusion and dissension reign within their borders. Worldliness and pride are fast choking every plant of heavenly growth. Therefore, we must look beyond 1844 and the first angel's message, for the announcement brought to view in this chapter. We are now in the time of the third angel's message, which is the last to be given before the coming of the Son of man.

Verse 3 shows the wide extent of the influence of Babylon, and the evil that has resulted and will result from her course, and hence the justness of her punishment. The merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. Who takes the lead in all the extravagances

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of the age? Who load their tables with the richest and choicest viands? Who are foremost in extravagance in dress and all costly attire? Who is the personification of pride and arrogance? Are not church members in the very forefront of those who seek after the material and prideful things of life?

But there is a redeeming feature in this picture. Degenerate as Babylon has become as a body, there are exceptions to the general rule; for God has still a people there, and she must be entitled to some regard on their account until all who will answer are called out from her communion. Soon Babylon will become so thoroughly leavened with the influence of evil agents that her condition will be fully manifest to all the honest in heart and the way will be prepared for the work which the apostle now introduces.



4 And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, My people, that you be not partakers of her sins, and that you receive not of her plagues.

5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.

6 Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.

7 How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she said in her heart, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow.

8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.

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The voice coming from heaven denotes that it is a message of power attended with heavenly glory. This voice from heaven is called "another" voice, showing that a new agency is here introduced. We now have five celestial messengers expressly mentioned as engaged in this last religious reformation. These are the first, second, and third angels of Revelation 14; fourth, the angel of verse 1 of this chapter; and fifth, the agency indicated by the "voice" of verse 4, now before us. Three of these are already in operation. The second angel has joined the first, and the third has joined them. The first and second have not ceased. All three are now united in proclaiming a threefold message. The angel of verse 1 here enters upon his mission, as conditions call for his work. The divine call from heaven, by the fifth angel, to come out of Babylon takes place in connection with the fourth in particular.

An idea of the power and extent of this fifth angel may be gathered from the description given. The first angel's message is said to go with a "loud voice". The same is also said of the third message, but this angel, instead of simply flying "in the midst of heaven" like the others, is said to "come down" from heaven. He comes with a message more pointed and direct. He has "great power" and the earth is "lightened with his glory". This is the last message to mankind and it comes with surpassing glory and unwonted power. It is an awful hour when a world's destiny is to be decided and an entire generation of the human family is to pass the bounds of probation, as the last note of mercy is sounded. In such a time as this, the world must not be left without warning.

God's people will understand this voice ringing out from heaven, "Come out of her, My people!" The humble, sincere, devoted children of God, of whom there are some still left, and who sigh and cry over the abominations done in the land, heed the voice, wash their hands of her sins, separate from her communion, escape, and are saved, while Babylon becomes the victim of the just judgments of God. These are stirring times for the church. Let us be ready for the crisis.

The day in which her plagues come, mentioned in verse 8, must be a prophetic day, or, at least, cannot be a literal day, for it would be impossible for famine to come in that length of time. The

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plagues of Babylon are without doubt the seven last plagues, which have already been examined. The plain inference from the languages of this verse in connection with Isaiah 34:8 is that a year will be occupied in that terrible visitation.



God judges this boastful, proud power and Babylon the Great will fall and receive the 7 last plagues. We are told here that some groups will bewail her—The powers of earthly governments will miss the help she gave them and the merchants will miss all the money she helped them make. Now this is a symbolic word-picture because no one who is part of Babylon, really will be able to stand back and watch her fall—they will all be caught up in the ruin. The only ones who will see 'A thousand shall fall at thy side, and ten thousand at thy right hand; but it shall not come nigh thee' (Ps 91:7) will be the people of God, the despised and afflicted remnant. But Jesus is here giving us a parable picture to help us understand how complete will be the final fall of this cruel power.

9 And the kings of the earth, who have committed fornication and lived deliciously with her, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,

10 standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! For in one hour is thy judgment come.

11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise anymore.

When the merchants of the citizens of this symbolic city, those who have been made rich by its commerce, suddenly find themselves and their neighbors smitten with putrefying sores, commerce will be suspended. Their vast stores of merchandise will find no buyers. The merchants lift up their voices in lamentation for the fate of this great city. If there is anything which will draw from the men of this generation a sincere cry of distress, it is that which touches their treasures. Those who but a short time before had issued a decree that the saints of God should neither buy nor sell, now find themselves put under the same restriction in a far more effectual way. This is fitting retribution. The figure of a city visited with destruction, which the apostle uses here, should not be seen as people fleeing a literal city. It is used to denote their terror and amazement at the descending judgments.

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12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

13 And cinnamon, and odors, and ointments, and frankincense, and wine, and oil, and fine flour, and wheat, and beasts, and sheep, and horses, and chariots, and slaves, and souls of men.

In these verses, we have an enumeration of great Babylon's merchandise, which includes everything pertaining to luxurious living, pomp, and worldly display. All kinds of mercantile traffic are brought to view. The declaration concerning "slaves and souls of men" may pertain more particularly to the spiritual domain, and have reference to the slavery of conscience by the creeds of these bodies, which in some cases is more oppressive than physical bondage.

14 And the fruits that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, and all things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee, and thou shall find them no more at all.

The fruits here mentioned are, upon which the gourmand so sets his pampered appetite, will be suddenly cut off. This is the work of the famine, which is the result of the fourth vial, Revelation 16:8.

