# PROPHECY TIMELINE OF VERY IMPORTANT DATES FROM 742 B.C. to 1844 A.D.

Information in green, double underlined font, is taken from the 1843 and 1850 Habakkuk charts (Hab 2:1-4) as UNANIMOUSLY taught by Advent pioneers, endorsed by Ellen G. White and as directed by the hand of God

742 B.C. – Isaiah makes a powerful declaration in Isaiah 7:1-8 regarding God's people being broken/ scattered within 65 yrs of his prediction in 742 B.C. (Judah fell in 677 BC within 46 years of **753 B.C.** – City of Israel's fall in 723 BC); announcing the 2520 was about to begin and brings this time prophecy to view in his generation. This was fulfilled to the letter. [Syria (Rezin) confederates with Israel (Pekah) against Judah (Ahaz)- Isa. 7:1]

Rome founded by Romulus. He was the 1st of 7 kings.

724 B.C. - Assyria places a siege upon Samaria.

The kingdom divided upon Solomon's death. The southern portion consisted of the tribes of Judah and Benjamin, known as the kingdom of Judah, with Jerusalem as its capital. The northern portion consisted of the remaining tribes known as the kingdom of Israel with headquarters at Samaria.

- 723 B.C.-677 B.C. Assyria, pagan kingdom that ruled over God's people (2 Kings 17:1-6)
- 723 B.C. (Fall of 10 N. tribes/Samaria/Israel) King Hoshea (last king of Israel) and his Kingdom taken captive and by Esarhaddon (King o Assyria) and scattered into Assyria (2Kings 17:4-6; 18:9)
- 677 B.C.-538 B.C. Babylon, pagan kingdom that ruled over God's people (Jer 50:17; 2Chron 33:9-13; Dan 1:1)
- 677 B.C. (Fall of 2 S. tribes, Judah) King of Assyria takes Manasseh captive and bounds him in Babylon (2Chron 33:11), and even though he repented it was too late for the kingdom of Judah, for the Kingdom was no longer sovereign. 1843/1850 Chart: "Israel carried captive, 2Chron 33:11. The 7 TIMES commence Lev. 26." and "The treading down of Israel by the gentiles commenced before Christ 677; 1843 years after Christ added to 677, make 2520 yrs. 7 times"

1843 Chart:

2520 7 times.

677 2 Chron. 33:11

1843. Termination of 7 times."

140 yrs Babylon rules

205 yrs Medes/ Persians

174 yrs Grecians

696 yrs Rome

1215 yrs in bondage

1260 Papal rule for 1260 years

2475

45 years to complete 7 times (2520)

2520

1798 Papacy receives wound/ taken in captivity.

45 Kings of earth to reign after breaking loose from papal power in 1798.

1843/1844 Oct 22, 1844, Sanctuary cleansed

Rev 17:16-18: Dan 7:12: Dan 12:7-13

7 Leviticus 26:28 to 34.

12

84 Months.

30 Days denoting years.

2520. 7 times."

William Miller- 677 B.C. -

"This year the ten tribes were carried away by Esarhaddonm king of Babylon, and Isaiah's 65 years were fulfilled (Isa 7:8) when Ephraim was broken."

"This was the period when Manasseh was carried to Babylon, and the ten tribes ceased to be a nation. Moses' "seven times" and Ezekiel's seven years begin here."

- **625 B.C.** King Nabopolassar, King Nebuchadnezzar's father, breaks away from the Kingdom of Assyria and becomes sole king of Babylon
- **609 B.C.** "The beginning of the forty-nine Jubilees." William Miller
- **606 B.C.** Overthrow of Jerusalem predicted by Jeremiah. (Jer 25:8-11) Nebuchadnezzar invades Jerusalem, takes King Jehoiakim, Daniel and his 3 friends and many ohers captive.

This is the year/starting point that Babylon was considered to be in its "Golden" Age/Pinnacle. 70 years captivity (Jer 29:10-14) 606 – 70 = 536 (Ez 1:1-4)

605 B.C.- Nebuchadnezzar's Babylon replaced Assyria as the most powerful nation on earth at the battle of Carchemish.

**599 B.C.** – King Jehoiachin (Josiah's grandson)

Nebuchadnezzar besieged Jerusalem 3 times

- 596 B.C. "Seventy years' captivity prophesied by Jeremiah fulfilled (Jer 25:11)"-William Miller
- 588 B.C. King Zedekiah (Josiah's son)
- **538 B.C.-331 B.C. Medo Persia**, pagan kingdom that ruled over God's people (Dan 8:3, 4)
- 538 B.C. Medo-Persia conquers Babylon by Darius the Mede (age 62) and Cyrus, his nephew, called "the Persian". Two years later, 536 B.C., Darius dies and King of Persia (Cambyses) dies. Cyrus, takes the throne and is sole monarch of whole empire. (Dan 5; 9:1-3) 1850 Chart: "Ancient Babylon overthrown" 1843 Chart: "Overthrow of ancient Babylon. Daniel 5:30-31
- **536 B.C. The 70 Yrs of Jews captivity**, prophesied by Jeremiah (2 Chr 36:14-22; Jer 25:6-12), **ended** {PK 556.4}
- **536 B.C. 1**<sup>st</sup> **decree** of Cyrus for the rebuilding of the house of God **(Ez 1:1-4)** (Israel dwelt in their cities- Ez 2:64, 65,70)
- **519 B.C. 2**<sup>nd</sup> **decree** of Darius the Great, Hystaspes (King of Persia) for the prosecution of that work, which had been hindered. **(Ez 6:1-12)** The first two decrees had reference to the restoration of the temple and the temple-worship of the Jews, and not to the restoration of their civil state and polity. The 3<sup>rd</sup> decree addresses the latter, "to restore and build Jerusalem" (Dan. 9:25).
- 467 B.C. Artaxerxes becomes king.
- 457 B.C. 3<sup>rd</sup> Decree (Ez 7:11-26) given in the 7<sup>th</sup> year of Artaxerxes Longimanus (king of Persia) to Ezra mentioned in Ezra 6:14 and Daniel 9:25 to restore and rebuild Jerusalem. This is the beginning date of the 70 week prophecy for the Jews.

This is also the beginning date of the 2300 day/year prophecy. See **1850 chart 1850 Chart** (bottom right-hand corner):

"The length of the daily, Dan 8:13. From **B.C. 457** to A.D. **508\_9= 965** yrs.

From the daily taken away, to the papacy being set up, 538\_9= 30 yrs.

<u>Time of the papal desolating abomination, to 1798\_9= 1260 yrs.</u>

From 1798\_9 to 1844 = 45 yrs. 2300 yrs."

**1843 Chart**: "Going forth of the decree to restore and build Jerusalem. Ezra 7:8.

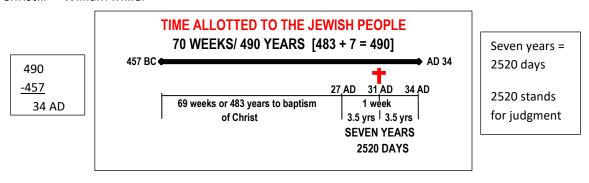
2300

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1843. Termination of 2300 days, and end of Indignation Dan. 8:17 to 20."

<u>Commencement of the 2300 days. Dan. 8-9 chap.</u>" **1843 Chart**: <u>"Alexander the Great overcame the Persians 332 yrs. before Christ see Josephus Ant. 1.11, c.8."</u>

"The kings of the earth must consume the papal power and reign 45 years to complete the "seven times," which added to 1798, when the last of the ten kings broke loose from the power of the papacy, and exercised their kingly power (Rev 17:16-18; Dan 7:12) ends 1843. Dan 12:7-13. Thus, this 45 years accomplishes the "time, times and a half," which the kingdoms of the earth were to exercise their authority in "scattering the power of the holy people," being 1260 years. And papacy, mystical Babylon, accomplished her "time, times, and the dividing of time," being 1260 years, between AD 538 and 1798, in "wearing out the saints... And both together make 2520 years, beginning before Christ 677, which taken out of 2520, leaves 1843 years after Christ... "William Miller



Jesus was the 2520<sup>th</sup> lamb that was slain. (see pages 30-35 for explanation)

- 444 B.C. The commission to Nehemiah from Artaxerxes in his 20<sup>th</sup> year (Neh. 2) (Nehemiah obtained permission individually to go up to Jerusalem and work and this has nothing to do with the 3<sup>rd</sup> decree since his work was completed in 52 days (Neh 6:15)
- **408 B.C.** Jerusalem and temple completely rebuilt as mentioned in Daniel 9:25 [49 years to rebuild temple: 457 BC (+49 years) takes us to 408 BC, thus, **457-49 yrs = 408 B.C.**]
- 332 years 1843/50 Charts: <u>"Alexander the Great overcame the Persians 332 years before Christ (see Josephus Ant. 1.11 c8)"</u>
- 331 B.C.-168/158 B.C. Greece, pagan kingdom that ruled over God's people
- **331 B.C.** At the age of 25, Alexander the Great of Grecian empire, conquers Medo Persia (Battle of Arbela) and his kingdom becomes a world empire
- 323 B.C. Alexander the Great dies from a drunken debauchery at the young age of 33
- 300 B.C.(approx. date) Alexander's kingdom becomes divided into 4 by his 4 generals (Daniel 8:8):

   <u>Ptolemy</u> of Egypt (South/ had Egypt), <u>Lysimachus</u> of Thrace (North/ had Asia Minor), <u>Seleucus</u> of Bablylon (East/ had Syria and Babylon), <u>Cassander</u> of Macedon (West/ had Greece and neighboring countries). "Daniel 11:5: Cassander was very soon conquered by Lysimachus, and his kingdom, Greece was in turn conquered by Seleucus and Macedon and Thrace annexed to Syria.... Seleucus.... became possessor of three parts out of four of Alexander's dominion, and established a more powerful kingdom than that of Egypt." (DAR 250.1,2) Thus, <u>Seleucus became the king of the North (Turkey today)</u> and Ptolomy stayed as King of the South (Egypt today)
  - 168 B.C.-508/538 A.D. Pagan Rome, pagan kingdom that ruled over God's people
  - **168 B.C.** Rome is on the scene as a ruling power **1850 Chart**: <u>"Rome conquered the 1<sup>st</sup> division of Greece"</u>
  - 164 years 1843 Chart: "Death of Antiochus Epiphanes, who of course, stood not up against the Prince of Princes, as he had been 164 yrs. dead before the Prince of Princes was born."
  - **161 B. C.** Rome becomes connected with the people of God, the Jews, by alliance. It did not acquire jurisdiction over Judea by actual conquest until B.C. 63.
  - 158 years 1843/1850 Chart: "Time of the league between the Jews & Romans. 158 yrs. before Christ 1st Mac. 9th chap. 70-71 verses. Josephus Antiquities 1.13 c.2. Daniel 11:23 and after the league with him he shall work deceitfully.
  - **158 B.C.** "The league formed between the Romans and Jews. Beginning of Hosea's two days, or 2000 years. (Hos 6:1-3; Luke 13:31-33)" William Miller
  - 65 B.C. Pompey (the General of the Romans) conquers Syria (the north) making it Roman territory (made it a province of their empire) becomes the ruling empire of 3 out of 4 of Alexander's divided kingdoms
  - 63 B.C. Pompey marched over to and besieged Jerusalem and ended Judea's independence
  - 48 B.C. Pompey murdered in Egypt by Cleopatra's brother
  - 44 B.C. Julius Caesar declared supreme ruler of Rome
  - 44 B.C. Julius Caesar murdered by 2 of his friends
  - 43 B.C. 2<sup>nd</sup> Triumvirate formed between Octavius(aka Augustus Caesar, Marc Antony, and Lepidus)
  - 31 B.C. <u>Battle of Actium</u> between Octavian aka Augustus Caesar, and Marc Antony with Cleopatra.

    Octavius defeated Mark Antony at the great sea and land battle of Actium, Sept 2, 31 B.C.

    Beginning point for the "Time/360 years" prophecy (Dan 11:24/ Rev 13;2) that ends in 330 A.D.
  - **31 B.C.- A.D. 330** End of the 360 year reign of the city of Rome (Dan 11:24-27). Constantine abandoned the city of Rome in A.D. 330 and moved the capital to the empire to Constantinople (Dan 11:24)
  - 30 B.C. Egypt now a province of Rome. Rome now rules over the whole world.
  - 29 B. C.- 313 A.D. Augustus (Octavius) returned to Rome (29 B.C.). Under Rome (pagan) Christ was crucified. They also destroyed Jerusalem & its temple in A.D. 70 and persecuted the Christians until A.D. 313. (Dan 11:28)
  - 27 B.C. 14 A.D. Augustus becomes Caesar of Rome. This Caesar is mentioned in Luke 2:1.

#### In the year of our Lord

- 14 A.D. Tiberius (Augustus Caesar's stepson) becomes Caesar of Rome (see → Luke 3:1)
- **27 A.D. 100 A.D.** 1st Seal, a white horse and rider with a bow denotes the purity of faith (triumphs of the gospel in purity) in the early Church.
- 27 A.D.(fall) Jesus baptized
- 31 A.D.(spring) <u>CROSS</u> Jesus crucified (<u>"midst of the week"</u> 1850 Chart)
- 34 A.D. Stephen stoned (<u>"70 weeks end"</u> 1850 Chart)
   Probation for the Jewish nation ends
   Seventy weeks comes to its end in 34 A.D. (Dan 9:24-27)

27 A.D to 34 A.D. = 1 week/ 7 years/ 2520 days. 34 AD + 36 more years of mercy = 70 AD, temple destroyed

- **33 A.D. 100 A.D.** The period of the church of **Ephesus**. They are patient and hate deeds of false teachers. They did not faint or give up. Reproof: Lost first love.
- 37 A.D. Tiberius Caesar murdered.
   This Caesar was ruling when Jesus was crucified/ He's mentioned in Luke 3:1
- **66 A.D.** (fall) Cestius, the general of Rome surrounds Jerusalem with his troops. This was the sign for the true Christians in Jerusalem to flee from there (Matt 24:15-16; Luke 21:20)
- **68 A.D.** Nero Caesar dies
- 69 A.D. Vespasian(father of Titus) becomes Emperor of Rome
- **70 A.D.**(spring) Rome invaded by his son Titus
- 96 A.D. The book of Revelation was written by Apostle John {1919 SNH, BHB 144.6}
- 100 A.D. 311 A.D. 2<sup>nd</sup> Seal, a red horse- This period extends from the death of John to the rise of Constantine (Counsil of Nicaea). Original purity begins to be corrupted by errors, false doctrine and worldliness. Ecclesiastical power sought the alliance of the secular.
- **100 A.D. 323 A.D.** The period of the church of **Smyrna**. This church is rich in faith and good in works, in spite of tribulation and hypocrites. 303-313- 10 years of persecution. No reproof.
- 284-303 A.D. Diocletian fought a series of wars to regain & retain Egypt as a Roman province. (Dan 11:29)
- | 300's 1300's Waldensians flee into mountains of Europe
- 302/3-312/13 A.D. 10 yrs. of persecution by Emperor Diocletian against the Christians spoken of in Rev 2:8-10. From 284 to 303, Diocletian fought a series of wars to regain & retain Egypt as a Roman province (Dan 11:29)
- **311 A.D.** Tripartite division of Rome (Eastern), first between Constantine, Licinius and Maximin then in 337 A.D. between Constantine's 3 sons.
- 312/313 A.D. Constantine comes to the rescue as the Savior for the Christians by "decriminalizing"
   Christianity. He "supposedly" becomes a Christian and has soldiers baptized walking through the river
- 313 A.D. Wikipedia under "Edict of Thessalonica": "Emperor Constantine I, together with his eastern counterpart Licinius, issued the Edict of Milan, which granted religious toleration and freedom for persecuted Christians. By 325 Arianism, a school of christology which contended that Christ did not possess the divine essence of the Father but was rather a primordial creation and an entity subordinate to God, had become sufficiently widespread and controversial in Early Christianity that Constantine called the Council of Nicaea in an attempt to end the controversy by establishing an empire-wide, i.e., "ecumenical" orthodoxy. The council produced the original text of the Nicene Creed, which rejected the Arian confession and upheld that Christ is "true God" and "of one essence with the \Father."—(See comment on "essence" on pages 18-24)
- **321 A.D.** Constantine's Sunday Edict makes the first Sunday Law ever in history, but it does not apply to agriculture workers
- 323 A.D. 538 A.D. 3rd Seal, The rapid progress of corruption is seen in a black horse; great darkness and moral decline from Constantine to the papacy in 538. True religion is superseded by horrid superstition and paganism is baptized as Christianity (Papal teachings brought in).

323 A.D. – 538 A.D. – The period of the church of <u>Pergamos</u>. They held firm to Jesus' name and did not deny the faith. Reproof: Tolerance of Nicolaitanes, Balaamism, compromise, idolatry, immorality 325 A.D. – <u>Council of Nicaea</u> declares Catholicism to be the true Christians (see comment under 313 A.D.)

