

Keys to Prophecy



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#17 - God's Remnant People

☐ Turn to Daniel 12 (871)

Daniel 12:1-3 ¹ *At that time Michael shall stand up, the great prince who stands watch over the sons of your people; And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation, even to that time. And at that time your people shall be delivered, every one who is found written in the book.*

² *And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, Some to everlasting life, some to shame and everlasting contempt.*

³ *Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the firmament, And those who turn many to righteousness like the stars forever and ever.*

v.1 - Michael will stand up - To deliver God's people from an unprecedented time of trouble - Matthew 24:24 (960)
Everyone will be delivered - Whose name is found in the book - of Life
No need to fear the tribulation - No need to exit in a rapture before the tribulation - God will deliver!
If your name is in the Book of Life - Your eternal outcome is guaranteed - Forever with God

v.2 - Many come up in a resurrection - Some to everlasting life - Some to shame and everlasting contempt
Jesus virtually quoted this verse - applying it to himself - John 5:28-29 (1030) - ALL will be raised
We have seen that those two resurrections come on each end of the 1000 years - of Revelation 20 (1188)
The saved - Raised at the beginning = the 2nd Coming - Never to die again - Not to be hurt by the 2nd death
The lost - Raised at the end - To be judged and destroyed in the Lake of Fire = the 2nd death
All those whose names are NOT written in the Book of Life
We went through that scenario clearly in our last study

v.3 - The wise will shine - The redeemed will be lit up with the glory of God - Transformed - Glorified
Like stars forever - IN God's Kingdom - Live and reign 1000 years - And live on forever in the New Earth
Matthew 13:43 (948); 2 Thessalonians 1:10 (1138)

This is the END of Daniel's revelation - Now some final instructions

Daniel 12:4 *But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book until the time of the end; many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase.*

☐ v.4 - The Book

☐ Shut and seal the book - Until the Time of the End - A set time in the future from Daniel's perspective
Time of feet and toes of Daniel 2
After the 3 ½ times of Daniel 7 - The 1260 days / 42 months - reign of the Little Horn - 538-1798
Down around or after the end of the 2300 of Daniel 8 - Which reaches to 1844 - In the time of the end

Then - Many will run to and fro, and knowledge will increase

The context = running to and fro in the pages of the closed book - at the time when it is opened

The study and understanding of Daniel's book will increase - at the "time of the end"

So we can expect there to be a point of time - After 1798 - Down around the end of the 2300

When interest in and understanding of the book of Daniel will dramatically open up

Daniel 12:5-7 ⁵Then I, Daniel, looked; and there stood two others, one on this riverbank and the other on that riverbank. ⁶ And one said to the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river,

"How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders be?"

⁷Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who was above the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that it shall be for a time, times, and half a time; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these things shall be finished.

v.5 - Daniel notices two other beings - A being on each side of the river

v.6 This is in addition to the one clothed in linen hovering above the waters of the river

Daniel has been aware of this being clothed in linen over the river all along

In Daniel 10 (868) - Daniel was by the Tigris River (v.4)

He sees a man clothed in linen - Described in detail - Which matches the man in Revelation 1

Who there (in Revelation 1) is clearly none other than Jesus Christ - acting as our High Priest

Daniel then receives a lengthy explanation that goes through chapters 10 and 11 - ending in 12:4

One of the beings on the river bank asks the one clothed in linen who is above the river

☐ UNTIL WHEN... - How long will the fulfillment of these wonders be

This is so similar to Daniel 8:13 (866) - When two heavenly beings are talking - And one asks a question

And the other answers the question - speaking directly to Daniel

Followed by a man's voice speaking from between the banks of the river

Telling Gabriel to make Daniel understand the vision

v.7 Now the one in linen over the river answers the question to Daniel

He holds up both hands toward heaven - Swears by God who lives forever and ever

☐ That it will be 3½ times - During which there will be a shattering of God's holy people

Then all these things will be finished

Remember Daniel 7 - 3½ times - The Little Horn making war on the saints and prevailing

Persecuting the saints - Prevailing against them - Shattering God's holy people

But then there is a judgment - The Little Horn is judged, condemned and destroyed

Christ receives the kingdom - And gives it back to the Saints

And in Revelation 12 (1182) - The dragon chasing the woman (God's church) into the wilderness

Where she is protected and fed - For 1260 days (v.6) - And 3½ times (v.14)

And in Revelation 13 (1183) - The beast making war on the saints and overcoming them (v.7)

For 42 months (v.5)

So the question here is - How long until these things will be fulfilled?