15 The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,

16 and saying, Alas, alas that great city, that was clothed in fine linen, and purple, and scarlet, and decked with gold, and precious stones, and pearls!

17 For in one hour so great riches is come to naught. And every shipmaster, and all the company in ships, and sailors, and as many as trade by sea, stood afar off,

18 and cried when they saw the smoke of her burning, saying, What city is like unto this great city!

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19 And they 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.

The reader can readily imagine the cause of this universal voice of mourning, lamentation and woe. Imagine the plague of sores preying upon men, the rivers turned to blood, the sea like the blood of a dead man, the sun scorching men with fire, the traders' traffic gone, and their silver and gold unable to deliver them, and we need not wonder at their exclamations of distress, nor that shipmasters and sailors join in the general wail. Very different is the emotion of the saints, as we will see in verse 20.

20 Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and you holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her.

21 And a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone, and cast it into the sea, saying, Thus with violence shall that great city Babylon be thrown down, and shall be found no more at all.

22 And the voice of harpers, and musicians, and of pipers, and trumpeters, shall be heard no more at all in thee; and no craftsman, of whatsoever craft he be, shall be found any more in thee; and the sound of a millstone shall be heard no more at all in thee;

23 and the light of a candle shall shine no more at all in thee; and the voice of the bridegroom and of the bride shall be heard no more at all in thee: for thy merchants were the great men of the earth; for by thy sorceries were all nations deceived.

24 And in her was found the blood of prophets, and of saints, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

"...For your **merchants** were the **great** men of the earth, for by your **sorcery** all the nations were deceived." —Revelation 18:23

Translated into modern English...

"...For your **industrialist-bankers** were the **powerful** men of the earth, for by your **drugging and poisoning** the nations were deceived."

The word "**sorcery**" is the Greek word "**pharmakeia**" the source of our word **pharmaceutical** and it means: "**To Drug or Poison**".



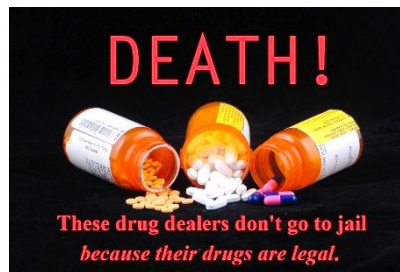
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The apostles and prophets are here called upon to rejoice over great Babylon in her destruction, as it is in close connection with this destruction that they will be delivered from the power of death and the grave by the first resurrection.

The various arts and crafts that have been employed in her midst, and have ministered to her desires, shall be practiced no more. The pompous music that has been heard in her imposing but formal and lifeless service dies away forever. The scenes of festivity and gladness, when the bridegroom and the bride have been led before her altars, shall be witnessed no more. Ever since the introduction of a false religion into the world, Babylon has existed. In her has been found, all along, opposition to the work of God, and persecution of His people.



Re-Think Vaccines



"Then shall physicians continue to resort to **drugs**, which leave a deadly evil in the system, destroying that life which Christ came to restore? Christ's **remedies** cleanse the system. But

Satan has tempted man to introduce into the system that which weakens the human machinery, clogging and destroying the fine, beautiful arrangements of God. The drugs administered to the sick do not restore, but destroy.

Drugs never cure. Instead, they place in the system seeds which bear a very bitter harvest. . . . {2SM 288.3}

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Chapter XXXIV. - The Loud Cry.

I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven. They were descending to earth, and again ascending to heaven, preparing for the fulfillment of some important event. Then I saw another mighty angel commissioned to descend to earth, and unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which went before and followed after this angel, penetrated every where, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel, is again given, with the addition of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844. The work of this angel comes in at the right time, and joins in the last great work of the third angel's message, as it swells into a loud cry. And the people of God are fitted up every where to stand in the hour of temptation which they are soon to meet. I saw a great light resting upon them, and they united in the message, and fearlessly proclaimed with great power the third angel's message. {1SG 193.2}

Angels were sent to aid the mighty angel from heaven, and I heard voices which seemed to sound every where, **Come out of her, my people,** that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues: for her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. **This message seemed to be an addition to the third message, and joined it, as the midnight cry joined the second angel's message in 1844.** The glory of God rested upon the patient, waiting saints, and they fearlessly gave the last solemn warning, proclaiming the fall of Babylon, and calling upon God's people to come out of her; that they might escape her fearful doom. {1SG 194.1}

The light that was shed upon the waiting ones penetrated every where, and those who had any light in the churches, who had not heard and rejected the three messages, answered to the call, and left the fallen churches. Many had come to years of accountability since these messages had been given, and the light shone upon them, and they were privileged to choose life or death. Some chose life, and took their stand with those looking for their Lord, and keeping all his commandments. The third message was to do its work; all were to be tested upon it, and the precious ones were to be called out from the religious bodies. A compelling power moves the honest, while the manifestation of the power of God holds in fear and restraint relatives and friends, and they dare not, neither have they power to, hinder those who feel the work of the Spirit of God upon them. The last call is carried even to the poor slaves, and the pious among them, with humble expressions, pour forth their songs of extravagant joy at the prospect of their happy deliverance, and their masters cannot check them; for a fear and astonishment keep them silent. Mighty miracles are wrought, the sick are healed, and signs and wonders follow the believers. God is in the work, and every saint, fearless of consequences, follows the convictions of his own conscience, and unites with those who are keeping all the commandments of God; and they sound abroad the third message with power. I saw that the third message would close with power and strength far exceeding the midnight cry. {1SG 195.1}

