

Readers' Questions and Criticism

Criticism on the Article of Ezekiel 9 :

Dear Brother Johannes,

I appreciate your wanting to send this information to me but I am concerned that the parallel to Ezekiel 9 has been grossly stretched. Not only that, we should be careful not to neither condemn nor try to specify or isolate God to one religious body. God is trying to save as many as His can. Although there may be errors in men and in operations we must remember that the grace given to us must be shared to all. The spirit of hatred and condemnation are not of God. In fact it is in the book of Revelation that we know that the accuser of the brethren accuses them night and day. Let's be sure not to stretch truth to fit our own disappointments and anger. And we must also try the spirits to see if they be of God. God has always warned His people in love. Solomon tells us that a kind word turns away wrath. How can we hope to save those who are 7th day Adventists with condemnation? We must redirect them to the love of God. I pray that the love of God overwhelms you and brings you back into a position where He can use you as an instrument of His divine love and plan of salvation for all people.

If you really believe in the Spirit of Prophecy then you would seek to better understand its purpose from a Biblical standpoint as it relates Biblically to the acceptance of Jesus, His life and His ministry. Everything we preach and teach must be revealed from the character of the one who hung on the cross to save all mankind! Not just seventh-day Adventists.

In God's service,

Answer :

Dear Brother Te---,

Thank you very much for your kind comment on the article of Ezekiel 9. I do not know how long have you been baptized in the Denomination of SDA and how far your background of knowledge and experience is, but I dare say that you are not at all careful to read the article unto the details. You are too suspicious against such articles, because they do not come from the General Conference leadership, and then too soon to condemn me as the accuser of the brethren in the Church. Why have you failed to see how God through His servants (Ezekiel, John the Revelator,

and Ellen G. White etc.) have accused u s so badly in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY?

We appreciate much your criticism, but please are honest and rational. As rational beings we are always ready to be corrected as long as those based upon the Law and the Testimony of Jesus Christ, which is THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, as the By Law. So if you talk of “grace”, “love”, “hate”, and so on, you must know what is meant by those things in the words of God before addressing them to me.

Do not deceive yourself by pretending to know The Spirit of Prophecy, because no single prophecy of the Bible has ever been interpreted in Seventh - day Adventist churches even up to now. Whereas the founder of the Church, Mrs. Ellen G. White has ever warned us:

“In ancient times God spoke to men by the mouth of prophets and apostles (in the Bible). In these days (in this time of the end). He speaks to them by the t e s t i m o n i e s o f H i s S p i r i t. There was never a time when God instructed His people more earnestly than He instructs them now concerning His will, and the course that He would have them pursue” – Evangelism, p. 255, 256 (In brackets added).

The Testimonies of His Spirit in this time of the end would include all the interpretations of the Bible prophecies and the parables of Jesus. And these all have been provided us in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, which is specifically addressed by the Lord to the Laodiceans of SDA. Do you believe this?

You have to know that Jesus is now in heaven, and He is now represented among us by His Spirit. And by His Spirit He has ever inspired the Apostle Peter to write the following words:

“We have also a more sure word of prophecy ; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts : Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation. For the prophecy came not in the old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.” – 2 Peter 1 : 19, 20, 21.

All the prophecies of the Bible came through the holy men (the prophets) of God, not by their own will. And the interpretations of those prophecies in the time of the end would also be accomplished through the prophets. This has been reminded us ever since the time of the prophet Amos when he said: “Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealeth His secret unto His servants t h e p r o p h e t s.” – Amos 3 : 7.

So (according to Jesus' words in John 16 : 13) we are now living in the time wherein the Spirit of Truth has led us not only into ALL TRUTH, but to the THINGS TO COME as well. And the THINGS TO COME means the interpretations of all the Bible prophecies and the parables of Jesus, to be found only in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY. The SPIRIT OF PROPHECY is not the Spirit of God; it is the written Testimonies of His Spirit, to be found only in the Laodicean Church of SDA.

Problems of Salvation

The main problem of salvation for our people now is how to repent of all our sins, which are the transgressions of the Law. To this end the prophet Moses ever reminded us as follows:

“The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, THAT WE MAY DO (OBEY) ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LAW.” – Deuteronomy 29 : 29.

