

THE FOUR WINDS AND THE FOUR ANGELS

“THOSE WHO ARE ENGAGED IN PROCLAIMING THE THIRD ANGEL'S MESSAGE ARE SEARCHING THE SCRIPTURES UPON THE SAME PLAN THAT FATHER MILLER ADOPTED. In the little book entitled "Views of the Prophecies and Prophetic Chronology," Father MILLER GIVES THE FOLLOWING SIMPLE BUT INTELLIGENT AND IMPORTANT RULES FOR BIBLE STUDY AND INTERPRETATION:-- {RH, November 25, 1884 par. 23}

IN OUR STUDY OF THE BIBLE WE SHALL ALL DO WELL TO HEED THE PRINCIPLES SET FORTH. “{RH, November 25, 1884 par. 25}

*****Miller has what are called '14 Rules of Interpretation"**

Some of his rules are as follows

If you would like a list of all 14 Rules, send a request to cbiblical@yahoo.com

RULE IV

TO UNDERSTAND DOCTRINE, BRING ALL THE SCRIPTURES TOGETHER ON THE SUBJECT YOU WISH TO KNOW; then let every word have its proper influence, and if you can form your theory without a contradiction, you cannot be in an error. {1842 WiM, MWV1 20.8}

RULE VII

Visions are always mentioned as such. {1842 WiM, MWV1 21.4}

If it doesn't say it's a vision, it's not a vision and we can't assume that it is

RULE XI

HOW TO KNOW WHEN A WORD IS USED FIGURATIVELY. IF IT MAKES GOOD SENSE AS IT STANDS, AND DOES NO VIOLENCE TO THE SIMPLE LAWS OF NATURE, THEN IT MUST BE UNDERSTOOD LITERALLY, if not, figuratively. {1842 WiM, MWV1 22.3}

***If it doesn't do harm to the laws of nature, the text is to be taken literally and not spiritually or figuratively

Today we will be talking about "The Four Winds"

- Daniel 7:1,15-16

According to the verses, Daniel asked for the "truth" of the visions he saw, so Gabriel gave him the "interpretation". So truth = the interpretation, or literal meaning. Not figurative; not symbolical

- Daniel 8:1-4(see vs:20) → Persia is in the East
- Daniel 8:1-5 (see vs: 21) → Greece on the scene; located in the West
- Daniel 8:7-8

In verse 8, Greece is divided into 4, towards the 4 Winds of Heaven(North, South, East, and West)
This is where the Acronym NEWS comes from (North, East, West, South)

- Daniel 11:1 – the year in which Gabriel came to explain the 4 Winds part of the vision of Daniel 8 to Daniel
- Daniel 11:2 – Persia
- Daniel 11:3 – Greece
- Daniel 11:4 – The Division of Greece towards the 4 Winds(North, South, East, West) of heaven
- Daniel 11:5 – The four winds are brought down to the North & the South

QUESTION: What determines what is West, North, East, or South?

- 1 Kings 4:30,34
- Genesis 12:9-10; 39:1; Isaiah 31:1 – The South = Egypt

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Now let's go to:

- Revelation 9:12 – One Woe is past (this woe ended on July 27, 1449)
- Revelation 9:13-14 – Loose the 4 Angels which are bound in the great River Euphrates the 4 Angels and the River Euphrates are connected
- Revelation 9:15 – The four angels were loosed which was prepared for an hour, and day, a month, and a year we know this is the 391 years and 15 days that started in July 27, 1449 and ended on August 11, 1840

QUESTION: Who are these four angels?

"THESE FOUR ANGELS WERE THE FOUR TURKISH CLANS ON THE HEAD WATERS OF THE EUPHRATES..."{1842 CF, WHT 9.2}

"LOOSE THE FOUR ANGELS WHICH ARE BOUND IN THE GREAT RIVER EUPHRATES. AND THE FOUR ANGELS WERE LOOSED."{1841 JoL, APEC 116.1}

"THE FOUR ANGELS" ARE THE FOUR PRINCIPAL NATIONS OF WHICH THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE IS COMPOSED, LOCATED IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD OF THE EUPHRATES..."{1841 JoL, APEC 116.2}

"AND THE FOUR ANGELS WERE LOOSED...THE FOUR ANGELS DENOTE MINISTERS OF JUDGMENT. THEY REFER TO THE FOUR NATIONS OF THE SELJUKAN TURKS OF WHICH THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE WAS COMPOSED, LOCATED NEAR THE RIVER EUPHRATES, AT ALEPPO, ICONIUM, DAMASCUS AND BAGDAT..."{1838 JoL, PSC 155.1}

"...LOOSE THE FOUR MESSENGERS WHO ARE BOUND NEAR THE GREAT RIVER EUPHRATES. AND THE FOUR MESSENGERS WERE LOOSED, who were prepared for an hour, and a day, and a month, and a year..."{1849 JB, SLG 7.2}
...ACCORDING TO HISTORY THESE FOUR MESSENGERS WERE FOUR PRINCIPAL TRIBES OR HORDS OF PEOPLE LIVING NEAR OR BY THE RIVER EUPHRATES, VIZ: ARABS, TURKS, TARTARS, AND SARACEANS..."{1849 JB, SLG 7.3}

"THE FOUR ANGELS, WE MAY REASONABLY CONCLUDE, ARE A REPRESENTATION OF THE FOUR NATIONS THAT HAD EMBRACED THE MAHOMETAN RELIGION, AND WERE NOW UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE OTTOMAN, VIZ., TURKS, TARTARS, ARABS, AND SARACENS..."{1842 WiM, MWV2 121.1}

NOTICE THAT THE MESSAGE OF THE 4 ANGELS AND 4 WINDS WERE TAUGHT IN 1841,1842, ETC.