Servants of God, endowed with power from on high, with their faces lighted up, and shining with holy consecration, went forth fulfilling their work, and proclaiming the message from heaven. Souls that were scattered all through the religious bodies answered to the call, and the precious were hurried out of the doomed churches, as Lot was hurried out of Sodom before her destruction. God's people were fitted up and strengthened by the excellent glory which fell upon them in rich abundance, preparing them to endure the hour of temptation. A multitude of voices I heard every where, saying, Here is the patience of the saints; here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus. {1SG 196.1}

Come out

Page 238: *Close of the Second Angel's Message.*—While we understand clearly that the messages of the first and second and third angels are messages that have their application today, we recognize also that in their initial proclamation the sounding of the first angel's message with its declaration that “the hour of God's judgment is come” is linked with the proclamation of the expected advent of Christ in the 1830's and early 1840's. The second angel's message had its initial sounding early in the summer of 1844 in the call to the Advent believers to come out of the nominal churches that had rejected the proclamation of the first angel's message. And while it is true that the second angel's message continues to be present truth, **there was a climactic closing up of the second angel's message immediately preceding October 22, 1844.** When the messages of the three angels come prominently before the world **again just before the second advent of Christ,** the angel of **Revelation 18:1** joins in the proclamation of the second angel in the message that “Babylon is fallen.” “Come out of her, my people.” See the chapter “The Final Warning” in **The Great Controversy, 603-612.** {EW 304.1}

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Of Babylon at this time it is declared, "Her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." [Revelation 18:5.] She has filled up the measure of her guilt, and destruction is about to fall upon her. But God still has a people in Babylon; and before the visitation of his judgments, these faithful ones must be called out, that they "partake not of her sins, and receive not of her plagues." Hence the movement symbolized by the angel coming down from Heaven, lightening the earth with his glory, and crying mightily with a strong voice, announcing the sins of Babylon. In connection with his message the call is heard, "**Come out of her**, my people." As these warnings join the third angel's message, it swells to a **loud cry**. {4SP 422.1}

"I saw another angel come down from Heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." "And I heard another voice from Heaven, saying, **Come out of her**, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." [Revelation 18:1, 2, 4.] {4SP 421.1}

Then I saw Bro. Bates. Said the angel, **Be not quick to receive error, nor too slow to receive the truth**. I saw that the women of (Revelation 14:4) meant the churches and that we were bid to "**come out of her**" [Revelation 18:4] that we be not defiled, partake of her sins, and receive of her plagues. I saw that Bro. Bates had not applied (Revelation 14:4) correctly, and his error had caused confusion. Then I saw that after Jesus leaves the sanctuary the plagues will be poured out. Said the angel, It is the wrath of God and the Lamb that causes the destruction or death of the wicked. {Ms14-1850.8}

I saw that at the voice of God the saints will be mighty and terrible as an army with banners, but they will not then execute the judgment written. But after they are changed in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, and are caught up with the sleeping saints, and receive their harps, crowns, &c, and enter the city, Jesus and the saints sit in judgment, the books are opened, the book of life and the book of death. The book of life contains the good deeds of the saints, and the book of death contains the evil deeds of the wicked. These books were compared with the statute book—the Bible—and according to that they were judged. The saints in unison with Jesus passed their judgment upon the wicked dead. Behold ye, said the angel, the saints sit in unison with Jesus and mete out to each of the wicked according to the deeds done in the body, and it is set off against their names what they must receive at the execution of the judgment. This I saw was the work of the saints with Jesus through the 1000 years. {Ms14-1850.9}

At the end of the 1000 [years] Jesus, with the holy angels and all the saints, leave the city, and while He is descending with them the wicked dead are raised, and then the very men that pierced Him, will see Him afar off in all His glory, and all the holy angels and the saints with Him. They will see the prints of the nails in His hands and in His feet, and where they thrust the spear into His side, and they will wail because of Him. I saw that the prints of the nails and of the spear were His glory. {Ms14-1850.10}

Then it is that Jesus stands upon the Mount of Olives and the Mount parts asunder and becomes a plain, and the city comes down from God out of heaven and settles on the plain. Then Satan imbues the wicked that have been raised, with his spirit, and he flatters them that the army in the city is small and that his army is large and that they can overcome them and take the city. {Ms14-1850.11}

While Satan is rallying his army the saints are in the city beholding the beauty and glory of the paradise of God. Jesus was at their head leading them. All at once the lovely Jesus was gone from our company, but soon we heard His lovely voice saying, Come ye blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. {Ms14-1850.12}

We gathered about Jesus and just as He closed the gates of the city the curse from God was pronounced upon the wicked. The gates are shut. Then the saints use their wings and fly to the top of the wall of the city. Jesus is also with them. His crown looked brilliant and glorious. It was a crown within a crown, seven in number. The crowns of the saints were of the purest gold, and were decked with stars, and shone like the sun, as they moved all together to the top of the city. Their faces shone with glory, for they were in the express image of Jesus. {Ms14-1850.13}

Then the wicked saw what they had lost. And fire was breathed from God upon them and consumed them. Then was the execution of the judgment. The wicked received according as the saints in unison with Jesus had meted out to them through the 1000 years. The same fire from God that consumed the wicked purified the whole earth. The mountains melted with fervent heat, the atmosphere also, and all the stubble was consumed. Then our inheritance opened before us glorious and beautiful. Then we inherited the whole earth made new. We shouted with a loud voice, Glory Alleluia. {Ms14-1850.14}