Those things which are revealed in the Bible and in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY belong to us (Laodiceans) that we may obey and do all the words of THE TEN COMMANDMENTS. Therefore, it is now clear that The Law of Ten Commandments would be The Basic Law or Constitution of the Kingdom of Heaven, and The Bible and all its interpretations in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY would be The By Law or the Rules of Implementation of the Ten Commandments. So for every one of us to criticize something of his fellow believer, the prophet Isaiah has warned: *“To the Law and to the Testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.” – Isaiah 8 : 20.*

The love of God has been specified into Ten Commandments. As long as God lives the Ten Commandments would be immutable, because it is the Basic Law. The testimony as the By Law, however, is changeable. It has been changed several times since the beginning of creation up to this day. In the time of the Old Testament, it is called “The Testimony.” In the New Testament era it is called “The Testimonies of Jesus Christ.” (Revelation 12 : 17). And in the time of the end, after all THINGS TO COME have been provided us, it is again promoted to be called, THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY (Revelation 19 : 10).

Why are the ministers lacking the knowledge of THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY ?

THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY is a combination of the Third Angel's Message of Revelation 14 : 6 – 9 by Sister White, and the Fourth Angel's message of

Revelation 18 : 1 by Bro. Victor T. Houteff. The one is well-known among us as The Spirit of Prophecy and the other as The Shepherd's Rod. Although we have been familiar with Sister White and her message, we have failed to know that without the new light of the new message of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1, the earth could not be enlightened. That is, the Bible as the light of the world could not be fully comprehended. This is the reason why in her interpretation on the new message of Revelation 18 : 1, (*“And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.”*), Sister White wrote:

“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 its glory.” – **Early Writings, p. 277.**

Angel in the book of Revelation stands for several objects. The crying angel symbolizes a message, such as the first, the second, and the third angel of Revelation 14 : 6 – 9. The silent angel always symbolizes a people or a leadership, such as the angel of the Laodicean Church, which symbolizes The General Conference of SDA and all its ministers in the world.

Seventh-Day Adventists should have known for sure that the third angel's message of Revelation 14, symbolizes the message of the Spirit of Prophecy by Sister Ellen G. White. The Spirit of Prophecy alone is not powerful enough to enlighten the earth. It must be combined with the message of the Shepherd's Rod of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1 by Brother Victor T. Houteff. So by the combination of those two messages in the so-called THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY of Revelation 19 : 10 (margin), then is the earth to be enlightened, beginning in our own Church of Seventh - day Adventist. Only then could we say as did the prophet David of old, when he said: *“Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path.”* – **Psalm 119 : 105.**

However, if the last message of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1 in the Shepherd's Rod publications continues to be rejected in the churches, then you may be sure that the ALL TRUTH in the Spirit of Prophecy of Mrs. White could never be fully digged out and digested. And you may lose all the knowledge of the THINGS TO COME as well as provided us in the Shepherd's Rod.

Saved by Grace

Through the process of “saved by grace”, every one of us has been invited by the Lord into this Denomination through the Testimonies of Jesus Christ. This, however, does not mean that we are worthy to be saved, but because of His love

toward us, whereas we are still in the habit of transgressing the law. So, if we accept the invitation, then the process of saving by grace is finished, and then we will be instructed to build faith in the Lord. This second process is called righteousness by faith or justification through faith. Here we will be provided with the message of the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY step by step, while our faith or belief in the message must be activated in the practical religion. After this step is finished we will be granted saved by Christ Righteousness. Here our status is promoted to be called “the just” or the citizen of the Kingdom of Heaven. With this status in hand we will be guaranteed as follows:

“Come now, and let us reason together, saith the Lord : though your sins be as scarlet, they shall be as white as snow; though they be red like crimson, they shall be as wool.” – Isaiah 1 : 18.

“For a just man falleth seven times, and riseth up again: but the wicked shall fall into mischief.”— Proverb 24 : 16.

As long as we are still willing to admit our transgression of the Law, after having comprehended all the messages God sends through THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, we would always be able to rise up again, and then be forgiven. Whereas the wicked shall fall into mischief, because due to their rejection of the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY they would have lost all the way to repentance.

Those categorized as “the just” on the one side and “the wicked” on the other side are now forming the membership of the Laodicean Church of SDA in this time of the end. The angel Gabriel had ever told to Daniel in regard to these two classes of people as follows:

“But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, and the knowledge shall be increased..... And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? And he said go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end. Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly; and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise shall understand.” – Daniel 12 : 4, 8 – 10.