The answer - After the 3½ have times of the shattering of God's people - by the Little Horn

THEN all will be finished

Daniel 12:8-10 ⁸Although I heard, I did not understand. Then I said, "My lord, what shall be the end of these things?"

⁹And he said, "Go your way, Daniel, for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

¹⁰Many shall be purified, made white, and refined, but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand, but the wise shall understand.

v.8 - Daniel did not understand - He asks again - "Lord, what will be the end of these things?"

v.9 - God declines further information - "Go your way - The words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end"

So - The book of Daniel is to be closed and sealed until when? - The TIME OF THE END

Until after the 3 ½ times are over - Or until around 1798

THEN - by inference -

- ❑ The book will be opened - Many will run to and fro in the book - Knowledge of the prophecies will increase
- ❑ Then will come a time period known as the TIME of the END

v.10 - Then - Many will be purified - made white - refined - A maturing of the righteous

But the wicked will do wickedly - A maturing of wickedness

The wheat and tares are to grow together until the harvest is mature - Matthew 13:31 (948)

Which is at the end of the age (v.39)

Restraints will be removed until wickedness is unimpeded in our world - 2 Thessalonians 2:5-12 (1138)

At which point it will be destroyed by the brightness of Jesus' coming

The wicked won't understand the prophecies of Daniel even when they are unsealed - But the wise will!

- ❑ So I believe that a time period called the "Time of the End" begins around 1798 and ends with Christ's 2nd coming - Which is the "End of Time"
- ❑ This "Time of the End" is the time of Judgment - and Restoration - and Final things - As detailed in Revelation

So - Daniel 12 says that - The book of Daniel will be sealed till the time of the end

The question is asked - Until when

The answer: Until the end of the 3½ times - Then all things will be finished

The 3½ times matches Daniel 7 - And is repeated five places in Revelation

as 3½ times (12:14) - 1260 days (11:3; 12:6) - 42 months (11:2; 13:5)

All of which deal with issues relating to the reign of the medieval apostasy -

From the uprooting of the third of the 10 horns in 538 - To the inflicting of the deadly wound

When France ended the civil power of the medieval papacy in 1798

So the "time of the end" begins in 1798 with the wounding of the Little Horn

And what should we expect to find concerning the book of Daniel at about that time?

An increase in interest - as many run to and fro in the pages of the book

An increase in understanding - as the book is unsealed

And what part was specifically stated earlier as sealed? - Daniel 8:26 (867)

The vision ("moreh") of the evening-morning

The specific sealed part of Daniel is the 2300 evening-morning prophecy of 8:14

Pointing to the time of restoration in the Time of the End

Now - Turn to Revelation 10 (1181)

Revelation 10:1-7 *¹I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow was on his head, his face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire. ²He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land, ³and cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices.*

⁴Now when the seven thunders uttered their voices, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, "Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them."

⁵The angel whom I saw standing on the sea and on the land raised up his hand to heaven ⁶and swore by Him who lives forever and ever, who created heaven and the things that are in it, the earth and the things that are in it, and the sea and the things that are in it, that there should be delay no longer, ⁷but in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, the mystery of God would be finished, as He declared to His servants the prophets.

v.1 - A mighty angel coming down from heaven -

Clothed in white - Rainbow around his head - Face like the sun - Feet like pillars of fire

Description matches several items in Revelation 1:15-16 (1174) and Daniel 10:6 (868) - Jesus?

v.2 - He has a little book in his hand - What is the condition of that book? - It is OPEN

