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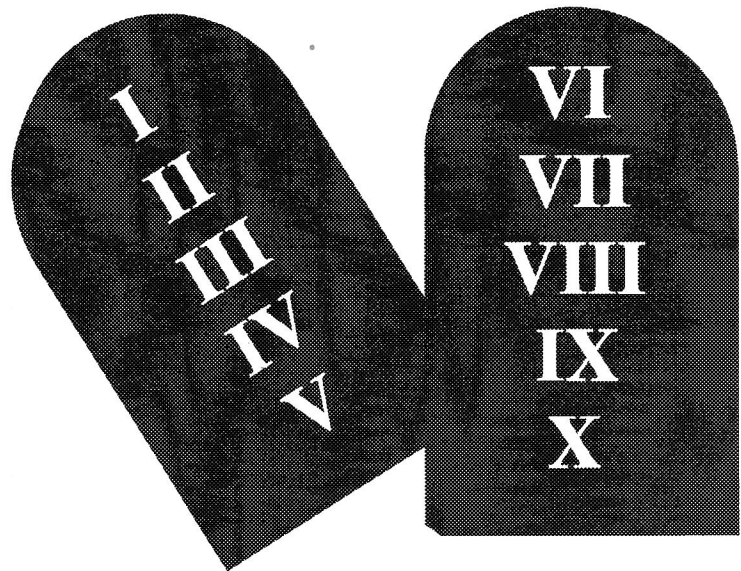
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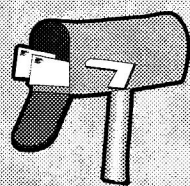
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A Journal for Those Who Dare



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From the Mailbox...



We welcome your comments and opinions. If something in our newsletter or material has impacted you, we'd like to hear from you. We can be contacted by fax, mail or email. Please see the last page for this information.

Dear Dr. Veith:

I totally believe in the 7-day creation. I am at a loss to explain to people who ask me, however, about neanderthals, cavemen, etc. There is definitely proof of some kind of these types of human forms. Do you have any theories that might help?

K.L.

Dear K:

Neanderthals were totally human. They had a brain capacity larger than present humans, but the type fossil used was that of an old man with arthritis. This, of course, has an effect on posture and appearance. This is common knowledge in scientific circles and is well documented. The neanderthals were freely integrated within the human population so they were nothing other than human. For more information

you can refer to the video on human fossils available from Amazing Discoveries. Thanks for your question.
Dr. V.

Please send our best regards to our dear friend and precious brother in Christ Walter Veith. May God give him strength in his -very often not so easy- work for the Lord.

Best wishes, M& M. F.

I read your web site with interest and also got to see you in person at Azure Hills Church in Loma Linda not too long ago. I found the information you present on the "Babylon connection" to the Roman Catholic Church very fascinating. Would it be possible to email me a list of references (short bibliography) for this information? It would be most helpful thank you

R.U.

Congratulations! Your new design for the amazing discoveries homepage looks well! I hope you're fine and the homepage has much feedback!

Many greetings from Germany,
Peter



HOLD FAST & REPENT

By E. G. White

You to whom are committed the sacred, testing truths for this time, are you faithful to your God-given trust? Every one wields an influence over the destiny of others souls. "Ye are the light of the world." A faithful discharge of duty on your part will have a telling influence on the impenitent; but if you neglect the work which God has given to you, some soul will be lost. Consider this matter, I pray you in the light of God's word; and may your soul feel the burden of your entrusted responsibility. Oh that there might be a turning to the Lord by every member of the church, that the earnest, fervent piety of each might be a message of warning to the sinner! "Be zealous and repent," is the word of God to His professed people. "I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candle stick out of his place, except thou repent."

Many of our people are backsliding from God. We need to arouse. Let every soul that has named the name of Christ apart from iniquity. We want a pure Christianity. Great dangers are lurking for us on every side. When they most need the presence of God, many have it least. They are in danger of becoming like the Jewish nation, who knew not the Scriptures nor the power of God. Like the teachers of Israel, you may explain Bible truth to others, and yet not practice it in your daily life. If the Jews had possessed an experimental knowledge of the Scriptures, they would not have been ignorant of the power of God. Like them, we have great light and privileges; but many do not respond to these, and herein lies their peril. When Jesus wept over Jerusalem, His tears were for all who abuse present privileges. He wept that so many who profess His

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O Love that will not let us go...



"He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world knew Him not." John 1:10

Year after year, century, after century, millennium after millennium, the world travels on - spinning around the sun on it's faithful journey, carrying its' precious inhabitants to eternal destinations - and the world knows it not, because the world still knows him not.

"Seek my face," He cries...

But the blind cannot see, nor the deaf hear, nor the dead perceive, - and the world continues to spin, spin, spin and the travellers still seek the wrong faces and attempt to hold onto frail hands as they stumble on in the darkness.

Far away in the heart of the Universe there was One, who, stepping down from His great throne of light said - "Behold, I come: In the volume of the book it is written of me." And "I delight to do thy will, O My God,... Your law is within my heart." Ps. 40:7, Heb. 10:5, Ps. 40:8

Descending to this small diseased planet He became one of the fellow - travellers: and throughout His

lifetime on board' He went 'to and fro' over the Earth searching, ever searching, for the broken in heart, spirit and body, that He might restore and heal, returning mankind again to their Edenic position as sons and daughters of God.

"Oh love that would not let us go!" Tired, worn and weary, though He often was, He never was discouraged in His mission. On and on the Prince of light travelled, and the Prince of darkness would beat on Him persistently in every conceivable way: finally tearing His flesh, stilling His sweet voice and healing hands.

But love is stronger than death! The son of God was victorious: and because He is the King of love the grave could not keep him entombed. Risen from the grave, His broken body, now glorified, He forever lives, taking upon Himself the restrictions of human flesh.

As this World continues to spin on its journey around the sun yet a little while longer, the Sun of righteousness still accompanies His believing children.

And the Lord is still crying - 'Seek my face' 'Look onto Me' and be saved. Arise, those of you who are sleeping in a stupor of death: Will you awaken to the call of the Lord?

Look into His face and hold unto His hands for the time is close, ever so close, when the final battle will be fought, and we will be in the centre of it all.

How was our Lord victorious as He took on the likeness of a man? He held onto the hands of His Father, and He looked into the face of His God: dwelling on His Word and His character.

There is absolutely no other way to survive this journey in space: No other answer for the mortal battle that

we encounter from the 'Dark Prince'. Let us awaken to the call of the Bridegroom before it is forever too late, and we are swept away by the evil storm that is about to engulf this world.

The dreamer wondered how she could go on with no one to help her down the rocky pathway - but go on she must, for the former life was not a wise option to her. The mountains looked treacherous in the darkness, and as she stepped forward she heard a voice that was sweeter than any she had ever heard. "If you hold onto My hands and look into My face, I'll get you down safely". Turning, she faintly saw a man off to her left. As He softly approached she was forever touched by the suffering and pain in His face. Taking His hands and looking into His face, she safely descended the mountain.

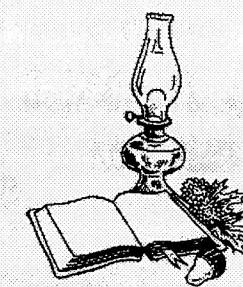
Again in that kindest of voices, He spoke to her. "If you hold unto My hands and look into My face, you'll always get down safely."

She awoke from the dream. Six months later her family was tragically torn apart.

She clung to that kind Prince and safely negotiated the rocky, dark pathway of pain for the Prince of Light was her companion and fellow traveller.

You, too, will He bring home safe and sound if you look up into that kindest of faces and hold onto those scarred torn hands.

Elizabeth Rossen





The Loud Cry

By Walter J. Veith

A great crisis awaits the people of the world and the people of God. The final message of warning is to be given to the world. This message is embodied in the three angels' messages of Revelation chapter 14. These messages are to do their work and are to be presented as a unit. However, in the final crisis, when the law of God is made void, the message is to swell to a loud cry. The crisis and the cry bring to a climax the great controversy which has been raging since the fall of Satan.

In Revelation 14:6-9 we read: "And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people **saying with a loud voice**, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication. And the third angel followed them **saying with a loud voice**, 'If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive *his* mark in his forehead, or in his hand, The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb.'"

This is the final message of warning, and the third angel's message embodies the distinguishing mark which God has set as a sign for all generations - a perpetual covenant - the seventh-day Sabbath. "It shall be a sign between me and you throughout your generations..." *Exodus 31:13* This distinguishing characteristic of our faith must not disappear into obscurity but should become more and more prominent as we approach the crisis.