With the availability of the prophecies of Daniel in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY publications in our churches in this time of the end, as foretold by the angel Gabriel to Daniel, it is now crystal clear who are those to be categorized “the wicked” in our churches. They should not be sought in the other Christian churches outside, because the prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation have never been revealed there to them.

Conclusion

“Jesus saves men, n o t in sin, but f r o m sin; and those who love Him will show their love by obedience.” -- **Review and Herald, vol. 6, p. 45. --**

The judgment is now going on in the heavenly sanctuary, ever since 1844. The investigative judgment is first to settle the cases of those people of God who now rest in their graves. This is called the judgment for the Dead. As soon as their cases have been settled, then comes to our turn to be investigated. This is called the judgment for the Living. Your name and my name are now pending on the balancing scale of the heavenly court. As soon as come to our turn to be investigated, then for those whose names could either be retained or to be taken out of the Books of Life in the heavenly sanctuary, will be seen right here on earth, through the fulfillment of the prophecy of Ezekiel 9. This is the process of purification of the Church, or the cleansing of the sanctuary of Daniel 8 : 14.

The investigative judgment for the Living would continue upon all people of God who are yet to be called out from all the earth, up to the close of probation in the heavenly sanctuary. Then thereafter, a l l the purified people of God, in their purified condition as s a i n t s would have been ready to welcome Jesus at His second appearing in the sky.

This is “a more sure word of prophecy ; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts..... For the prophecy came not in the old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.” – **Apostle Peter.**

There are many more articles will be sent to you to prove our true position in the Church. Please do not surmise us to be only accusers of the Brethren. You are honestly requested herewith to study the articles carefully before condemning it, because every one of us has a reciprocal accountability to the Lord for the salvation of his fellowmen. It means, if you dare to condemn me to be wrong, then you are at the same time accountable to the Lord to show me the way out. Or else you will be condemned yourselves by the Lord for your sin of ignorance. The servants of the Lord have ever warned:

“*The law of reciprocal dependence and influence is to be recognized and obeyed. None of us liveth to himself.*” – **Testimonies for the church, vol. 6, p. 242.**

“*When I say unto the wicked, Thou shalt surely die; and thou givest him not warning, nor speakest to warn the wicked from his wicked way, to save his life; the*

same wicked man shall die in his iniquity; but his blood will I require at thine hand.” – Ezekiel 3 : 18.

Once again we wish you to contemplate the following words of the Lord through His simple mouth piece,

“In ancient times God spoke to men by the mouth of prophets and apostles (in the Bible). In these days (in this time of the end). He speaks to them by the t e s t i m o n i e s o f H i s S p i r i t. There was never a time when God instructed His people more earnestly than He instructs them now concerning His will, and the course that He would have them pursue” – Evangelism, p. 255, 256 (In brackets added).

Through the testimonies of His Spirit (in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY) the Lord God is now instructing us more earnestly than ever before concerning His will and the course that He would have us pursue.

Thank you,
Your Brother in His service,
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**On the Law of Moses when the prophet Elijah comes,
before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord.
Malachi 4 : 4 – 6.**

Dear Bro. F....

In the book of Malachi we read :

“Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments. Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord: And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.”— **Malachi 4 : 4 – 6.**

The Law of Moses seems to be the Law of the Ten Commandments of God. That we might have a thorough understanding of the law, it is suggested that we could also have in mind the law science. Through the law science the way of teaching the law of the Ten Commandments could be made more simple and easier to understand. The servant of the Lord said:

“In true science there can be nothing contrary to the teaching of the word of God, for both have the same Author. A correct understanding of both will always prove

them to be in harmony. Truth, whether in nature or in revelation, is harmonious with itself in all its manifestations. But the mind not enlightened by God's Spirit will ever be in darkness in regard to His power. This is why human ideas in regard to science so often contradict the teaching of God 's word." – **Testimonies, vol. 8, p. 258.**

John the Revelator ever said:

"And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory." – **Revelation 18 : 1**

And the founder of the Church, Mrs. Ellen G. White, in her interpretation of the verse, ever said:

*"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......This message seemed to be an addition to the third message, joining it as the midnight cry joined the second angel's message in 1844." – **Early Writings, p. 277.***

'Angel' in the book of Revelation stands for several objects. The crying angel symbolizes a message, such as the first, the second, and the third angel of Revelation 14 : 6 – 9. The silent angel always symbolizes a people or a leadership, such as the angel of the Laodicean Church, which symbolizes The General Conference of SDA and all its ministers in the world.