Then I saw that God had not given to Bro. Bates the gift of discernment; but his gift was to talk the Word. None had a gift like his. He could talk to a small company when there was not more than two present, as well as to a large company. This gift is greatly needed in the church. I saw that he had prepared the way in many places for the Lord to speak through visions. The angel then pointed to Bro. Bates and said, Be careful how thou treadest, lest the flock be

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torn. Draw near to God. Thou hast been in danger. Can ye not see it? That must be healed every whit. This people must be humble. {Ms14-1850.15}

I begged of Jesus to forbid that there should be any discord among the shepherds, for then the flock would be scattered as sheep without a shepherd. I prayed Jesus to encircle them now in His lovely arms. I saw that the disunion between the shepherds had affected the flock. Then I saw that in the scattering time when paper after paper was dying, Bro. Bates wrote for them until the last, and now in the gathering time when precious souls that have been hid beneath the rubbish and have not had the privilege of hearing the truth, need light from different ones, his testimony has been withheld. I saw that if ever the saints could be benefited by comforting words and the truth made clear in the paper, it is now in the gathering. God wants the papers to cease in the scattering time, but now the truth should be sung, preached, prayed, and published. Then I saw we must drink deep, deep from the water of the fountain. Said the angel, Ye must reflect the lovely image of Jesus more and more. I saw that we were almost home, to rest in the city 1000 years. Said the angel, Ye must love one another as Jesus hath loved you. {Ms14-1850.16}

God is raising up a class to give the **loud cry** of the third angel's message. "Of your own selves shall men arise, speaking perverse things, to draw away disciples after them." [Acts 20:30.] It is Satan's object now to get up new theories to divert the mind from the true work and genuine message for this time. He stirs up minds to give false interpretations of Scripture, a spurious **loud cry**, that the real message will not have its effect when it does come. This is one of the greatest evidences that the **loud cry** will soon be heard and the earth will be lightened with the glory of God. {Lt20-1884.7}

The dust and rubbish of error have buried the precious jewels of truth, but the Lord's workers can uncover these treasures, so that thousands will look upon them with delight and awe. Angels of God will be beside the humble worker, giving grace and divine enlightenment, and thousands will be led to pray with David, "Open thou mine eyes that I may behold wondrous things out of thy law." Truths that have been for ages unseen and unheeded, will blaze forth from the illuminated pages of God's holy word. The churches generally that have heard, refused, and trampled upon the truth, will do more wickedly; but "the wise," those who are honest, will understand. The book is open, and the words of God reach the hearts of those who desire to know his will. At the **loud cry** of the angel from heaven who joins the third angel, thousands will awake from the stupor that has held the world for ages, and will see the beauty and value of the truth. {RH December 15, 1885, Art. A, par. 15}

When God's word is studied, comprehended, and obeyed, a bright light will be reflected to the world; new truths, received and acted upon, will bind us in strong bonds to Jesus. The Bible, and the Bible alone, is to be our creed, the sole bond of union; all who bow to this holy word will be in harmony. Our own views and ideas must not control our efforts. Man is fallible, but God's word is infallible. Instead of wrangling with one another, let men exalt the Lord. Let us meet all opposition as did our Master, saying, "It is written." Let us lift up the banner on which is inscribed, The Bible our rule of faith and discipline. {RH December 15, 1885, Art. A, par. 16}

Christiania, Norway.

Those who have held the beginning of their confidence firm unto the end will be wide-awake during the time that the third angel's message is proclaimed with great power. During the **loud cry**, the church, aided by the providential interpositions of her exalted Lord, will diffuse the knowledge of salvation so abundantly that light will be communicated to every city and town. The earth will be filled with the knowledge of salvation. So abundantly will the renewing Spirit of God have crowned with success the intensely active agencies, that the light of present truth will be seen flashing everywhere. {RH October 13, 1904, par. 4}

St. Helena, California

January 30, 1906

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Dear Brother and Sister Farnsworth:

I cannot sleep after twelve o'clock. I am encouraging souls to examine their own hearts and to seek counsel most earnestly from God. Now is the time for us to afflict our souls by fasting and prayer. We cannot lay out the way in which the Lord will work, but we can follow the leadings and drawings of His Holy Spirit. We shall gain nothing by lifting up our souls unto vanity and in self-confidence. {Lt54-1906.1}

This I am saying in the visions of the night in assemblies in Battle Creek. If ever the believers in Battle Creek needed the Holy Spirit's guidance, it is now. They need the deep moving of the Spirit of God, that they may give the trumpet a certain sound. {Lt54-1906.2}

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Read the **first eleven verses of the fortieth chapter of Isaiah**. Present the truth in its power, as it is in Jesus. Keep the mind stayed on God and imbued with His Holy Spirit. Present the affirmative of truth. Stand on the platform of eternal truth. But do not accuse. Say nothing to arouse enmity and strife. {Lt54-1906.3}

The truth, present truth for this time, will be meat in due season. Let plain, authoritative truth be presented with decided assurance, and in the spirit of love and kindness, that the Holy Spirit's power may give force to the words spoken. You are surely where many souls have become confused. But Christ has promised, "Lo, I am with you always, even unto the end." [Matthew 28:20.] We are to claim this promise. The Lord is not asleep, or indifferent to our faith, and He will give knowledge and grace to all who will humble their hearts before Him. {Lt54-1906.4}