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The Sabbath is more than just a day of rest. The Sabbath commandment empowers the entire law as it is embodied with the authority of the Lawgiver and His jurisdiction. The Sabbath, in a sense, is a symbol of the character of God as embodied in the law. And it is the character of God which attracts the believer and makes him want to give homage to God. It acknowledges righteousness by faith if rightly entertained which implies obedience in all things.

The third angel's message also warns against the acceptance of the spu-

IN THE NEWS

January 30, 2001 - Bush Broadens Faith-based Social Funding - BY TOBY HARNDEN

WASHINGTON - Citing Christianity as the underpinning of his own brand of "compassionate conservatism," George W. Bush, the U.S. President, is bringing religion back to the centre of government.

Announcing that religious and community organizations will be eligible for billions of dollars in government funding yesterday, Mr. Bush spoke to 35 Roman Catholic, Protestant, Jewish, Muslim, and secular leaders at the White House. They were all people, he said, who had "heard the universal call to love a neighbour like they'd like to be loved themselves, who exist and work hard, not out of love of money, but out of the love of their fellow human beings."

A White House office will be set up to distribute the money to groups that deal each day with the "deep needs and real suffering in the shadow of America's affluence," including problems of addiction, gang violence and homelessness, the President said.

The White House Office of Faith-Based and Community Initiatives will be headed by John Dilulio, a Catholic. Scott Goldsmith, a Jew and former mayor of Indianapolis, will act as presidential advisor.

Although Mr. Bush was careful to say he would not fund the religious activities of any group, his initiative provoked criticism from those who say it violates the constitutional separation of church and state.

In the early days of his presidency, Mr. Bush has made it clear his personal

rious Sabbath as it implies a relationship with a power other than the Lawgiver - a separating relationship - a relationship of harlotry. Obedience in all things means the acceptance of an all-inclusive gospel. Acceptance of righteousness by faith acknowledges the ownership of God and will also lead to a cleansing of the soul temple for Christ to dwell in. So in a sense the

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--*Evangelism 233.1*

The seriousness of the consequences embodied in verse 9 of Revelation 14 are not designed to force obedience in view of God's wrath, but to highlight the unassailable and immovable nature of God in the maintenance of right principles and uncompromising opposition to sin. It does not detract from God's love, but shows that, in spite of His love, there will come a time when God's justice will be manifested. Moreover, in the light of the persecution of God's faithful people, justice and love demand the intervention of God.

In the light of God's love, how often are we told to soften the message of warning - to only live an example (necessary as it is) but not to expose the evils of the man of sin and those in confederacy with him?

"In the very time in which we live the Lord has called His people and has given them a message to bear. **He has called them to expose the wickedness of the man of sin who has made the Sunday law a distinctive power, who has thought to change times and laws**, and to oppress the people of God who stand firmly to honor Him by keeping the only true Sabbath, the Sabbath of creation, as holy unto the Lord." -- *Testimonies to Ministers, p. 118. (1903), Ev 233.2*

"We are to give to the people the warnings contained in Revelation. But many workers are engaged in a line of work that is disqualifying them to preach the word and do the very work God has appointed them to do. The truth in regard to the Sabbath of the Lord is to be proclaimed. The seventh-day is to be shown to be the seal of the living God. **People are to be shown what they may expect from the papal power.** The time has come when the Protestant churches are reaching out to grasp the hand of the power that has made void the law of God.... This is the message Satan would have silenced. . . . Shall this message be

considered an inferior matter?" *4MR 426.1*

The tools used by this power to gain control of the whole world also will need to be exposed in order for men to make intelligent decisions regarding the controversy between Christ and Satan. According to the Spirit of Prophecy, secret societies, trade unions, confederacies, economic conglomerates are all methods to gain control over all the peoples of the earth. In order to warn people against the confederacy which is Babylon, these too will have to be exposed. Ephesians 5:11 says: "And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather reprove them."

"Cast out of heaven, Satan set up his kingdom in this world, and ever since he has been untiringly striving to seduce human beings from their allegiance to God. He uses the same power that he used in heaven - the influence of mind on mind. Men become tempters of their fellowmen. The strong, corrupting sentiments of Satan are cherished, and they exert a masterly, compelling power. Under the influence of these sentiments, men bind up with one another in confederacies, in trade unions, and in secret societies. There are at work in the world agencies that God will not much longer tolerate." -- *Lt 114, 1903, 1MCP 28.3* "It will be more difficult in the future than it is today. Satanic agencies are becoming more determined in their rebellion

against God. The trade unions will be the cause of the most terrible violence that has ever been seen among human beings." -- *Letter 99, 1904, p. 3. (To J. E. White and wife, February 23, 1904.)*

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The Three Angels' Messages

The three angels' messages are powerful, cutting messages, yet in today's world people are fearful, and attempts to present these messages to a dying world are often re-

garded as detracting from the meekness of Christ. We are admonished to preach Jesus in the context of the gospels, and to avoid messages which could create division, lead to exposure of the man of sin and his confederacies, and cause people to take a stand in regards to the great controversy. But we are to be fearless messengers.

"At the present time, when the end of all things earthly is rapidly approaching, Satan is putting forth desperate efforts

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to ensnare the world. He is devising many plans to occupy minds, and to divert attention from the truths essential to salvation. . . . **Wickedness is reaching a height never before attained, and yet many ministers of the gospel are crying, "Peace and safety." But God's faithful messengers are to go steadily forward with their work.** Clothed with the panoply of heaven, they are to advance fearlessly and victoriously, never ceasing their warfare until every soul within their reach shall have received the message of truth for this time." --*Acts of the Apostles*, pp. 219, 220. (1911), Ev 705.4

"The third angel's message is to be given with power. The power of the proclamation of the first and second messages is to be intensified in the third. In the Revelation John says of the heavenly messenger who unites with the third angel: "I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory. And he cried mightily with a strong voice." Revelation 18:1, 2. We are in danger of giving the third angel's message in so indefinite a manner that it does not impress the people." {PM 387.1}

"Our warfare is aggressive. Tremendous issues are before us, yea, and right upon us. Let our prayers ascend to God that the four angels may still hold the four winds, that they may not blow to injure or destroy until the last warning has been given to the world. Then let us work in harmony with our prayers. Let nothing lessen the force of the truth for this time. The present truth is to be our burden. The third angel's message must do its work of separating from the churches a people who will take their stand on the platform of eternal truth." PM 387.2

Messages of warning can easily be misconstrued and pronounced Christless. Yet messages of warning are lifesavers. How do you warn to 'come out of her My people' if you do not expose her iniquity? We need to be circumspect, kind but direct

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and to the point. We are not to do the cutting, but the truth must be presented with such power that it will do the cutting. "Ministers of present truth, while they bear a pointed testimony, reproving individual wrongs and seeking to tear away the idols from the camp of Israel, should manifest forbearance. They should preach the truth in its solemnity and importance, and if this finds its way to the heart it will accomplish that for the receiver which nothing else can. But if the truth spoken in the demonstration of the Spirit does not cut away the idols, it will be of no avail to denounce and bear down upon the individual. It may appear that some are joined to their idols, yet I saw that we should be very reluctant to give up the poor, deceived ones. We should ever bear in mind that we are all erring mortals, and that Christ exercises much pity for our weakness, and loves us although we err. If God should deal with us as we often deal with one another, we should

be consumed. While ministers preach the plain, cutting truth, they must let the truth do the cutting and hewing, not do it themselves. They should lay the ax, the truths of God's word, at the root of the tree, and something will be accomplished. Pour out the testimony just as straight as it is found in the word of God, with a heart full of the warming, quickening influence of His Spirit, all in tenderness, yearning for souls, and the work among God's people will be effectual. The reason why there is so little of the Spirit of God manifested is that ministers learn to do without it. They lack the grace of God, lack forbearance and patience, lack a spirit of consecration and sacrifice; and this is the only reason why some are doubting the evidences of God's word. The trouble is not at all in the word of God, but in themselves. They lack the grace of God, lack devotion, personal piety, and holiness. This leads them to be unstable, and throws them often on Satan's battlefield. I saw that however strongly men may have advocated the truth, however pious they may appear to be, when they begin to talk unbelief in regard to some scriptures, claiming that they cause them to doubt the inspiration of the Bible, we should be afraid of them, for God is at a great distance from them." 1T 383

"How Satan would exult to have a message go broadcast that the only people whom God has made the repositories of His law are the ones to whom this message applies. The wine of Babylon is the exalting of the false and spurious sabbath above the Sabbath which the Lord Jehovah hath blessed and sanctified for the use of man, also [it is] the immortality of the soul. These kindred heresies, and the rejection of the truth, convert the church into Babylon. Kings, merchants, rulers, and religious teachers are all in corrupt harmony." 2SM 68.2

The list of those belonging to Babylon thus includes the church, kings, merchants, and rulers. May these not be included in our message?