THIS IS BETWEEN 1840-1844

LOOK AT WHAT THE PROPHET HAS TO SAY ABOUT THE MESSAGES THAT WERE TAUGHT BETWEEN 1840-1844:

"ALL THE MESSAGES GIVEN FROM 1840-1844 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."{21MR 437.1}

She wrote the above quote in 1906, just 9 years before she passed

She's saying those messages taught between those years are to be repeated

Turkey was a part of those messages, and the teaching of what the 4 angels were

THESE MESSAGES WERE WRITTEN BY "Charles Fitch", "Josiah Litch", "Joseph Bates" and "William Miller"

LOOK WHAT SHE AND LOUGHBOROUGH SAY ABOUT THESE MEN:

"THE RECORD OF THE EXPERIENCE THROUGH WHICH THE PEOPLE OF GOD PASSED IN THE EARLY HISTORY OF OUR WORK MUST BE REPUBLISHED. MANY OF THOSE WHO HAVE SINCE COME INTO THE TRUTH ARE IGNORANT OF THE WAY IN WHICH THE LORD WROUGHT. THE EXPERIENCE OF WILLIAM MILLER AND HIS ASSOCIATES, OF CAPTAIN JOSEPH BATES... SHOULD BE KEPT BEFORE OUR PEOPLE. ELDER LOUGHBOROUGH'S BOOK SHOULD RECEIVE ATTENTION. OUR LEADING MEN SHOULD SEE WHAT CAN BE DONE FOR THE CIRCULATION OF THIS BOOK."{CW 145.2}

***This book of Loughborough's is called 'The Great Second Advent Movement'

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A QUOTE FROM LOUGHBOROUGH ABOUT SOME OF THE MEN MENTIONED ABOVE:

- [“It may be of interest to mention by name some of the men who acted a prominent part with Elder Miller and Himes in the movement of those early times. First to head the list is Charles Fitch...](#){1905 JNL, GSAM 124.2}
[Dr. Josiah Litch, of Philadelphia...was moved upon by the Lord to proclaim a truth that in its fulfillment caused the sudden and rapid development of interest in the advent message.](#) {1905 JNL, GSAM 124.3}
Litch’s message had to do with the 1st and 2nd Woes, which Turkey was the leading player of both
See → GC 334.4-top of 335

By the way, WHAT YEAR DID THE 2ND WOE END?

- August 11, 1840

Now let’s go to

→ Revelation 7:1-3

QUESTION? What period of time is this prophecy referring to?

ANSWER : “THE CHRONOLOGY OF THE WORK HERE INTRODUCED IS ESTABLISHED BEYOND MISTAKE. The sixth chapter closed with the events of the sixth seal, and the seventh seal is not mentioned until we reach the opening of chapter 8. THE WHOLE OF CHAPTER 7 IS THEREFORE THROWN IN HERE PARENTHETICALLY. Why is it thus thrown in at this point? - Evidently for the purpose of stating additional particulars concerning the sixth seal. THE EXPRESSION, "AFTER THESE THINGS," DOES NOT MEAN AFTER THE FULFILMENT OF ALL THE EVENTS PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED; BUT AFTER THE PROPHET HAD BEEN CARRIED DOWN IN VISION TO THE CLOSE OF THE SIXTH SEAL, IN ORDER NOT TO BREAK THE CONSECUTIVE ORDER OF EVENTS AS GIVEN IN CHAPTER 6, HIS MIND IS CALLED TO WHAT IS MENTIONED IN CHAPTER 7, AS FURTHER PARTICULARS TO TRANSPIRE IN CONNECTION WITH THAT SEAL. THEN WE INQUIRE, BETWEEN WHAT EVENTS IN THAT SEAL DOES THIS WORK COME IN? IT MUST TRANSPIRE BEFORE THE DEPARTING OF THE HEAVENS AS A SCROLL; FOR AFTER THAT EVENT THERE IS NO PLACE FOR SUCH A WORK AS THIS. AND IT MUST TAKE PLACE SUBSEQUENTLY TO THE SIGNS IN THE SUN, MOON, AND STARS; FOR THESE SIGNS HAVE BEEN FULFILLED, AND SUCH A WORK HAS NOT YET BEEN ACCOMPLISHED. IT COMES IN, THEREFORE, BETWEEN THE 13TH AND 14TH VERSES OF REVELATION 6; but THERE, AS ALREADY SHOWN, IS JUST WHERE WE NOW STAND. HENCE THE FIRST PART OF REVELATION 7 RELATES TO A WORK THE ACCOMPLISHMENT OF WHICH MAY BE LOOKED FOR AT THE PRESENT TIME. {1897 UrS, DAR 458.2} *****continue on next page*****

WHEN WAS THE PRESENT TIME WHEN URIAH WROTE THIS?