He set his right foot on the sea and left foot on the land

v.3 - And cried with a loud voice - For all to hear

So we have a special messenger with a special message (14:6-9; 16:1; 18:2) - for the whole world to hear

Then the seven thunders speak

- v.4 John is about to write what the thunders said - But is told to seal that up and don't write it down
So we are not to know what the seven thunders said
- v.5 - The angel standing on the sea and land - lifts one hand toward heaven - The other hand held the little open book
- v.6 He swore by him who lives forever and ever - Who is the Creator of all things
That there shall be "time no longer" - The Greek word is "chronos" - Time - not "delay" as NKJV translates
- v.7 - But that in the days of the sounding of the 7th angel - The mystery of God would be finished
As declared to his servants the prophets - Which prophet in particular? - Daniel

Do you see the similarity

- Look at this chart comparing Daniel 12 with Revelation 10

Daniel 12:4-9	<input type="checkbox"/> Revelation 10:1-8
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> v.6: Man clothed in linen (white) <input type="checkbox"/> v.6: Stands above the water <input type="checkbox"/> v.4: Book SHUT and sealed until the time of the end <input type="checkbox"/> v.6: Question: "Until when" will these wonders be fulfilled? <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: Hands lifted to heaven <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: Swore by him who lives forever <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: That is shall be for a time, times and half a time <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: When the power of the holy people has been completely shattered <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: All these things shall be finished <input type="checkbox"/> v.9: Go. The words are closed and sealed till the time of the end 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> v.1: Angel clothed in a cloud (white) <input type="checkbox"/> v.2,8: Stands on sea and land <input type="checkbox"/> v.2,8: Little Book OPEN <input type="checkbox"/> v.5: Hand lifted to heaven <input type="checkbox"/> v.6: Swore by him who lives forever <input type="checkbox"/> v.6: There shall be "time no longer" <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: In the days when the seventh angel is about to sound <input type="checkbox"/> v.7: The mystery of God would be finished as the prophets declared <input type="checkbox"/> v.8: Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel

The tie in is clear

A similar angel in the a similar position - with similar actions and words
In Daniel: declares 3½ times - In Revelation: declares "time is up"

The difference is in the condition of the book -
In Daniel: The book is closed and sealed till the time of the end
In Revelation - Now that time is up - The book is opened

Daniel is told that the book will be sealed till the time of the end - Until the end of the 3½ times = 1798
John is told that the time is up - And the book is now open
It is time to "run to and fro" in the pages of the book - And learn what it has to say
It is time for the mystery of God to be finished - The end of the Great Controversy is at hand

Revelation 10 chronicles the opening of the book of Daniel in the time of the End - 1798 and following
Now - watch what happens

- Revelation 10:8-11 ⁸Then the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, "Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the earth."
- ⁹So I went to the angel and said to him, "Give me the little book." And he said to me, "Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."
- ¹⁰Then I took the little book out of the angel's hand and ate it, and it was as sweet as honey in my mouth. But when I had eaten it, my stomach became bitter.
- ¹¹And he said to me, "You must prophesy again about many peoples, nations, tongues, and kings."

- v.8 - Go - Take the book from the angel
- v.9 - John goes to the angel - "Give me the book"

- The angel instructs John what to do with this book - Eat it
- The angel also tells John what to expect in this eating experience - It will be a sweet-bitter experience
- Sweet in Mouth - It is going to taste great
- Bitter Stomach - But it will not set well - a bitter aftermath

v.10 - John eats the book - And sure enough - It tastes great - but then his stomach sours

v.11 - Now - John is told to get up - You must prophecy about (epi - upon, concerning) the whole world

Ezekiel 2:9-3:14 (802) - Ezekiel had a similar experience - Eat the scroll - Understand the message - Proclaim it

- 2:9-10 *⁹Now when I looked, there was a hand stretched out to me; and behold, a scroll of a book was in it. ¹⁰Then He spread it before me; and there was writing on the inside and on the outside, and written on it were lamentations and mourning and woe.*