"The time in which we are living calls for **constant vigilance**, and God's ministers are to present the light on the Sabbath question. They should **warn the inhabitants of the world that Christ is soon to come with power and great glory. The last message of warning to the world is to lead men to see the importance that God attaches to his law. So plainly is the truth to be presented that no transgressor, hearing it, shall be excusable in failing to discern the importance of obedience to God's commands.**" GW 148.3

"The burden of the warning now to come to the people of God, nigh and afar off, is the third angel's message. And those who are seeking to understand this message will not be led by the Lord to make an application of the Word that will undermine the foundation and remove the pillars of the faith that has made Seventh-day Adventists what they are today. The truths that have been unfolding in their order, as we have advanced along the line of prophecy revealed in the Word of God, are truth, sacred, eternal truth today. Those who passed over the ground step by step in the past history of our experience, seeing the chain of truth in the prophecies, were prepared to accept and obey every ray of

light. They were praying, fasting, searching, digging for the truth as for hidden treasures, and the Holy Spirit, we know, was teaching

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and guiding us. Many theories were advanced, bearing a semblance of truth, but so mingled with misinterpreted and misapplied scriptures, that they led to dangerous errors. Very well do we know how every point of truth was established, and the seal set upon it by the Holy Spirit of God. And all the time voices were heard, "Here is the truth," "I have the truth; follow me." But the warnings came, "Go not ye after them. I have not sent them, but they ran." (See Jeremiah 23:21.) 2SM 103.1

All three messages must be presented to the people together. In our efforts to reach the world, the everlasting gospel must be presented, pointing a world towards the Creator God and the time of His judgment. Secondly, the corruption that has entered the religious systems of the world is to be exposed, and mankind must be warned against the acceptance of the mark of the beast. As in the ministry of Christ, where there were two temple cleansings, this message will be repeated just before the close of probation with more power than with which it commenced. The third angel's message will swell to a loud cry, and will be supported by 'the other angel' who adds his voice and repeats the message of Babylon's fall with the additional urging that the people of God should separate themselves from this fallen system.

"And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having **great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.** And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, **Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.** For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities." Revelation 18:1-5

"When Jesus began His public ministry, He cleansed the Temple from its sacrilegious profanation. Among the last acts of His ministry was the second cleansing of the Temple. So in the last work for the warning of the world, two distinct calls are made to the churches. The second angel's message

is, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication" (Rev. 14:8). And in the loud cry of the third angel's message a voice is heard from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities" (Rev. 18:4, 5).--The Review and Herald, Dec. 6, 1892.

"The third angel's message in its clear, definite terms is to be made the prominent warning. All that it comprehends is to be made intelligible to the reasoning minds of today. While we bind ourselves to the development of the truth in the past angels' messages, we are announcing the message of the third angel **and of the other angel** that follows the third, the second time proclaiming the fall of Babylon." {10MR 315.1}

"We are to give the message, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. . . . Come out of her, My people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues" (Revelation 18:1,4). This message is to come to the churches. We are to consider the best plans for accomplishing this. The message must be so presented as to command the attention of reasoning minds." 10MR 315.2

"We are to throw aside our narrow, selfish plans, remembering that we have a work of the largest magnitude and highest importance. **In doing this work we are sounding the first, second, and third angel's messages, and are thus being prepared for the coming of that other angel from heaven who is to lighten the earth with his glory.**" 6T 406.5

As the three angels' messages are presented, we are to concentrate all our efforts to set right the character of God.

The First Angel's Message

"In the first angel's message men are called upon to **worship God, our Creator**, who made the world and all things that are therein. They have paid homage to an institution of the Papacy, making of no effect the law of Jehovah, but there is to be an increase of knowledge on this subject." 2SM 106.1

"The message proclaimed by the angel flying in the midst of heaven is the everlasting gospel, the same gospel that was declared in Eden when God said to the serpent, "I will put enmity between thee and the woman, and between thy seed and her seed; it shall bruise thy head, and thou shalt bruise his heel" (Gen. 3:15). Here was the first promise of a Saviour who would stand on the field of battle to contest the power of Satan and prevail against him. Christ came to our world to represent the character of God as it is represented in His holy law; for His law is a transcript of His character. Christ was both the law and the gospel. The angel that proclaims the everlasting gospel proclaims the law of God; for the gospel of sal-

vation brings men to obedience of the law, whereby their characters are formed after the divine similitude. *2SM 106.2*

The harmony between law and grace produced in the hearts of men through the working of the Holy Spirit is to transform a people for the latter rain and the loud cry. This loud cry is the third angel's message supported by 'the other angel'.

The Second Angel's Message

"I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven, descending to the earth, and again ascending to heaven, preparing for the fulfillment of some important event. Then I saw another mighty angel commissioned to descend to the earth, to unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. **Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which attended this angel penetrated everywhere, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel, is repeated, with the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844.** The work of this angel comes in at the right time to join in the last great work of the third angel's message as it swells to a loud cry. And the people of God are thus prepared to stand in the hour of temptation, which they are soon to meet. I saw a great light resting upon them, and they united to fearlessly proclaim the third angel's message." *EW 277*

"This scripture points forward to a time when the announcement of the fall of Babylon, as made by the second angel of Revelation 14 (verse 8), is to be repeated, **with the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the various organizations that constitute Babylon, since that message was first given, in the summer of 1844.** A terrible condition of the religious world is here described. With every rejection of truth the minds of the people will become darker, their hearts more stubborn, until they are entrenched in an infidel hardihood. In defiance of the warnings which God has given, they will continue to trample upon one of the precepts of the Decalogue, until they are led to persecute those who hold it sacred. Christ is set at nought in the contempt placed upon His word and His people. As the **teachings of spiritualism are accepted by the churches**, the restraint imposed upon the carnal heart is removed, and the profession of religion will become a cloak to conceal the basest iniquity. A belief in spiritual manifestations opens the door to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils, and thus the influence of evil angels will be felt in the churches." *GC 603.2*

The Third Angel's Message

"The prophecies in the eighteenth of Revelation will soon be fulfilled. During the proclamation of the third angel's message, "another angel" is to "come down from heaven, having great power," and the earth is to be "lighted with his glory." **The Spirit of the Lord will so graciously bless consecrated human instrumentalities that men, women, and children will open their lips in praise and thanksgiving, filling the earth with the knowledge of God, and with His unsurpassed glory, as the waters cover the sea.** *PM 388.2*

"Thus the substance of the second angel's message is again given to the world by that other angel who lightens the earth with his glory. **These messages all blend in one**, to come before the people in the closing days of this earth's history. All the world will be tested, and all that have been in the darkness of error in regard to the Sabbath of the fourth commandment will understand the last message of mercy that is to be given to men." *2SM 116.2*

"God meant that the watchmen should arise and with united voices send forth a decided message, giving the trumpet a certain sound, that the people might all spring to their post of duty and act their part in the great work. Then the strong, clear light of that other angel who comes down from heaven having great power, would have filled the earth with his glory. We are years behind; and those who stood in blindness and hindered the advancement of the very message that God meant should go forth from the Minneapolis meeting as a lamp that burneth, have need to humble their hearts before God and see and understand how the work has been hindered by their blindness of mind and hardness of heart." *14MR 111.1*

The Loud Cry

The loud cry is attended by the power of God in the outpouring of the latter rain.

"At that time the "latter rain," or refreshing from the presence of the Lord, will come, to give power to the loud voice of the third angel, and prepare the saints to stand in the period when the seven last plagues shall be poured out."--*EW 86 (1854). LDE 186*

In order to qualify for the latter rain, there will have to be a decided change of heart in the messengers of God. In order to give a message of separation, the people of God will have had to separate themselves from all the corrupting influences in the world. They are to work in the world but not be of the world. It will be necessary to be clothed with the armor of God.

"I heard those clothed with the armor speak forth the truth with great power. It had effect. Many had been bound; some wives by their husbands, and some children by their parents. The honest who had been prevented from hearing the truth

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when champions are few - this will be our test. At this time, we must

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SIMBAREDENGA NEWSTART CHILDREN'S HOME

Cease to do evil
Learn to do good...
Defend the orphan...
(Is 1:16,17)

The AIDS crisis in Zimbabwe is an astonishing problem (23.3 million to .89 million in USA). The average life expectancy in Sub-Saharan Africa is 30 yrs. Grandparents are raising grandchildren because all their children & their spouses have died of AIDS. In this world of quiet horror, AIDS has become the leading cause of death in the Sub-African continent with over 5000 deaths every single day!