Wikipedia — "The First Council of Nicaea was a council of Christian bishops convened in the Bithynian city of Nicaea (now, Bursa province, Turkey) by the Roman Emperor Constantine I in AD 325. This ecumenical council was the first effort to attain consensus in the Church through an assembly representing all of Christendom. Its main accomplishments were settlement of the Christological issue of the divine nature of God the Son (Trinity doctrine set in place of Godhead) and his relationship to God the Father, the construction of the first part of the Nicene Creed establishing uniform observance of the date of Easter (in place of Passover; changing of Feast Days), and promulgation of early canon law." (see comments regarding Easter on pages 26-29) MUST SEE! https://youtu.be/EV7-IAFIZKk https://youtu.be/Hb8O8aSOJJI

#### The Origen of Nicaea

"Simplicity was the greatest appendage to Christianity to maintain unity. The teachers inculcated no doctrines further than those contained in the Apostles' Creed, and violated all vain subtleties and mysterious researches. There was not at this time the least controversy about the capital doctrines which were afterwards so keenly debated in the Church: ... This was soon swamped by the laborious efforts of human learning and dark subtleties of imaginary science.

"Acute researches were employed upon several religious points, not vital regarding salvation, and human philosophy was incorporated into the simplicity of our Divine Master's sublime system.

"... a new sect of philosophers, suddenly arose and spread with amazing rapidity through a great part of the Roman empire. *Alexandria* in Egypt gave birth to this new philosophy: they ... were ready to adopt the truth alone from all the different systems and sects. Their discipline was approved of by the Christians and all those who had charge of the Christian school at Alexandria.

"This philosophy underwent a change when AMMONIUS SACCAS [C. 170-242 A.D.] laid the foundation of that sect known as the New Platonic. ... his projects were singular, for he even strove to have a coalition of all sects, both philosophical and religious, and taught a doctrine which he considered as adapted to unite all in perfect harmony. "This absurd philosophy, embraced by Origen and other Christians, was very detrimental to the beautiful simplicity of the celestial doctrines of Christ." T. W. Herbert, "An Ecclesiastical History," (1847 ed.) pp. 21, 23

#### A.T. Jones on the Council of Nicaea:

"Just at this time, however, there sprang into prominence the famous **Trinitarian controversy**, which involved, and under the circumstances demanded, an imperial decision as to what was the Catholic Church in point of doctrine ... *Great Empires of Prophecy, p 495.2 AT Jones* 

"In the quest for truth every man is free to search, to believe, and to decide, for himself alone. And his assent to any form of belief or doctrine, to be true, must spring from his own personal conviction that such is the truth. "The truth itself, forced on man otherwise than by its own inward power, becomes falsehood." -- Neander.33 And he who suffers anything to be so forced upon him, utters a lie against himself and against God.

The realm of thought is the realm of God. Whosoever would attempt to restrict or coerce the free exercise of the thought of another, usurps the dominion of God, and exercises that of the devil. This is what Constantine did at the Council of Nice. This is what the majority of the Council of Nice itself did. In carrying out the purpose for which it was met, this is the only thing that it could do, no matter which side of the controversy should prove victorious. What Constantine and the Council of Nice did, was to open the way and set the wicked precedent for that despotism over thought which continued for more than fourteen hundred dreary years, and which was carried to such horrible lengths when the pope succeeded to the place of Constantine as head over both church and State.

To say that the Holy Spirit had any part whatever in the council, either in discussing or deciding the question, or in any other way, is but to argue that the Holy Spirit of God is but the subject and tool of the unholy passions of ambitious and wicked men. *Great Empires of Prophecy, p 513-14 AT Jones* 

- **330 A.D**. Constantine moves the Roman Empire (Italy) headquarters to the East, later being known as Constantinople, which was the first decisive step in the downfall of the Roman empire
- **337 A.D.** On the death of Constantine, the Roman Empire was divided into three parts; **Tripartite division of Rome** between Constantine's 3 sons: Constantine II, Constans and Constantius.

- **353 A.D.** Constantius' (Greek Emperor) two brothers both being dead, the whole empire came into his hands and the Roman Empire was again united and became a part of the Greek empire.
- **354 A.D** Constantius, the last of the three sons of Constantine I died.
- **356 A.D.** the Huns, a barbarous nation, invaded the Roman empire and established themselves in Hungary..." {1841 JoL, APEC 78.3}{May 1, 1840 JVHe, HST 17.21}

"It is reckoned that during the reign of <u>Justinian</u> (the emperor of Eastern Rome) Africa lost 5 millions of inhabitants; <u>thus Arianism</u> was extinguished in that region, not by any enforcement of conformity but by the <u>extermination of the race</u> (<u>race of the Vandals</u> <u>around 533 A.D.</u>) which had introduced and professed "J.C. Robertson "History of the Christian Owed" Vol I p521

### 356 A.D. – 476/483 A.D. – Rome Divided into 10:

"The Western empire of Rome, between the years A. D. 356 and 483, was divided into ten divisions, or kingdoms as follows:

- 1. Huns, A.D.356, (3rd Trumpet- under Atilla)
- 2.\* Ostrogoths, 377, -538 (Last of the 3 horns plucke up in 538 A.D.) (1st Tr Goths under Alaric)
- 3. Visigoths, 378, (-410?)
- 4. Franks, 407,
- 5.\* <u>Vandals</u>, 407, -cir.<u>533</u> (2<sup>nd</sup> Tr- under <u>Genseric</u>)
- 6. Suevi, 407,

of Arian faith & last 3 plucked up

1-7 Described under <mark>first 3 trumpets</mark> 8-10 Described <mark>under 4th trumpet</mark>

FIRST FOUR TRUMPETS

- 7. Burgundians, 407,
- 8.\* Heruli, 476, -493 (First horn removed by Ostrogoths under Theodoric in 493 A.D) (4th Tr Odoacer)
- 9. Anglo-Saxons, 476,
- 10. **Lombards, 483**. {1878 UrS, TBI 42.1} (<u>list of 10 kingdoms on</u> **1843 chart**)

"Thus the kingdom was divided as designated by the ten toes." {April 9, 1857 UrSe, ARSH 177.39}

"It is certain that the Roman Empire was divided into ten kingdoms; and though they might be sometimes more and sometimes fewer, yet they were still known by the name of the ten kingdoms of the western empire (the Eastern being in Constantinople)." {1868 JW, LIFIN 45.4}

- Wikingdig = "The Edict of Thessalonica issued on 27 February AD 380 by three reigning

380 A.D. – Wikipedia – "The Edict of Thessalonica issued on 27 February AD 380 by three reigning Roman Emperors, made Nicene Christianity the state religion of the Roman Empire."

395 A.D. – <u>Final Division of the Roman Empire</u> into <u>East and West</u> on the Death of Theodosius I; the
last emperor of a united Roman Empire. He died early in the year A. D. 395. On his deathbed, he
divided the Roman Empire between his two sons Arcadius (ruled the East from Constantinople
and Honorius (ruled in the West).

Sounding of the <u>1st four trumpets</u> is a complement to prophecy of Daniel 2 & 7 in describing the fall of the <u>western Roman</u> Empire, breaking it up into 10 parts (10 toes of image / 10 horns of the beast). The last 3 trumpets deal with the overthrow of eastern Rome. (See 1919 SNH BHB 120.1

- **395 A.D. 410 A.D. –** 1st Trumpet of Rev. 8) The VISIGOTHS were led by King Alaric. They sacked the city of Rome in 410 (Rev. 8:7). First time in almost 800 years that Rome had fallen to a foreign enemy. The Roman Empire, after Constantine, was divided into three parts:
  - The western part, Africa and Rome, Italy.
  - The eastern or Greek part, was Turkey
  - Britain, Gaul, and Spain, were a third division.

A "third part" is a reference to a third of the Roman Empire.

And hence the frequent remark, "a third part of men," etc., is an allusion to the third part of the Roman Empire which is under the scourge.

- 428 A.D. 468 A.D. (2<sup>nd</sup> trumpet of Rev. 8) The VANDALS were led by King Genseric. He executed primarily a naval invasion and conquest of Africa first and afterward sacked a third part the city of Rome in 455. (Rev. 8:8-9). Daniel 11:30 mirrors this trumpet as the "ships of Chittim".
- 451 A.D. 453 A.D. (3<sup>rd</sup> Trumpet of Rev. 8) The HUNS were led by King Attila. He came from an area around a river in Illyricum which in Greek is called "Apsynthos", which is "Wormwood". A star in prophecy often symbolizes a leader, see Daniel 8:10. Attila and his 800,000 man army rose

\*"These three kingdoms, were taken by Justinian (a Greek)

Emperor of Constantinople, whose degree made the Bishop

of Rome, supreme head of the churches in 538." 1843 Chart

- quickly and flashed across the land in 451. They desolated the Italian Alps, the source of the Danube, Rhine and Po rivers. They sacked a third part of Rome in 451. (Rev. 8:10-11)
- 476 A.D. 552 A.D. (4<sup>th</sup> Trumpet of Rev. 8) The VISIGOTHS, VANDALS and HUNS with their almost continual assaults against Western Rome forced its collapse. Odoacer, King of the HERULI, became ruler; "King of Italy" (Rev 8:12).

The symbols sun, moon and stars are undoubtedly here used denote the leadership of the Roman government: Emperor (sun), Senators (moon), and Consuls (stars). <u>One-third</u> of the Empire was to fall. The first was the last Emperor in 476. The subordinate luminaries shone faintly in the continuation of the Senate and Consuls in Italy; symbolized as the moon and stars, they were not fully extinguished until 493 A.D. When the Roman Emperors were removed, the Empire split into 10 kingdoms. This paved the way for the Roman Catholic Church to rise to power, which fulfilled a prophecy of Daniel 7. A *Little Horn* would rise up amongst the ten horns and would pluck out 3 of the ten horns. The Papal Church eliminated 3 of the Arian nations of the 10 Roman kingdoms because they would not bow down to their authority.

- 483 A.D. Rome completely divided into 10 Kingdoms (between the years 351 and 483)
  - **490 A. D. 1850 Chart**: <u>"Ten HORNS arose"</u> **1843 Chart**: <u>"Division of Rome completed into ten kingdoms. See Marchiaval the historian in History of Florence book 1<sup>st</sup> Bishop Lloyd in Lowth's Commentary. Pp 381-2 also Dr. Hales Analysis of Chronology."</u>
- 493 A.D. First horn (Heruli) removed by Ostrogoths under Theodoric
- 496 A.D. King Clovis of France is baptized Catholic
- 508 A.D. By this date, Clovis convinced 7 of the 10 kingdoms to embrace the Catholic Faith. The other 3 Kingdoms were <u>Arian</u> and refused to become Catholic, therefore they were uprooted/
   <u>Paganism "taken away"</u> 1850 Chart: <u>"Pagan Dominion or The DAILY taken away. Dan. 11:31"</u>

   1843 Chart: <u>Taking away of the daily sacrifice, Dan. 12:11, 12.</u>
- **508 A.D.** "Taking away (pagan) "daily sacrifice". Conversion of the "ten kings" to the Christian faith" Miller
- **508 A.D. 538 A.D. -** "Ten kings reign in the Roman world—thirty years between Pagan and Papal Rome. Rev 17:12" William Miller
- **533 A.D.** Justinian makes decree that the Bishop of Rome(Pope) was the head of all churches and government
- **538 A.D. 1517A.D./ to the reformation** 4<sup>th</sup> Seal, A pale horse denotes the pale or yellowish color that is seen in blighted or sickly plants. The rider is named Death, and Hell followed with him. The mortality is great during this period because of the unrestrained, unrebuked, persecuting desolating power of the papacy and extends to the time when the Reformers commenced their work of exposing the corruption of the papal system. *The fourth part of the earth is the territory over which this power had jurisdiction, as Rome was no longer a universal world power at this time.*
- **538 A.D. 1798 A.D.** The period of the church of <u>Thyatira</u>; the deadly wound. This church has love, faith, patience and good works. Reproof: Tolerance of Jezebel, idolatry, immorality.
- 538 A.D. Last of the 3 horns (Arian Ostrogoths in Italy) plucked up. 1850 Chart: "Papacy set up"

  1843 Chart: The Heruli, Vandals, and Ostrogoths, by this time were plucked up: this is the prophetic period for the rise of the little horn. See Dan. 7:8 Three horns plucked up, and a little horn rises which is the commencement of the Papal power. The commencement of time, times and a half, or 1260 yrs. terminating in 1798.
- **538 A.D.** Justinian enforces Constantine's Sunday Law declaring not even agriculture to be done on this day & constituting the pope the head of the church and the corrector of heretics
- <u>538 A.D.</u> <u>Papacy "set up"</u>; now in full power. "Rise of Papacy. Beginning of the 1260 years or "time, times, and half a time." Commencement of the civil power of the Pope, and his reign over kings." Miller
- 541 A.D. Roman Consulship ("moon" Rev. 8:12) extinguished by Justinian (emperor of the East)
- **553 A.D.** Narses (General Belisarius' successor) defeats the Goths, the Roman senate ("stars" Rev. 8:12) was overthrown (Belisarius was Justinian's general)
- 571 A.D. Mohammed(Mahomet) born

**606 A.D.** – 5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet of Rev. 9 begins (Rev. 9:1-12) 1850 Chart: "Rev. 9:1. 5<sup>th</sup> Angel sounded." **1843 Chart**: Rise of Mahomedanism. This power stood not up against the Princes of Princes because, it did not exist until this period. Rev. 9:1 star fell." "Rev. 9<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> year 606 5<sup>th</sup> Trumpet commenced sounding. MAHOMETANS. Rev. 9:7 And the Shapes of the locusts were like unto horses prepared unto battle; and on their heads were as it were crowns like gold, and their faces were as the faces of men."

The 5th Trumpet (1st woe) - 612 to 1449 and the early apostles of Mohamed. The Arabian (Saracen's, Mohammedan) army came against the remnants of the Roman Empire in Constantinople (Istanbul) from 612-762 A.D.; the "key" event was "a star fell" (leader) who was the Persian King Chosroes (Rev. 9:1). With Persia unable to fight and the Eastern Roman Empire being very weak, none could oppose the rise of the Crescent. This is the first of two 150 year periods (5 months = 150 days, each day for a year).

They wore turbans (crowns of gold); they had beards (faces of men); they had long hair like women; they wore chain-mail (breast-plates of iron); and they were fierce (teeth of lions). The second 150 year period is from July 27, 1299 to July 27, 1449. This was a time when "they had a king over them" (Rev. 9:11); Othman, founder of the Ottoman Empire. This new Caliphate combined the various Muslim forces into one grand whole. A military force that would soon conquer the Byzantine (Eastern Rome) Empire (Greek division) based in Turkey. The sudden rise of smoke, as from a pit, was their poisonous false doctrines, as seen in the Qur'an. It swiftly covered the land. This is the first of three "woe's" to come upon the earth.

- 622 A.D. Mohammed entered Medina and was first received as its Prince/ Mohammedanism spreads rapidly.
- **624 A.D.** The Battle of Ohud between Mohammed and Koreish o Mecca (armed with breastplates)
- **628 A.D.** Chosroes (King of Persia) murdered
- 629 A.D. Mohammed begins his period of influence. First war (Conquest of Arabia) of the Mohammedans against the Roman empire.
- 632 A.D. Mohammed (Mahomet) dies
- 632 A.D. Abubekr (Mohammed's Father-in-law) succeeds him in his death/ Abubekr's Command given
- **634 A.D.** Abubekr dies (he's the one who fulfilled Revelation 9:4)
- **691 A.D. Dome of the Rock Mosque** opens up over same place Solomon's Temple was located, on top of temple mount (SDP 247.1)
- 705 A.D. Al-Aqsa Mosque completed Also built on top of temple mount
- 1299 A.D. 1st Woe begins 1850 Chart: "The first woe commenced July 27, 1299; when Othman, [Mahometans have a king (Othman) over them] the founder of the Turkish empire, made his 2<sup>nd</sup> woe ended first attack upon the Greeks (Rev 9:3-10). Their power was to hurt men five months = 150 years, ending in A.D. 1449" 1843 Chart: "Rev. 9:3 to 12. And there came out of the smoke locusts... and their power was to hurt men five months. i.e. 150 yrs. commencing 1299 ending 1449."

1798.

Rev 11:12-14

- 1369 A.D. John Huss born,
- **1415 A.D.** John Huss martyred
- 1440 A.D. Gutenberg printing press is invented
- 1449 A.D. 5th Trumpet/1st Woe of Rev. 9:12 ended 1843 Chart: "Rev. 9:13 to 20. Sixth Trumpet began to sound."
- 1449 1840 A.D. 6th Trumpet of Rev. 9/ 2nd Woe begins (Rev. 9:13-21) 1850 Chart: "The sixth trumpet commenced at the end of the first woe. 1449. It continued for an hour, and a day, a month, and a year. 391 years, 15 days, (July 27, 1449 - August 11, 1840) which ended Aug 11, 1840. Rev.

9:13. 6<sup>th</sup> Angel, 2<sup>nd</sup> woe. Firearms first used on horseback by the Turks. The Ottoman Supremacy Ceased. 1840. The second woe is past. 1844."

(Ottoman Empire conquers Eastern Empire/Rules over much of Europe as well and other territories)

**1843** Chart: "Rev. 9:13. 6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet 2<sup>nd</sup> Woe. Firearms first used on horseback by the Turks. (fact in history). MAHOMETANS."

