

“Instead of becoming like the world, we are to become more and more distinct from the world. Satan has combined and will continue to combine with the churches in making a masterly effort against the truth of God. Everything that is done by God’s people to make inroads upon the world will call forth determined opposition from the powers of darkness. The enemy’s last great conflict will be a most determined one. It will be the last battle between the powers of darkness and the powers of light. Every true child of God will fight bravely on the side of Christ. Those who in this great crisis allow themselves to be **more on the side of the world than of God, will eventually place themselves wholly on the side of the world. Those who become confused in their understanding of the word, who fail to see the meaning of antichrist, will surely place themselves on the side of antichrist.** There is no time now for us to assimilate with the world. Daniel is standing in his lot and in his place. The prophecies of Daniel and of John are to be understood. They interpret each other. They give to the world truths which everyone should understand. These prophecies are to be witness in the world. **By their fulfillment in these last days, they will explain themselves.**”

“The Lord is about to punish **the world** for its iniquity. He is about to punish **religious bodies** for their rejection of the light and truth which has been given them. The great message, **combining the first, second, and third angel’s messages**, is to be given to the world. This is to be the burden of our work.” *Kress Collection*, 105, 106.

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“A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs. To seek this should be our first work. There must be earnest effort to obtain the blessing of the Lord, not because God is not willing to bestow His blessing upon us, but because we are unprepared to receive it. Our heavenly Father is more willing to give His Holy Spirit to them that ask Him, than are earthly parents to give good gifts to their children. But it is our work, by confession, humiliation, repentance, and earnest prayer, to fulfill the conditions upon which God has promised to grant us His blessing. **A revival need be expected only in answer to prayer.** While the people are so destitute of God’s Holy spirit, they cannot appreciate the preaching of the Word; but when the Spirit’s power touches their hearts, then the discourses given will not be without effect. Guided by the teachings of God’s Word, with the manifestation of His Spirit, in the exercise of sound discretion, those who attend our meetings will gain a precious experience, and returning home, will be prepared to exert a healthful influence.

“**The old standard bearers knew what it was to wrestle with God in prayer, and to enjoy the outpouring of His Spirit.** But these are passing off from the stage of action; and who are coming up to fill their places? How is it with the rising generation? Are they converted to God? **Are we awake to the work that is going on in the heavenly sanctuary**, or are we waiting for some compelling power to come upon the church before we shall arouse? Are we hoping to see the whole church revived? **That time will never come.**”

“There are persons in the church who are not converted, and who will not unite in earnest, prevailing prayer. We must enter upon the work individually. We must pray more, and talk less. Iniquity abounds, and the people must be taught not to be satisfied with a form of godliness without the spirit and power. If we are intent upon searching our own hearts, putting away our sins, and

correcting our evil tendencies, our souls will not be lifted up unto vanity; we shall be distrustful of ourselves, having an abiding sense that our sufficiency is of God.” *Selected Messages*, book 1, 121, 122.

And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour. And I saw the seven angels which stood before God; and to them were given seven trumpets. And another angel came and stood at the altar, having a golden censer; and there was given unto him much incense, that he should offer *it* with **the prayers of all saints** upon the golden altar which was before the throne. And the smoke of the incense, *which came* with **the prayers of the saints**, ascended up before God out of the angel’s hand. And the angel took the censer, and filled it with fire of the altar, and cast *it* into the earth: and there were voices, and thunderings, and lightnings, and an earthquake. Revelation 8:1–5.

### **EZEKIEL 37; REVELATION 11; DANIEL 9; LEVITICUS 26**

Also at the same time Solomon **kept the feast seven days**, and all Israel with him, a very great congregation, from the entering in of Hamath unto the river of Egypt. And in **the eighth day they made a solemn assembly**: for they kept the dedication of the altar seven days, and the feast seven days. And on the three and twentieth day of the seventh month he sent the people away into their tents, glad and merry in heart for the goodness that the Lord had showed unto David, and to Solomon, and to Israel his people.

Thus Solomon finished the house of the Lord, and the king’s house: and all that came into Solomon’s heart to make in the house of the Lord, and in his own house, he prosperously effected. And the Lord appeared to Solomon by night, and said unto him, **I have heard thy prayer, and have chosen this place to myself for an house of sacrifice.**

If I shut up heaven that there be no rain, or if I command the locusts to devour the land, or if I send pestilence among my people; If my people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land. Now mine eyes shall be open, and mine ears attend unto the prayer *that is made* in this place. For now have **I chosen and sanctified this house**, that **my name may be there forever**: and mine eyes and mine heart shall be there perpetually. 2 Chronicles 7:8–16.