The results are devastating. But efforts are being made to help the innocent victims - children left without mothers, fathers, or relatives to care for them.

The self-supporting Simbaredenga Newstart Children's Home currently being erected by dedicated Seventh-day Adventists is an answer for these homeless children. Located on 25 acres of land donated by Crest Breeders International directly beside Simbaredenga SDA Primary and Secondary School, the orphanage will consist of 3 homes, a chapel, a vocational school, and a small farm.

The first home has already been constructed and is full of children. Two boreholes have been drilled to provide adequate drinking and irrigation water for the sustainability of the farm, which will be the source of food for the children, as well as providing for the needs of the children with the profit that results, ie. clothing, school tuition, etc. Twelve acres have already been planted in maize and harvested, and the home is well underway to being self-sustaining.

On February 20, 2001, an expedition of tradesmen, carpenters, etc. will be arriving in Zimbabwe from Germany and Amazing Discoveries Canada for 3½ weeks to help complete the chapel and the interior of the first building.

If you feel impressed to help, your donation to this orphan home would be greatly appreciated. You may send your donation directly to the North American Division marked Simbaredenga Newstart Children's Home in Zimbabwe for a tax-deductible receipt. Otherwise you can send your donation to Amazing Discoveries at PO Box 189, 7101C - 120th Street, Delta, BC V4E 2A9

Thank you for thinking of them!



AMAZING DISCOVERIES MISSION REPORT FROM GERMANY

From July 1-16, 2000, Professor Walter Veith held his "Amazing Discoveries" seminar in Nürnberg, Germany.

The first week of lectures were held in the Germanischen National Museum - a well-known and modern building with impressive architecture and an excellent reputation for quality programs. The series was entitled "Health and Science (Creation/Evolution)" and the interest of the public was peaked. There were on average about 200 attendees, of which 52 were non-SDA visitors.

The second week of lectures took place the SDA Church *Gemeinde Marienberg* and the audience increased in size. On average there were over 230 attendees for the Bible topics (New-Age and Millennium), of which 22 were non-SDA guests. On weekends especially, the church was full, so that there was standing-room only. (The church's capacity is 290 seats).

It was a blessed time, as we gathered together daily hearing the Word of God. Every lecture was exciting, and from every presentation one could learn something new. Present truth and current prophecies were presented using professional equipment. It was an ideal evangelistic series - a message that led to decisions for Christ.

One lady from Köln, was walking by the Germanischen National Museum at the time of the meetings and was spontaneously invited by those standing outside. At the end of the lecture, she told the youth pastor Liviu Isaila, "I understand that health is important and that you Adventists have the answers for a healthy lifestyle. Are there any Adventists in Köln? Here is my address and telephone number - I'm driving back tomorrow. Could you please ask a pastor from your denomination to visit me when I get home? I want to know more!"

A couple from Nürnberg on our interest list was sent an invitation to the meetings. The couple came and was so impressed at the end of the lectures, that they said: "We would like to know God more fully. These presentations were fascinating. We would like to stay in touch with your church." And they came to church the very next Sabbath. Bible studies have been arranged. Praise God!

In Germany, we find that many people are interested in information about the vegan diet. A woman from the Rheinland called for more information about the health lectures. She said, "I will be flying to Nürnberg to attend

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To stand in defense of truth and righteousness when the majority breaks us, to fight the battles of the Lord

gathered from the colleges of others, courage from their cowardice, & loyalty from their treason. 97-106

The Loud Cry

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now eagerly laid hold upon it. All fear of their relatives was gone, and the truth alone was exalted to them. They had been hungering and thirsting for truth; it was dearer and more precious than life. I asked what had made this great change. An angel answered, "It is the latter rain, the refreshing from the presence of the Lord, the loud cry of the third angel." *EW 271*

What is the amour of God?

"Put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this world, against spiritual wickedness in high places. Wherefore take unto you the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand therefore, having your loins girt about with truth, and having on the breastplate of righteousness; And your feet shod with the preparation of the gospel of peace; Above all, taking the shield of faith, wherewith ye shall be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God: Praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, and watching thereunto with all perseverance and supplication for all saints; And for me, that utterance may be given unto me, that I may open my mouth boldly, to make known the mystery of the gospel, For which I am an ambassador in bonds: that therein I may speak boldly, as I ought to speak...Peace be to the brethren, and love with faith, from God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. Grace be with all them that love our Lord Jesus Christ in sincerity. Amen." *Ephesians 6:11-24*

"I was shown that if God's people make no efforts on their part, but wait for the refreshing to come upon them and remove their wrongs and correct their errors; if they depend upon that to cleanse them from filthiness of the flesh and spirit, and fit them to engage in the loud cry of the third angel, they will be found wanting."--*1T 619 (1867). LDE 195*

"We are living in a time that calls for decided action. The world is more bitterly opposed than ever to Gospel reform. But notwithstanding this, God's work is to go forward.

The words of Christ come down to us who are living at the close of the earth's history: "When these things shall begin to come to pass, then look up, and lift up your heads; for your redemption draweth nigh." The nations are in unrest. Times of perplexity are upon us. Men's hearts are failing them for fear of the things that are coming upon the earth. But those who believe in God will hear His voice amid the storm, saying, "It is I; be not afraid." The world is lying in wickedness and apostasy. Rebellion to God's law seems almost universal. But amid the tumult of excitement, with confusion in every place, there is a work to be done for God in the world." *ST, October 9, 1901 par. 11*

In order to present the messages and to be fitted as messengers, there has to be a decided change of heart. It is no good proclaiming the character of God if the message is not applied to the own heart. We need to be converted. Instead of laying lengthy plans of how to make the church grow, we should go into the soul temple to remove every obstacle standing in the way of God's Spirit. We need to confess and lay aside our sins and God will have a people to give the loud cry and to receive the latter rain.

"Our work is to proclaim the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ. "Prepare to meet thy God" (Amos 4:12), is the warning to be given to the world. It is a warning to us individually. We are called upon to lay aside every weight, and the sin which doth so easily beset us. There is a work for you, my brother, to do, to yoke up with Christ. Make sure that your building is on the rock. Do not risk eternity on a probability. You may not live to participate in the perilous scenes on which we are now entering. The life of no one of us is assured for any given time. Should you not watch every moment? Should you not closely examine your own self, and inquire, What will eternity be to me?" *2SM 116.3*

"And the Lord shall utter His voice before his army: for His camp is very great: for He is strong that executeth His word: for the day of the Lord is great and very terrible; and who can abide it? Therefore also now, saith the Lord, turn ye even to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning: And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the Lord your God: for He is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and of great kindness, and repenteth Him of the evil. Who knoweth if He will return and repent, and leave a blessing behind

him; even a meat offering and a drink offering unto the Lord your God? Blow the trumpet in Zion, sanctify a fast, call a solemn assembly: Gather the people, sanctify the congregation, assemble the elders, gather the children, and those that suck the breasts: let the bridegroom go forth of his chamber, and the bride out of her closet. Let the priests, the ministers of the Lord, weep between the porch and the altar, and let them say, Spare Thy people, O Lord, and give not Thine heritage to reproach, that the heathen should rule over them: wherefore should they say among the people, Where is their God?" *Joel 2:11-17 (Jer. 30:7; Hosea 6:3; Joel 2:23; Zech. 10:1; Eph. 4:13, 15.)*

"As the members of the body of Christ approach the period of their last conflict, "the time of Jacob's trouble," they will grow up into Christ, and will partake largely of His Spirit. As the third message swells to a loud cry, and as great power and glory attend the closing work, the faithful people of God will partake of that glory. It is the latter rain which revives and strengthens them to pass through the time of trouble. Their faces will shine with the glory of that light which attends the third angel." *RH May 27, 1862, 7BC 984.4*

"Alas! for that day is great, so that none is like it: it is even the time of Jacob's trouble; but he shall be saved out of it." *Jeremiah 30:7*

"Then shall we know, if we follow on to know the Lord: His going forth is prepared as the morning; and He shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." *Hosea 6:3*

"Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain, and the latter rain in the first month." *Joel 2:23*

"Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the LORD shall make bright clouds and give them showers of rain, to every one grass in the field." *Zechariah 10:1*

"Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ: But speaking the truth in love, may grow up into Him in all things, which is the head, even Christ." *Ephesians 4:13,15, Is 61:11*

"We must not wait for the latter rain. It is coming upon all who will recognize and appropriate the dew and showers of grace that fall upon us. When we gather up the fragments of light, when we appreciate the sure mercies of God, who loves to have us trust Him, then every promise will be fulfilled. "For as the earth bringeth forth her bud, and as the garden causeth the things that are sown in it to spring forth; so the Lord God will cause righteousness and praise to spring forth before all the nations." *Isa. 61:11* The whole earth is to be filled with the glory of God." *Letter 151, 1897, 7BC 984.5*

The Spirit of the Lord leads people into all truth. It produces a longing for righteousness and does not manifest itself in a bedlam of noise. Our work is not to be performed in

a frenzy of excitement. It has to represent the character of God, the force is to lie in the message and the Spirit must convict the heart. We are not to portray unsanctified means in reaching the people whom God would bring out of Babylon. We are warned that fanaticism would creep into our ranks at the close of time. [Fanaticism in the time in which the Spirit of Prophecy was manifest referred to the same Spirit which manifests itself in noisy, boisterous, emotional assemblies and not to what we would regard as narrow-minded, fixed-in-our-way fanaticism of our time.]