The 6th Trumpet (2nd woe) – July 27, 1449 to August 11, 1840 and the Ottoman (Turkish) Empire. The time frame here is prophetically accurate (as history shows). The Turkish Caliphate conquered the <a href="Last 1/3">Last 1/3</a> of the Roman Empire (Byzantine) in 1453. This involved a very early use of gunpowder in warfare, ("out of their mouths came fire, smoke, and brimstone").

On July 27, 1449, the Roman Byzantine Empire acquiesced to the Turkish Ottoman Empire. Turkey then acquiesced to England, Russia, Austria and Prussia, 391 years and 15 days later on August 11, 1840 (Revelation 9:15), ending the 2nd woe. The 6th trumpet ends sometime after the fall of Turkey in 1840 and perhaps as late as 1844. The exact date of the end of the 6th trumpet and the beginning of the 7th trumpet is not perfectly clear in the Biblical record and is therefore, of minor consequence. The end of the 2nd woe, however, can be calculated to the very day! We are told the 3rd "cometh quickly", Revelation 11:14, following the 2nd woe. How to calculate 391 year/ 15 day prophecy: Rev. 9:15 "Prepared for an hour and a day and a month and a year". In prophecy "an hour" is the 24th part of a day, or 15 literal days. A "day" in prophetic time is literally one Biblical year of 360 days. A "month" is one Biblical month of 30 days, prophetically and literally, 30 years. "A year" of 360 days is prophetically and literally, 360

15 days + 1 year + 30 years + 360 years = 391 years and 15 days. This prophecy, was fulfilled (Aug 11, 1840) to the very day. (GC88 334.4-5; GC 334.4)

- **1453 A.D., April 6 to May 16** Turkey conquers Constantinople from the Greek Roman Empire The eastern city (Constantinople) of the Cæsars became (in 1453) the seat of the Ottoman empire.
- 1483 A.D. Martin Luther born in Germany

years.

- **1492 A.D.** Christopher Columbus discovers America (although he's not the 1<sup>st</sup> discoverer, since the Indians were here first.)
- I500's A.D. / Reformation— 1735/55 A.D.

  5<sup>th</sup> Seal, Commenced when Reformation began to undermine the antichristian Papal fabric and restrain the persecuting power of the Romish Church. Symbolically, of course, the martyr's blood cries out for vengeance because of the papal persecution. This period begins with the Reformation and extends to near the "time of the end" (in 1798). Under the symbolic altar we find the victims. Their "souls" represent the heavenly record of their life and death; slain to satisfy idolatry and superstition. They poured out their blood beneath the Altar and fell by its side. The saints have never literally cried for vengeance as that is left to God alone. He has not forgotten the ones slain upon this or any other altar, symbolic or literal.

THE FIRST 5 SEALS ARE REPRESENTED IN <u>SYMBOLIC/ FIGURATIVE</u> LANGUAGE; THE LAST 2

SEALS (5<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup>) ARE PRESENTED IN <u>LITERAL</u> LANGUAGE

- **1500's A.D.** Several protestant reformers such as: Luther, Knox, Calvin, Zwingli, etc. spread gospel in Europe. **1525 A. D.-** Tyndale finishes translation of New Testament into English.
- 1513 A.D. John Knox of Scotland born
- **1517 A.D.** Martin Luther nails his 95 page theses to the Catholic church door in Wittenberg. Declared by the majority as the **starting year/date for the Protestant Reformation**
- **1534 A.D.** Order of the Jesuits started in France by Ignatius Loyola; started in order to put Reformation started by Luther in check
- 1546 A.D. Martin Luther died
- 1572 A.D. John Knox died (He was the one who witnessed to the wicked Queen of Scotland(Mary)
- 1588 A.D. Ezekiel's 210 years, or "seven months," prophecy (Eze 39:12)

"Then the people of God would be 210 years putting away this rotten carcass of papal power, which had for ages ruled over kings and lorded it over his people. The year 1588, the edict in favor of Protestants, which was afterwards called the **edict of Nantes**, was first published by Henry IV., king of Navarre, one of the principal heads of the Protestant cause in France, who began a war in Europe between Catholics and Protestants, which lasted, with very little cessation, for 210 years, until 1798; when finally the Protestants destroyed the power of the pope, and he that had ruled over kings, became weak and inefficient as any of the smallest dukedoms in Europe." 1842 WiM, MWV1 82-83

"1798 A.D. End of the Papal power over the kings in Europe" William Miller

- **1598 A.D. Edict of Nantes-** an edict of April 13, 1598 signed by Henry IV of France granting toleration to Protestants and ending the French Wars of Religion. It was revoked by Louis XIV in 1685.
- 1611 A.D. King James Bible Completed, which included the Old Testament Apocryphal books
- 1620 A.D. Pilgrim's land on Plymouth Rock in Plymouth Massachusetts in America
- **1631 A.D.** Roger Williams lands on American Shores near Boston Mass https://www.loc.gov/item/today-in-history/february-05/ See → GC 293.1
- 1636 A.D. Roger Williams declares what true "Liberty of Conscience is"
- 1636 A.D. Roger Williams moves to Rhode Island territory due to being exiled from Massachusetts
- 1638 A.D. Roger Williams founded the First Baptist Church in America
- I735/55 A.D. Christ's return 6<sup>th</sup> Seal, The first event under this seal is the great Lisbon earthquake, November 1, 1755. Next we find "the sun became black as sackcloth of hair"; on May 19, 1780. Whenever the moon was visible it had the appearance of blood. "The stars of heaven fell"; fulfilled with the great meteoric shower of November 13, 1833. Our position is unmistakable; we stand between the 13th and 14th verses of Revelation 6. That is, between 1833 and the return of Christ. Revelation 7 will continue the 6<sup>th</sup> seal. Prophetic portions of God's Word were to be unsealed; many run to and fro; knowledge of God's Word greatly increased (1798 forward). Sealing process of God's people begins (Rev 7) PRIOR to commencement of the 7<sup>th</sup> seal.
- 1755 A.D. Nov 1; The Great Lisbon Earthquake (Rev 6:12)
- 1775 1783 A.D. The Revolutionary War fought in America between America and Britain
- **1776 A.D.** America gains its Independence from Britain in July. Two horned beast commencing its career (Rev 13:10; 19:20)
- 1780 A.D –May 19- The Darkening of the Sun/ Moon Became as Blood (Rev 6:12)
- 1782 A.D. William Miller is born
- 1787 A.D. U.S. Constitution created by approx. 55 men
- 1788 A.D. U.S. Constitution ratified
- 1789 A.D. U.S. Constitution goes into effect
- 1789 1798 French Revolution Dan 11:36-39; Rev 11:3, 7-11
- 1789 1797 A.D. George Washington becomes 1<sup>st</sup> elected U.S. President, serving 2 terms

WHAT HAPPENED FROM 1798 TO 1844? INTERESTING NOTE: → 1844-1798 = 46 years God was establishing/building His SDA church under the 3 Angel's Messages x 46 years John 2:19-21 tells us that it took 46 years to build up His literal temple

#### MAIN POINTS OF HISTORY FROM 1798 - 1844:

- **1798 A.D. 1830's A.D.** The period of the church of <u>Sardis</u>. A few are not defiled. Reproof: dead works.
- 1798 A.D. The Angel of Revelation 10:1 comes down
- 1798 A.D. Pope Pius is taken captive on February 10, 1798 by Napoleon's General Berthier
  - 1798 A.D. Papal supremacy ends. The Papacy loses its "civil power." 1850 Chart: "The abomination that maketh desolate, or Papal DOMINION taken away" "PAPAL ROME. And he shall wear out the saints of the Most High: and think to change times and laws: And they shall be given into his hand until a time and times, and the dividing of time. But the judgment shall sit, ant they shall take away his DOMINION to consume unto the end. V. 26. The pope's DOMINION over the kings continued 1260 years, It was taken away by France. A.D. 1798-9, just 1290 years after paganism lost its CIVIL POWER. Dan. 12:7, 11. God hath put in their hearts to fulfill his will. Rev. 17:17."

**1843 Chart**: The 1290 yrs. Dan. 12:11 commencing 508 at the taking away of the daily Sacrifice terminate 1798 from which period 45 yrs. complete the 1335 yrs. when Daniel is to stand in his lot at the end of the days. The 1335 from taking away of daily 508 and the 45 from close of 1290 terminate together in 1843. 1798 (Pope taken captive.) 508 Taking away of daily Dan. 12:11.

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1335 Daniel 12:12.

<u>1843.</u>

1843. 7<sup>th</sup> Trumpet. 3<sup>rd</sup> Woe. Rev. 11:15.

Dan. 12:13 Daniel will stand in his lot at the (Resurrection) end of the days."

- 1798 A.D. The Book of Daniel was unsealed (see Dan 12:4,9 and GC 356.2 last sentence)
- 1798 A.D. William Miller receives a copy of Cruden's Concordance for his 16<sup>th</sup> birthday on February 15
- 1798 A.D. -1801 A.D. Napolenoic Egyptian Campaign (Dan 11:40-43) Battle of Pyramids, Battle of Nile, Seige of Acre (Dan 11:40)
- 1798 A.D 1843 A.D. "Rev Ch 10. Opening the Little Book. 45 years to the End." William Miller
- **1800 A. D. (March 14)** Pius VI died in exile at Valence in France, August 29, 1799. The Papacy was reestablished (wound healed; Rev 13:3), though with a diminution of its former power, by the election of new pope (Pius VII)
- **1804 A.D.** At the age of 22, Miller becomes a Deist
- 1812 A.D. William Miller was the Lieutenant in the Battle of 1812
- **1814 A.D.** War of 1812 ends; Miller should have died, but he recognizes something or someone protected him
- 1816 A.D. God sends his Angel to William Miller, to teach him the prophecies that had been hidden from His people for years (See → EW 229.1)
   Miller starts to study the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, using only his Concordance
- 1816 A.D. 1818 Miller studiously studies the Bible for 2 years (GC 329.2)
- **1818 A.D.** Miller arrives at his exposition of the prophecies that had been closed up to God's people for many years and was convicted that Judgment would start on the world in about 25 years (1843) and Christ would return at that time.
- **1818 1823 A.D.** Miller re-examines the prophecies he believed God showed him, for an additional 5 years.
- **1821 A.D.** Joseph Wolff, Missionary to the world, began to proclaim the Lord's Second Advent in India and elsewhere.
- **1823 A.D.** Miller starts to share what he learned in private groups.
- **1830 A.D. Autumn of 1844 A.D.** The period of the church of <u>Philadelphia</u>. Those who preached the Advent message. They kept the Word and did not deny Jesus. Preached 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> angel's message. No reproof.
- **1831 A.D.** After sharing in private for 8/9 years, Miller publicly gives his first discourse on the prophecies.
- 1832 A.D. Is said to be the date Miller issues his first pamphlet/ written expose on his teachings
- **1833 A.D.** Miller received a license to preach from the Baptist Church.
- **1833 A.D.** Two years after Miller began to present in public the evidences of Christ's soon coming, the last of the signs appeared which were promised by the Saviour as tokens of his second advent. Said Jesus, The stars shall fall from heaven." [Matthew 24:29.]
- **1833 A.D.** –Nov 13; The Stars of Heaven Fell (Rev 6:13) Great Meteor Shower seen throughout the Western world.
- 1837 A.D. First Angel's Message, Revelation 14:6-7 1850 Chart: Rev. 14:6,7. And I saw an angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to every nation, tongue, and people. Saying with a LOUD VOICE, FEAR GOD AND GIVE GLORY TO HIM, FOR THE HOUR OF HIS JUDCMENT IS COME.
- 1838 A.D. Josiah Litch and Charles Fitch join Miller in his work but the message had not received power just yet.
- **1838 A.D.** Josiah Litch comes out with his "Prophetic Exposition" using Revelation 9, 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Woes, to prove that a day in prophecy does indeed = 1 literal year (88GC 334.4-5; GC334.4)
- **1840 (August 1) A.D.** Josiah Litch declares that the Ottoman Empire's power will fall on August 11, 1840. People of the world are watching the movements claimed by Adventists to soon take and say they will become Adventists if the prophecy is fulfilled exactly as stated.
- 1840 (August 11) A.D. The prophecy was fulfilled to a tee (88GC 334.4-5; GC334.4)
   6<sup>th</sup> Trumpet/ 2<sup>nd</sup> woe ends. The Ottoman Empire fell (lost its supremacy) as predicted. As a result, thousands joined the ranks of Miller and his associates. This fulfillment gave the 1<sup>st</sup> Angel's Message an Impetus as never seen before.
- 1840 1844 A.D. The 1<sup>st</sup> Angel's Message moved with force/rapidity

- **1843 A.D. –The 2**<sup>nd</sup> **Angel's Message, Revelation 14:8 1850 Chart**: And there followed another angel saying v.8 BABYLON IS FALLEN, IS FALLEN. Rev. 14:8.
- **1844 A.D. Until return of Christ/ Recognition of this revealed in 1856** The period of the church of **Laodicea.** NO GOOD WORKS NOTED. Reproof: Lukewarm, spiritually poor, blind and naked. Preach the 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> angel's messages.
- 1844 (March) A.D. -1<sup>st</sup> Disappointment (little); Christ did not return at the time He was first expected
- 1844 (Spring) A.D. Churches begin to close their doors on 1st Angel's Message
- 1844 (April 19) A.D. Tarrying time Begins, for a total of 6 months, that extends to October 22, 1844
- **1844 (Summer)** A.D. 2<sup>nd</sup> Angel's Message/Babylon Fallen (call to come out of Apostate Protestant Churches because God closed the doors on them for rejecting the 1<sup>st</sup> Angel's Message)

  This message was preached by Charles Fitch. 50,000 in America left their churches as a result.
- **1844 (July 20) A.D.** Midnight Cry, as preached by Samuel Snow, accompanies 2<sup>nd</sup> Angel He showed that Christ was coming in 1844, not 1843 as previously expected. That 6 months were to be added to the Tarrying Time that started on April 19<sup>th</sup>.
- **1844 (August 12) A.D.** Exeter Camp meeting: Samuel Snow Proves October 22, 1844 = 7<sup>th</sup> Month, 10<sup>th</sup> day of the month, which = the Day of Atonement in the Bible. He proves that the New Year correctly starts in April, and not March, as the latter, the <u>vernal equinox falsely teaches</u>.

  This teaching proves that October is the 7<sup>th</sup> month, and not September.
- **1844** (August 22) **A.D.** Samuel Snow's 'True Midnight Cry' is published, causing an excitement and causing people to prepare for Jesus's return. This fulfilled Matthew 25:1-7, specifically verse 7
- 1844 1850 Chart: "The 2300 days, and the Ministration of Christ in the HOLY, TERMINATE."
- **1844 (October 22) A.D.** 50,000 people in America waiting for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Coming of Jesus. Jesus never returned; He went from Holy to Most Holy Place; 3<sup>rd</sup> Angel's Msg Start.

  A GREAT DISSAPPOINMENT affects the waiting people **2300 days ends/7th Trumpet (angel) of Rev. 9 begins/ the second woe is past**

#### 1850 Chart:

"7th angel sounded/ the third woe cometh quickly. The seven last plagues.

Rev. 10:7. But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall BEGIN to sound, the MYSTERY of GOD shall be finished, as he hath declared to his servants the prophets.

Interesting to note words emphasized in caps & compare these texts word for word on the 1850 chart with the texts in Bible.

Rev. 11:15-19. And the seventh angel sounded; and there were great voices in heaven, saying, The kingdoms of this world are become of our Lord, and of his Christ; and he shall reign for ever and ever. And the nations were angry, and thy wrath is come, and the time of the dead, that they should be JUDGED, and that thou shouldest give reward unto thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and them that fear thy name, small and great; and shouldest destroy them which corrupt the earth." (Compiler note: the chart references verses 16 & 19 above, but only quotes 15 and 18—probably due to limited space on chart)

1843 Chart:

"7th Trumpet. 3rd Woe. Rev. 11:15.

Timeline of Seventh Trumpet from the <u>beginning to the ending of the Trumpet</u> sounding:

Beginning to soundEnding of sounding1844.... probation closesat the end of 1000 years

Please note, the close of probation is closer to 1844 on the timeline <u>at the beginning</u> of the sounding of the Seventh Trumpet than it is to <u>the closing/ending</u> of the sounding of the Seventh trumpet 1000 + years from now. Please read <u>Day Star Extra Feb. 7, 1846 by Croiser</u> for clarity on this subject who had "the true light on the cleansing of the sanctuary" according to Sister White in WLF 12.8.

The finishing of the work, or the third angel's message which would be finished under the 7<sup>th</sup> trumpet, began in 1844 A.D. (1919 SNH, BHB 122.2)

The 7th Trumpet (aka THE EASTERN QUESTION) – 1844 to end of world history; the completion of the cleansing of the earth after 1,000 years (3rd woe) – Our day to second coming of Christ

This trumpet began sometime after August 11, 1840 to perhaps as late as 1844. It then continues to the full establishment of the New Jerusalem on the earth made new; a thousand years after Christ has returned.