Have perfect faith in the promises of Christ. "Teach them," He said, "all that I have commanded you." [Verse 20.] The Lord has many precious souls in Battle Creek, and they need the very words of instruction that Christ has given for them. The gospel of Christ is full of love, rich in assurance and comfort. Every soul needs now to understand the foundation of his faith. In simple language and under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, present the truth. We have the Word, that wonderful Book, which contains the very instruction needed at this time. {Lt54-1906.5}

The testing time is right upon us. We must build upon the Rock that will stand the storm of test and trial. As we see the fulfilment of prophecy, we know that the end of all things is at hand. Present the eternal principles of truth. Show what the Word of God declares is to take place on this earth. The God who gave Daniel instruction regarding the closing scenes of this earth's history will certainly confirm the testimony of His servants as at the appointed time they give the **loud cry**. {Lt54-1906.6}

All the messages given from 1840 to 1844 are to be made forcible now; for there are many people who have lost their bearings. The messages are to go to all the churches. {Lt54-1906.7}

Christ said, "Blessed are your eyes, for they see; and your ears; for they hear. For verily I say unto you, That many prophets and righteous men have desired to see those things which ye see, and have not seen them; and to hear those things which ye hear, and have not heard them." [Matthew 13:16, 17.] Blessed are the eyes which saw the things that were seen in 1843 and 1844. The message was given. And there should be no delay in repeating the message; for the signs of the times are fulfilling; the closing work must be done. A great work will be done in a short time. A message will soon be given by God's appointment that will swell into a **loud cry**. **Then Daniel will stand in his lot**, to give his testimony. {Lt54-1906.8}

The attention of our churches must be aroused. We are standing upon the borders of the greatest event in the world's history, and Satan must not have power over the people of God, causing them to sleep on. The Papacy will appear in its power. All must now arouse and search the Scriptures; for God will make known to His faithful ones what shall be in the last time. The word of the Lord is to come to His people in power. {Lt54-1906.9}

The signs of the end are fast fulfilling. The time of trouble is very near us now. We are to be brought into strait places in a way in which we have not been brought heretofore. The time of trouble is near, and we are to awake to a realization of this. We are to be sure that our feet are in the narrow path. We need an experience that we have not yet had, that we may have the assurance that the God of all grace is a very present help in time of need. The time of trouble—trouble such as was not since there was a nation—is right upon us, and we are like the sleeping virgins. We are to awake and ask the Lord Jesus to place underneath us His everlasting arms and carry us through the time of trial before us. {Lt54-1906.10}

Let us turn our attention away from unimportant things and give ourselves to God. We scarcely dream of the destroying angels that already are permitted to bring disaster and destruction in their path. Shall my life be spared to act a part in the closing scenes of this earth's history? {Lt54-1906.11}

How little we know of what is going on in heaven! What fearful indifference those on this earth show to eternal realities. Souls are unprepared for what is about to take place in our world; the warning must be given, the end of all things is at hand. {Lt54-1906.12}

Again I say to my ministering brethren in Battle Creek, Preach the Word. The last message of mercy is to be given to prepare a people to stand in these last days. Everything is to be shaken that can be shaken, that those things that cannot be shaken may remain. {Lt54-1906.13}

This is what has been presented to me—that we are asleep and do not know the time of our visitation. But if we humble ourselves before God, and seek Him with the whole heart, He will be found of us. {Lt54-1906.14}

I saw another mighty angel [4th angel- Rev 18:1-2] commissioned to descend to earth, and unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which went before and followed after this angel, penetrated every where, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. **The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel [of Rev 14 :8], is again given, with the addition of the**

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corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844. The work of this angel comes in at the right time, and joins in the last great work of the third angel's message, as it swells into a loud cry. {1SG 193.2}

Jesus longs to bestow the heavenly endowment in large measure upon His people. Prayers are ascending to God daily for the fulfilment of the promise, and not one of the prayers put up in faith is lost. Christ ascended on high, leading captivity captive, and gave gifts unto men. When, after Christ's ascension, the Spirit came down as promised, like a rushing, mighty wind, filling the whole place where the disciples were assembled, what was the effect? Thousands were converted in a day. We have taught, we have expected, that an angel is to come down from heaven, that the earth will be lightened with his glory. Then we shall behold an ingathering of souls similar to that witnessed on the day of Pentecost. {Lt25b-1892.35}

But this mighty angel comes bearing no soft, smooth message, but words that are calculated to stir the hearts of men to their very depths. That an angel is represented as crying mightily with a strong voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." [Revelation 18:2, 4.] Are we, indeed, as the human agencies to cooperate with the divine instrumentalities in sounding the message of this mighty angel who is to lighten the earth with his glory? {Lt25b-1892.36}

We have a message to bear to the churches. Christ declares, "I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last. **Blessed are they that do his commandments**, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city. ... I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." [Revelation 22:13, 14, 16, 17.] {Lt232-1899.17}

We are to give to the people the warnings contained in Revelation. But many workers are engaged in a line of work that is disqualifying them to preach the Word <and do **the very work God has appointed** them to do.> {Lt232-1899.18}

The truth in regard to the Sabbath of the Lord is to be proclaimed. The seventh day is to be shown to be the seal of the living God. People are to be shown what they may expect from the papal power. The time has come when the Protestant churches are reaching out to grasp the hand of the power that has made void the law of God. More work is to be done in the W.C.T.U. Here is a special field that has scarcely been touched. {Lt232-1899.19}