We all have been familiar with the third angel's message, which is the Spirit of Prophecy by Mrs. White, the prophet. But why are we always neglecting to know the additional message of the fourth angel of Revelation 18 : 1. Which she mentioned in the Early Writings, p. 277? The third angel's message alone cannot enlighten the earth, even the fourth angel message by itself cannot accomplish much to have the earth enlightened. So the combination of those two messages in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY to meet the prophetic word of Revelation 19 : 10 margin, would have accomplished the whole work of enlightening the earth. And then we would be able to walk in the light of the whole Scriptures as did David of old, when he said: *"Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, and a light unto my path."* – **Psalm 119 : 105.**

Let not those in the leadership of the Laodicean church mislead themselves by pretending to have the Spirit of Prophecy of Mrs. White comprehended, as long as they still rejected the new message of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1 presented them by Victor T. Houteff ever since 1929. Even if they persist to reject to acknowledge

Houteff and his message, they should have given us the substitute and the name of the messenger whose prophetic name is Elijah the prophet (Malachi 4 : 5). And if they dare say that Elijah the prophet is not as yet come, they also have to honestly admit their lacking the knowledge of the Spirit of Prophecy of Mrs. White, due to the fact that the third angel's message alone cannot enlighten the earth. Please read Early Writings, p. 277. How could they have the capacity to teach the Spirit of Prophecy of the third angel's message successfully, without the power and force of the fourth angel of Revelation 18 : 1 ? Here is the challenge for them.

Whatever men may say, we have to admit that only one more message of truth is to come to unite with the third message of Ellen. G. White, and then the whole Bible would have been fully comprehended, and the whole earth enlightened, prior to the coming of the Lord Jesus.

We are now living in the last end of the time of the end. Due to the fact that there is to be only one more message to proclaim in this time, then it is the same message prophesied by the prophets of old, and even by the parables of Jesus, which is now identified by several names as follows :

1. The fire (the Spirit) and the sword (the Word) of the Lord : in Isaiah 66 : 16
“For by fire and by His sword will the Lord plead with (not to kill) all flesh :
....”
2. The knowledge and the doctrine: in Isaiah 28 : 9 – 11.
“Whom shall he teach knowledge ? And whom shall he make to understand doctrine? Them that are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts.....
For precept must be upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little: For with a stammering lips and another tongue will he speak to this people.”— **Isaiah 28 : 9 – 11.**

Since the prophecy of Isaiah as well as the other prophecies belong to the Laodicean church, then the “knowledge” and the “doctrine” must consequently mean the last message of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1. And this last message could be understood only by those Seventh-day Adventists who are weaned from the milk, and drawn from the breasts (of their mothers, the ministers, who have baptized them into their church membership). This is also to signify that the ministers (the angel of the Laodicea) are against the knowledge and the doctrine. And they are to be the greatest enemy against Houteff and his message up to the end of time.

Since all the prophets have prophesied on the same history of the world, then the same event in the history will be prophesied by most of the prophets, one

supplemented the other, precept upon precept, line upon line, from here a little and from there a little. And this last message of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1 will be spoken to this people (of Seventh-day Adventists) by someone with a stammering lips and another tongue. This is to identify Bro. Victor T. Houteff, who was an American citizen of Bulgarian descent. Another tongue means not the language of the prophet Isaiah, or of the Bulgarian, but English. With a stammering lips identified Houteff as not of the American origin.