Six of the seven trumpets are now passed. We are living in the days of the 7th trumpet with its 3rd woe, the 7th Church and the 6th seal. The 7th seal opens just before Christ returns, and announces the end of the great controversy. These 7 trumpets of war and woe are redemptive in nature, designed to bring men to repentance. The 7 Last Plagues (not redemptive) are yet future and will be the pouring out of God's wrath upon the wicked. There is no hope of salvation for the sinner during these plagues, which occur just before Christ's return. These 7 last plagues should not be confused with or understood as a dual or future fulfillment of the historic 7 war trumpets.



#### 7 last Plagues and Vials of wrath Revelation 15:7-8

The last **7 trumpets of wrath** and their associated 7 vials are the 7 last plagues to fall upon the <u>earth</u>; trumpet after trumpet and vial after vial are yet to be poured out. These plagues <u>are not redemptive</u>. They are a display of God's wrath toward sin <u>after</u> probation has closed and the last ushers in His long awaited return.

"Solemn events before us are yet to transpire. <u>Trumpet after trumpet is to be sounded</u>, <u>vial after vial poured out one after another upon the inhabitants of the earth</u>. Scenes of stupendous interest are right upon us, and these things will be sure indications of the presence of Him who has directed in every aggressive movement, who has accompanied the march of His cause through all the ages, and who has graciously pledged Himself to be with His people in all their conflicts to the end of the world. He will vindicate His truth. He will cause it to triumph. He is ready to supply His faithful ones with motives and power of purpose, inspiring them with hope and courage and valor in increased activity as the time is at hand. [Lt112-1890.13]

- 1844 A.D. to Future The 3<sup>rd</sup> Angel's Message, Revelation 14:9-13 1850 Chart: "And the 3<sup>rd</sup> angel followed them with a loud voice saying, -1844- If any one worship the beast and his image & Here are those that keep THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD, AND THE FAITH OF JESUS. Rev. 14:9-13.
- **1844 (October 23) A.D.** Only 50 people left who still believed what they were teaching was true While praying in the corn field, Hiram Edson is given a vision as to why Jesus didn't return the day before and what really happened on that day. He was shown that Jesus went from the Holy to the Most Holy place.
- **1844** (December) **A.D.** At the *age* of 17, Ellen ("bright/ shining one") Gould ("gold") Harmon ("soldier") has her first vision

And thus began the beginnings of the 7<sup>th</sup> Day Adventist Church as mentioned in Rev. 12:17

- **1853-1856 A.D.** Crimean War (Dan 11:44)
- 1866 A.D. Another Magnificent Meteor Shower seen throughout the greater part of Europe (Rev 6:13
- 1892 A.D. On February 29, the U.S. Supreme Court decided that "this is a Christian nation," citing Sunday laws as one proof. On July 19 Supreme Court passed Sunday Law bill. On August 5<sup>th</sup>, President Harrison signs this bill and it became a law.
- FUTURE Revelation 8:1-5. Christ's work, interceding on behalf of man is now finished. See Dan. 12:1

  7th Seal. This seal is opened at or very near to the close of probation and the beginning of the 7 last plagues. It represents the Lord sealing His servants just before the 7 trumpets of judgment (plagues) begin to sound.

Rev 14:18-19: Last 2 angels deal with wicked at end of 1000

The living saints, a 144,000 in number (the reader may decide whether this number be literal or symbolic), see the impact of the plagues but they are protected by the Lords angels. They will suffer greatly during these plagues, just as Christ suffered in the wilderness and again in Gethsemane. They too will drink the cup He drank. While their bread and water are sure, it may be little more than survival rations! This is necessary to prepare them for translation by removing, as much as possible, any and all earthly support. At this point, the saints hate sin with a passion heretofore they had not experienced.

FUTURE – Angels that follow the 3<sup>rd</sup> angel: 1850 Chart: "Behold a white cloud, and upon the cloud one sat like unto the Son of man, having on His head a golden crown, and in His hand a sharp sickle.

Rev. 14:14. And another angel came out of the temple, crying with a loud voice to Him that sat upon the cloud, THRUST IN THY SICKLE AND REAP. Rev. 14:1715. And another angel came out of the temple, having a sharp sickle. THRUST IN THY SHARP SICKLE AND GATHER THE CLUSTERS

OF THE VINE OF THE EARTH. Rev. 14:18-19. And another angel came out from the alter, which had power over fire: and cried with a loud cry to him that had the sharp sickle, v. 19. And the angel thrust in his sickle into the earth, and gathered the vine of the earth, and cast it into the great wine-press of the wrath of God.

IMAGE of PAPACY. The two lamb like horns, (REPUBLICANISM & PROTESTANTISM), whose names number 666, become united in action, speak like a DRAGON, and control the civil legislature, and cause it to make the CHURCH the IMAGE of the papacy which received a deadly wound and was healed.

Rev. 17:13-14. These have **ONE MIND** and shall give their **POWER** and **STRENGTH** unto the beast, (the executive power). And causeth all to receive their **MARK**, and worship their **IMAGE**. These shall make war with the **LAMB**, and the lamb shall overcome them; for He is LORD of lords, and **KING** of kings. Rev. 13:11-18."

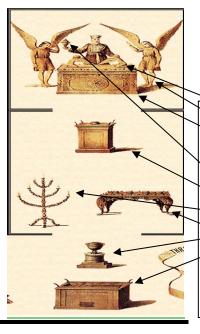
The commencement of the Ministration of Christ in the MOST HOLY. For the expiation of the errors of Israel, and for the cleansing or justification of the Holy Sanctuary. Lev. 16:30-33. Heb. 9:7. Dan. 8:14.

MOST HOLY, HEB. 9:13.

2<sup>nd</sup> VAIL HEB. 9:3.

SANCTUARY or HOLY, HEB. 9:2

DOOR, EX. 26:36.



Explanation of the Sanctuary.

- 1. Ark and 2. Small Cherubims on the Mercy-seat EX. 25:18. Solomon's large Cherubims 1 k's. 6:23.
- 3. Golden Censer and H. Priest burning incense.
- 4. Incense Alter.
- 5. G. Candlestick
- 6. Table and Shewbread.
- 7. Brazen Altar and Laver.

These are patterns of the **SANCTUARY** in heaven, and **TYPES** of the Ministration of our great High Priest in the heavenly holy places. Heb. 8:5, 9:1-5.

When the power of God testifies to what is truth, the truth is to stand forever as the truth. No after suppositions, contrary to the light God has given are to be entertained. Men will arise with interpretations of Scripture which are to them **truth**, but which are not **truth**. The **truth** for this time God has given us as d foundation for our faith. He Himself has taught us what is truth. One will arise and still another with new light which contradicts the light that God has given under the demonstration of His Holy Spirit. A few are still alive who passed through the experience gained in the establishment of this truth. God has graciously spared their lives to repeat and repeat till the close of their lives, the experience through which they passed even as did John the apostle till the very close of his life. And the standard bearers who have fallen in death, are to speak through the reprinting of their writings. I am instructed that thus [their] voices are to be heard. They are to bear their testimony as to what constitutes the truth for this time. We are not to receive the words of those who come with a message that contradicts the special points of our faith. They gather together a mass of Scripture, and pile it as proof around their asserted theories. This has been done over and over again during the past fifty <u>years</u>. And while the Scriptures are God's Word, and are to be respected, the application of them, if such application moves one pillar of the foundation that God has sustained these fifty years, is a great mistake. He who makes such an application knows not the wonderful demonstration of the Holv Spirit that gave power and force to the past messages that have come to the people of God. (PH020 14.2) 1905

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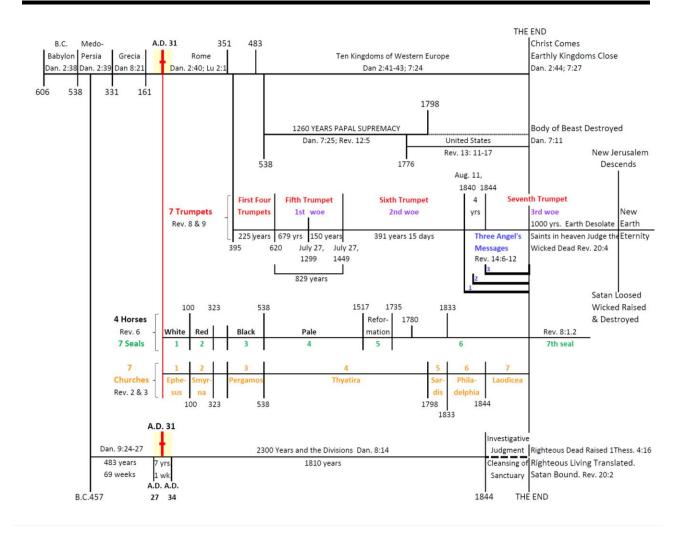


Chart and above taken from original 1888 version of "Bible Readings for the Home Circle: Comprising One Hundred and Sixty-Two Readings for Public and Private Study, in Which are Answered Over Twenty-Eight Hundred Questions on Religious Topics, Contributed by More Than a Score of Bible Students." pages 432, 33.

# 1848 Chart and 1850 Charts endorsed by Sister White as a prophecy in the Bible





me upon the tower, and will watch to see what he will say unto me, and what I shall answer when I am reproved [argued with]. And the LORD answered me, and said, Write the vision, and make [it] plain upon tables, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision [is] yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie: though it tarry, wait for it; because it will surely come, it will not tarry. Behold, his soul [which] is lifted up is not upright in him: but the just shall live by his faith.

1843 Chart

1850 Chart

I saw that God was in the publishment of the chart by Brother Nichols. I saw that there was a prophecy of this chart in the Bible,... 13MR 359.1}

The publication of this chart was regarded as a fulfillment of the command given by Habakkuk. (GC 392.2)

Keep the guidebook always open; study the Word; for this is your chart and compass. {Lt126-1908.5}

The sailor who has in his possession <u>chart and compass</u>, and yet neglects to use them, is responsible for placing the lives of those on board his vessel in peril. The vessel may be lost by his neglect. We have <u>a Guide-book</u>, the Word of <u>God</u>, and we are inexcusable if we miss the way to heaven, <u>for plain directions have been given us</u>.

{ST March 21, 1906, par. 10}

We have, as had John, a message to bear of the things which we have seen and heard. God is not giving us a new message. We are to proclaim the message that in 1843 and 1844 brought us out of the other churches. We need the Holy Spirit to kindle in our hearts the zeal and earnestness that were then seen among God's people. I thank the Lord that there are still living a few who can remember those days, and who know whereof they speak. {RH, January 19, 1905 par. 22}

"The Lord wishes all to understand his providential dealings now, just now, in the time in which we live. There must be no...presenting of new theories in regard to prophecies that God has already made plain..." {RH, NOVEMBER 27, 1900 PAR. 13}

"...some will take the truth applicable to their time, and place it in the future. Events in the train of prophecy that had their fulfillment away in the past are made future, and thus by these theories the faith of some is undermined." {2SM 102.2}

From the light that the lord has been pleased to give me, you are in danger of doing the same work, presenting before others truths which have had their place and done their specific work for the time, in the history of the faith of the people of God. You recognize these facts in bible history as true, but apply them to the future. They have their force still in their proper place, in the chain of events that have made us as a people what we are today, and as such, they are to be presented to those who are in the darkness of error. The true workers of Jesus Christ are to cooperate with their brethren who have had an experience in the work from the very rise of the third angel's message... You and other of our brethren must accept the truth as God has given it to His students of prophecy, as they have been led by genuine, living experience, advancing point by point, tested, proved, and tried, until the truth is to them a reality. From their voices and pens the truth in bright, warm rays has gone to all parts of the world, and that which was to them testing truth, as brought by the Lord's delegated messengers, is testing truth to all to whom this message is proclaimed." . {2SM 102.3}

The Bible is its own expositor. Scripture is to be compared with scripture. The student should learn to view the word as a whole, and to see the relation of its parts. He should gain a knowledge of its grand central theme, of God's original purpose for the world, of the rise of the great controversy, and of the work of redemption. He should understand the nature of the two principles that are contending for supremacy, and should learn to trace their working through the records of history and prophecy, to the great consummation. He should see how this controversy enters into every phase of human experience; how in every act of life he himself reveals the one or the other of the two antagonistic motives; and how, whether he will or not, he is even now deciding upon which side of the controversy he will be found. {Ed 190.2}

By pen and voice we are to sound the proclamation, showing their order, and the application of the prophecies that bring us to the third angel's message. There cannot be a third without the first and second. These messages we are to give to the world in publications, in discourses, showing in the line of prophetic history the things that have been, and the things that will be.—Manuscript 32, 1896. {CW 26.2}

Past Experiences Prepare for Future—Again and again I have been shown that the past experiences of God's people are not to be counted as dead facts. We are not to treat the record of these experiences as we would treat a last year's almanac. The record is to be kept in mind, for history will repeat itself. The darkness of the mysteries of the night is to be illuminated with the light of heaven.... {PM 175.3}

He has not been willing to bear reproof, but has been ready to rise up in heart and justify self, was rich and increased in goods, had a whole spirit, would get angry, and all this has been nourished and fostered by some of the church. If those who have been in the church for weeks and months have not learned the straightness of the way, and what it is to be Christians, and cannot hear all the straight truths of the Word of God, it were better that they were cut off from Israel. It is too late in the day to feed with milk. If souls a month or two old in the truth, who are about to enter the time of trouble such as never was, cannot hear all the straight truth, or endure the strong meat of the straightness of the way, how will they stand in the day of battle? Truths that we have been years learning must be learned in a few months by those who now embrace the Third Angel's Message. We had to search and wait the opening of truth, receiving a ray of light here and a ray there, laboring and pleading for God to reveal truth to us. But now the truth is plain; its rays are brought together. The blazing light of truth when it is presented as it should be can be now seen and brought to bear upon the heart. There is no need of milk after souls are convinced of the truth. As soon as the conviction of truth is yielded to and the heart willing, the truth should have its effect, the truth will work like leaven, and purify and purge away the passions of the natural heart. It is a disgrace for those who have been in the truth for years to talk of feeding souls who have been months in the truth, upon milk. It shows they know little of the leadings of the Spirit of the Lord, and realize not the time we are living in. Those who embrace the truth now will have to step fast. There will have to be a breaking up of heart before the Lord, a rending of heart, and not the garment.—Manuscript 1, 1854, 2, 3. ("Reproof for Adultery and Neglect of Children," February 12, 1854.) {1MR 33.4}

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What unsuspecting <u>great deceptions</u> is the Papal Roman Catholic Church leaders teaching, handed down to her from Pagan Rome?

Read the following....

# Following Information as a result of the Edict of Thessaloica in 313 A.D. & Council of Nicaea in 325 A.D.

# Catholic Church says Trinity (Homoousion) is central doctrine

MUST SEE! https://youtu.be/EV7-IAFIzKk

"The mystery of the trinity is the central doctrine of the Catholic faith. Upon it are based all the other teachings of the church." [Handbook for Today's Catholic, pg. 16]

"Indeed there is, and that "deep, underlying principle" is the principle of the Papacy. In the fourth century, when Constantine was manipulating the church for political ends, he first issued an edict granting freedom of worship to all. Then he commanded that all church buildings should be restored to the Christians. But this was not definite enough, because there were divisions among the professed Christians; and therefore Constantine issued another decree specifying that the property must be given only to the "Catholic" Christians, as distinct from the Arians. But this was not sufficient, as there were parties in the so-called "Catholic" church; therefore Constantine had to specify which party of the Catholic church He meant to favour. {February 15, 1894 EJW, PTUK 101.9}

"Under Diocletian, many Churches had been destroyed. Constantine ordered them to be rebuilt and the property restored to them. At that time there was a sect of Donatists who petitioned the emperor to restore their Churches, but CONSTANTINE SAID ONLY THE "CATHOLIC" CHURCHES WERE TO BE REBUILT. THIS BROUGHT A SERIES OF COUNCILS TO DECIDE BETWEEN THE DONATISTS, ARIANS, AND TRINITARIANS TO DECIDE WHICH WAS CATHOLIC, and so fierce were the disputes and so disgraceful that the theatres parodied the quarrels for the amusement of the populace. CONSTANTINE FINALLY PLACED, IN THE DECLARATION OF PRINCIPLES, THE WORD "HOMOOUSIAN" AND THAT DECIDED THE FATE OF ALL ROME AND THE CATHOLIC WORLD EVER SINCE—BECOMING THE CATHOLIC CREED FOR EVER AFTER, SO THAT CONSTANTINE PREPARED THE DOCTRINE FOR THIS CHURCH. {May 11, 1889 ATJ, TDC 4.18}

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Homoousion (hpmoousion); Greek: ὁμοούσιον, translit. homooúsion, lit. 'same in being, same in essence', from ὁμός, homós, "same" and οὐσία, ousía, "being" or "essence") με is a Christian theological term, most notably used in the Nicene Creed for describing Jesus (God the Son) as "same in being" or "same in essence" with God the Father (ὁμοούσιον τῷ Πατρί). The same term was later also applied to the Holy Spirit in order to designate it as being "same in essence" with the Father and the Son. Those notions became cornerstones of theology in Nicene Christianity, and also represent one of the most important theological concepts within the Trinitarian doctrinal understanding of God. Wikipedia "IDENTICAL"

Homojousion (from ὅμοιος, hómojos, "similar", as opposed to ὁμός, homós, "same, common"), which maintained that the Son was "like in substance" but not necessarily to be identified with the essence of the Father. Wikipedia

"SIMILAR," "LIKE UNTO"

ESSENCE, n. [L. essentia, esse, to be.] 4. A being; an existent person; as heavenly essences.