"We have found in our experience that if Satan cannot keep souls bound in the ice of indifference, he will try to push them into the fire of fanaticism. When the Spirit of the Lord comes among His people, the enemy seizes the opportunity to work also, seeking to mold the work of God through the peculiar, unsanctified traits of different ones who are connected with that work." *5T 644.3*

"As the end draws near, the enemy will work with all his power to bring in fanaticism among us. He would rejoice to see Seventh-day Adventists going to such extremes that they would be branded by the world as a body of fanatics. Against this danger I am bidden to warn ministers and lay members. Our work is to teach men and women to build on a true foundation, to plant their feet on a plain "Thus saith the Lord." *GW 316.1*

"We must turn away from a thousand topics that invite attention. There are matters that consume time and arouse inquiry, but end in nothing. The highest interests demand the close attention and energy that are too often given to comparatively insignificant things." *8T 316.3*

"Accepting new theories does not bring new life to the soul. Even an acquaintance with facts and theories important in themselves is of little value unless put to a practical use. We need to feel our responsibility to give our souls food that will nourish and stimulate spiritual life." *8T 316.4*

"Every word of God is pure: He is a shield unto them that put their trust in Him. Add thou not unto His words, lest He reprove thee, and thou be found a liar." *Proverbs 30:5, 6; 8T 316.5*

As the third angel's message swells into a loud cry, great power and glory will attend its proclamation. The faces of God's people will shine with the light of heaven. *7T 17.1*

We must not forget that our message embodies righteousness by faith. We must not be harsh and judgmental, yet we must uphold the principles of the law.

"In order to meet the requirements of the law, our faith must grasp the righteousness of Christ, accepting it as our righteousness. Through union with Christ, through acceptance of His righteousness by faith, we may be qualified to work the works of God, to be collaborators with Christ. If you are willing to drift along with the current of evil, and do not cooperate with the heavenly agencies in restraining transgression in your family, and in the

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the lectures - please let me know if there are any changes to the scheduled dates!" She came, heard and saw, and, we hope, that she will someday have victory through Jesus Christ!

Another couple came to Walter Veith at the end of the last Sabbath and said: "You said that Saturday is the right day of rest. We are shocked to find it says so in the Bible. But surely there's no church that keeps Saturday is there?" "Of course there is!", said Walter Veith. "Well," the man answered, "we don't know any!" To which Walter Veith replied, "You're standing in the very church. This denomination keeps the Biblical day of rest - the Sabbath!"

There are many more experiences to tell. Over 1000 videos and over 800 audio cassettes were ordered during the series. There are still orders coming in after the series was over from all over Germany. A woman from Bad Urach visited a dentist in Vancouver, Canada and saw the english videos put out by Amazing Discoveries Canada. When she inquired for further information she discovered that the videos would be available by the end of July 2000 in German. She placed her order immediately as she badly wanted to know more about Adventists.

Over 250 of the newly published German translation of *Truth Matters* by Professor Walter Veith (*Auf die Wahrheit kommt es an*) were sold at the series even without any advertising. The book is intended for non-SDA's as a powerful witness of the three angels' messages.

Stan Sedlbauer

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religious faith is almost inseparable from his political philosophy. Hi inauguration speech contained several Biblical references and his education plan, unveiled last week, allows parents to use government money to send children to religious schools.

"He believes faith is a powerful tool to change lives," said Scott McClellan, a White House spokesman.

Some critics said Mr. Bush is foisting religion on Americans without any proof it can do a better job than government. Others feared he could be planning to cut spending by curtailing government initiatives.

Steve Benen, of Americans United for Separation of Church and State, said a legal challenge might be mounted.

"It's a misguided public policy and from a constitutional perspective it's a nightmare," he added.

But the President's advisors have calculated his proposals will find favour with a majority of Americans and draw bipartisan support in Congress.

Surveys show about 50% of Americans go to church at least twice a month. Democratic Senator Joe Lieberman, an orthodox Jew who ran for vice-president, has frequently spoken of the need for the government to promote faith-based groups.

Mr. Bush renewed his commitment to Christianity at about the age of 40 with the help of Billy Graham, the evan-

Dr. Paul Yeboah
~~Dr. Norman Gulley~~ Weekend
October 12 & 13, 2000
Vancouver Central Church

On October 12 & 13, 2000, Dr. Paul Yeboah replaced Dr. Norman Gulley who was scheduled to give his series *Christ is Coming - Soon!* at the Vancouver Central SDA Church.

Due to an unexpected illness, Dr. Gulley was forced to cancel his appointment with us. But God had other plans. Dr. Paul Yeboah, previously unknown to Amazing Discoveries but coming with high recommendations, graciously agreed to fill in for Dr. Gulley. As a result, an unexpectedly powerful weekend series blessed those who attended. Tapes are available and have been very popular.

Dr. Paul Yeboah was born and educated in Ghana, West Africa. He received further training at Oxford University, England, and at the University of Minnesota. He is currently the Head of Anesthesia Department at the St. James Hospital in Chicago. As a committed Seventh-day Adventist lay-evangelist, he has been instrumental in the establishment of over twelve churches in the USA, Canada, and Europe. He speaks and preaches extensively at camp meetings, churches, revival retreats, and schools. Because of his Bible-based motivational messages, he is a well-sought after graduation speaker at Adventist Universities around the world. He is also well-known for his health messages.

Dr. Yeboah is widely respected and serves as the personal counselor of many heads of state, and sits on many national and international commissions.

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gelical preacher, and gave up drinking. A Methodist, he reads the Bible every day and attends church at least once a week.

His believe in the value of faith-based organizations grew from discussions with Marvin Olasky, one of the first proponents of "compassionate conservatism."

The new President hopes his support for faith-based initiatives will help him to build bridges with black voters, only 9% of whom voted for him in November's election.

On Sunday, Mr. Bush and his family attended a service at a black Methodist church in Washington, standing up and swaying with the rest of the congregation to a song with the refrain, "I've got a feeling everything's going to be all right."

-Daily Telegraph

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1. To share the gospel in the context of the Three Angels' Messages
2. To show the harmony between science and the Bible with special reference to our Creator God
3. To share the Health Message (the right arm of the Third Angels' Message)
4. To place the message in the context of our day with special emphasis on the deceptions which would detract from these messages
5. To reach out to intellectuals, atheists, and the secular world as well as strengthening and confirming the church in the pillars of our faith and certainty of the prophetic Word
6. To introduce people to the remnant church of God who keep the commandments of God and who hold to the testimony of Jesus Christ.

If you wish to support this ministry, and would like to see the three angels' message disseminated around the world in the form of seminars, lectures, and the internet, please consider a donation to Amazing Discoveries so that we are enabled to carry out this important work.

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December 1, 2000 - As Mad Cow Disease Spreads in Europe, Consumers Panic By SUZANNE DALEY

PARIS, Nov. 30 — It is not only the French who are in a frenzy about mad cow disease. A panic that began here several weeks ago has now spread throughout Europe.

In Germany, a hot line set up to answer questions from the public about the disease collapsed because of too many calls. In Italy, celebrities have gone on television to offer their favorite vegetarian recipes. And in Athens, angry butchers threatened to close their shops unless they were assured that the meat they were selling was safe.

Everywhere, the subject is dominating the headlines and governments are promising action. Many countries are setting up new testing programs and banning one another's beef, trying to reassure consumers that the meat they are buying is free of contamination.

But these efforts are doing little to calm consumers' fears. Europeans are not letting beef pass their lips. They are even inspecting their cosmetics and candy to see if they are made from a base of beef gelatin. Wholesalers from Spain to Germany report a drop of about 50 percent in beef sales. Butchers have seen their businesses devastated.

