

# COMMANDMENTS ATTACKED

## WHO DARE ATTACK UNIVERSAL LAW WRITTEN BY GOD'S FINGER?

- Cause of World Crisis
- 4th commandment contains:
- 7th day Sabbath as His seal,
- the Lord God as Creator of heaven and earth, His title.
- Worship on the 7th day
- Sabbath will be our great
- test of loyalty to the Sovereign of the Universe upon
- which our destiny hangs.

### FINAL CRISIS AND DELIVERANCE

**MAJORITY CATHOLIC SUPREME COURT:** With the appointment of Sonia Sotomayor to the USA Supreme Court by Pres. Barack Obama on August 9, 2009 (1<sup>st</sup> Hispanic & 3<sup>rd</sup> lady to be appointed to this high office), she became the 6<sup>th</sup> sitting Catholic Justice and created a new majority of 67% (6 out of 9; Jewish Justices constituted 22% [2 out of 9]; the remaining Protestant Justice represented 11% [1 out of 9]). Ironically, the preceding newest justice, Samuel Alito became the 5<sup>th</sup> sitting Catholic and was appointed by Pres. Bush on October 31, 2005, exactly 488 years to-the-day of the traditional birthday of Protestantism.

The latest appointment to the US Supreme Court was that of US Solicitor General Elena Kagan, who was confirmed by a senate vote of 63-37 on Thursday, August 5, 2010. She is the fourth woman to join the Supreme Court and increases the active female bench to three for the first time in history. Being Jewish in faith, she increased the Jewish justices from 22% to 33%. She replaced the lone remaining Protestant leaving its presence at zero. The Catholic per cent remains at 67 (6 of 9).

**HIGHEST COURT TO BE RULED BY CATHOLICS:** Protestantism was born on October 31, 1517 when Martin



Luther posted his 95 Theses on the door of the Catholic church challenging the practice of selling indulgences by the authority of the Pope. For the price of a crime St. Peter's church at Rome was to be built. This provoked the deadliest blow to her power and greatness which shook the papal throne, and jostled the triple crown upon the pontiff's head. This infamous traffic was extolled from their pulpits as the most precious gift from God. Had Catholics been permitted to have the Word of God this never would have happened.

The majority of Protestantism is no longer protesting. With the October 31, 2005 appointment of Mr. Alito to

the US Supreme Court it became apparent that Catholic Justices would be in the majority and would finally rule this land.

**VOW OF OBEDIENCE TO ROME:** "The Roman Catholic Church with all its ramifications throughout the world, forms one vast organization, under their control, designed to serve the interests, of the papal see. Its millions of communicants, in every country on the globe, are instructed to hold themselves as bound in allegiance to the pope. Whatever their nationality or their government, they are to regard the authority of the church as above all other. Though they may take the oath pledging their loyalty to the state, yet

- Sunday, 1st day of week is
- test of loyalty to the Pope in
- place of God. Pope removed
- 2nd statute, not to bow to
- images, divided the 10th
- which forbids coveting. Re-
- moved the Lord God as
- Creator of heaven and earth
- and the 7th day Sabbath from
- the 4th without biblical authority.

back of this lays the vow of obedience to Rome, absolving them from every pledge inimical to her interests. GC page 580

**PROTESTANTISM IS NOW FORMING THE CONFEDERACY WITH POPERY:** Protestantism is now reaching hands across the gulf to clasp hands with papacy, and a confederacy is being formed to trample out of sight the Sabbath of the fourth commandment [Saturday]; and the man of sin, who, at the instigation of Satan, instituted the spurious sabbath, this child of papacy, will be exalted to take the place of God. An Appeal to Ministers and Conference Committees, p. 38 (Printed by the General Conference in 1892) {SpTA01b 38.2}

**TWO GREAT CLASSES FORMED BY THE FINAL TEST—THE SABBATH:** "The Sabbath [Saturday, the seventh day of the week] will be the great test of loyalty, for it is the point of truth especially controverted. When the final test shall be brought to bear upon men, then the line of distinction will be drawn between those who serve God and those who serve Him not. While the observance of the false Sabbath [Sunday, the first day of the week] in compliance with the law of the state, contrary to the fourth commandment, will be an avowal of allegiance to a power that is in opposition to God, the keeping of the true Sabbath, in obedience to God's law, is an evidence of loyalty to the Creator. While one class, by accepting the sign of submission to

## THE LAW OF GOD

### OLD TESTAMENT

I  
Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

II  
Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of anything that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate Me; and showing mercy unto thousands of them that love Me, and keep my commandments.

III  
Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh His name in vain.

IV  
Remember the Sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labor, and do all they work; but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God; in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, or thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates; for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it.

V  
Honor thy father and thy mother: that thy days may be long upon the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee.

VI  
Thou shalt not kill.

VII  
Thou shalt not commit adultery

VIII  
Thou shalt not steal

IX  
Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

X  
Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor anything that is thy neighbor's.