3. All truth and the things to come : In John 16 : 13.
4. The sealing message of the 144.000 : In Ezekiel chapter 9.
5. The Judgment of the Living : In Malachi 3 and 4
6. The message of the angel of Rev. 18 : 1 in combination with the third angel's message of Rev. 14 : 6 – 9.
7. The message of the Shepherd's Rod : in Micah 6 : 9.
"The Lord's voice crieth unto the city, and the man of wisdom shall see thy name : hear ye the rod, and who hath appointed it."
 The only R O D that should be heard in this time of the end is the Voice of the Lord through the Shepherd's Rod message by Bro. Victor T. Houteff.
8. The Spirit and power of Elijah : Malachi 4, Test. To Ministers, p. 475
"Prophecy must be fulfilled. The Lord says: 'Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. "Somebody is to come in the spirit and power of Elijah, and when he appears, men may say: "*You are too earnest, you do not interpret the Scriptures in the proper way. Let me tell you how to teach your message.*"
 This is the antitypical Elijah the prophet who has come in the person of Bro. Houteff. His message will be rejected by the General Conference and most of its ministers all over the world. And thus the prophecy has now been fulfilled.
9. The golden oil in the bowl of the pictorial prophecy of Zechariah 4.
10. The gold, white raiment and eye-salve: In Rev. 3 : 17.
11. The Call for a Spiritual Revival and a Spiritual Reformation : Review and Herald, Feb. 25, 1902.
12. THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY: in Rev. 12 : 17; 19 : 10 margin.
13. The extra oil in the vessels (not in the lamps) of the five wise virgins of Matthew 25 : 1, 2.
14. And still many others

Never for a moment think that the coming of the message of the angel of Revelation 18 : 1 and its messenger would be heartily welcomed in the churches. Sister White ever since has warned us in the following words:

“Prophecy must be fulfilled. The Lord says: ‘Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord. “Somebody is to come in the spirit and power of Elijah, and when he appears, men may say: *“You are too earnest, you do not interpret the Scriptures in the proper way. Let me tell you how to teach your message.”* – **Testimony to Ministers, p. 475**

“The prophets of God were hated by the apostate Israel, because through them their hidden sins were brought to light. Ahab regarded Elijah as his enemy, because the prophet was faithful to rebuke the king’s secret iniquities. So t o d a y (in this time of the end) the servant of Christ (Victor T. Houteff) the reprove of sin, meets with scorn and rebuffs (from General Conference and its ministers). Bible truth, the religion of Christ struggles against a strong current of moral impurity. Prejudice is even stronger in the hearts of m e n n o w (most Seventh-day Adventists) than in Christ’s day.” – **The Desire of Ages, p. 587.** (In brackets added)

“Prophecy must be fulfilled,” and it has been fulfilled ever since Houteff and his Shepherd’s Rod message came in 1929 up to now.

All The Words of The Law and Their Rules of Implementation in this Time of the End

Moses :

“The secret things belong unto the Lord our God ; but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children forever, that we may do all the words of this law.” –

Moses is well-known in the Bible as an historian of the creation and the law scientist. His words quoted above are very important for every one of us who would like to know how to have the law of God taken into practical religion. Jesus has ever said : “If you love Me, keep My commandments.” John 14 : 15. This means, to be a man of religion is to love God by doing all the words of His Ten commandments. But how that we may do all the words of the Commandments ? Moses said : “... *Those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of the Commandments of this Law.*

Moses has divided the Word of God into two separate divisions, namely the Law or the Commandments on the one side, and those things which are revealed on the other side. The modern scientists have the similar way of division consist of : The Basic Law or the Constitution on the one side, and the By-Laws or the Rules of Implementation on the other side. Since the Basic Law of God is unchangeable,

then those things which are revealed up to this time of the end, would be the Rules of Implementations of the Law.

The Rules of Implementation of the Law in the time of the Apostles were completely provided them in the New Testament Scriptures, which consist of the All Truth (Read John 16 : 13). But during the dark ages of religion the All Truth have been nearly abolished from the earth by the oppressive power of the Romans. So when reformation began with Dr. Martin Luther in 1530 the Rules of Implementation again to resume from the first step, which is the first reformatory doctrine by the name : The Just Shall live By Faith. With this Truth in hand Luther established The Protestant Church. Then later the Lord sent the second doctrinal point of Truth, which is 'The Holy Spirit' by His messenger named John Knox. And since the message was rejected by the majority of the congregation, John Knox and his followers then established their own Church by the name : The Presbyterian Church. Then later emerged John Wesley with his reformatory doctrine of "Grace". Since the majority of his congregation again rejected the message, he then established his own church by the name Methodist Church. The fourth messenger of God emerged in the Baptist Church to proclaim the message of Baptism through Immersion. The same message was also rejected by the majority even up to this day. And the fifth messenger is Bro. William Miller and his incomplete message in regard to the purification of the sanctuary in heaven. Then came the sixth messenger, who is the founder of our own church Seventh-day Adventist with the message of the true Sabbath and the Judgment for the Dead in the heavenly sanctuary ever since 1844. And the last or the seventh messenger is Bro. Victor T. Houteff with his doctrinal point of the Judgment for the Living and the purification of the Church for the establishing of the purified Kingdom of Heaven in Palestine. 'Seven' is the complete number of the Bible. And so with the seventh step accomplished, we will not only be blessed with the ALL TRUTH but with the THINGS TO COME as well. (John 16 : 13).