Ezekiel sees a scroll - or book - and it is open

- 3:1-3 *¹Moreover He said to me, "Son of man, eat what you find; eat this scroll, and go, speak to the house of Israel." ²So I opened my mouth, and He caused me to eat that scroll. ³And He said to me, "Son of man, feed your belly, and fill your stomach with this scroll that I give you." So I ate, and it was in my mouth like honey in sweetness.*

It was sweet in his mouth

- 3:10-11 *¹⁰Moreover He said to me: "Son of man, receive into your heart all My words that I speak to you, and hear with your ears. ¹¹And go, get to the captives, to the children of your people, and speak to them and tell them, 'Thus says the Lord GOD,' whether they hear, or whether they refuse."*

Eating the scroll means - To receive the message of God into the heart - Hear - Listen - Proclaim

- 3:14 *¹⁴So the Spirit lifted me up and took me away, and I went in bitterness, in the heat of my spirit; but the hand of the LORD was strong upon me.*

There was a bitter aftermath

Jesus told people to eat his flesh and drink his blood - John 6:51-59 (1032)

Both are symbolic of taking God's word-message into our minds and hearts

- v.10 - John eats the book - Which symbolizes taking in and digesting the message of the book
- In this case - The prophecies of Daniel - Especially those which had been closed and sealed
- And which part was that? - Specifically the 2300 evening-morning of Daniel 8:14
- And sure enough - It tastes great - but then his stomach sours
- The message seems great at first - But then there follows a bitter aftermath

- v.11 - Now - John is told to get up - You must prophecy with a message for the whole world
- The opening of the sealed part of Daniel will result in the discovery of a message the whole world must hear
- And a command to proclaim that message - with prophetic clarity, boldness and power

Revelation 11:1 *Then I was given a reed like a measuring rod. And the angel stood, saying, "Rise and measure the temple of God, the altar, and those who worship there."*

- 11:1 Handed a measuring rod - Told to RISE AND MEASURE the temple - altar - worshipers
- Measuring means something similar to eating - To survey and understand - and learn the message given

This concept comes from an experience of the prophet Ezekiel

- Ezekiel 40:2-5 (844) *²In the visions of God He took me into the land of Israel and set me on a very high mountain; on it toward the south was something like the structure of a city. ³He took me there, and behold, there was a man whose appearance was like the appearance of bronze. He had a line of flax and a measuring rod in his hand, and he stood in the gateway.*

⁴And the man said to me, "Son of man, look with your eyes and hear with your ears, and fix your mind on everything I show you... Declare to the house of Israel everything you see." ⁵In the man's hand was a measuring rod six cubits long... and he measured the width of the wall structure, one rod; and the height, one rod.

The angel and Ezekiel go around and measure all the various aspects of this temple
Then the angels instruct Ezekiel...

- Ezekiel 43:10-11 (848) *¹⁰Son of man, describe the temple to the house of Israel, that they may be ashamed of their iniquities; and let them measure the pattern. ¹¹And if they are ashamed of all that they have done, make known to them the design of the temple... all its ordinances... and all its laws... so that they may keep its whole design and all its ordinances, and perform them.*

Notice - The measuring is to lead to a spiritual understanding - and appropriate response
So that the people can understand and respond to the message that comes from the survey

- Measure: Temple = The plan of salvation as seen in the Daily and Yearly services
 - Altar = Sacrifice of Christ, Personal Salvation - JUSTIFICATION
 - Worshipers = Spiritual growth, SANCTIFICATION - Ephesians 4:13 (1126); 2 Peter 3:18 (1168)
- Notice the Balancing of Law and Gospel - As we have already seen in Revelation 12:17 and 14:12

What do we see happening? - What is predicted?

The book of Daniel will be unsealed and opened when the 3½ times are completed - Around 1798

What will the digesting of this prophetic book result in? - What kind of experience?

A sweet experience which has a bitter aftermath

From which God's people will rise to give a message to the whole world

Which includes and focuses on a measuring - re-understanding - of the sanctuary

Remember Daniel 8:14 - In the time of the end - at the end of the 2300 - the sanctuary is to be restored

Do you see the interplay of these prophecies?