"It's as if we were suddenly facing bubonic plague," said Pietro Stecchiotti, a quality butcher in Rome whose clients include the Italian presidential palace. "Is it the cows, or have we gone mad?"

The wider panic was partly set off by France's reaction to its own problems. Although the number of cases of mad cow disease remains minuscule here compared with the epidemic that hit Britain in the mid-1980's, the disease has spread. More than 100 cases have been reported this year against 31 last year, though expanded testing could have contributed to the higher numbers.

Concern also increased after suspect meat got onto supermarket shelves and after a television documentary showed for the first time the human form of the disease in a French victim. The young boy, emaciated and unable to recognize anyone, is on the verge of death.

Fears were further heightened after the news that Germany and Spain had discovered their first cases of mad cow disease, also known as bovine spongiform encephalopathy.

On Wednesday, Spain announced it had detected the disease in a 5-year-old animal from the Galicia region. Officials said a second suspected case had yet to be confirmed. Two days later, Germany announced it had detected its first case, in the northern state of Schleswig-Holstein.

Moreover, Portugal and Switzerland have each had hundreds of cases. Belgium, Luxembourg and the Netherlands have also had a few. And as feed and animals have frequently been moved across borders, officials said, it is just a matter of time before other countries are hit.

"Mad cow disease knows no borders but is moving from one member state to another," Franz Fischler, the European Union's agricultural minister, said at a recent news conference. Such cross-country concern has led European countries in the past two weeks to try to outdo each other in what they could ban. Last week, Greece was one of the countries to ban French T-bone steak, a measure the French themselves had taken. But Greek officials looked as if they were in the minor leagues compared with some of their neighbors. Poland started the week with bans on beef from four European countries. On Tuesday, it banned beef from five more. Italy banned French T-bones and French meat from cows more than 18 months old. Croatia, Estonia and Latvia slapped a five-year ban on German and Spanish beef.

In some cases, these bans may not be enforceable. The European Union said it would review the new prohibitions imposed by its 15 member countries to see whether they would be approved.

The European Union also made several proposals this week, including removing from the food chain all cows over the age of 30 months that have not been tested and expanding a current ban on meat and bone meal in feed from cattle to all livestock. The measures are to be considered on Monday.

Still, the Union is unlikely to be able to do anything about spontaneous protests and consumer fear. Just this week, dozens of Italian farmers blockaded the French-Italian border, inspecting French trucks themselves for outlawed meat and animal feed, which if made of animal parts could transmit the disease.

In some countries, this growing fear is mixed with anger as consumers accuse government officials of having played down the problem. In Germany, for instance, where the first case of the disease was recorded last Friday, newspapers editorials have lambasted political leaders for falsely assuring the public that Germany was free of the disease.

"We believed the nonsense the whitewashers told us," wrote the newspaper *Welt am Sonntag*. "There probably isn't any safe haven in Europe anymore."

The *Berliner Morgenpost* agreed. "They made fools out of us with the long-winded promises that Germany is safe."

Germany now concedes that two of the country's 15 million cows and perhaps a dozen more might be infected.

But in recent years German officials had assured consumers that all was well and that no new protective steps needed to be taken. As recently as last year, Germany opposed legis-

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church, in order that everlasting righteousness may be brought in, you do not have faith. Faith works by love and purifies the soul. Through faith the Holy Spirit works in the heart to create holiness therein; but this cannot be done unless the human agent will work with Christ. We can be fitted for heaven only through the work of the Holy Spirit upon the heart; for we must have Christ's righteousness as our credentials if we would find access to the Father. In order that we may have the righteousness of Christ, we need daily to be transformed by the influence of the Spirit, to be a partaker of the divine nature. It is the work of the Holy Spirit to elevate the taste, to sanctify the heart, to ennoble the whole man." *ISM 374.1*

"It is left with us to remedy the defects in our characters, to cleanse the soul temple of every defilement. Then the latter rain will fall upon us as the early rain fell upon the disciples on the Day of Pentecost." *5T 214.2*

"Let this mind be in you, which was also in Christ Jesus, who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God. But made himself of no reputation, and took upon Him the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men. And being found in fashion as a man, He humbled Himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross." *Phil 2:5-8*

"Self-surrender is the substance of the teachings of Christ. Often it is presented and enjoined in language that seems authoritative, because there is no other way to save man than to cut away those things which, if entertained, will demoralize the whole being." *DA 523.3*

"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: not of works, lest any man should boast." *Ephesians 2:8,9*

"Go ye therefore into the highways, and as many as ye shall find, bid to the marriage. So those servants went out into the highways, and gathered together all as many as they found, both bad and good: and the wedding was fur-

nished with guests. And when the king came in to see the guests, he saw there a man which had not on a wedding garment: And he saith unto him, Friend, how camest thou in hither not having a wedding garment? And he was speechless. Then said the king to the servants, Bind him hand and foot, and take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth." *Matthew 22:9-13*

"When the Spirit of God takes possession of the heart, it transforms the life. Sinful thoughts are put away, evil deeds are renounced; love, humility, and peace take the place of anger, envy, and strife. Joy takes the place of sadness, and the countenance reflects the light of heaven. No one sees the hand that lifts the burden, or beholds the light descend from the courts above. The blessing comes when by faith the soul surrenders itself to God. Then that power which no human eye can see creates a new being in the image of God." *DA 173.1*

"Only when selfishness is dead, when strife for supremacy is banished, when gratitude fills the heart, and love makes fragrant the life--it is only then that Christ is abiding in the soul, and we are recognized as laborers together with God." *COL 402.4*

"Whosoever will be great among you, let him be your minister." *Matt. 20:26*. "In My kingdom the principle of preference and supremacy has no place. The only greatness is the greatness of humility. The only distinction is found in devotion to the service of others." *DA 650.1*

In order to receive the latter rain we must be as incorruptible as was John the Baptist. We must be temples for the indwelling Spirit of God. We must behold God, and in beholding Him lose sight of self.

"God will do the work if we furnish Him the instruments." *9T 107*

Every Christian must receive the early rain, the transforming power of the Holy Spirit in his own being, before he can receive the latter rain, the power for witnessing, and to proclaim the final message with a loud cry.

"Repent ye therefore, and be con-

verted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord." *Acts 3:19*

"Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding joy, to the only wise God our Saviour, be glory and majesty, dominion and power, both now and ever. Amen." *Jude 24*

"Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, For thy sake we are killed all the day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter. Nay, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him that loved us. For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord." *Romans 8:35*

We are heading for perilous times, a time such as never was, but let us never forget the Friend that we have in Jesus.



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name fail to become what God designed them to be; that they continue in sin and weakness, while He is willing and able to save them if they will but come to Him. The Saviour says, "What more could I have done that I have not done in it?" He has dealt with His people as a loving father with a wayward and rebellious child. But He sees grace resisted, privileges abused, opportunities slighted. Where He had a right to expect earnest, vital piety, he sees insincerity, hollow formalism, and Pharisaic pride. Neglect of light is chargeable on those whom God has entrusted with great and solemn truths. In gratitude for God's mercies, abuse of blood-bought privileges, stand registered against many in the books of heaven and are treasuring up for them wrath against the day of wrath. Vengeance will surely be visited on those who have had so great light, yet are so cold and unimpressible that no light shines from them to the world.

God has loaded us with His benefits. Immortal blessings have been poured upon us in great measure. Messengers have been sent with warnings, reproofs, and entreaties. God's servants have wept and prayed over the lukewarm state of the church. Some may arouse, but only to fall back into unconsciousness of their sin and peril. Passion, worldliness, malice, envy, pride, strife for supremacy make our churches weak and powerless. Some of Christ's ambassadors are carrying a heavy burden on their souls, because their message is treated by so many as an idle tale.

The eye of Jesus, looking down the ages, was fixed upon our time when He said, "If thou hadst known even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong to thy peace!" It is still thy day, O church of God, whom He has made the depository of His law. But this day of trust and probation is fast drawing to a close. The sun is fast westering. Can it be that it will set, and thou not know the things that belong unto thy peace? Must the irrevocable sentence be passed, "But now they are hid from thine eyes"? I tell you there is a need to be alarmed. It is time to seek God earnestly, saying with Jacob, "I will not let thee go except thou bless me." It will be of no avail to make a spasmodic effort, only to fall back into spiritual lethargy and lukewarmness. The past, with the slighted mercies, thee admonitions unheeded, the earthly passions uncorrected, the privileges unimproved, the soul temple filled with desecrated shrines,—all is recorded in the books of heaven. But most solemn moments are still before you. Because of past neglect, the efforts you make must be more earnest.