God and Christ are spoken of separately. They are two distinct persons, but one in mind, one in heart, one in holiness and justice, and purity, and one in the work of seeking to save the sinful race. {BCL 127.3}

Here we might mention the Trinity, which does away with the individual personality of God. and of his Son Jesus Christ, and of sprinkling or pouring instead of being "buried with Christ in baptism," "planted in the likeness of his death:" but we pass from these fables to notice one that is held sacred by nearly all professed Christians, both Catholic and Protestant. It is, the change of the Sabbath of the fourth commandment... (James White, Dec 11 1855, Review and Herald, Vol. 7, no. 11, P 85 Par 16)
The way spiritualizers have disposed of or denied the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ is first using the old unscriptural Trinitarian creed viz., that Jesus Christ is the eternal God, while we have plain scripture testimony in abundance that he is the Son of the eternal God." (James White, Jan 24 1846, The Day Star)

### Edict of Thessalonica see "essence" defined on previous page

In 313 the emperor Constantine I, together with his eastern counterpart Licinius, issued the Edict of Milan, which granted religious toleration and freedom for persecuted Christians. By 325 Arianism, a school of christology which contended that Christ did not possess the divine essence of the Father but was rather a primordial creation and an entity subordinate to God, had become sufficiently widespread and controversial in Early Christianity that Constantine called the Council of Nicaea in an attempt to end the controversy by establishing an empire-wide, i.e., "ecumenical" orthodoxy. The council produced the original text of the Nicene Creed, which rejected the Arian confession and upheld that Christ is "true God" and "of one essence with the Father." Wikipedia

The doctrine of the Trinity which was established in the church by the council of Nice, A. D. 325... This doctrine destroys the personality of God, and his Son Jesus Christ our Lord. The infamous measures by which it was forced upon the church which appear upon the pages of ecclesiastical history might well cause every believer in that doctrine to blush. (J. N. Andrews, March 6, 1855, Review and Herald, Vol. 6, No. 24, P. 185)

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  [March 27, 1902 EJW, PTUK 194.14](EJW 1902)

Arianism is a nontrinitarian Christological doctrine which asserts the belief that Jesus Christ is the Son of God who was begotten by God the Father at a point in time, a creature distinct from the Father and is therefore subordinate to him, but the Son is also God (i.e. God the Son). Wikipedia

JESUS INHERITED HIS FATHER'S NAME. "GOD"; & THUS WHY JESUS IS CALLED "GOD." HEB 1:2

God and Christ are spoken of separately. They are two distinct persons, but one in mind, one in heart, one in holiness and justice, and purity, and one in the work of seeking to save the sinful race. (BCL 127.8)

In this Scripture [John 1:1-4, 14-16; 3/34-36] God and Christ are spoken of as two distinct personalities, each acting in their own individuality (Manuscript Release, no. 760, p. 18).

1906- The Lord Jesus Christ, the divine Son of God, existed from eternity, a distinct person, vet one with the Father. {RH April 5, 1906, par. 7}

Christ the Word, the Only Begotten of God, was one with the eternal Father,—one in nature, in character, and in purpose,—

{GC 493.1}

The Eternal Father, the unchangeable one, <u>gave</u> his only <u>begotten</u> Son, <u>tore from his bosom Him</u> who was made in the <u>express image of his person</u>, and <u>sent him down to earth</u> to reveal how greatly he loved mankind. {RH July 9, 1895, par. 13}

The Lord <u>Jesus Christ, the only begotten Son of the Father</u>, is truly God in infinity, but not in personality.— (E.G. White, MS116, December 19, 1905).

And as to the Son of God, he could be excluded also, for he had God for His Father, and did, at some point in the eternity of the past, have beginning of days. So that if we use Paul's language in an absolute sense, it would be impossible to find but one being in the universe, and that is God the Father, who is without father, or mother, or descent, or beginning of days, or end of life. Yet probably no one for a moment contends that Melchizedek was God the Father." ("Melchisedec," Review & Herald, September 7, 1869 — also found in the January 4, 1881 edition of Review & Herald) J.N. Andrews

The Lord Jesus Christ, the divine Son of God, existed from eternity, a distinct person, yet one with the Father. He was the surpassing glory of heaven. He was the commander of the heavenly intelligences, and the adoring homage of the angels was received by him as his right. This was no robbery of God. "The Lord possessed me in the beginning of his way," he declares, "before his works of old. I was set up from everlasting, from the beginning, or ever the earth was. When there were no depths, I was brought forth; when there were no fountains abounding with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills was I brought forth; while as yet he had not made the earth, nor the fields, nor the highest part of the dust of the world. When he prepared the heavens, I was there: when he set a compass upon the face of the depth." {RH April 5, 1906, par. 7}

#### **Andreasen and Time**

We can understand how God can bless human beings. We can even understand how He can bless animals and give them their work to do in carrying out God's purpose; but how can God bless a day, a division of time, neither animate nor inanimate, not alive nor dead, a thing without substance, a conception rather than a reality; time, which defies definition, though all mankind is aware of its existence and reality? How can time be blessed so as to be a blessing to man?

The answer is that time does not have any virtue or power in itself to be a blessing or a help to others. Time is as impersonal as space, and equally inconceivable. One difference between the two is noticeable: space extends in all directions, while time might be compared to a one-way road, permitting traffic in one direction only. Man has no power over time, to hasten or retard it. Whether he will or not, he is carried along with it, and despite all protests is one day older tomorrow than he is today. He cannot reverse the process, however much he may wish to do so. Time is superior to him, and he obeys its mandates.

There are those who believe that God did not create time, but that in some way He found it already existing. But this cannot be. Time and space are not self-existent entities, operating apart from God and independent of Him. If that were true, they would be equal with God, or even His superior; for that which is coeval with God or exists prior to God must at least be equal with Him; and that which is not created by God is self-existent and is God. The Christian believes that "without Him was not anything made that was made," and that time and space are created by God as verily as anything else He has made. John 1:3.

Though the two conceptions of <u>time and space are beyond human comprehension</u>, each is helpful in understanding the other. Our conception of space, for example, helps us to understand time better, and how it is possible for God to bless time (Andreasen-The Sabbath, pp. 54, 55).

**COEVAL**, a. Of the same age; beginning to exist at the same time; of equal age; usually and properly followed by with.

<u>COETERNITY</u>, n. <u>Existence from eternity equal with another</u> eternal being; <u>equal</u> <u>eternity</u>.

ERROR→ 1980 28 Fundamental Beliefs of SDA- Statement No. 2:

"The Trinity ~ There is one God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, a unity of three coeternal Persons."

God the Father and his son, Jesus CANNOT be coeval or coeternal by definition since Jesus was begotten of the Father. John 1:14, 18; 3:16, 18; Acts 13:33; Heb 1:5; 5:5; 1John 4:9

## Truth Triumphant by B. G. Wilkinson (more excellent information on "Homoousion")

(Truth Triumphant by B. G. Wilkinson pg 80):

"While considering the early life of this Christian leader, it is most interesting to note what was happening in contemporary history. Vigilantius8 was doing his work in southern France and in northern Italy, or among the Latin peoples. Shortly before Patrick's time the empire had been under the rule of Constantius II, who recoiled from accepting the extreme views on the Godhead, which had won the vote under his father, Constantine the Great, in the first Council of Nicaea. As will be related later, similar opposition to those extreme views prevailed all over Europe. Patrick's belief was that of the opposition. Dr. Stokes writes: "The British churches of the fourth century took the keenest interest in church controversies. They opposed Arianism, but hesitated, like many others, about the use of the word 'homoousion." (This word means "dentity of substance.") Thus Celtic Christianity in the years of Patrick refused to accept this test term and the conclusions to which the radical speculations were leading.

(Truth Triumphant by B. G. Wilkinson pg. 91-94):

"The Council of Nicaea, convened in 325 by Emperor Constantine, started the religious controversy which has never ceased. Assembling under the sanction of a united church and state, that famous gathering commanded the submission of believers to new doctrines. During the youth of Patrick and for half a century preceding, forty-five church councils and synods had assembled in various parts of Europe. Of these Samuel Edgar says:

The boasted unity of Romanism was gloriously displayed, by the diversified councils and confessions of the fourth century. Popery, on that as on every other occasion, eclipsed Protestantism in the manufacture of creeds. Forty-five councils, says Jortin, were held in the fourth century. Of these, thirteen were against Arianism, fifteen for that heresy, and seventeen for Semi-Arianism. The roads were crowded with bishops thronging to synods, and the traveling expenses, which were defrayed by the emperor, exhausted the public funds. These exhibitions became the sneer of the heathen, who were amused to behold men, who, from infancy, had been educated in Christianity, and appointed to instruct others in that religion, hastening, in this manner, to distant places and conventions for the purpose of ascertaining their belief.40

"The burning question of the decades succeeding the Council of Nicaea was how to state the relations of the Three Persons of the Godhead: Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. The council had decided, and the papacy had appropriated the decision as its own. The personalities of the Trinity were not confounded, and the substance was not divided. The Roman clergy claimed that Christianity had found in the Greek word homoousios (in English, "consubstantiality") an appropriate term to express this relationship.41...

"Then the papal party proceeded to call those who would not subscribe to this teaching, Arians, while they took to themselves the title of Trinitarians. An erroneous charge was circulated that all who were called Arians believed that Christ was a created being. 42 This stirred up the indignation of those who were not guilty of the charge.

<u>42</u> It is doubtful if many believed Christ to be a created being. Generally, those evangelical bodies who opposed the papacy and who were branded as <u>Axians</u> <u>confessed both the divinity of Christ and that He was begotten, not created, by the Father.</u> They recoiled from other extreme deductions and speculations concerning the Godhead.

"Patrick was a spectator to many of these conflicting assemblies. It will be interesting, in order to grasp properly his situation, to examine for a moment this word, this term, which has split many a church and has caused many a sincere Christian to be burned at the stake. In English the word is "consubstantial," connoting that more than one person inhabit the same substance without division or separation. The original term in Greek is homoousios, from homos, meaning "identical," andousia, the word for "being."



"However, a great trouble arose, since there are two terms in Greek of historical fame. The first, homos, meaning "identical," and the second, homoios, meaning "similar" or "like unto." had both of them a stormy history. The spelling of these words is much alike. The difference in meaning, when applied to the Godhead, is bewildering to simplehearted believers. Nevertheless, those who would think in terms of homoiousian, or "similar," instead of homoousian, or "identical," were promptly labeled as heretics and Arians by the clergy. Yet when the emperor, Constantine, in full assembly of the Council of Nicaea, asked Hosius, the presiding bishop, what the difference was between the two terms, Hosius replied that they were both alike. At this all but a few bishops, broke out into laughter and teased the chairman with heresy.43

"As volumes have been written in centuries past upon this problem, it would be out of place to discuss it here. It had, however, such profound effect upon other doctrines relating to the plan of salvation and upon outward acts of worship that a gulf was created between the papacy and the institutions of the church which Patrick had founded in Ireland.

"While Patrick was anything but an Arian, nevertheless he declined to concur in the idea of "sameness" found in that compelling word "consubstantial" or homoousian. Usually when violent controversy rages, there are three parties. In this instance there were the **two extremes**, one of which was led by the papacy, the second by the Arians, and the third party was the middle-ofthe-road believers whose viewpoint was the same as Patrick's.44 As Dr. J. H. Todd says of homoousian, the test word of the papal hierarchy, when commenting on Patrick's beliefs, "This confession of faith is certainly not **homooussan**."45 Another fact verifying this opposition of the British churches to the extreme speculations of 'the Council of Nicaea respecting the Trinity is the story of the Council of Rimini in 359, held approximately at the time of Patrick's birth. This, it seems, was the last church council to be attended by Celtic delegates from the British Church before the withdrawal of Rome's legions in 410, and it was followed by the overrunning of England by the pagan Anglo-Saxons. This Council of Rimini passed decrees denouncing and rejecting the conclusions of Nicaea respecting the Trinity. The pope of Rome had recently signed similar decrees in the Council of Sirmium. No one will blame the evangelicals for recoiling from the papal view of the Trinity, when history shows that their views were strong enough to cause two popes to sign decrees contrary to the policy of the papacy respecting Nicaea.

"One of the reasons, no doubt, why the papacy for many years did not mention Patrick's name or his success was the position of the Irish Church respecting the decrees of Nicaea. Centuries were to pass before the papacy discovered that his merits were too firmly established to be overlooked. It labored to gather Patrick into its fold by inventing all kinds of history and fables to make him a papal hero. It surrounded with a halo of glory a certain Palladius, apparently sent by Rome to Ireland in the midst of Patrick's success. He also has been called Patrick.46

"Patrick beheld Jesus as his substitute on the cross. He took his stand for the Ten Commandments. He says in his Confession: "I was taken to Ireland in captivity with many thousand men, in accordance with our deserts because we walked at a distance from God, and did not observe His commandments." Those who recoiled from the extreme speculations and conclusions of the so-called Trinitarians believed Deuteronomy 29:29: "The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children forever."

"The binding obligation of the Decalogue was a burning issue in Patrick's age. In theory, all the parties in disagreement upon the Trinity recognized the Ten Commandments as the moral law of God, perfect, eternal, and unchangeable. It could easily be seen that in the judgment, the Lord could not have one standard for angels and another for men. There was not one law for the Jews and a different one for the Gentiles. The rebellion of Satan in heaven had initiated the great revolt against the eternal moral law. All the disputants over the Trinity recognized that when God made man in His image it was the equivalent of writing the Ten Commandments in his heart by creating man with a flawless moral nature. All parties went a step further. They confessed and denied not that in all the universe there was found no one, neither

angel, cherubim, seraphim, man, nor any other creature, except Christ, whose death could atone for the broken law.

Then the schism came. Those who rejected the intense, exacting definition of three Divine Persons in one body, as laid down by the Council of Nicaea, believed that Calvary had made Christ a divine sacrifice, the sinner's substitute. The papacy repudiated the teaching that Jesus died as man's substitute upon the cross. Consequently it ignored the exalted place given the Decalogue by the crucifixion of Christ. Those who saw the eternal necessity of magnifying the law, and making it honorable, maintained that death claimed the Son of God but had left untouched the Father and Holy Spirit. This was the teaching of Patrick and his successor.

"Thus, the Celtic Church upheld the sacredness of the Ten Commandments. They accepted the prophecy of Isaiah that Christ came to magnify the law and make it hoporable. They preached, as Jeremiah and Paul did, that the purpose of the new covenant was to write God's law in the heart. God could be just and justify the sinner who had fled to Christ. No wonder that the Celtic, the Gothic, the Waldensian, the Armenian Churches, and the great Church of the East, as well as other bodies, differed profoundly from the papacy in its metaphysical conceptions of the Trinity and consequently in the importance of the Ten Commandments. (Truth Triumphant by B. G. Wilkinson pg. 91-94)

The Waldensians entered the schools of the world as students. They made no pretensions; apparently they paid no attention to anyone; but they lived out what they believed. They never sacrificed principle, and their principles soon became known. {4MR 51.1}

These [Waldensians] were in ancient times a people who looked with a horror upon the abominations of the church of Rome and sought to worship God in peace, according to the Word of God. They could not do this without coming into collision on every side with the opinions of Rome. While they [the Vaudois] had not a clear and distinct view of justification by faith, these were a step behind the Waldensians, who in purity of doctrine composed a long line of witnesses to the truth. They made their homes in the Riedmont Alps. The seclusion helped to maintain their purity. From the mountain heights, Waldensians protested against the corruption of the Roman church. They contended for the faith once delivered to the saints: that Christ is our Mediator, and His merits alone can cleanse from all sin. And yet their faith needed elevation. True progress did not mark their course; for they were tinctured with the customs of Rome. But gradually the clouds of error were rolling away in other parts of the world. Just as soon as Rome saw that men were searching for truth, digging for truth as for hid treasures, and not receiving their faith from Rome, then she was stirred. The Roman piety was the only piety that must be current. {Ms62-1886.74}

The faith which for many centuries was held and taught by the Waldensian Christians was in marked contrast to the false doctrines put forth from Rome. Their religious belief was founded upon the written word of God, the true system of Christianity. But those humble peasants, in their obscure retreats, shut away from the world, and bound to daily toil among their flocks and their vineyards, had not themselves arrived at the truth in opposition to the dogmas and heresies of the apostate church. Theirs was not a faith newly received. Their religious belief was their inheritance from their fathers. They contended for the faith of the apostolic church,—"the faith which was once delivered to the saints." "The church in the wilderness," and not the proud hierarchy enthroned in the world's great capital, was the true church of Christ, the guardian of the treasures of truth which God has committed to his people to be given to the world. (GC88 64.1)

It was through the power of the Holy Spirit that during the Dark Ages the Waldensian Christians helped to prepare the way for the Reformation. (AA 53.1)

Let the truths that are the foundation of our faith be kept before the people. Some will depart from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. They talk science, and the enemy comes in and gives them an abundance of science; but it is not the science of salvation. It is not the science of humility, of consecration, or of the sanctification of the Spirit. We are now to understand what the pillars of our faith are,—the truths that have made us as a people what we are, leading us on step by step.—Review and Herald, May 25, 1905. {CW 29.1}

When the power of God testifies as to what is truth, that truth is to stand forever as the truth. No after suppositions, contrary to the light God has given are to be entertained. Men will arise with interpretations of Scripture which are to them truth, but which are not truth. The truth for this time, God has given us as a foundation for our faith. He Himself has taught us what is truth. One will arise, and still another, with new light which contradicts the light that God has given under the demonstration of His Holy Spirit. {CW 31.2}

Let not erroneous theories receive countenance from the people who ought to be standing firm on the platform of eternal truth. <u>God calls upon us to hold firmly to the fundamental principles</u> that are based <u>upon unquestionable authority</u>. {GW 308.2} **1915** 

# TRUTH: 1872 Fundamental Principles Taught & Practiced by SDA's:

No mention of the "Trinity"

I – That there is one God, a personal, spiritual being, the creator of all things, omnipotent, omniscient, and eternal, infinite in wisdom, holiness, justice, goodness, truth, and mercy; unchangeable, and everywhere present by his representative, the Holy Spirit. Ps. 139:7.