So - The big question is - Did anything significant happen around 1798 concerning the prophecies of Daniel?

Has this prophecy been fulfilled? -

We live far enough past that point that we should be able to look back and see something real

History bears out that there was an independent explosion of interest and understanding of Daniel after 1798

South America - Manuel DeLaCunza - a Catholic Priest

England - Charles Irving - an Anglican

Middle East - Joseph Wolf - a converted Jew

Europe - Faber

North America - William Miller - a Baptist - Let's look at his story

William Miller was a New England farmer - an agnostic - a deist - who fought in the war of 1812

Deists believe that God made the world - like a watchmaker makes a watch

But that God is not personally involved in the day to day events of the world - or in our lives

God wound the world up like a watch - and left it to run on its own

To a Deist life is about personal integrity - honesty - citizenship - patriotism - Hard work

As set forth in the Bible

But there is nothing to a "personal relationship" with God or Jesus

During the war of 1812

Miller was an army captain with a group of soldiers up around Lake Champlain - on the Canadian border

He saw some things in the war that challenged his thinking about God - and deism

He experienced what appeared to be providential survival - when he and his men should have died

He discovered that his deism had no answer to the problem of death - which he saw all around him

Back home in 1816 - Miller began to read his Bible - Decided to start in Genesis - Read slowly and systematically

To proceed no further or faster than he could understand what he read in light of what came before it

Soon Miller could say - "the Scriptures... became my delight, and in Jesus I found a friend"

By 1818 - Miller had studied from Genesis through to the book of Daniel - And studied through to Daniel 8 and 9
 By this time Miller had become a Christian believer - And a deep student of history and prophecy
 Miller concluded that the 2300 evening-morning prophecy of Daniel 8:14 - referred to 2300 years
 And connecting it with the 70 weeks of Daniel 9 - Concluded the 2300 would end "about the year 1843"
 Similar conclusions were published by over 80 other Bible students around the world during this time

What would happen then? - Miller accepted the common view of the Bible teachers of his day...
 That the sanctuary referred to the earth - which would be cleansed by fire at Jesus' 2nd coming
 Now - The idea of a literal 2nd coming was not popular in Miller's day
 Most churches were teaching that mankind would bring in a millennium of peace
 through applying technology, education, medicine, etc.
 We would clean this world up - And sort of invite God to come and join us

Regarding the conclusion that Jesus would return and the world would end in about 25 years...
 Miller wrote - "I need not speak of the joy that filled my heart"
 But Miller was just a farmer - not a preacher - So he continued studying - keeping his conclusions to himself
 After all - If his conclusions were correct - Certainly God would raise up preachers to proclaim it
 13 years passed - while Miller continued to diligently study the Bible

By 1831 - Miller was being strongly convicted that he should proclaim what he had learned from Daniel
 "Tell it to the world!" - That Jesus' 2nd coming was just a dozen years away
 He put it off - "I'm not a preacher" - God kept convicting - Miller kept stalling

Then one Saturday in 1832 - After a time of Bible study - Miller rose to go about his chores
 The phrase - "Go tell it to the world" - came into his mind with sudden, incredible force
 Miller sat back down - "I can't go, Lord" - He rehearsed again all the reason why he could not go
 After a long struggle - Miller reluctantly made a solemn covenant with God - In his own words...
 "If I should have an invitation to speak publicly in any place,
 I will go and tell them what I find in the Bible about the Lord's coming"
 Miller was now at peace - He was 50 years old - No one had ever asked him to preach - So much for that

But Miller was in for a rude awakening
 Within 30 minutes after Miller struck his bargain with God - There was a knock on Miller's farm house door
 A young man stood there who had walked 16 miles - Miller asked what he wanted
 The boy replied that his father - a local Justice of the Peace - needed Miller's help
 There was no preacher for their church the next day - Sunday
 "Would Miller be willing to come and talk to the people on the subject of the Lord's coming?"