- 1896/1897
- Revelation 7:1-3 actually takes place after Revelation 9. Revelation 9 ends on August 11, 1840.
Revelation 7 actually takes place after the sealing starts, which started after Christi went into the most Holy Place (1844 or a short while thereafter) → (see Early Writings 42,44)

NOW LET’S GO TO:

- EZEKIEL 37:1-7
- EZEKIEL 37:8-10
- EZEKIEL 37:11

*****The Prophecy of the 4 Winds is the prophecy that puts breath into the people of God. Why? Because they will have an understanding of where they are in history; that probation is about to close on the world, which means Sunday is about to be enforced, which means probation for most SDA’s is about to close, which means they must get their lives right before God.**

“WHEN THE BOOKS OF DANIEL AND REVELATION ARE BETTER UNDERSTOOD, BELIEVERS WILL HAVE AN ENTIRELY DIFFERENT RELIGIOUS EXPERIENCE. THEY WILL BE GIVEN SUCH GLIMPSES OF THE OPEN GATES OF HEAVEN THAT HEART AND MIND WILL BE IMPRESSED WITH THE CHARACTER THAT ALL MUST DEVELOP IN ORDER TO REALIZE THE BLESSEDNESS WHICH IS TO BE THE REWARD OF THE PURE IN HEART.”{TM 114.3} *****continue on next page*****

“THE BOOK OF DANIEL IS NOW UNSEALED, AND THE REVELATION MADE BY CHRIST TO JOHN IS TO COME TO ALL THE INHABITANTS OF THE EARTH. BY THE INCREASE OF KNOWLEDGE A PEOPLE IS TO BE PREPARED TO STAND IN THE LATTER DAYS.”{2SM 105.1}

QUESTION: And what was it in Ezekiel 37 that made the bones have breath and come to life?

MORE ABOUT THE FOUR ANGELS AND THE FOUR WINDS:

“FOUR MIGHTY ANGELS ARE STILL HOLDING THE FOUR WINDS OF THE EARTH. TERRIBLE DESTRUCTION IS FORBIDDEN TO COME IN FULL. THE ACCIDENTS BY LAND AND BY SEA; THE LOSS OF LIFE, STEADILY INCREASING, BY STORM, BY TEMPEST, BY RAILROAD DISASTER, BY CONFLAGRATION; THE TERRIBLE FLOODS, THE EARTHQUAKES, AND THE WINDS WILL BE THE STIRRING UP OF THE NATIONS TO ONE DEADLY COMBAT, WHILE THE ANGELS HOLD THE FOUR WINDS, FORBIDDING THE TERRIBLE POWER OF SATAN TO BE EXERCISED IN ITS FURY UNTIL THE SERVANTS OF GOD ARE SEALED IN THEIR FOREHEADS. GET READY, GET READY, I BESEECH YOU, GET READY BEFORE IT SHALL BE FOREVER TOO LATE! THE MINISTERS OF VENGEANCE WILL POUR ALL THE TERRIBLE JUDGMENTS UPON A GOD-FORSAKEN PEOPLE. THE WAY OF OBEDIENCE IS THE ONLY PATH OF LIFE. MAY THE LORD HELP YOU TO SEE IT IN TIME TO OPEN YOUR EARS, THAT YOU MAY HEAR WHAT THE SPIRIT SAITH UNTO THE CHURCHES.”{RH, June 7, 1887 par. 13}

“ANGELS ARE HOLDING THE FOUR WINDS, REPRESENTED AS AN ANGRY HORSE SEEKING TO BREAK LOOSE AND RUSH OVER THE FACE OF THE WHOLE EARTH, BEARING DESTRUCTION AND DEATH IN ITS PATH.”{20MR 216.6}

SHALL WE SLEEP ON THE VERY VERGE OF THE ETERNAL WORLD? SHALL WE BE DULL AND COLD AND DEAD? OH, THAT WE MIGHT HAVE IN OUR CHURCHES THE SPIRIT AND BREATH OF GOD BREATHED INTO HIS PEOPLE(this is Ezekiel 37:9-10 language) **THAT THEY MIGHT STAND UPON THEIR FEET AND LIVE. WE NEED TO SEE THAT THE WAY IS NARROW, AND THE GATE STRAIT. BUT AS WE PASS THROUGH THE STRAIT GATE, ITS WIDENESS IS WITHOUT LIMIT.**{20MR 217.1}

“THERE IS GREAT NEED TO SEARCH THE BOOK OF DANIEL AND THE BOOK OF REVELATION, AND LEARN THE TEXTS THOROUGHLY, THAT WE MAY KNOW WHAT IS WRITTEN. {Ev 363.2}

NOTE: The 4 Angels/4 Winds message is about Turkey and an understanding of this Prophecy, as is found in Daniel 11:45-12:1