II – That there is one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of the Eternal Father, the one by whom God created all things, and by whom they do consist; that he took on him the nature of the seed of Abraham for the redemption of our fallen race; that he dwelt among men full of grace and truth, lived our example, died our sacrifice, was raised for our justification, ascended on high to be our only mediator in the sanctuary in Heaven, where, with his own blood he makes atonement for our sins; which atonement so far from being made on the cross, which was but the offering of the sacrifice, is the very last portion of his work as priest, according to the example of the Levitical priesthood, which foreshadowed and prefigured the ministry of our Lord in Heaven. See Lev. 16; Heb. 8:4, 5; 9:6, 7; etc.

CHAMGES MADE; ERROR!: 1980-27 Fundamental Beliefs of Seventh-Day-Adventists:

2. The Trinity:

There is one <u>God</u>: Father, <u>Son</u>, and <u>Holy Spirit,</u> a unity of three co-eternal Persons.

4. The Son:

God the eternal Son became incarnate in Jesus Christ.

In reviewing our past history, having traveled over every step of advance to our present standing, I can say, Praise God! As I see what God has wrought, I am filled with astonishment, and with confidence in Christ as leader. We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and His teaching in our past history. {Lt32-1892.38}

#### COMPARISON OF SPIRIT OF PROPHECY ON THE BOOKS OF DANIEL AND REVELATION IN THE SCRIPTURES TO:

- The book of Daniel is unsealed in the revelation to John, and carries us forward to the last scenes of this earth's history. A wonderful connection is here seen between the universe of heaven and this world. {Lt59-1896.7}
- The things revealed to Daniel were afterward complemented by the revelation made to John on the isle of Patmos. These two books should be carefully perused. [Daniel 12:8-10, 13.] {Lt59-1896.6}
- The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecy of the eleventh chapter of Daniel has nearly reached its complete fulfillment. Soon the scenes of trouble spoken of in the prophecies will take place.—Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 14. {ChS 54.5}
- 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 in regard to the character all must develop in order to realize the blessedness which is to be the reward of the pure in heart. The Lord will bless all who will seek humbly and meekly to understand that which is revealed in the Revelation. This book contains so much that is large with immortality and full of glory that all who read and search it earnestly receive the blessing to those "that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein." [Revelation 1:3] {Lt16-1900.9}
- Let us read and study the twelfth chapter of Daniel. It is a warning that we shall all need to understand before the time of the end.--15MR 228 (1903). {LDE 15.4}
- In the Scriptures are presented <u>truths</u> that relate especially to our own time. <u>To the period</u> <u>iust prior to the appearing of the Son of man.</u> <u>the prophecies of Scripture point</u>, and here their warnings and threatenings pre-eminently apply. The <u>prophetic periods of Daniel</u>, <u>extending to the very eve of the great consummation</u>, throw a flood of light <u>upon events</u> then to transpire...{RH, September 25, 1883 par. 6}
- connected with the close of probation and the work of preparation for the time of trouble, are clearly brought to view. But multitudes have no more understanding of these important truths than if they had never been revealed. Satan watches to catch away every impression that would make them wise unto salvation, and the time of trouble will find them unready. {4SP 412.1} aka 84 GC

as it was opened to the disciples by the words of Christ. The events

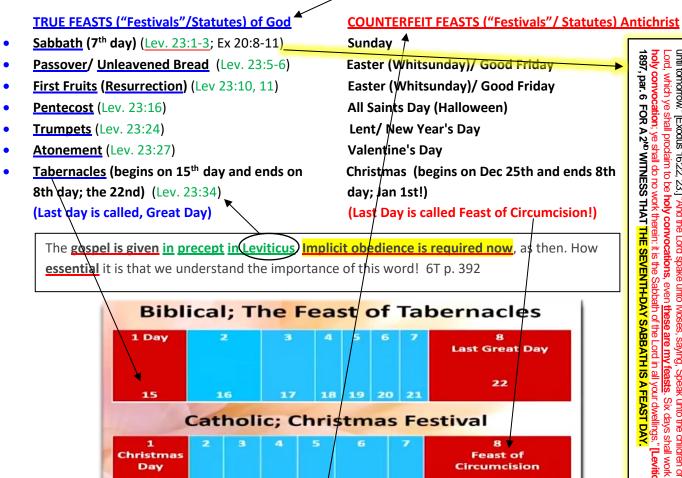
So in the prophecies the future is opened before us as plainly

- There are persons ready to catch up every new idea. The prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation are misinterpreted. These persons do not consider that the truth has been set forth at the appointed time by the very men whom God was leading to do this special work. These men followed on step by step in the very fulfillment of prophecy, and those who have not had a personal experience in this work, are to take the Word of God and believe on "their word" who have been led by the Lord in the proclamation of the first, second, and third angels' messages. {2SM 111.2}
- ENDORSEMET OF URIAH SMITH'S BOOK. "DANIEL AND THE REVELATION": book available at: <a href="http://hisvinepublishing.com">http://hisvinepublishing.com</a>
  "Especially should the book Daniel and the Revelation be brought before people as the very book for this time. This book contains the message which all need to read and understand. Translated into many different languages, it will be a power to enlighten the world. This book has had a large sale in Australia and New Zealand. By reading it many souls have come to a knowledge of the truth. I have received many letters expressing appreciation of this book. {1MR 60.6}
- Let our canvassers urge this book upon the attention of all. The Lord has shown me that this book will do a good work in enlightening those who become interested in the truth for this time. Those who embrace the truth now, who have not shared in the experiences of those who entered the work in the early history of the message, should study the instruction given in Daniel and the Revelation, becoming familiar with the truth it presents." [1MR 61.1]
- Those who are preparing to enter the ministry, who desire to become successful students of the prophecies, will find <u>Daniel and the Revelation an invaluable help</u>. <u>They need to understand this book</u>. <u>It</u> speaks of <u>past</u>, <u>present</u>, <u>and future</u>, <u>laying out the path so plainly that none need erritherein</u>..."{1MR 61.2}
- "The truth for this time has been brought out in many books. Let those who have been dealing in cheap sentiments and foolish tests, cease this work and study Daniel and the Revelation. They will then have something to talk about that will help the mind. As they receive the knowledge contained in this book, they will have in the treasure house of the mind a store from which they can continually draw as they communicate to others the great. essential truths of God's Word. {1MR 62.4}
- The interest in Daniel and the Revelation is to continue as long as probationary time shall last. God used the author of this book as a channel through which to communicate light to direct minds to the truth. Shall we not appreciate this light, which points us to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, our King?" [1MR 63.1] 1901
- "Young men, take up the work of canvassing for <u>Daniel and the Revelation</u>. Do all you possibly can to sell <u>this book</u>. Enter upon the work with as much earnestness as if <u>it</u> were a new book. And remember that as you canvass for <u>it</u>, <u>you are to become familiar with the truths it contains</u>. As you ponder these <u>truths</u>, you will receive ideas that will enable you not only to receive <u>light</u>, but to <u>let light</u> shine forth to others in clear, bright rays. {1MR 63.3} "
- ...Satan will seek to divert the minds of those who should be established, strengthened, and settled in the truths of the FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRDS ANGELS' MESSAGES. The students in our schools should carefully study Daniel and the Revelation so that they shall industries in darkness. and the day of Christ overtake them as a thief in the night (CLOSE OF PROBATION). I speak of this book because it is a means of educating..." {1MR 63.4} 1901

# Following Information as a result of the Counsil of Nicaea in 325 A.D. GOD'S HOLY DAYS HAVE BEEN CHANGED/ SUBSTITUTED:

The following quote from a Catholic priest (Thomas Enright) who was president of Roman Catholic Redemptorist College in Kansas city is cited by many Avdentists regarding the Sabbath. The last sentence of his quote however, is NOT cited:

"I have offered and still offer \$1000 to anyone who can prove to me from the Bible alone that I am bound, under grevous sin to keep Sunday holy. It was the Catholic Church, which made the law obliging us to keep Sunday holy. The Church made this law long after the Bible was written. Hence said law is not in the Bible. Christ, our Lord empowered his church to make laws binding in conscience. He said to his apostles and their lawful successors in the priesthood, 'Whatever you shall bind on earth shall be binding in heaven' (Matt 16:19; 18:17 & Lu 16:19), The Catholic Church abolished not only the Sabbath, but all the other Jewish festivals." T. Enright CSSR, St. Alphonsus (Rock) church, St. Louis, June 1905



As the sign of the authority of the Catholic Church, papist writers cite, "the very act of changing the Sabbath into Sunday, which Protestants allow of ... because by keeping Sunday strictly they acknowledge the church's power to ordain feasts, and to command them under sin." ["Abridgment of Christian Doctrine."] {GC88 448.2}

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"The new laws has its own spirit... and its own feasts which have taken the place of those appointed in the law of Moses. If we would know the days to be observed... we must go to the Catholic Church, not to the Mosaic law." (The Catholic Catechism as quoted in the Signs of the Times, *November 4, 1919)* 

is the rest of the holy Sabbath of the Lord; bake that which ye will bake today, and seethe that ye will seethe: and that which remaineth over lay up for you to keep until tomorrow." [Exodus <u>oread,</u> two omers for one man: and all the rulers of the congregation came and told Moses. <unito the children of Israel, and say unto them, Consider <u>the feasts</u> of . Six days shall work be done; but <u>the **seventh** is the **Sabbath of rest**.</u> And he said unto them [Leviticus 23:1-3.]" {Ms21-1897.7} SEE ALSO RH June This is that which the Lord hath said, , Tomorrow

1897, par. 6 FOR A 2<sup>ND</sup> WITNESS THAT THE SEVENTH-DAY SABBATH IS

"Will my Sister Wellman consult her Bible

For thou (satan) hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the **mount of the congregation**, in the sides of the north: **Isa. 14:13** 

#### "Mount of Congregation" = feasts:

**From H3250**; properly an *appointment*, that is, a fixed *time* or season; **specifically a** *festival*; conventionally a *year*; by implication, an *assembly* (as convened for a definite purpose); **technically the** *congregation*; by extension, the *place of meeting*; also a *signal* (as appointed beforehand): - appointed (sign, time), place of, solemn) assembly, congregation, (set, solemn) feast, (appointed, due) season, solemn (-ity), synagogue (set) time (appointed). *Strong's Concordance* 

The Complete Word Study Dictionary:

meeting time in general (Gen 18:14; Exo 13:10); a specific appointed time, usually or a sacred feast or festival (Hos 9:5; 12:9 [10]); the time of the birds' migration (Jer 8:7); the time of wine (Hos 2:9 [11]); the same time next year (Gen 17:21). In addition to the concept of time, this word can also signify an appointed meeting place: "The mount of the congregation" identifies the meeting place of God or the gods (Isa 14:13), and "the house appointed for all living" identifies the meeting place of the dead-that is, the netherworld (Job 30:23).

Moreover, the term is used to distinguish those places where God's people were to focus on God and their relationship with Him, which would include: the tent of meeting (Exo 33:7); the Temple (Lam 2:6); the synagogue (Psa 74:8).

The controversy between God's feast days and Satan's feast days started in heaven before this earth was created. Isaiah 14:13 reveals a very startling statement on the part of Lucifer/Satan. "For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the <u>mount of the congregation</u> in the sides of the north." Satan is literally declaring war upon God and stating that he will become greater than God. *Strong's Concordance* reveals that **the original word for congregation** is <u>moed</u>, which also means <u>feasts</u> or <u>God's Holy Days</u>. Satan is saying that he is going to sit upon the <u>mount of the moed</u>, or the mountain of God's Holy Days.

The SDA Commentary, Vol. 4, p. 171, states that the words <u>mount of the congregation</u> comes from the Hebrew word harmoed. Har means mountain and moed means assembly. God's people assemble at feast times. This verse shows that when Satan declared war upon God that he determined to invent his own feast days in opposition to God's feast days. And that is exactly what he did when he invented the feast days of Baal, two of which are <u>Christmas</u> and <u>Easter</u>.

#### **The Catholic Catechism calls for Sunday legislation:**

In respecting religious liberty and the common good of all, Christians should seek recognition of **Sundays** and the Church's holy day as legal holidays. They have to give everyone a public example of prayer, respect, and joy and defend their traditions as a precious contribution to the spirititul life of society. If a country's legislation or other reasons require work on **Sunday**, the day should nevertheless be lived as the day of our deliverance which lets us share in this "festal gathering", this "assembly of the firstborn who are enrolled in heaven." *Catechism of the Catholic Church* http://www.vatican.va/archive/ccc\_css/archive/catechism/p3s2c1a3.htm

#### The Law of the Catholic Church defines their Holy Days:

"Canon 1246 §1. Sunday, on which by apostolic tradition the paschal mystery is celebrated, must be observed in the universal Church as the primordial holy day of obligation. The following days must also be observed: the Nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Epiphany, the Ascension, the Body and Blood of Christ, Holy Mary the Mother of God, her Immaculate Conception, her Assumption, Saint Joseph, Saint Peter and Saint Paul the Apostles, and All Saints." Code of Canon Law of the Catholic Church http://www.vatican.va/archive/ENG1104/ P4N.HTM

#### **COUNTERFEIT FEASTS**

Weekly Sunday (1st Day of the week)

**Easter Sunday (Sunday after Passover)** 

Pentecost Sunday (7th Sunday after Easter)

Nativity of the Lord (December 25, Christmas)

Epiphany of the Lord (January 6th)

Ascension of the Lord (Forty days after Easter)

Body and Blood of Christ (9th Thursday after Easter)

Holy Mary the Mother of God (January 1st) New Years Day

Mary Immaculate conception (December 8th)

Assumption of Mary (August 15th)

Saint Joseph (March 19th)

Saint Peter and Saint Paul (June 29th)

All Saints (November 1) Halloween

Lev 23:1-3 And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying, 23:2 Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, [Concerning] the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclain [to be] holy convocations, [even] these [are] my feasts. 23:3 Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day [is the sabbath of rest, an holy convocation; ye shall do no work [therein]: it [is] the sabbath of the LORD in all your dwellings. (See Ex 20:8-11; Read Lev 23:5-6, 16, 24, 27, 34 for list of remaining feasts)

public meeting; assembly regarded as sacred by Strong's Concordance Something called out;

In these <u>last days</u> there is a call from Heaven <u>inviting you</u> to <u>keep</u> the <u>statutes and ordinances</u> of the Lord. The world has set at naught the law of Jehovah; but God will not be left without a witness to his righteousness, or without a people in the earth to proclaim his truth. (ST February 3, 1888, par 5)

The closing words of Malachi are a prophecy regarding the work that should be done preparatory to the first and the second advent of Christ. This prophecy is introduced with the admonition, "Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and <u>iudgments</u>. {SW March 21, 1905, par. 1}

Remember ve the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, [with] the **statutes** and **judgments**. Mal 4:4

≁And ye shall keep it <u>a feast</u> unto the LORD seven days in the year. [<u>It</u> shall be] <u>a statute for ever in your</u> generations: ye shall celebrate it in the seventh month. Lev 23:41 (see verses 14, 21 & 31 also)

In consequence of continual transgression, the moral law was repeated in awful grandeur from Sinai. Christ gave to Moses religious precepts which were to govern the everyday life. These statutes were explicitly given to guard the ten commandments. They were not shadowy types to pass away with the death of Christ. They were to be binding upon man in every age as long as time should last. These commands were enforced by the power of the moral law, and they clearly and definitely explained that law. {RH May 6, 1875, par. 10}

Sabbath is also a feast day. Lev 23:1-3 Feast is a statute. 7<sup>th</sup>-day weekly

Moses was commanded to write, as God should bid him, judgments and laws giving minute instruction as to what was required. These directions relating to the duty of the people to God, to one another, and to the stranger were only the principles of the Ten Commandments amplified and given in a specific manner, that none need err. They were designed to guard the sacredness of the ten precepts engraved on the tables of stone. {PP 364}

The gospel is given in precept in Leviticus Implicit obedience is required now, as then. How essential it is that we understand the importance of this word! 6T p. 392.