Miller turned and stomped out of the house - to a nearby grove of trees - And argued with God for an hour
 Unable to extricate himself from his covenant with God - Miller finally gave in
 He returned inside and told the young man that he would come
 The next day - Sunday - He preached on the 2nd Coming - And was asked to stay on for the week
 He preached every night that week - And started a fire - of revival - Focusing on Jesus soon return

This kicked off what became known as the Great Advent Awakening of the 1830s and 40s
 It picked up steam - The fire spread - Other preachers joined in proclaiming the message
 Not only did they preach an unpopular message of the literal return of Jesus
 But they used the prophecies to show that he would return "about the year 1843"

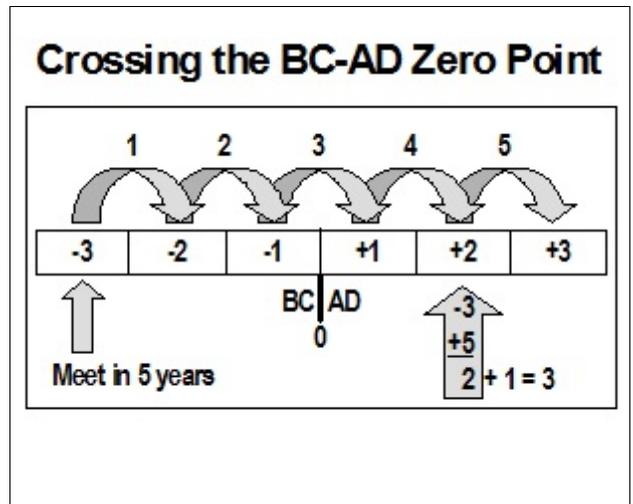
Hundreds of thousands of people were on board by 1843 -
 There was an air of expectation all over the settled United States at that time
 As the year progressed - Great campmeetings were held in New England
 Tents were erected that held upwards of 20,000 people
 Railroad companies put in temporary tracks to transport the people
 Many ridiculed and criticized
 Many got on board as a fire escape - To hedge their bet just in case it was true
 But at the core was a group who truly loved Jesus and longed for his return
 And many of these were formally tried and ejected from their church memberships
 for the heresy of believing in a literal soon return of Jesus

Up through 1842 - Miller left the date of Jesus' return somewhat nebulous - "Around the year 1843"
 In late 1842 - Based on the typology of the Hebrew religious year...
 Miller further concluded that Jesus would come between Passover 1843 and Passover 1844
 Passover is in the spring of the year
 From spring 1843 to spring 1844 - the momentum of the message continued to build
 As the spring of 1844 came - and then passed - A sense of anxiety began to set in - even disappointment
 Jesus had not come - Many began to question the whole message

Then couple things happened that revitalized the movement

1. Someone discovered the math correction when crossing the BC-AD time threshold

- Remember this diagram - We looked at it when we studied Daniel 9 - Let's look at it once more
- If at some point in 3 BC I said I would meet you at the same time in five years
- Do the math: -3 plus $5 = 2$ - I would meet you in 2 AD
- But now look at the arrows above the time line
- From -3 to -2 is 1 year
- From -2 to -1 is the 2nd year
- From -1 to $+1$ is the 3rd year
- From $+1$ to $+2$ is the 4th year
- And from $+2$ to $+3$ is the 5th year
- When worked out on a time line
- You have to do normal math and add one year -
- There is no zero year - Just a zero point
- So that moved the year of expectation to 1844
- And hope revived!



- 2. As the summer of 1844 come around -
- A young preacher named Samuel S. Snow
- tied the "cleansing of the Sanctuary" -
- to the Day of Atonement - Yom Kippur
- Which - according to the Ashkenazie Jews -
- that year would occur on October 22
- And the whole movement was electrified - amplified - Jesus would come on October 22
- Prepare yourself for the end of the world and the 2nd coming of Jesus

The true believers did not harvest their crops that fall -

They would not need to store up for this winter - They would winter in heaven
 That is even better than wintering in Arizona!!

