

Comments by Ellen White concerning Uriah Smith and his book Daniel and the Revelation.

The 1897 edition is the book Ellen White is referring to. Major editing was done to the 1944 edition which was edited long after Uriah Smith's death in 1903.

I feel very tender toward **Elder Smith**. My life interest in the publishing work is bound up with his. He came to us as a young man, possessing talents that qualified him to stand in his lot and place as an editor. How I rejoice as I read his articles in the Review—so excellent, so full of spiritual truth. I thank God for them. I feel a strong sympathy for Elder Smith, **and I believe that his name should always appear in the Review as the name of the leading editor. Thus God would have it.** When, some years ago, his name was placed second, I felt hurt. When it was again placed first, I wept, and said, "Thank God." May it always be there, as God designs that it shall be, while Elder Smith's right hand can hold a pen. And when the power of his hand fails, let his sons write at his dictation. {20MR 220.2} Feb. 5, 1902

"Especially should **the book Daniel and the Revelation** be brought before people as the very book for this time. This book contains the message which all need to read and understand. Translated into many different languages, it will be **a power to enlighten the world**. This book has had a large sale in Australia and New Zealand. By reading it many souls have come to a knowledge of the truth. I have received many letters expressing appreciation of this book. {1MR 60.6}

Let our canvassers urge this book upon the attention of all. The Lord has shown me that this book will do a good work in enlightening those who become interested in the truth for this time. Those who embrace the truth now, who have not shared in the experiences of those who entered the work in the early history of the message, should study the instruction given in Daniel and the Revelation, becoming familiar with the truth it presents." {1MR 61.1}

Those who are preparing to enter the ministry, who desire to become successful students of the prophecies, will find **Daniel and the Revelation** an invaluable help. They need to understand this book. It speaks of past, present, and future, laying out the path so plainly that none need err therein. Those who will diligently study this book will have no relish for the cheap sentiments presented by those who have a burning desire to get out something new and strange to present to the flock of God...The great, essential questions which God would have presented to the people are found in **Daniel and the Revelation**. There is found solid, eternal truth for this time. **EVERYONE NEEDS THE LIGHT AND INFORMATION IT CONTAINS.**" {1MR 61.2}

Those who are destroying the earth have had a long probation. For six thousand years God has borne with the ignorance and wickedness of men. In every possible way He has tested and tried them, seeking to lead them to return to their loyalty, and be saved. But they refuse to listen to His entreaties. War and bloodshed have been, are still, and will continue to be. War is popular. To kill and destroy is in the sight of the world to be brave, worthy of a reward. {1MR 61.3}

The time is near when Jesus will take the kingdom and possess the kingdom under the whole heavens. He will judge among the nations and rebuke among many people. Wars shall cease unto the ends of the earth. {1MR 62.1}

Can we not see the corrupt condition of our world? Is not the terrible wickedness, which is continually increasing, sufficient to lead us to use every Christian activity in presenting to the world those books which contain the most beneficial instruction. God, the great moral Governor of the universe, desires His people to arouse and use their influence to lead others to understand what is coming upon our world. The Lord calls for workers to enter the canvassing field. He desires the books upon health reform to be circulated. Much depends upon the question of health reform. Unless our churches occupy a higher platform upon this subject, they will not be able to appreciate the truth for this time. {1MR 62.2}

God desires the light found in the books of Daniel and the Revelation to be presented in clear lines. It is painful to think of the many cheap theories picked up and presented to the people by ignorant, unprepared teachers. Those who present their human tests and the nonsensical ideas they have concocted in their own minds, show the character of the goods in their treasure house. They have laid in store shoddy material. Their great desire is to make a sensation. {1MR 62.3}

“The truth for this time has been brought out in many books. Let those who have been dealing in cheap sentiments and foolish tests, cease this work and study **Daniel and the Revelation**. They will then have something to talk about that will help the mind. As they receive the knowledge contained in **this book**, they will have in the treasure house of the mind a store from which they can continually draw as they communicate to others the great, essential truths of God's Word. {1MR 62.4}

The interest in **Daniel and the Revelation** is to continue as long as probationary time shall last. **God used the author of this book as a channel through which to communicate light to direct minds to the truth.** Shall we not appreciate this light, which points us to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, our King?” {1MR 63.1}

Young men, take up the work of canvassing for Daniel and the Revelation. Do all you possibly can to sell this book. Enter upon the work with as much earnestness as if it were a new book. And remember that as you canvass for it, you are to become familiar with the truths it contains. As you ponder these truths, you will receive ideas that will enable you not only to receive light, but to let light shine forth to others in clear, bright rays. {1MR 63.3}

Now is come the time of the revelation of the grace of God. Now is the gospel of Jesus Christ to be proclaimed. Satan will seek to divert the minds of those who should be established, strengthened, and settled in the truths of the FIRST, SECOND, AND THIRD ANGELS' MESSAGES. The students in our schools should **carefully study Daniel and the Revelation**, so that they shall not be left in darkness, and the day of Christ overtake them as a thief in the night. I speak of this book because it is a means of educating those who need to understand the truth of the Word. This book should be highly appreciated. It covers much of the ground we have been over in our experience. If the youth will

study this book and learn for themselves what is truth, they will be saved from many perils." {1MR 63.4}

The people in the world need to know that the signs of the times are fulfilling. Take to them the books that will enlighten them. **Daniel and the Revelation, The Great Controversy, Patriarchs and Prophets, and The Desire of Ages should now go to the world.** The grand instruction contained in **Daniel and Revelation** has been eagerly perused by many in Australia. This book has been the means of bringing many precious souls to a knowledge of the truth...**I know of no other book that can take the place of this one. It is God's helping hand.**" {21MR 444.3}

Canvassers should be secured to handle the books, *Great Controversy, Patriarchs and Prophets, Desire of Ages, Daniel and the Revelation*, and other books of like character, who have a sense of the value of the matter these books contain, and a realization of the work to be done to interest people in the truth. Special help, which is above all the supposed advantages of illustrations, will be given to such canvassers. The canvassers who are born again by the work of the Holy Spirit, will be accompanied by angels, who will go before them to the dwellings of the people, preparing the way for them. --Manuscript 131, 1899.

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