Seventh-day Adventists should be boastful, that with the coming of Sister White the All Truth of the New Testament Scriptures have been restored in her Spirit of Prophecy publications, which include all the interpretations of the Bible and the all reformatory doctrines ever since the time of Luther. And in regard to the coming of the last reformatory message by Houteff she then said :

*"The r e f o r m a t i o n did not, as many suppose, end with Luther. It is to be continued to the close of this worlds' history. Luther had a great work to do in reflecting to others the light which God had permitted to shine upon him; yet he did not receive all the light which was to be given to the world. From that time to this, new light has been continually shining upon the Scriptures, and new truths have been constantly unfolding." --- **The Story of Redemption, p. 353.***

It means:

1. There is a need of reformation because there comes a new light to be presented to the people of God.
2. Reformation would continue until the end of human history as long as new lights or new truths continue to be revealed one complemented the others until the end of time.
3. Luther was the first reformer with his first light of truth God has given him at the time.
4. Due to the continuity of new lights ever coming from time to time up to the time of the end, the lights have themselves shown to us that not only Luther was the reformer of his time; there are more reformers coming down after him with each of their new light of truth.

The first four reformers have been tasked to restore the ALL TRUTHS which have been darkened by the papacy of the Roman Catholic Church during the dark ages of religion. But the last three reformers, William Miller, Sister Ellen G. White, and Brother Victor T. Houteff, besides restoring the Sabbath Truth, they also have been tasked to reveal the entire secrets of the Bible into the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY. Here is fulfilled in our midst the word of Ellen G. White:

“Each of the ancient prophets spoke less for their own time than for ours, so that their prophesying is in force for us.” – 3 Selected Messages, p. 338.

So the ancient prophets spoke to us in the prophetic words of the Old Testament Bible, and the latter days prophets revealed them for us in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY. This is according to the procedure as stated by Amos the prophet, when he said: *“Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but He revealed His secrets unto His servants the prophets.” – Amos 3 : 7.*

That We May Do All the Words Of the Law (Deuteronomy 29 : 29)

That we may do all the words of the Ten Commandments, the loving kind Lord Jesus Christ has commissioned His servants, one after another, ever since the time of Luther to provide us with the ALL TRUTHS and the THINGS TO COME. Through r e f o r m a t i o n all these have now been restored into the so-called THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY.

That we may do all the words of the Ten Commandments, let the THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY be fully investigated to be comprehended. And then let all the words therein be taken into practical doing. This is the way the Lord wants us to do as instructed us through His servant Mrs. E.G. White :

“True religion means living the word in your practical life. Your profession is not of any value without the practical doing of the word.”-- **Testimony to Ministers, p. 127.**

“The most eloquent sermon that can be preached upon the Law of Ten Commandments is to do them. Obedience should be made a personal duty. Negligence of this duty is flagrant sin.”

“Our word and deeds are constantly telling for or against Christ and that Law which He came to earth to vindicate.”

“Hearing is not enough, we must act, we must do. It is in the doing of the Commandments that there is great reward.”— **Testimonies, Vol. 4, pp. 58 – 60.**

“I was shown that merely observing the Sabbath and praying morning and evening are not positive evidences that we are Christians. These outward forms may all be strictly observed, and yet true godliness be lacking.” – **Testimonies, Vol. 1, p. 305.**

Concluded

“B l e s s e d is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein : for the time is at hand. Behold, I come quickly : B l e s s e d is he that kept the sayings of the prophecies of this book. B l e s s e d are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.” – **Revelation 1 : 3; 22 : 7, 17.**

The book of Revelation is not an independent book by itself. It is a complement of the book of Daniel. It has a close relationship with all other books of the Bible, because Sister White said : “*In the Revelation all the books of the Bible meet and end. Here is the complement of the book of Daniel. One is a prophecy; the other a revelation.*”— **The Acts of the Apostles, p. 585.**

The word “Blessed” is addressed not only to those who keep the sayings of the book of Revelation. It is impossible for them to be blessed to gain salvation through the book of Revelation alone, because it is only a complement of the book of Daniel, even all the books of the Bible meet and end i n i t.