Savings were emptied - To pay for printing and tents and travel costs - To proclaim the message

And when the day finally came -

Believers gathered in groups all over New England - Waiting for Jesus to come

They were broke - tired - exhausted from the push to tell the world - of visiting - pleading - praying

They waited all day - The sun began to set - Jesus had not come

They reminded each other - The bridegroom in Jesus' parable came at midnight

Jesus will come at midnight - And they sang into the night

But as midnight passed - they fell into bitter weeping - disappointment - sadness - deep depression

They had believed so strong - worked so hard - expected so genuinely - Now NOTHING

Their actions had proven the genuineness of their belief - They were sincere

But the outcome proved the error of their belief - They were wrong

Now Jesus had not come - And they had to face another New England winter on earth

With crops still in the field - Bank accounts depleted - No food canned - No wood split and stacked
 No preparations made

Their own accounts tell us that they wept and wept - Could hardly get out of bed for several days
Exhausted - Crushed - Consumed with sorrow

Oh - the masses who only believed as fire escape - heaved a great sigh of relief -
swallowed their embarrassment - and returned to life as usual

But the core believers - who truly loved Jesus and His return - and gave their all to the movement
took weeks and months to regain their equilibrium

As soon as they could - They began to meet in little groups and ask -

What happened? - Where were we wrong?

They restudied all the prophecies - Rechecked their calculations and conclusions - Could find no fault

But this *sanctuary* concept kept coming up - They began to ask a crucial question - What is the sanctuary?

And over time - light dawned - that nowhere in Scripture is the earth ever called the sanctuary

Only two sanctuaries are mentioned in Scripture -

The earthly Hebrew tabernacle-tent-temple - AND

The heavenly tabernacle after which the earthly is patterned

Exodus 25:8-9 (75); Hebrews 8:4-5 (1152)

So what was this "cleansing" or "restoration" that was to happen at the end of the 2300?

And as a result of their questions - They began to restudy the sanctuary - to re-measure the sanctuary

In the sanctuary they began to discover truths -

About the judgment - as pre-figured on the Day of Atonement - Seen in Daniel 7 and Revelation 4-7

About God's law - Found in the Ark of the Covenant - And the forgotten Sabbath commandment

About the 1st and 2nd Death - The sleep of the 1st death - The annihilation of the 2nd death

They began see the vision that truth was to be recovered and proclaimed in the time of the end

The truth of a God of pure LOVE - Who needs no FEAR-threat to back up his appeals of love

And THEN - They discovered this prophecy in Revelation 10

That a group would go through a sweet-bitter experience with the book of Daniel after 1798

Then rise to give a message to the whole world - Including a re-measuring of the Sanctuary

Without realizing it - They had been part of the fulfilling of that prophecy

- You see - Revelation predicts that God will raise up an end-time people - to prepare the world for Jesus' 2nd coming
- A people who come out of a sweet-bitter experience with the book of Daniel - after 1798
A people rooted in prophetic interpretation and understanding
- A people who rise to proclaim a message to the whole world
- A message rooted in a renewed understanding of the sanctuary - A re-measuring of the sanctuary
Bringing about the fulfillment of the "restoration of the sanctuary" at the end of the 2300
- Helping to restore many of the truths - which were cast down for so long
- which had resulted in monstrous things to be said about God
Like Satan's original lie about death - and the resulting conclusions about eternal torment in hell
- A people who keep all the commandments of God - Including the 4th - the Sabbath
- and have the Testimony of Jesus - the Gospel of Jesus Christ - the faith of Jesus
A people upholding God's law without damaging the pure Gospel of salvation
A people understanding the balance between law and grace

A people who proclaim the 3 angels messages - Which are the everlasting Good news for the End Time

- ☐ **1st Angel** - Fear God - Not the dragon
Worship God as Creator - pointing to the forgotten Sabbath of the 4th commandment
It is God's Judgment time - It is the End Time - It is decision time
Time is running out - Jesus is coming soon
- ☐ **2nd Angel** - Warning that Babylon is fallen - The corrupt religious systems are going down - SOON
Along with the invitation of another mighty angel in Revelation 18
Calling God's people to come out of Babylon before she sinks

Turn to Revelation 18:1-8 (1186)

¹After these things I saw another angel coming down from heaven, having great authority, and the earth was illuminated with his glory. ²And he cried mightily with a loud voice, saying, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and has become a dwelling place of demons, a prison for every foul spirit, and a cage for every unclean and hated bird! ³For all the nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth have become rich through the abundance of her luxury."