The Saviour speaks to His people, "Be zealous and repent." It is not ministers whom you have slighted; it is not the warn-

ings of men that you have rejected; it is not my delegated prophets that you have refused to hear, but your Redeemer, your only hope. If ye are destroyed, it is yourselves alone that are responsible. Ye will not come to me that ye might have a life. "O, Jerusalem, Jerusalem, how often would I have gathered thy children together as a hen doth gather her brood under her wing, and ye would not." I desire to save you, but ye would not be doers of My word. The arm strong to save, is also strong to punish. Jesus is now looking from heaven above with yearning pity upon thee, even thee in this thy day, O thoughtless, careless soul. But unless there is in our churches a general

arousing, unless there is an individual work of confessing and putting away sin, unless all shall give earnest heed to the things that belong to their peace, the words of Christ may at any moment be applicable to them: "Now they are hid from thine eyes." I entrusted thee with a solemn, sacred message of truth to be made known to others, but thou hadst been unfaithful to thy holy trust. Souls have not been enlightened, warned, and urged to repentance. Their blood will I require at thy hand.

Will our churches humble themselves before the Lord in this day of atonement? Will they put away the sins which defile their garments of character, and separate them from God? **The present is our day of visitation.** Look not to a future, more convenient season, when the cross to be lifted will be less heavy, when the inclinations of the carnal heart will be subdued with less effort. "Today," saith the Spirit of God, "if ye will hear His voice, harden not your heart." Today go about the work, else you may be one day too late. The impression that you have today may not be as strong tomorrow. Satan's snare may close about you. The candlestick may be moved out of its place, and you left in the darkness. "See that you not refuse Him that speaketh." Says the true witness, "Behold, I stand at the door and knock." Every warning, reproof and entreaty in the word of God, or through His delegated messengers, is a knock at the door of the heart; it is the voice of Jesus asking for entrance. With every knock unheeded, your determination to open becomes weaker and weaker. If the voice of Jesus is not heeded at

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once, it becomes confused in the mind with a multitude of other voices, the world's care and business engross the attention, and conviction dies away. The heart becomes less impressible, and lapses into a perilous unconsciousness of the shortness of time, and of the great eternity beyond. The heavenly Guest is standing at your door, while you are piling up obstructions to bar His entrance. Jesus is knocking through the prosperity He gives you. He loads you with blessings to test your fidelity, that they may flow out from you to others. Will you permit your selfishness to triumph? Will you squander God's talents and lose your soul through idolatrous love of the blessings He has given?

There are some whose hold on life is weakening. Disease is preying upon them. Soon will come the time for separation from all earthly things. Will they venture to trifle with God now? Will they rob Him by withholding help from His cause? Are there any who will prefer perishable, earthly treasure to the heavenly, immortal substance? Christ is making His last appeal to hearts. How importunate His entreaty, how reluctant He is to give you up to separation from His love and presence forever! Still is heard the step of Him who waiteth at your door, His voice is yet pleading for entrance; but there is a point beyond which His forbearance will not reach. Shall the words be written over the doomed doorway, "Ephraim is joined to idols: let him alone". Shall it be spoken concerning you, "He is joined to his idol of sensuality: let him alone?" "He is joined to his idol of earthly treasure: let him alone?" "He is joined to his idolatry of self: let him alone?"

The Son of righteousness may set this very day for those who have had great light and privileges, and have not improved them. You have no time to loiter, no time to consult your convenience. It is now, even now, that you are to be zealous and repent. Oh it is peace that you need - heaven's forgiveness, peace, and love in the soul. Money cannot buy it, intellect cannot procure it, wisdom cannot attain to it, but Jesus offers it as a gift. It is yours if you will but reach out your hand and grasp it. Many are weary of their half-hearted service. Their souls cry out after the living God. We are so weak, so helpless, yet so desirous for a better state of things, that we turn away from a religion that has no divine manifestation. We cannot be satisfied with a form of godliness. We must have the deep movings of the Spirit of God in the soul.

Let the minister of God in his labors lean upon the arm of Infinite Power. Let him lay bare his soul in the secret place alone before God. Let him with loathing put away soul defilement. Let the weary, discouraged soul cry as did Jacob, for the Comforter. Never trust in what you yourself can do. Your wis-

dom is but foolishness. Ever keep in heart the knowledge that we are laborers for God. The Lord is leading his church in these last days as He led ancient Israel.

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While He gives them warnings, reproofs and encouragement through His delegated servant, Christ, the angel of the covenant, who in the pillar of cloud and of fire went before the Hebrew

host, is the leader of His people today. Provoke Him not with your murmurings, by your selfish withholding from His cause, by cherishing iniquity; for in the face of great light he will not pardon your continual transgressions. The warning to the Sardis church is applicable at this time: "I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest and art dead. Be watchful, and strengthen the things which remain, that are ready to die: for I have not found thy works perfect before God. Remember therefore how thou hast received and heard, and hold fast, and repent. If therefore thou shalt not watch, I will come on thee as a thief, and thou shalt not know what hour I will come upon thee." And to us also the promise is extended, "Thou hast a few names even in Sardis which have not defiled their garments, and they shall walk with me in white: for they are worthy. He that overcometh, the same shall be clothed in white raiment, and I will not blot out his name out of the book of life, but I will confess his name before my Father and before the angels." *Revelation 3: 3-5*

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lation that proposed to take all parts of an animal that represent a high risk of carrying the disease (brain, spinal cord, eyes, parts of the intestine) out of the food and feed chain.

According to one poll conducted this week for the weekly *Die Woche*, nearly a third of Germans no longer want to eat beef. Eighty-two percent believe the federal government should have done more to prevent the spread of the disease.

In Spain, few consumers seemed inclined to listen to official assurances that the one instance of the disease reported there was an "isolated" case. Within days, the meat industry was severely affected, with slaughterhouses and meatpackers reporting a fall of 70% in animals produced for consumption.

Manuel González, secretary general of Aprosa, the meatpackers association, said that exports were "practically paralyzed."

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SUGAR- ITS EFFECTS ON THE BODY & MIND

Of all the foods consumed today, refined sugar is considered to be one of the most harmful.

In 1997 Americans devoured 7.3 billion pounds of candy. Americans spent an estimated \$23.1 billion dollars on candy and gum. The average American consumed a record 27.3 pounds of candy and gum in the same year—the equivalent of about six regular sized chocolate bars a week—marking the fifth consecutive year of increased demand.¹

Consumption of processed foods (which are laced with sugar) cost the American public more than \$54 billion in dental bills each year, so the dental industry reaps huge profits from the programmed addiction of the public to sugar products.

Today we have a nation that is addicted to sugar. In 1915, the national average of sugar consumption (per year) was around 15 to 20 pounds per person. Today the average person consumes his/her weight in sugar, plus over 20 pounds of corn syrup. To add more horrors to these facts there are some people that use no sweets and some who use much less than the average figure, which means that there is a percentage of the population that consume a great deal more refined sugar than their body weight. The human body cannot tolerate this large amount of refined carbohydrates. The vital organs in the body are actually damaged by this gross intake of sugar.

Refined sugar contains no fiber, no minerals, no proteins, no fats, no enzymes, only empty calories. What happens when you eat a refined carbohydrate like sugar? Your body must borrow vital nutrients from healthy cells to metabolize the incomplete food. Calcium, sodium, potassium and magnesium are taken from various parts of the body to make use of the sugar. Many times, so much calcium is used to neutralize the effects of sugar that the bones become osteoporotic due to the withdrawn calcium. Likewise, the teeth are affected and they lose their components until decay occurs and hastens their loss.

Refined sugar is void of all nutrients, consequently it causes the body to deplete its own stores of various vitamins, minerals and enzymes. If sugar consumption is continued, an over-acid condition results, and more minerals are needed from deep in the body to correct the imbalance. If the body is lacking the nutrients used to metabolize sugar, it

will not be able to properly handle and rid itself of the poisonous residues. These wastes accumulate through the brain and nervous system, which speeds up cellular death. The bloodstream becomes over-loaded with waste products and symptoms of carbonic poisoning result.

Sugar also makes the blood very thick and sticky, inhibiting much of the blood flow into the minute capillaries that supply our gums and teeth with vital nutrients. Therefore, we wind up with diseased gums and starving teeth. America and England, the two largest sugar consumers, have horrendous dental problems.

In 1948, a \$57,000 ten-year study was awarded to Harvard University by the Sugar Research Foundation to find out how sugar causes cavities in teeth and how to prevent it. In 1958, Time magazine reported the findings, which were reported in the Dental Association Journal. They discovered there was no way to prevent the problem and their funding immediately disappeared.