Brethren, have any of you lost the book of the law? Have not many of us lost sight of the precepts that are in the holy Book? General Conference Bulletin April 1, 1903, Ellen White Admonishes the General Conference Men.

For precept [must be] upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little: For with stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people. To whom he said, This [is] the rest [wherewith] ye may cause the weary to rest; and this [is] the refreshing: yet they would not hear.

But the word of the LORD was unto them <u>precept upon precept</u>, <u>precept upon precept</u>; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, [and] there a little; that they might go, and fall backward, and be broken, and snared, and taken. Isa 28:10-13

**PRECEPT**, n. [L. proeceptum, from proecipio, to command; proe, before, and capio, to take.]

- 1. In a general sense, <u>any commandment</u> or order intended as an authoritative rule of action; but applied <u>particularly to commands respecting moral</u> conduct. The <u>ten commandments</u> are so many <u>precepts</u> for the regulation of our moral conduct.
- 2. In law, a command or mandate in writing. 1828 Webster's Dictionary

Moses <u>wrote</u> these <u>iudgments</u> and <u>statutes</u> from the mouth of God while he was with him in the mount. If the people of God had obeyed the <u>principles</u> of <u>the ten commandments</u>, there would have been no need of the <u>specific directions given to Moses</u>, <u>which he wrote in a book</u>, relative to their duty to God and to one another. {1SP 265.1) {3SG 299.3}

Because for their sakes I made the world: and when Adam transgressed my statutes, then was decreed that now is done. 2 Esdras 7:11

A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you; and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put my spirit within you, and cause you to walk in my statutes, and ye shall keep my judgments, and do them. Ezekiel 36:26-27

Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: <u>I am not come to destroy</u>, <u>but to fulfil</u>.

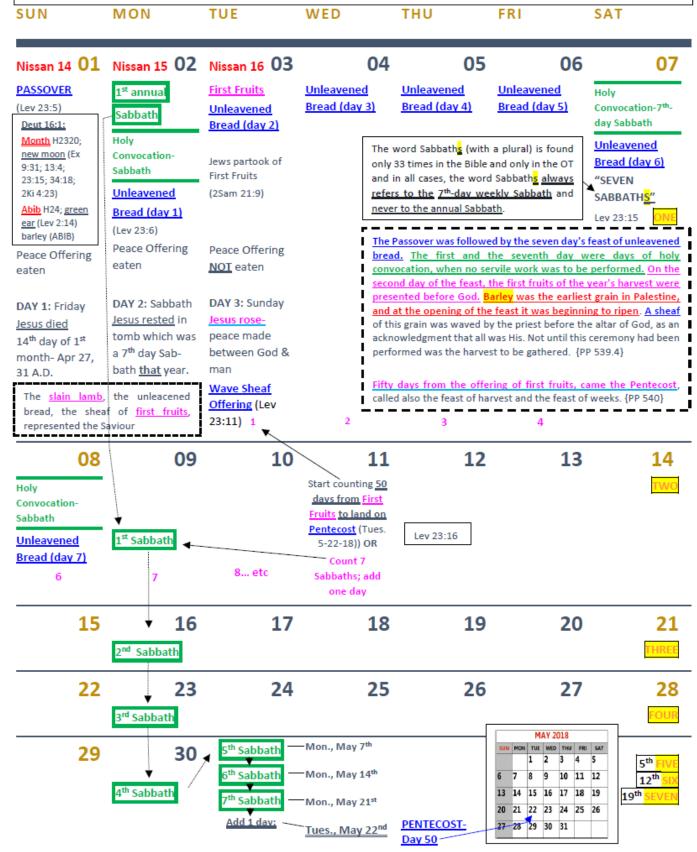
For verily I say unto you, <u>Till heaven and earth pass</u>, <u>one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law</u>, <u>till all be fulfilled</u>. Matt 5:17, 18x`

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# **APR/MAY2018**

SPRING FEASTS (for visual aid only; ignore calendar dates)

FIRST MONTH (at last of MARCH or beginning of APRIL) OF NEW YEAR BEGINS when <u>both</u>, the barley is green ear (ABIB-H24 Deut 16:1; Lev 2:14) <u>AND</u> then, the sliver (crescent) of the moon is sighted (Ps 81:3). Now begins the 1st day of the new month (moon) of which the barley will be ripe 14 days later, which is Passover (14<sup>th</sup> day of 1st month). Barley is <u>never ripe in March in Jerusalem</u>; therefore Passover always will land in April. The wave sheaf of first fruits is waved on the 3rd day from Passover/ the 2rd day of Unleavened Bread; Nisan 16 (Ex 13:4; 23:15)



# SEPT/OCT2018 FALL FEASTS (for visual aid only; please ignore calendar dates)

SUN MON TUE WED THU FRI SAT 24 25 26 27 28 Tishri 1 DAY 1 DAY 2 TRUMPETS There were three annual assemblies of all Israel for worship at the sanctuary. Exodus 23:14-16. Shiloh 10 days to rewas for a time the place of these gatherings; but Jerusalem afterward became the center of the (Yom Teruah) pent. Signifying nation's worship, and here the tribes convened for the solemn feasts. {PP 537.1}... work Christ did at The first of these festivals, the <u>Passover</u>, the feast of unleavened bread, <u>occurred in Abib</u>, <u>the</u> Holy first month of the Jewish year, corresponding to the last of March and the beginning of his 1st coming, the Convocation-April...The moon, now approaching the full, made the evenings delightful. (PP 537.3) cross & His 2nd Sabbath coming. Looking The Rabbins regulate their year by the vernal equinox, in imitation of the Romans; whereas the law for- ward to His Lev. 23:23-25 says nothing of the vernal equinox, but required on the 16th day of the first month the offering of the re-turn with a first fruits... If the year be commenced according to the Rabbins with the new moon in March, Warning of loud trump/ the barley harvest could not possibly be ripe in 16 days from that time. (August 22, 1844 SSS, TRMC 2, shout Judgment 3) Barley is never ripe in March in Jerusalem. 30 01 Tishri 10 02 03 04 05 06 **DAY 10** DAY 8 DAY 9 **ATONEMENT** The Passover was followed by the seven day's feast of unleavened bread. The first **Putting away** and the seventh day were days of holy convocation, when no servile work was to be (Yom Kippur) of sin; a performed. On the second day of the feast, the first fruits of the year's harvest were solemn day. Lev. 23:26-32 presented before God. Barley was the earliest grain in Palestine, and at the Beginning of opening of the feast it was beginning to ripen. A sheaf of this grain was waved Holy by the priest before the altar of God, as an acknowledgment that all was His. Not gathering of Convocationuntil this ceremony had been performed was the harvest to be gathered. {PP elect. Sabbath Judgment/ Close In the seventh month came the Feast of Tabernacles, or of ingathering. (PP of Probation Tishri 15 07 Tishri 16 08 Tishri 17 09 Tishri 18 10 Tishri 19 11 Tishri 20 12 <u>Tishri 21</u> 13 **TABERNACLES TABERNACLES TABERNACLES TABERNACLES TABERNACLES TABERNACLES TABERNACLES** (Sukkot) 2<sup>nd</sup> day 3rd day 4th day 6th day 7th day 1st day Like the Passover, the Feast of Tabernacles was commemorative. In memory of their pilgrim life Holy Wicked in the wilderness the people were now to leave their houses and dwell in booths, or arbors, formed Convocationdestroyed at from the green branches "of goodly trees, branches of palm trees, and the boughs of thick trees, and Sabbath 2<sup>nd</sup> coming. willows of the brook." Leviticus 23:40, 42, 43. {PP 540.4} At these yearly assemblies the hearts of old and young would be encouraged in the service of God, (aka Feasts of Celebration while the association of the people from the different quarters of the land would strengthen the ties Booths or after cleansing that bound them to God and to one another. Well would it be for the people of God at the present Ingathering) of all sin and time to have a Feast of Tabernacles -- a joyous commemoration of the blessings of God to them. Lev. 23:33-44 new start; God As the children of Israel celebrated the deliverance that God had wrought for their fathers, and His miraculous preservation of them during their journeyings from Egypt, so should we with us. 7 day journey gratefully call to mind the various ways He has devised for bringing us out from the world, and to heaven Tishri 22 14 15 16 17 18 19 8th day from the darkness of error, into the precious light of His grace and truth. {PP 540.6} With those who lived at a distance from the tabernacle, more than a month of every year must have been occupied in Holy attendance upon the annual feasts. This example of devotion to God should emphasize the importance of religious Convocationworship and the necessity of subordinating our selfish, worldly interests to those that are spiritual and eternal. We sustain a loss when we neglect the privilege of associating together to strengthen and encourage one another in the Sabbath

(Ingathering)

Coronation of Bride/ Marriage Supper in heaven service of God. The truths of His word lose their vividness and importance in our minds. {PP 541.1}

The Feast of Tabernacles was not only commemorative but typical. It not only pointed back to the wilderness sojourn, but, as the feast of harvest, it celebrated the ingathering of the fruits of the earth, and pointed forward to the great day of final ingathering, when the Lord of the harvest shall send forth His reapers to gather the tares together in bundles for the fire, and to gather the wheat into His garner. .. Revelation 5:13. {PP 541.2}

# Jesus, Our 2520th Colossians 2:14 Lamb

E. W. Bullinger called **2520** the number of <u>chronological</u> <u>perfection</u>
It is the <u>smallest number</u> that can be **evenly divided** by all the numbers 1-10

**John 14:6** Jesus saith unto him, **I am the way, the truth, and the life**: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me.

John 12:32 And I, if I be lifted up from the earth, will draw all [men] unto me.

The mystery of the cross explains all other mysteries. {AG 186.6}

Jesus' <u>earthly</u> ministry was for <u>1 prophetic week</u> (7 years or 2520 days) of which he was cut off in the midst (3.5 days or 1260 days) of the week (7 days or

2520 days):



When the loud cry, "It is finished," came from the lips of Christ, it was the hour of the evening sacrifice. The lamb representing Christ had been brought to be slain. The priest stood with lifted knife, the people looking on. But the earth trembled, for the Lord Himself drew near. With a rending noise the inner veil of the temple was torn from top to bottom by an unseen hand, throwing open to the gaze of the multitude a place once filled with the presence of God. The most holy place of the earthly sanctuary was no longer sacred. {HLv 505.2}

All was terror and confusion. The priest was about to slay the victim; but the knife dropped from his nerveless hand, and the lamb escaped. Type had met antitype. The great sacrifice had been made. A new and living way was prepared for all. Henceforth the Saviour was to officiate as priest and advocate in the heaven of heavens. "By His own blood He entered in once into the holy place, having obtained eternal redemption for us." Hebrews 9:12. {HLv 505.3}

During Jesus' ministry in person here on earth (27 AD to 31 AD =  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years), there were two lambs slain daily in the sanctuary services; one in the morning and one in the evening for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years or 1260 days. If 2 lambs are sacrificed daily for  $3\frac{1}{2}$  years (1260 days) that comes out to 2520 lambs (2 lambs x 1260 = 2520). When Jesus hung on the cross, the evening sacrificial lamb of the sanctuary service got away, so this means they were one lamb short, having only 2519 lambs. Jesus replaced the lamb that escaped, being fitly represented as our 2520<sup>th</sup> lamb!

Gal 3:13 <u>Christ hath redeemed us from the curse of the law</u>, being made <u>a curse for us</u>: for it is written, <u>Cursed</u> [is] every one that hangeth on a tree: (see also verses 10-12)

BEING MADE A CURSE FOR US

None but Christ could redeem fallen man from the curse of the law and bring him again into harmony with Heaven. Christ would take upon Himself the guilt and shame of sin-sin so offensive to a holy God that it must separate the Father and His Son. Christ would reach to the depths of misery to rescue the ruined race. {PP 63.2} (See Luke 1:67-75; Ps 105:7-12)

Jesus was arraigned "7 times" before his crucifixion:

Oh, fearful scene! the Saviour seized at midnight in Gethsemane as a murderer, dragged to and fro from palace to judgment hall, arraigned twice before the priests, twice before the Sanhedrim, twice before Pilate, and once before Herod, mocked, scourged, and condemned, led out to be crucified, bearing the heavy burden of the cross amid the wailing of the daughters of Jerusalem and the jeering of the crowd! {3SP 185.1}

2 times before priests + 2 times before Sanhedrim + 2 times before Pilate + 1 time before Herod = 7 Times.

When Israel rebelled against God, the "Curse of Moses" (Daniel 9:11; Leviticus 26:28) came into effect. (The "curse" is "7 times." 7 x 360 days per year—2520 days/years of curse.) The "oath that is written" is the debt/ penalty – the curse – the 2520 – that was nailed to the cross. (See Neh 10:28, 29)

#### Daniel 9:11

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.

#### "Curse written in the Law of Moses" of Lev. 26:

26:18 And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then I will <u>punish you seven times</u> more <u>for your sins</u>. 26:21 And if ye walk contrary unto me, and will not hearken unto me; I will bring <u>seven times</u> more <u>plagues</u> upon you according <u>to your sins</u>. 26:23 And if ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me;

26:24 Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will <u>punish you</u> yet <u>seven times for your sins</u>. 26:28 Then I will walk contrary unto you also <u>in fury</u>; and I, even I, will <u>chastise you seven times for your sins</u>. 26:33 And I will <u>scatter you among the heathen</u>, and will draw out a sword after you: and your land shall be desolate, and your cities waste.

Matt 12:30 He that is not with me is against me; and he that gathereth not with me scattereth abroad.

They that hate you shall reign over you, and ye shall flee when none pursueth you. And if ye will not yet for all this hearken unto me, then [the following 5 sequence of words are found ONLY in Lev 26:18] will punish you seven times more for your sins, and I will break the pride of your power; and I will make your heaven as iron, and your earth as brass, and your strength shall be spent in vain; for your land shall not yield her increase, neither shall the trees of the land yield their fruits." {Ms40-1898 (March 13, 1898) par. 6}

... The prophecies regarding Israel were fulfilled to the letter. God permitted His chosen people to be scattered [see Lev 26:33] as captives in strange lands. When they repented, God took them to Himself again, and established them in His own land. But their continual disobedience resulted in their complete overthrow, and in the overthrow of Jerusalem. {Ms40-1898 (March 13, 1898) par. 9}

Zech 1:16 ... a line shall be stretched forth upon Jerusalem.

Isa. 28:17 Judgment also will I lay to the line, and righteousness to the plummet:

Rev 11:2 ... Rise, and measure the temple of God,

Micah 1:2 Hear, all ye people; hearken, O earth, and all that therein is: and let the Lord GOD be witness against you, the Lord from his holy temple.

Ps 77:13 Thy way, O God, [is] in the sanctuary: who [is so] great a God as [our] God?

The **subject of the sanctuary** . . . should be clearly understood by the people of God. All need a knowledge for themselves of the position and work of their great High Priest. . . . {FLB 203.2}

The <u>intercession</u> of Christ in man's behalf in the sanctuary above is as essential to the plan of salvation as was His death upon the cross. By His death He began that work which after His resurrection He ascended to complete in heaven. We must by faith enter within the veil, "whither the forerunner is for us entered." Hebrews 6:20. <u>There the light from the cross of Calvary is reflected</u>. <u>There we may gain a clearer insight into the mysteries of redemption</u>. The salvation of man is accomplished at an infinite expense to heaven; <u>the sacrifice made is equal to the broadest demands of the broken law of God</u>. Jesus has opened the way to the Father's throne, and through His <u>mediation</u> the sincere desire of all who come to Him in faith may be presented before God. {FLB 203.3}

#### **SANCTUARY**

**Numbers 7:84–86** This was the dedication of the altar, in the day when it was anointed, by the princes of Israel: twelve chargers of silver, twelve silver bowls, twelve spoons of gold: Each charger of silver weighing an hundred and thirty shekels, each bowl seventy: all the silver vessels weighed two thousand and four hundred shekels, after the shekel of the sanctuary: The golden spoons were twelve, full of incense, weighing ten shekels a piece, after the shekel of the sanctuary: all the gold of the spoons was an hundred and twenty shekels.

Charger 130 x 12	= 1560			
Bowl 70 x 12	= 840			
Chargers & Bowls	= 2400			
Spoons 12 x 10	= 120			
Chargers, bowls and spoons = 2520 shekels				

Seven Times or 2520 represents judgment (Laodicea means "a people judged"); representing the time in which we are now living under (since Oct 22, 1844) the proclamation of the first angel's message ("hour of his judgment has come" Rev 14; 6,7) and soon to be followed by the 2<sup>nd</sup> ("come out") and 3<sup>rd</sup> (plague warning) messages that will swell to a Loud Cry under the 4<sup>th</sup> angel (Rev 18:2). This judgment number represented by 2520 is found throughout scripture as an example for us and to forewarn mankind what will come upon the disobedient in the last days. This warning is given by the 144,000 under the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> angel's messages PRIOR to probation closing. Once probation closes (Dan 12:1), the curse (punishment) upon the disobedient, will be poured out by the wrath of God, under the 7 last plagues (Rev 16) by Islam (Turkey; the 3<sup>rd</sup> woe of Revelation 8:13; 11:14, 15, 18).