In the **seventeenth of Revelation** is foretold the destruction of all the churches who corrupt themselves by **idoltrous devotion to the service of the Papacy**, those who have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication. John writes, "And there came one of the seven angels which had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come hither; I will show unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters: with whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication. So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness; and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet colored beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns. And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet color, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornications." [Verses 1-4.] {Lt232-1899.20}

Thus is represented the papal power, which with all deceivableness of unrighteousness, by outside attraction and gorgeous display, deceives all nations, promising them, as did Satan our first parents, all good to those who receive its mark, and all harm to those who oppose its fallacies. The power which has the deepest inward corruption will make the greatest display, and will clothe itself with the most elaborate signs of power. The Bible plainly declares that this covers a corrupt and deceiving wickedness. "Upon her forehead was a name written, Mystery, Babylon the Great, the mother of harlots and abominations of the earth." [Verse 5.] {Lt232-1899.21}

What is it that gives its kingdom to this power? Protestantism, a power which while professing to have the temper and spirit of a lamb, and to be allied to heaven, speaks with the voice of a dragon. It is moved by a power from beneath. {Lt232-1899.22}

"And after these things," John writes, "I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen**, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and the cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not

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partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.” [Revelation 18:1-4.] This is the message Satan would have silenced. {Lt232-1899.23}

“Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double. How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much torment and sorrow give her. For she saith, I sit a queen, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death and mourning and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire; for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.” [Verses 6-8.] Shall this message be considered an inferior matter? {Lt232-1899.24}

When light goes forth to lighten the earth, instead of coming up to the help of the Lord, they will want to bind about His work to meet their narrow ideas. Let me tell you that the Lord will work in this last work in a manner very much out of the common order of things, and in a way that will be contrary to any human planning. There will be those among us who will always want to control the work of God, to dictate even what movements shall be made when the work goes forward under the direction of the angel who joins the third angel in the message to be given to the world. God will use ways and means by which it will be seen that He is taking the reins in His own hands. The workers will be surprised by the simple means that God will use to bring about and perfect His work of righteousness. {Lt5-1885.5}

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Seventh-Day Adventist Church Worse Than Babylon

"I have been shown that the spirit of the world is fast leavening the church. You are following the same path as did ancient Israel. There is the same falling away from your holy calling as God's peculiar people. You are having fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness. Your [ecumenical] concord with unbelievers have provoked the Lord's displeasure. You know not the things that belong to your peace, and they are fast being hid from your eyes. [The very words applied to fallen Israel on page 17 of *The Great Controversy*]. Your neglect to follow the light will place you in a more unfavorable position than the Jews upon whom Christ pronounced a woe." Testimonies, vol. 5, pp. 75-76.

"Like ancient Israel, the church has dishonored her God by departing from the light, neglecting her duties, and abusing her high and exalted privilege of being peculiar and holy in character. Her members have violated their covenant to live for God and him only. They have joined with the selfish and world-loving. Pride, the love of pleasure, and sin have been cherished, and CHRIST HAS DEPARTED. His Spirit has been quenched in the church. Satan works side by side with professed Christians; yet they are so destitute of spiritual discernment that they do not detect him." E.G. White, Testimonies, vol. 2, pp. 441-442.

"Among the professed followers of Christ, there is the same pride, formalism, vainglory, selfishness, and OPPRESSION, that existed in the Jewish nation." E.G. White, Sketches from the Life of Paul, 251-252.

"God's professed people are selfish and self-caring....They are idolaters, and are worse, in the sight of God, than the heathen, graven-image worshippers who have had no knowledge of a better way." Testimonies, vol. 2, 441-442.

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"Now it is just EXACTLY as in the days of the Jews. When a message came in, why all the power of the leaders WAS PUT AGAINST IT, THAT IT SHOULD NOT HAVE ACCESS TO THE PEOPLE. Now, brethren, GO TO GOD FOR YOURSELVES, and on your knees plead with God... If God sends us light, let it come to us, and let no man close the door, or try to close it. Don't close it yourselves. Open the door of your heart and let the brilliant rays of light shine into your heart and into your mind. I pray you, let the Sun of Righteousness in." E.G. White, Manuscript Release #900, Manuscript 9, 1890. 1888 Materials, p. 541.

"The day of God is right upon us, and the world has converted the church. Both are in harmony, and are acting upon a short-sited policy" E.G. White, General Conference Bulletin, 1st Quarter, 1900.

"The leaven if godliness has not entirely lost its power. At the time when the danger and depression of the church are greatest, the little company who are standing in the light will be sighing and crying for the abominations that are done in the land. But MORE ESPECIALLY will their prayers arise in behalf of the church because ITS MEMBERS are doing after the manner of the world." Testimonies, vol. 5, 209, 210.

"We must as a people arouse and cleanse the camp of Israel. Licentiousness, unlawful intimacy, and unholy practices are coming in among us in a large degree...We are in danger of becoming a sister to fallen Babylon, of allowing our churches to become corrupted and filled with every foul spirit, a cage for every unclean and hateful bird, and will we be clear unless we make decided movements to cure the existing evil? E. G. White, Manuscript Releases No. 449, pp. 17, 18.