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“A revival and a reformation must take place, under the ministration of the Holy Spirit. **Revival and reformation are two different things. Revival signifies a renewal of spiritual life**, a quickening of the powers of mind and heart, a resurrection from spiritual death. **Reformation signifies a reorganization**, a change in ideas and theories, habits and practices. Reformation will not bring forth the good fruit of righteousness unless it is **connected with** the revival of the Spirit. **Revival and reformation are to do their**

**appointed work, and in doing this work they must blend.”** *Selected Messages*, book 1, 128.

“**When we as a people understand** what this book means to us, there will be seen among us **a great revival.**” *Testimonies to Ministers*, 113.

“When the books of Daniel and Revelation are better understood, believers will have an entirely different religious experience. . . One thing will certainly be understood from the study of Revelation—that the connection between God and His people is close and decided.” *The Faith I Live By*, 345.

“Notwithstanding the widespread declension of faith and piety, there are true followers of Christ in these churches. Before the final visitation of God’s judgments upon the earth there will be among the people of the Lord such a revival of primitive godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times. **The Spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children.** At that time many will separate themselves from those churches in which the love of this world has supplanted love for God and His word. Many, both of ministers and people, will gladly accept those great truths **which God has caused to be proclaimed at this time** to prepare a people for the Lord’s second coming. The enemy of souls desires to hinder this work; and **before the time for such a movement shall come**, he will endeavor to prevent it by introducing **a counterfeit**. In those churches which he can bring under his deceptive power he will make it appear that God’s special blessing is poured out; there will be manifest what is thought to be great religious interest. **Multitudes will exult that God is working marvelously for them, when the work is that of another spirit. Under a religious guise, Satan will seek to extend his influence over the Christian world.**” *The Great Controversy*, 464.

“But before the coming of Christ, important developments in the religious world, foretold in prophecy, were to take place. The apostle declared: ‘Be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for **that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshiped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God.**’

“Paul’s words were not to be misinterpreted. It was not to be taught that he, by special revelation, had warned the Thessalonians of the immediate coming of Christ. Such a position would cause confusion of faith; for disappointment often leads to unbelief. The apostle therefore cautioned the brethren to receive no such message as coming from him, and he proceeded to emphasize the fact that **the papal power, so clearly described by the prophet Daniel, was yet to rise and wage war against God’s people. Until this power should have performed its deadly and blasphemous work**, it would be in vain for the church to look for the coming of their Lord. ‘Remember ye not,’ Paul inquired, ‘that, when I was yet with you, I told you these things?’

“Terrible were the trials that were to beset the true church. **Even at the time when the apostle was writing, the ‘mystery of iniquity’ had already begun to work.** The

developments that were to take place in the future were to be ‘after the working of Satan with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish.’

“**Especially solemn is the apostle’s statement regarding those who should refuse to receive ‘the love of the truth.’ ‘For this cause,’ he declared of all who should deliberately reject the messages of truth, ‘God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness.’** Men cannot with impunity reject the warnings that God in mercy sends them. From those who persist in turning from these warnings, God withdraws His Spirit, leaving them to the deceptions that they love.” *Acts of the Apostles*, 265, 266.

And he slew *it*; and Moses took of the blood of it, and put *it* upon the tip of Aaron’s right ear, and upon the thumb of his right hand, and upon the great toe of his right foot. And he brought Aaron’s sons, and Moses put of the **blood upon the tip of their right ear**, and upon the thumbs of their right hands, and upon the great toes of their right feet: and Moses sprinkled the blood upon the altar round about. ...

And ye shall not go out of the door of the tabernacle of the congregation *in* seven days, until **the days of your consecration be at an end: for seven days shall he consecrate you**. As he hath done this day, *so* the Lord hath commanded to do, to make an atonement for you. Therefore shall ye abide *at* the door of the tabernacle of the congregation day and night **seven days**, and keep the charge of the Lord, that ye die not: for so I am commanded. So Aaron and his sons did all things which the Lord commanded by the hand of Moses. And it came to pass **on the eighth day**, *that* Moses called Aaron and his sons, and the elders of Israel. ...

And the breasts and the right shoulder Aaron waved *for* **a wave offering** before the Lord; as Moses commanded. And Aaron lifted up his hand toward the people, and blessed them, and came down from offering of the sin offering, and the burnt offering, and peace offerings. And Moses and Aaron went into the tabernacle of the congregation, and came out, and blessed the people: and the glory of the Lord appeared unto all the people. And there came **a fire out from before the Lord, and consumed upon the altar the burnt offering and the fat: which** when all the people saw, **they shouted**, and fell on their faces. And **Nadab and Abihu**, the sons of Aaron, took either of them his censer, and put fire therein, and put incense thereon, and offered strange fire before the Lord, which he commanded them not. And there went out **fire from the Lord**, and devoured them, and they died before the Lord. Leviticus 8:23, 24, 33–9:1, 21–10:2.

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. Ephesians **6:13**.