⁴And I heard another voice from heaven saying, "Come out of her, my people, lest you share in her sins, and lest you receive of her plagues. ⁵For her sins have reached to heaven, and God has remembered her iniquities. ⁶Render to her just as she rendered to you, and repay her double according to her works; in the cup which she has mixed, mix double for her. ⁷In the measure that she glorified herself and lived luxuriously, in the same measure give her torment and sorrow; for she says in her heart, 'I sit as queen, and am no widow, and will not see sorrow.' ⁸Therefore her plagues will come in one day—death and mourning and famine. And she will be utterly burned with fire, for strong is the Lord God who judges her."

The 2nd Angel's message is augmented by this mighty angel - whose glory illuminates the world

It is an enlightening message to be told you are on a sinking ship - In time for you to get off

Then another voice from heaven confirms the angel's message - Inviting people to exit into the life boat

- ☐ "Come out of her, my people" - Now - Time is short - Babylon will go down suddenly
And if you wait to get off a sinking ship until she starts to slide under the waves - It is too late
She will suck you down with her

v.21 *Then a mighty angel took up a stone like a great millstone and threw it into the sea, saying, "Thus with violence the great city Babylon shall be thrown down, and shall not be found anymore."*

This world's systems of false worship - false doctrine - false teachings about God - are going to sink

They will sink under the triumphant proclamation of truth - The end-time restoration

They will sink under the direct judgment of God - He will bring them down

There will be nothing left but smoke and ash - Like Sodom and Gomorrah

God is calling His faithful followers to step out - Step away from the false teachings

To be part of the restoration of truth - And the proclamation of truth to the World in the End time

Stepping out of the old - and into the new - Is a matter of serious, immediate importance

We must separate from error - Or that error will suck us down

We must get off the sinking ship of this world - And its teachings of deception and false doctrine

And into the lifeboat of God's restored grace and truth

So God's last day people will not only be warning about the imminent fall of Babylon

But also giving an invitation to come out of the false into the true - To identify - To participate

- ☐ **3rd Angel** - Warning people to refuse the Mark of the Beast - Satan's counterfeit - No matter how dire his threats
God can protect you from the wrath of Satan
And if he does kill you - Jesus is the resurrection and the life - You will rise at the 2nd coming
But Satan cannot protect you from the wrath of God - When He lets out his glory at His coming
So just ignore the threats of the dragon - and instead to be part of..
- ☐ A people who follow Jesus wherever he leads - Waiting patiently for his return - That 144,000
A remnant people with a mission and message for the whole world

I have done my best to share the core of that message with you over these past 15 nights
I have found only one group of people on planet earth - who fit the criteria of this movement in Revelation
That is the group who call themselves Seventh-day Adventists
The direct descendants of those who were so disappointed in 1844 when Jesus did not come
Who God allowed to go through that sweet-bitter experience -
so they would ask new questions - and discover new truths

The Seventh-day Adventist "denomination" is not the fulfillment of Bible prophecy
And joining a particular denomination will never save you - or make you part of God's remnant
The prophecy is about a people with a message and mission in fulfillment of the prophecy
And such a people exist tonight - The message is going out all over the world as we speak

Whether one is part of the Seventh-day Adventist church is not the issue - It is about the message and mission
But the Seventh-day Adventists are the only organized group on planet earth
The only one I know of - Who carry this message and mission - fulfilling Revelation's prophecy

The question for you - now - is... - How will you respond to the things you have heard?
It is no accident that you came to this seminar - I believe it was a Divine appointment
Part of God's plan for your life
God does not give us new understandings - to just sit on them - and continue with life as before
God brings new truth to call us to a new experience - to a new mission

We live in the End Time - Jesus is coming soon - A lost world needs to hear the message
God is calling people to band together as a team - to take this message to the world
That is what this church is trying to do

What are you going to do?