—See Exodus 20:1-18

**I WILL NOT ALTER NOR BREAK  
THE THING THAT IS GONE OUT OF MY LIPS.**

See Psalms 89:34

## THE LAW OF GOD

### NEW TESTAMENT

I  
"Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and Him only shalt thou serve." Matthew 4:10

II  
"Little children, keep yourselves from idols." "Forasmuch then as we are the offspring of God, we ought not to think that the Godhead is like unto gold, or silver, or stone, graven by art and man's device." 1 John 5:21; Acts 17:29

III  
"That the name of God and His doctrine be not blasphemed." 1 Timothy 6:1

IV  
"Pray ye that your flight be not in the winter, neither on the Sabbath day."

"The Sabbath was made for man, and not man for the Sabbath: therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the Sabbath." "For He spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all His works." "There remaineth therefore a keeping of a Sabbath to the people of God. For he that is entered into His rest, he also hath ceased from his own works, as God did from His." "For by Him were all things created, that are in heaven, and that are in earth." Matthew 24:20; Mark 2:27, 28; Hebrews 4:4, 9, 10, margin; Colossians 1:16

V  
"Honor thy father and thy mother." Matthew 19:19

VI  
"Thou shalt not kill." Romans 13:9

VII  
"Thou shalt not commit adultery." Matthew 19:18

VIII  
"Thou shalt not steal." Romans 13:9

IX  
"Thou shalt not bear false witness." Romans 13:9

X  
"Thou shalt not covet." Romans 7:7

### AFTER HIS DEATH

"Do we then make void the law through faith? God forbid: yea, we establish the law." Romans 3:31

"They . . . rested the Sabbath day according to the commandment." Luke 23:54-56

### SABBATH IN THE NEW EARTH

"For as the NEW HEAVENS and the NEW EARTH, which I will make, shall remain before Me, saith the Lord, so shall your seed and your name remain, and it shall come to pass, that from one new moon to another, and from one SABBATH to another, shall all flesh come to WORSHIP before Me, saith the Lord." Isaiah 66:22, 23. See Mark 2:27, 28.

## THE LAW OF GOD AS CHANGED BY THE PAPACY

I  
I am the Lord thy God. Thou shalt not have strange gods before Me.

(It will be observed that the second commandment as found in the Bible is left out.)

II  
Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain.

III  
Remember that thou keep holy the Sabbath day. "A Doctrinal Catechism." (Catholic) page 174, has the following question and answer:—

"Q. —Have you any other way of proving that the Church has power to institute festivals of precept?"

"A. —Had she not such power . . . she could not have substituted the observance of Sunday, the first day of the week, for Saturday, the seventh day, a change for which there is no Scriptural authority."

IV  
Honor thy father and thy mother.

V  
Thou shalt not kill.

VI  
Thou shalt not commit adultery.

VII  
Thou shalt not steal.

VIII  
Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbor.

IX  
Thou shalt not covet thy neighbor's wife.

X  
Thou shalt not cover thy neighbor's goods.

—See General Catholic Catechism  
**"HE SHALL THINK TO CHANGE TIMES AND THE LAW."** —Daniel 7:25. R.V.

"That man of sin . . . who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God." 2 Thessalonians 2:3, 4

earthly powers, receive the mark of the beast, the other choosing the token of allegiance to divine authority, receive the seal of God." {GC 605.2}

**WHEN THE IMAGE OF THE BEAST WILL BE FORMED:** "When the leading churches of the United States,

uniting upon such points of doctrine as are held by them in common, shall influence the state to enforce their decrees and to sustain their institutions, then Protestant America will have formed an image of the Roman hierarchy, and the infliction of civil pen-

alties upon dissenters will inevitably result." {GC 445.1} ( See also Spirit of Prophecy, vol. 4, p. 278)

**WHAT THE IMAGE OF THE BEAST WILL BE:** "The 'image to the beast' represents that form of apostate Protestantism which will be devel-

oped when the Protestant churches shall seek the aid of the civil power for the enforcement of their dogmas. . . . Only by changing God's law could the papacy exalt itself above God; who-ever should understandingly keep the law as thus changed would be giving

## “HIS NAME”

“And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the NAME of the beast, or the number of HIS NAME.” Revelation 13:17

“The number indicated by the letters of HIS NAME.” 20<sup>th</sup> Century New Testament.

“Verse 18, Six Hundred Sixty Six. The number, letters of HIS NAME shall make up this number. Douay (Catholic) Bible. Note on Revelation 13:18

“The method of reading generally adopted is that known as the GHEMATIA of the rabbins, which assigns each letter of a name its usual numerical value, and gives the sum of such numbers as the equivalent of the NAME.” “Word Studies in the N.T.” Marvin R. Vincent, D. D., notes on Revelation 13:18

“The Pope is of so great dignity and so exalted that he is not a mere man, but as it were God, and the VICAR OF GOD.”

“The Pope is of such lofty and supreme dignity that, properly speaking, he has not been established in any rank of dignity, but rather has been placed upon the very summit of all ranks of dignities....”