Due to the fact that the book of Daniel was to be unsealed in the time of the end (Daniel 12 : 8), its complement in the book of Revelation would follow to be unsealed then. And all the books of the Bible would then follow to be unsealed to meet their fulfillment in the book of Revelation. The revelation of all these in the

time of the end would have been found in the so-called THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY.

Therefore the word “Blessed” addressed to us in this time of the end, would apply to only those who keep the sayings of the prophecies in the Revelation, wherein all the books of the Bible and their interpretations meet and end. This is the blessings addressed to them that do His commandments, as those implemented in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

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Question on the attitude of praying

Friend,

In the book Steps to Christ the author states it isn't the position of the body but the position of the “heart” and in emergencies it may not be possible to “kneel” and pray. Don't make it sound like it's a “must” to kneel. When one can kneel it's good but don't forget some people have physical challenges which prevent one from kneeling and GOD does know the heart.

Answer :

Dear bro. T,

Please understand that Sister White's statements either is the Review and Herald, November 30, 1905, which we have offered you in the article, or in the book Steps to Christ you have mentioned in your comment, both are the same testimonies of Jesus' Spirit. They are parts of the Rules of Implementation of the Law of the Ten Commandments, given us by Jesus Christ Himself through His servant, Mrs. White. Through the prophetic words of Zechariah chapter 4, they are the result of inspired interpretations into the golden bowl by Sister White the prophet. Please see the prophecy in its special article presented to you.

In regard to their value the servant of the Lord said :

“The fear of the Lord is the beginning of knowledge. Proverb 1 : 7. One sentence of Scripture is of more value than ten thousand of man's ideas or arguments. Those who refuse to follow God's way will finally receive the sentence, “Depart from Me.” – 7 Testimonies, p. 71.

So those statements by Sister White in regard to the way to pray to the Lord God are actually clear enough for every one of us to take them right into practical doing of the words, with several exceptions of course. The Lord God of justice would have not enforced those of physical challenges to kneel nor to stand against their ability to do that. He also would have not permitted His people to dishonor His name by letting them kneel to pray demonstratively in the open places, as in the buses, in among the crowd of people, in the streets, in the market places, etc., as did the heathen up to this very day. Though these exceptions could have been tolerated, it does not mean the whole rules of law to oblige people to kneel would lose their power, so that we may make it sound like it is no more a “must” to kneel bodily, but only heartily.

The problem of the way to pray as found in 2 Chronicled chapters 6 has been interpreted by Sister White under the Holy Spirit to be easily understood in this time of the end. As laymen we are not authorized of God to interpret those Spirit of Prophecy statements the second time, let alone if the result would be different. The servant of the Lord ever warned :

“In true science there can be nothing contrary to the teaching of the word of God, for both have the same Author. A correct understanding of both will always prove them to be in harmony. Truth, whether in nature or in revelation, is harmonious with itself in all its manifestations. But the mind not enlightened by God’s Spirit will ever be in darkness in regard to His power. This is why human ideas in regard to science so often contradict the teaching of God’s word.” – Testimonies, vol. 8, p. 258.

Either through the law science or through the Words of Inspiration (in the Bible and in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY), Moses the prophet has ever said :

“The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: BUT THOSE THINGS WHICH ARE REVEALED (UP TO THE END OF TIME) BELONG UNTO US AND TO OUR CHILDREN FOR EVER, THAT WE MAY DO ALL THE WORDS OF THIS LAW (OF THE TEN COMMANDMENTS).” – Deuteronomy 29 : 29.

Dear Brother, we all have good background of education. To such a people like us the servant of the Lord, Bro. Victor T. Houteff, has ever warned :

“It is a well-known fact that as a rule the most learned men are the most hesitant to accept the gospel of Christ, and among the last in keeping pace with the Truth. In this respect more than in any other applies the saying, “BLESSED BE YE THE POOR: FOR YOURS IS THE KINGDOM OF GOD.” Luke 6 : 20.” – The ANSWERER, Book 5, p. 12, 13.

Thank you, May the Lord blesses you!

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