The sealing angel goes through Jerusalem (the church) to place the seal of the living God on the foreheads of the faithful, and while this work goes forward, Turkey (Islam) stands as a national guidepost to the world, that men may know what is going on in the sanctuary above. {1901 SNH, SDP 248.1}

God's eye is upon his people, and he never leaves himself without a witness in the world. No man knows when Turkey will take its departure from europe, but when that move is made, earth's history will be short. Then it will be said, "he that is unjust let him be unjust still, ... And he that is righteous let him be righteous still." to-day is "the day of preparation...while the world watches Turkey, let the servant of God watch the movements of his great high priest, whose ministry for sin is almost over." [1901 SNH, SDP 248.2]

#### Daniel 5:25-26 (Belshazzar's writing on the wall)

And this is the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN.

This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath <u>numbered</u> thy kingdom, and finished it.

Aramaic	Hebrew	Meaning	Hebrew	Shekels	Gerahs	
Mene	בְרָבָא	Counted	Maneh (Mina)	50	1000	
Mene	-	Counted	Marieri (Milia)	50	1000	
Tekel	חקל	Weighed	Shekel	1	20	
Upharsin (Peres)	сָדפ	Divided	Half Maneh	25	500	
Total 126 25						
One shekel is twenty gerahs. (Ezekiel 45:13)						

Daniel 4:32-33 (Nebuchadnezzar's 7 years (2520 days) of humiliation among the beasts of the field

And they shall drive thee from men, and thy dwelling [shall be] with the beasts of the field: they shall make thee to eat grass as oxen, and seven times shall pass over thee, until thou know that the most High ruleth in the kingdom of men, and giveth it to whomsoever he will.

The same hour was the thing fulfilled upon Nebuchadnezzar: and he was driven from men, and did eat grass as oxen, and his body was wet with the dew of heaven, till his hairs were grown like eagles' [feathers], and his nails like birds' [claws].

**Daniel 3:19** (the 3 Hebrew worthies were thrown in the furnace as a judgment against them from the king)
Then was Nebuchadnezzar full of fury, and the form of his visage was changed <u>against Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego</u>: [therefore] he spake, and commanded that they should **heat the furnace one seven times more** than it was wont to be heated.

These <u>trials of life</u> are God's workmen to remove the <u>impurities</u>, <u>infirmities</u>, <u>and roughness</u> from our characters, and fit us for the society of pure, heavenly angels in glory. But <u>as we pass through these trials</u>, as the fires of affliction kindle upon us, we must not keep the eye on the fire which is seen, <u>but let the eye of faith fasten upon the things unseen</u>, the eternal inheritance, the immortal life, the eternal weight of glory; and while we do this the fire will not consume us, but only remove the dross, and we shall come forth <u>seven times purified</u>, bearing the impress of the Divine. {1T 706.2} Greenville, Michigan, March 7, 1868. (An example of trials & purification is when Jacob had <u>to serve 7 years twice</u> (<u>2- 2520's</u>) to have his hand in marriage to Rachael; his penalty for deceiving his brother Esau of the birthright- Gen 25:22-34)

Ps 12:6 The words of the LORD [are] pure words: [as] silver tried in a furnace of earth, purified seven times.

Prov 24:16 For a just [man] falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.

#### **INTERESTING FACTS**

**2520** is found by multiplying the two most important numbers of Creation. (Genesis Chapters 1 & 2) The number of days in a week is **7**, and the number of degrees in the circle of the earth is **360**.

One of God's names in Bible times was *Eli-Shaba*, meaning, 'God of the oath.' *Shaba* literally means 'seven.' The strongest oath in the Bible was 'to seven oneself.' Elisheba was the name of Aaron's wife. Her name is only mentioned once in the Bible, in Exodus 6:23. Earlier in the same chapter God detailed His septenary oath with the children of Israel.

In Exodus 6:4-8 God established the covenant with Moses and His people Israel, which contained His seven "I wills."

4 I have also established My covenant with them, to give them the land of Canaan, the land of their pilgrimage, in which they were strangers. 5 And I have also heard the groaning of the children of Israel whom the Egyptians keep in bondage, and I have remembered My covenant. 6 Therefore say to the children of Israel: 'I am the Lord; I will bring you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians, I will rescue you from their bondage, and I will redeem you with an outstretched arm and with great judgments. 7 I will take you as My people, and I will be your God. Then you shall know that I am the Lord your God who brings you out from under the burdens of the Egyptians. 8 And I will bring you into the land which I swore to give to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; and I will give it to you as a heritage: I am the Lord."

This unconditional covenant was an amplification of the covenant God established with Abram in Genesis 15 which was not dependent upon Abram in any manner. God had him fall asleep, and God alone "passed between those pieces." (Genesis 15:17)

The details of this covenant with Abram are further explained in the section on (Genesis 15), where another occurrence of the number **2520** emerges from the text. At the heart of the number **2520**, is the Covenant of God with His people.

The Bible speaks of four numbers that demonstrate perfection:

- Three speaks of divine perfection (Jesus' role as Prophet, Priest and King).
- **Seven** speaks of *spiritual* perfection (Seven Churches of Revelation, "seven Spirits of God").
- **Ten** speaks of *ordinal* perfection (ten toes, ten fingers).
- **Twelve** speaks of *governmental* perfection (the Twelve Tribes of Israel, the Twelve Apostles). **2520** is the product of all four multiplied together:

3 x 7 x 10 x 12 = **2520** 

[E. W. Bullinger called **2520** "Chronological Perfection."]

Although the number **360** brings to mind completion, it cannot be evenly divided by all numbers 1-10 because it is not divisible by **7**. The smallest number that can be evenly divided by all the numbers 1-10 is **2520**.

The number <b>360</b> can be divided evenly by each of the numbers 1 through 10, except <b>7</b> .		The number 2520 is the smallest number that can be divided evenly by each of the numbers 1 through 10.		
		2520/1 = 2520	2520/6 = 420	
360/1 = 360	360/6 = 60	2520/2 = 1260	2520/7 = 360	
360/2 = 180	360/7 = 51.428571	2520/3 = 840	2520/8 = 315	
360/3 = 120	360/8 = 45	2520/4 = 630	2520/9 = 280	
360/4 = 90	360/9 = 40	2520/5 = 504	2520/10 = 252	
360/5 = 72	360/10 = 36			

At first sight, this number will be considered a normal number. But the strange thing is 2520 is able to be divided at even or odd number. Like 1=2520, 2=1260, 3=840, 4=630, 5=504, 6=420, 7=360, 8=315, 9=280, and by 10=252, which is hard to find integers with the same characteristics.

Also, you can get this number by (7 \* 30 \* 12 = 2520) which I think is 7 days in the week, 30 days in a month and 12 months in a year! Nothing special, but it is a weird thing, right.

## Seven Times of the Gentiles by Apollos Hale

#### PROPHETIC PERIODS. THE SEVEN TIMES, OR 2520 YEARS

The first of the prophetic periods, which are considered as main pillars in the calculations of Mr. Miller, is found in Leviticus xxvi. 18-28. {1843 ApH, TSAM 33.1}

The objections urged against this are, 1. That it should not be considered a prophetic period at all. 2. If it he so considered, as the seven times occur four times in the text,-it should be understood as a period of four times seven times. 3. Admitting it to express only one period of seven times, which, understood prophetically, would be 2520 years, why should the period begin B. C. 677? {1843 ApH, TSAM 33.2}

1. Why consider the seven times of Leviticus a prophetic period? Answer. That is the first meaning we should think of attaching to the text. If the word times did not occur in other parts of the word of God, when chronological arrangements are spoken of, there would be some show of propriety in demanding the reasons for so understanding it in this case. But when we read of the seven times in the history of Nebuchadnezzar, Dan. iv., in which case only one signification has ever been supposed; and of the time, times and half a time, repeatedly spoken of in the prophecies of the Old and New Testaments; and of the times of the Gentiles, Luke xxi. 21; and of the times of the restitution of all things, Acts iii. 21; and of the dispensation of the fulness of times, Eph. i. 10; and of the appearing of our Lord Jesus Christ, which in his times ho shall show, 1 Tim. vi. 15, etc., etc., the text in Lev. is at once recognized as one of a most numerous and important class. The text is a part of the last communication which "the Lord spake unto Moses in Mount Sinia, (xxv. 1; xxvii. 34,) and was specially designed for the warning of the children of Israel," when they should "come into the land which God gave them"-a portion of truth which brought before them, in a most impressive manner, conditionally, their future history as a nation. {1843 ApH, TSAM 33.3}

And this, if any doubt might exist, would confirm the idea that the text was intended to be understood chronologically. "And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, then I will punish you seven times more for your sins." "Then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you yet seven times for your sins." "And if ye will not for all this hearken unto me, but walk contrary unto me; then I will walk contrary unto you also in fury; and I, even I, will chastise you seven times for your sins." Lev. xxvi. 18, 24, 27, 28. {1843 ApH, TSAM 34.1}

"But does not the text mean to express that God would punish them in measure according to perfect justice?" That is a truth which it could hardly be necessary to assert. None could doubt that his administration would be according to perfect justice; and to punish them seven times might be as perfectly just as to punish them for any other period. {1843 ApH, TSAM 34.2}

If any class of expositors should be called upon to give special reasons, they should do it who understand the text in any other sense than its obvious, chronological sense. Besides Mr. Miller, we know the Rev. Mr. Duffield, and Mr. Campbell, and others in our country, understand the text to contain a prophetic period, which they all understand figuratively to be 2520 years-as it must be understood in the nature of the case. Among the European writers, Mr. Philip (I think that is the name) understands and applies the period exactly as Mr. Miller does. I refer to him because he could have no knowledge of Mr. M. (See "Morning Watch"-a rare work in this country.) {1843 ApH, TSAM 34.3}

2. "If the seven times be understood as a prophetic period, does not the text contain four of those periods?" I may be excused for inserting a quotation, which shows at once the carelessness and "ignorance" upon questions which every man may decide who can read his Bible, which are so characteristic of many who fill the most important stations in the modern church. It is from the pen of the editor of the Protestant Banner, published in Philadelphia-a most efficient antagonist of nominal popery. The writer had made a display of his powers on that side of the question of "Millerism" so honorable at the present time, in which he had shown from "Mr. Miller's own terms," as he called them, that the seven times could not run out till "A. D. 9103," and then adds,- {1843 ApH, TSAM 34.4}

"It will be in vain for any advocates of Millerism to evade this conclusion, from the premises which they assume; they dare not tell us that the seven times here spoken of are merely a repetition of the same period, because it is emphatically staled after each separate enumeration of the different judgments,-which are impending,-that they shall be punished seven times more, if they do not hearken." {1843 ApH, TSAM 35.1}

Such a Protestant would not, of course, claim that kind of infallibility which might correct the written word; and if the reader will turn to the verses under consideration, it will he seen the word "more" occurs but twice at all; only once when the seven times are employed in stating their prospect of continued punishment, which is the first time the period is named, (v. 18,) and once when the measure of their punishment is compared with their sins-the only clear case of such comparison, (v. 21,) the second time the. seven times are used. I am sorry that so many of our able opponents art; willing thus to expose such an utter want of every essential qualification for scriptural discussion, as to take such a position, and then "dare the advocates of Millerism" to take that view of a text which every one, who is at all acquainted with the Bible, must see at once is the most consistent and obviously correct view of it,-"that the seven times here spoken of are merely a repetition of the same period," with the exception, perhaps, of the second case referred to above. I have yet to see "the advocate of Millerism," who is so ignorant of his Bible and so regardless of its contents, as to "dare" to make a statement like the above by the Rev. Mr. B--. {1843 ApH, TSAM 35.2}

Surely, it can be no strange thing to suppose that God may have made "a repetition of the same" thing in the revelations he has given us of his designs and will, especially when the matter is one of such moment to the recipients of the revelation. God saw fit to make known to Pharaoh the seven years of famine by "a repetition" of dreams, which Joseph dared to tell the monarch were "one;" and, in explanation, adds-"And for that the dream was doubled unto Pharaoh twice, it is because the thing is established of God, and God will shortly bring it to pass." Gen. xii. 32. In the predicted subjection of the Jews and other nations to the king of Babylon, we have "a repetition of the same period" four or five times by different prophets, (Isaiah xxiii. 15-17; Jer. xxv. 11, 12,) and I do not know that it has ever been considered an evidence of any particular form of courage to suppose this "repetition" to speak of only one period of "seventy years." So invincible were the prejudices of Peter, and so important was it that he should understand the truth in the case, that there was "a repetition of the same" thing, three times, Acts. x. 9-16. John is remarkable for "a repetition of the same period:"-the forty-two months, or its equivalents, are named fives times, Rev. xi. xii. xiii.; and the one thousand years are named six times certainly, chap. xx.; and yet I believe there are very few who suppose that the repetition, in each case, refers to more than one period. {1843 ApH, TSAM 36.1}

The mystery of the seven times is, therefore, explained by the very natural and scriptural supposition of "a repetition of the same period." {1843 ApH, TSAM 36.2}

One important feature of this prophecy, however, appears to have been overlooked. The language implies, and the history of the Jews proves, that these predictions of national judgments were conditional; not merely in the sense that the conduct of the Jews would determine whether they should begin or not,-that is too plain to be mistaken, vs. 14-18; but after they had been inflicted in part, and the different forms of the threatened punishment had begun, the remainder of it might have been suspended or remitted; for after the first threatening of the punishment, it says, vs. 23, 24, "And IF ye will not be reformed by me by these things, but will walk contrary unto me; then will I also walk contrary unto you, and will punish you YET seven times for your sins,"-implying that, after the judgments had begun, if they would hearken and do his commandments, he would not punish them to the full; but if not, then he would punish them yet seven times,-the full punishment of the first threatening shall be poured out upon them. So the prophets understood the subject, and in accordance with it they addressed their countrymen, until they finally rebelled by rejecting their Lord, and the wrath came upon them to the uttermost. Jer. iii. 7-20; iv. 1, 2; vii. 5-7; xvii. 19-26; xxii. 1-4. {1843 ApH, TSAM 36.3}

- 3. Why commence the seven times at the captivity of Manasseh, B. C. 677? {1843 ApH, TSAM 36.3}
- 1. The prediction itself points to that event. The first form of their punishment stated in connection with the first mention of the period is,-"And I will break the pride of your power." If their kingly form of civil government is here referred to, it was never "broken" until the captivity of Manasseh. Although it was the case, after the division of the Hebrews into the ten tribes and two tribes, that they were several times made tributary to foreigners, still one division remained independent while the other was subdued and tributary until his captivity; but at this period the ten tribes had lost their king, (2 Kings xvii. 1-18,) and as soon as Manasseh, the king of the remaining division, was carried into captivity, their "power," as an independent people, was gone. Manasseh was the pride and the ruin of the Jews. {1843 ApH, TSAM 37.1}

Again; the prediction specifies the particular sins on account of which this evil should befall them. {1843 ApH, TSAM 38.1}

Some of these sins are as specifically charged upon Manasseh and the Jews as the direct cause of their calamity. Compare Lev. xxvi. 14, 18, 27, with 2 Kings xxi. 9-13; and Lev. xxvi. 1, 2, with 2 Kings xxi. 2-8; 2 Chron. xxxiii. 2-11. {1843 ApH, TSAM 38.2}

- 2.Those texts which speak of the instruments of Providence in effecting this judgment, all point to his captivity as the time for the commencement of the period. Compare Isaiah x. 5, 6, with 2 Kings xxi. 10-14. 2 Chron xxxiii. 10, 11. Neh. ix. 32. {1843 ApH, TSAM 38.3}
- 3. The sacred historians refer to Manasseh's sins as the cause of their captivity and sufferings long after his captivity. 2 Kings xxiii. 26, 27; xxiv. 1-4; Jer. xv. 1-7. {1843 ApH, TSAM 38.4}
- 4. Although Manasseh was restored to his throne, and there were a few other kings of the Jewish nation after him, they have never been an independent people "from the day of the kings of Assyria unto this day." (It is interesting to note, that it was after 1844 that Israel once again became a nation in 1948) Neh. ix. 32. Nebuchadnezzar brought the kingdom, in its subjected form, to an end; when Babylon was conquered by Cyrus, the Jews passed under the power of the Medes and Persians; then under that of the Greeks; in the division of Greece, they were connected with Egypt; as a part of Egypt, were conquered by Syria; they prospered awhile under the Maccabees, and the protection of the Romans, who eventually "took away their place and nation." Since the destruction of their city, they have been "wanderers among the nations,"-a hissing and a by-word,-pitying none, pitied by none. {1843 ApH, TSAM 38.5}
- 5. The prophets, who lived long before the captivity of Manasseh, point to that event as the time of the passing away of the Jewish independence, by connecting it with other events. One of them gives the date. Hosea, more than a hundred years before, had said,-"And the pride of Israel (the ten tribes) doth testify to his face: therefore shall Israel and Ephraim (the principal tribe of the ten) fall in their iniquity; Judah (the other division) shall also fall with them." Hosea v. 5. Isaiah, in the year 742 B. C., according to date in the margin, had said,-"And within three-score and five years shall Ephraim be broken that it be not a people." vii. 8. From 742 deduct 65 leaves B. C. 677,-the only date ever given, I believe, for the captivity of Manasseh. {1843 ApH, TSAM 38.6}