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"It is IMPOSSIBLE for you to unite with those who are corrupt, and still remain pure. (*II Corinthians 6:14-15 quoted*). God and Christ and the heavenly host would have men know that if he unites with the corrupt he will become corrupt." E. G. White, *Review and Herald*, Vol. 4, p. 137.

"Any connection with infidels and UNBELIEVERS which would identify us with them is FORBIDDEN by the word. We are to come out from them and be separate. in no case are we to link ourselves with them in their plans or work." E. G. White, *Fundamentals of Christian Education*, 482.

Fear and Shun--"They that forsake the law praise the wicked.' Proverbs 28:4. When those who are **uniting with the world**, yet claiming great purity, plead for union [*including partnership*] with those who have ever been the opposers of the cause of truth [*Catholics*] we should fear and shun them as decidedly as did Nehemiah. Such counsel is prompted b the enemy of all good. It is the speech of timeservers, and should be resisted as resolutely today as then. Whatever influence would tend to unsettle the faith of God's people in His guiding power, should be steadfastly withstood." E.G. White, *Prophets and Kings*, p. 661.

Paul left for other reasons than to avoid persecution

"And as they persisted in their rejection of the gospel the apostle (Paul) went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space for three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God. But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples, disputing daily in the school of one Tyrannus." Acts, 19:8, 9.

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"Fearing that the faith of the believers would be endangered by continued association with these opposers of the truth, Paul separated from them, and gathered the disciples into a distinct body." E.G. White, *Acts of the Apostles*, p. 286.

History is replete with examples of separating from churches because of apostasy and because they would not accept light, not just merely from a motive to avoid danger or persecution such as will occur at the time of the National Sunday Law. Desire of Ages, 232.

"Worldly policy is taking the place of true piety and wisdom that comes from above, and God will remove His prospering hand from the conference. Shall the ark of the covenant be removed from this people? Shall idols be smuggled in? Shall false principles and false precepts be brought into the sanctuary? Shall antichrist be respected? Shall the true doctrines and principles given us of God, which have made us what we are, be ignored?.... This is directly where the enemy, through blinded, unconsecrated men, is leading us." E. G. White, *Manuscript 29*, 1890.

"The Bible Prophets Wrote for Our Time.--Never are we absent from the mind of God. God is our joy and our salvation. Each of the ancient prophets spoke less for their own time than for ours, so that their prophesying is in force for us. 'Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come' (! Cor. 10:11). 'Not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into' (1 Peter 1:12).'" E.G. White, *Selected Messages*, vol. 3, p. 338.

"And thou, Capernaum [Seventh-day Adventists, who have had great light], which art exalted unto heaven [in point of privilege], shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works, which have

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been done in thee, had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom IN THE DAY OF JUDGMENT, than for thee." E.G. White, Review and Herald Articles, vol. 3, p. 69, col. 3.

"In the fear and love of God I tell those before whom I stand today that there is increased light for us, and that great blessings come with the reception of this light. And when I see my brethren stirred with anger against God's messages and messengers, I think of similar scenes in the life of Christ and the Reformers. The reception given to God's servants in past ages is the same as the reception that those today receive through whom God is sending precious rays of light. The leaders of the people today pursue the same course of action that the Jews pursued. They criticize and ply question after question, and refuse to admit evidence, treating the light sent them in the very same way that the Jews treated the light Christ brought them." E.G. White, The 1888 Materials, Vol. 2, p. 911.

Babylon- Is there more than one?

Answer: Revelation 16:19 "*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.*"

Question: What does the term Babylon represent spiritually?

Answer: The Term Babylon comes from the word Babel. Genesis 11:9 "*Therefore is the name of it called Babel; because the LORD did there confound the language of all the earth: and from thence did the LORD scatter them abroad upon the face of all the earth.*" Marginal reference reads: "that is confusion.

Babel = BA'BEL, n. [Heb.] =Confusion; disorder.

Question: How is the church of God described in the Scriptures?

Answer: Jeremiah 6:2 "*I have likened the daughter of Zion to a comely and delicate **woman**.*"

Jeremiah 3:14 "*Turn, O backsliding children, saith the LORD; **for I am married unto you:***"

Jeremiah 31:32 "*Not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which my covenant they brake, although **I was an husband unto them, saith the LORD:***"

2 Corinthians 11:2 "*For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy: for I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ.*"

Question: How does God view His church if she turns away from Him, goes against His Word and counsel and into apostasy?

Answer: James 4:4 "*Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.*"

Isaiah 1:21 "*How is the faithful city become an harlot! it was full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers.*"

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Question: What does God call Babylon?

Answer: Revelation 17:4,5 *“And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls, having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication: And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.”*

Babylon #1

Question: Revelation 16:19 has shown us that Babylon was divided into 3 parts, how can we know what the three different parts are?

Answer: The first Babylon is Rome described in Revelation 17:4-6. She was the first apostate church to join with the state and persecute the saints. Therefore the scriptures refer to her as the Mother of Harlots.