"The most significant human study was done in Sweden, reported in 1954, and known as the Vipeholm Dental Caries Study. More than 400 adult mental patients were placed on controlled diets and observed for five years. The subjects were divided into various groups. Some ate complex and simple carbohydrates at mealtimes only, while other supplemented mealtime food with between-meal-snacks, sweetened with sucrose, chocolate, caramel, or toffee. Among the conclusions drawn from the study, was that sucrose consumption could increase caries activity. The risk increased if the sucrose was consumed in a sticky form that adhered to the tooth's surfaces. The greatest damage was inflicted by foods with high concentrations of sucrose, in sticky form, eaten between meals, even if contact with the tooth's surfaces was brief. Caries, due to the intake of foods with high sucrose levels, could be decreased when such offending foods were eliminated from the diet. But individual differences existed, and in some cases, caries continued to appear despite avoidance of refined sugar or maximum restriction of natural sugars and total dietary carbohydrates."²

Diabetes is another commonly known disease caused by sugar as well as a high fat diet. Diabetes is caused by the failure of the pancreas to produce adequate insulin when the blood sugar rises. A concentrated amount of sugar introduced into the system sends the body into shock from the rapid rise in the blood sugar level. The pancreas eventually wears out from overwork and diabetes then rears its ugly head.

Hypoglycemia occurs when the pancreas overreacts to the large amount of sugar in the blood and releases too much insulin leaving one with the "tired" feeling as the blood sugar level becomes lower than it should be.

"A recent article in the British Medical Journal, entitled The Sweet Road to Gallstones, reported that refined sugar may be one of the major dietary risk factors in gallstone disease. Gallstones are composed of fats and calcium. Sugar can upset all of the minerals, and one of the minerals, calcium, can become toxic or nonfunctioning, depositing itself anywhere in the body, including the gallbladder.

"One out of ten Americans has gallstones. This risk increases to one out of every five after age forty. Gallstones may go unnoticed or may cause pain-wrenching pain. Other symptoms might include bloating, belching, and intolerance to foods."³

Another serious problem with sugar that is now coming to the forefront is the various levels of mental problems. Our brains are very sensitive and react to quick chemical changes within the body. As sugar is consumed, our cells are robbed of their B vitamin, which destroys them, and insulin production is inhibited. Low insulin production means a high sugar (glucose) level in the bloodstream, which can lead to a confused mental state or unsound mind, and has also been linked with juvenile criminal behavior. Dr. Alexander G. Schauss, brings this solemn fact out in his book, Diet, Crime and Delinquency. Many mental ward and prison inmates are "sugarholics" and erratic emotional outbreaks often follow a sugar binge.

REFINED SUGAR-A DRUG?

Refined sugar, by some, is called a drug, because in the refining process everything of food value has been removed except the carbohydrates—pure calories, without vitamins, minerals, proteins, fats, enzymes or any of the other elements that make up food. Many nutrition experts say that white sugar is extremely harmful, possibly as harmful as a drug, especially in the quantities consumed by the present-day American.

Dr. David Reuben, author of *Everything You Always Wanted to Know About Nutrition* says, "...white refined sugar is not a food. It is a pure chemical extracted from plant sources, purer in fact than cocaine, which it resembles in many ways. Its true name is sucrose and its chemical formula is **C12H22O11**. It has 12 carbon atoms, 22 hydrogen atoms, 11 oxygen atoms, and absolutely nothing else to offer."

The chemical formula for cocaine is **C17H21NO4**. Sugar's formula again is **C12H22O11**. For all practical purposes, the difference is that sugar is missing the "N", or nitrogen atom.

Refining means to make "pure" by a process of extraction or separation. Sugars are refined by taking a natural food, which contains a high percentage of sugar, and then

removing all elements of that food until only the sugar remains.

While sugar is commonly made from sugar cane or sugar beets. Through heating and mechanical and chemical processing, all vitamins, minerals, proteins, fats, enzymes and indeed every nutrient is removed until only the sugar remains. Sugar cane and sugar beets are first harvested and then chopped into small pieces, squeezing out the juice, which is then mixed with water. This liquid is then heated, and lime is added. Moisture is boiled away, and the remaining fluid is pumped into vacuum pans to concentrate the juice. By this time, the liquid is starting to crystallize, and is ready to be placed into a centrifuge machine where any remaining residues (like molasses) are spun away. The crystals are then dissolved by heating to the boiling point and passed through charcoal filters. After the crystals condense, they are bleached snow-white usually by the use of pork or cattle bones.

During the refining process, 64 food elements are destroyed. All the potassium, magnesium, calcium, iron, manganese, phosphate, and sulfate are removed. The A, D, and B, vitamins are destroyed. Amino acids, vital enzymes, unsaturated fats, and all fiber are gone.

To a lesser or greater degree, all refined sweeteners such as corn syrup, maple syrup, etc., undergo similar destructive processes. Molasses is the chemical and deranged nutrients that is a byproduct of sugar manufacture.

Sugar manufacturers are aggressive in defending their product and have a strong political lobby which allows them to continue selling a deadly food item that by all reason should not be allowed in the American diet.

If you have any doubts as to the detriments of sugar (sucrose), try leaving it out of your diet for several weeks and see if it makes a difference! You may also notice you have acquired an addiction and experience some withdrawal symptoms.

Studies show that "sugar" is just as habit-forming as any narcotic; and its use, misuse, and abuse is our nation's number one disaster. It is no wonder when we consider all the products we consume daily which are loaded with sugar! The average healthy digestive system can digest and eliminate from two to four teaspoons of sugar daily, usually without noticeable problems, (that is if damage is not already present). One 12 oz. Cola contains 11 teaspoons of sugar, and that's aside from the caffeine. It's the sugar that gives you quick energy, but only for a brief time due to the rise of the blood sugar level. But the body quickly releases a rush of insulin, which rapidly lowers the blood sugar and causes a significant drop in energy and endurance. It is easy to see why America's health is in serious trouble.

EFFECT OF SUGAR ON NEUROLOGICAL PROCESSES

One of the keys to orderly brain function is glutamic acid, and this compound is found in many vegetables. When sugar is consumed, the bacteria in the intestines, which manufacture B vitamin complexes, begin to die—these bacteria normally thrive in a symbiotic relationship with the human body. When the B vitamin complex level declines, the glutamic acid (normally transformed into “go” “no-go” directive neural enzymes by the B vitamins) is not processed and sleepiness occurs, as well as a decreased ability for short-term memory function and numerical calculative abilities. The removal of B vitamins when foods are “processed” makes the situation even more tenuous.

WHAT ABOUT GUM CHEWING?

Besides the sugar in gum being damaging to the teeth there is another harmful problem to consider and that is: “teeth and jaws weren’t designed for more than a few minutes of solid chewing per day—far less than the two hours clocked in daily by hardcore gum chewers. All this chewing results in inordinate wear on the jawbone, gum tissue and lower molars, and can change the alignment of the jaws” says Michael Elsohn, D.D.S., in the *Medical Tribune*.

By Katy Chamberlin

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Spain’s biggest single export market, Russia, which usually buys around 600 tons of Spanish beef a month, closed its borders to Iberian beef, as has Poland. Brazil has taken similar action.

At the Barceló market in central Madrid customers crowded around the fish and poultry stands, ignoring beef vendors.

Many Spanish farmers are part-timers who have second jobs in industries like construction and have little ability to hold out without sales. “I’m absolutely terrified, and I don’t know what is going to happen,” said Roberto García, who runs a herd of 20 cows in Galicia. “We are in the first stage of shock and fear of the illness, so we hope that as people realize age is the best security against the disease, they will see that Galician veal is guaranteed safe. After all, it’s mad cow disease, not mad calf disease.”

However the crisis plays out, this latest problem for the beef industry mirrors the drop in sales that all of Europe faced in 1996 after Britain conceded that there was a link between mad cow disease and its human form, Creutzfeldt-Jakob. The rest of the European Union banned British beef, and European consumption of all beef, no matter where it was raised, fell by 20-50 %.

This time, Prime Minister Tony Blair has resisted calls to ban French beef despite widespread resentment over the fact that more than a year after the European Commission ended its ban on exports of British beef France still refuses to import it. But some editorialists took a different view. “Britain is badly placed to lecture others,” said *The Independent*. “The European B.S.E. epidemic is an extension of the British epidemic, spread largely by the morally unforgivable even if legal dumping of scores of thousands of tons of suspect animal feed on the Continent after it was banned in the U.K. in 1988.”

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