Revelation 17:6 *“And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with great admiration.”*

“In the thirteenth century was established that most terrible of all the engines of the papacy, --the Inquisition. The prince of darkness wrought with the leaders of the papal hierarchy. In their secret councils, Satan and his angels presided, while unseen in the midst stood an angel of God, taking the fearful record of their iniquitous decrees, and writing the history of deeds too horrible to appear to human eyes. "Babylon the great" was "drunken with the blood of the saints." The mangled forms of millions of martyrs cried to God for vengeance upon that apostate power. The noontide of the papacy was the world's moral midnight.” Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 63, 64

“In Revelation 17, Babylon is represented as a woman, a figure which is used in the Scriptures as the symbol of a church. A virtuous woman represents a pure church, a vile woman an apostate church. Babylon is said to be a harlot; and the prophet beheld her drunken with the blood of saints and martyrs. The Babylon thus described represents Rome, that apostate church which has so cruelly persecuted the followers of Christ.” Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 233

Babylon #2:

Before we learn who the second Babylon is we must remember that it will have joined the first Babylon and have some of the doctrines of the first.

Question: Who is the second Babylon?

Answer: The second Babylon is a half a world away and many years apart from the Babylon of Revelation 17; The Prophet of the Lord gives us the answer in the Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p.232:

“When the churches spurned the counsel of God by rejecting the Advent message, the Lord rejected them. The first angel was followed by a second, proclaiming, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." [Revelation 14:8] This message was understood by Adventists to be an announcement of the moral fall of the churches in consequence of their rejection of the first message. The proclamation, "**Babylon is fallen,**" was given in the summer of 1844, and as the result, about fifty thousand withdrew from these churches. **The term Babylon, derived from Babel, and signifying confusion, is applied in Scripture to the various forms of false or apostate religion.** But the message announcing **the fall of Babylon must apply to some religious body that was once pure, and has become corrupt.** It cannot be the Romish Church which is here meant; for that church has been in a fallen condition for many centuries. But how

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appropriate **the figure as applied to the Protestant churches**, all professing to derive their doctrines from the Bible, yet divided into almost innumerable sects. The unity for which Christ prayed does not exist. Instead of one Lord, one faith, one baptism, there are numberless conflicting creeds and theories. Religious faith appears so confused and discordant that the world know not what to believe as truth. God is not in all this; it is the work of man,--the work of Satan.” Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 232

We see here that the Servant of the Lord is very clear that the Babylon of Revelation 14:8 is not Rome at all, but **the protestant churches in 1844 that shut out the message of the First Angel of Revelation 14**. They did not become Babylon until the message for that hour was rejected by them, and they shut it out of their churches and persecuted those that followed the light.

Babylon #3

Before we learn who the third Babylon is we must remember that it will have joined the first and second Babylon and have some of the doctrines of both.

Question: Who is the third and final Babylon?

Answer: Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 gave the first two Babylon's together in the chapter on the “Second Angel’s Message” but she is silent on the third and final Babylon of Revelation 18 for 187 pages, first she goes through and shows what the final Babylon will be teaching in the chapter on Modern Revivals. (Faith Alone, No Effort Needed) Then she also outlines the fact that the world loving churches will have more and more religious zeal, but without the Spirit of God, it will lead to the heading up of the third and final Babylon. **This third Babylon was a message yet future.**

“The message of Revelation 14 announcing the fall of Babylon, must apply to religious bodies that were **once pure** and have **become corrupt**. Since this message follows the warning of the Judgment, it must be given in the last days, therefore it cannot refer to the Romish Church, for that church has been in a fallen condition for many centuries. **Furthermore, in the eighteenth chapter of the Revelation, in a message which is yet future, the people of God are called upon to come out of Babylon.**” Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 382

“Of Babylon at this time it is declared, "Her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." [Revelation 18:5.] She has filled up the measure of her guilt, and destruction is about to fall upon her. But God still has a people in Babylon; and before the visitation of his judgments, these faithful ones must be called out, that they "partake not of her sins, and receive not of her plagues." Hence the movement symbolized by the angel coming down from Heaven, lightening the earth with his glory, and crying mightily with a strong voice, announcing the sins of Babylon. In connection with his message the call is heard, "Come out of her, my people." As these warnings join the third angel's message, it swells to a loud cry. Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 422

From the “Loud Cry” Chapter of Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 dealing with Revelation 18 we read.

“The sins of Babylon will be laid open. **The fearful results of a union of Church and State, the inroads of Spiritualism, the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power**,--all will be unmasked. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred. Thousands upon thousands have never listened to words like these. **In amazement they hear the testimony that Babylon is the church, fallen because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth sent to her from Heaven.** The people go to their former teachers with the eager inquiry, Are these things so? The ministers present fables, prophesy smooth things, to soothe their fears, and quiet the awakened conscience. But many refuse to be satisfied with the mere authority of men, and demand a plain "Thus saith the Lord." **The popular ministry, like the Pharisees of old, are filled with anger as their authority is questioned;** they denounce the message as of Satan, and stir up the sin-loving multitudes to revile and persecute those who proclaim it.” Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 424

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“As the storm approaches, a large class who have professed faith in the third message, but have not been sanctified through it, abandon their position, and take refuge under the banner of the powers of darkness. By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they come to view matters in nearly the same light; and when the test is brought, they are prepared to choose the easy, popular side. Men of talent and pleasing address, who once rejoiced in the truth, employ their powers to deceive and mislead souls. They become the most bitter enemies of their former brethren. When **Sabbath-keepers** are brought before the courts to answer for their faith, **these apostates** are the most efficient agents of Satan to misrepresent and accuse them, and by false reports and insinuations to stir up the rulers against them.” Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 426

Thus we clearly see that **THE THIRD BABYLON IS THE CHURCH that has professed faith in the 3rd angels message yet not been sanctified by obeying that message.**

ADDITIONAL DOCUMENTS:

“WHO IS BABYLON” BY ELLEN WHITE
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