“He is likewise the divine monarch and supreme emperor and king of kings.”

“HENCE THE POPE IS CROWNED WITH A TRIPLE CROWN, AS KING OF HEAVEN AND OF EARTH AND OF THE LOWER REGIONS.” Ferraris’ Eccl. Dictionary (Catholic) Article, Pope.

“What are the letters supposed to be in the Pope’s crown, and what do they signify, if anything?”

“The letters inscribed in the Pope’s miter are these: VICARIUS FILII DEI, which is the Latin for ‘VICAR OF THE SON OF GOD.’ Catholics hold that the church, which is a visible society, must have a visible head. Christ, before His ascension into heaven, appointed St. Peter to act as His representative. . . . Hence to the Bishop of Rome, as head of the church, was given the title, ‘VICAR OF CHRIST’.”

Our Sunday Visitor, (Catholic Weekly) “Bureau of information,” Huntington, Ind., April 18, 1915.

## “HIS CHALLENGE”

“Reason and sense demand the acceptance of one or the other of these alternatives; either Protestantism and the keeping holy of Saturday or Catholicity and the keeping holy of Sunday. Compromise is impossible.” Cardinal Gibbons, in *Catholic Mirror*, December 23, 1893

supreme honor to that power by which the change was made. Such an act of obedience to papal laws would be a mark of allegiance to the pope in the place of God.” {GC 445-6}

## “HIS NUMBER”

“Here is wisdom. Let him that hath understanding COUNT THE NUMBER of the beast: for it is the NUMBER OF A MAN; and HIS NUMBER is SIX HUNDRED THREESCORE AND SIX.” Revelation 13:18

### LATIN

V . . . . . 5	F . . . . . 0	D . . . . . 500
I . . . . . 1	L . . . . . 1	E . . . . . 0
C . . . . . 100	L . . . . . 50	I . . . . . 1
A . . . . . 0	I . . . . . 1	
R . . . . . 0	I . . . . . 1	501
I . . . . . 1		112
U . . . . . 5	53	53
S . . . . . 0		
		666

### GREEK-Lateinos

(Latin Man or Church)

L = 30	lambda
A = 1	alpha
T = 300	tau
E = 5	epsilon
I = 10	iota
N = 50	nu
O = 70	omicron
S = 200	sigma

666

### HEBRON-Romiith

(Roman Kingdom)

R = 200	resh
O = 6	waw (vav)
M = 40	mem
I = 10	yod
I = 10	yod
TH = 400	taw

666

“Now we challenge the world to find another name in these languages: Greek, Hebrew, and Latin, which shall designate the same number.” Joseph F. Berg, in his book, *The Great Apostasy*,” pages 156-158.

## THREE ANGELS FROM HEAVEN

Give Solemn Warning to All Peoples

“I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the EVERLASTING GOSPEL to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and TO EVERY NATION, and KINDRED, and TONGUE, and PEOPLE.” Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory TO HIM; for the hour of His judgment IS COME; and WORSHIP HIM that MADE HEAVEN, AND EARTH, AND THE SEA, and the fountains of waters. “And there followed another angel, saying Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication. “And the third angel followed THEM, saying with a loud voice, IF ANY MAN WORSHIP the beast and his image, and receive his MARK in his forehead, or in his hand, “The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God which is poured out without mixture into the cup of His indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb.” And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever; and they have no rest day nor night, who WORSHIP the BEAST and HIS IMAGE, and whosoever receiveth the MARK OF HIS NAME.” Revelation 14:6-11

WHEN THE MARK OF THE BEAST WILL BE RECEIVED: “Christians of past generations observed the Sunday, supposing that in so doing they were keeping the Bible Sabbath; and

there are now true Christians in every church, not excepting the Roman Catholic communion, who honestly believe that Sunday is the Sabbath of divine appointment. God accepts

## “HIS MARK”

If any MAN WORSHIP the BEAST and HIS IMAGE and receive HIS MARK in his forehead, (affections or in his hand”) (Revelation 14:9, refraining from labor on THAT DAY). (See Ecclesiastes 9:10; Romans 7:25)

“The OBVERSANCE of SUNDAY by the Protestants is an HOMAGE THEY PAY in spite of themselves to the AUTHORITY OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH.” *Plain Talk for Protestants*, page 213.

“Ques: How prove you that the church hath power to command feasts and holy days? “ANS: By the very act of changing the Sabbath into Sunday, which Protestants allow of, and therefore they fondly contradict themselves by keeping Sunday strictly, and breaking most other Feasts commanded by the same church.” “Ques: How prove you that? “Answer: Because by keeping SUNDAY they ACKNOWLEDGE the CHUCH’S POWER to ordain feasts, and to command them under sin.” *Douay Catechism*, page 59.

“If the Bible is the only guide for the Christian, then the Seventh-day Adventist is RIGHT, in observing the Saturday with the Jew. . . . Is it not STRANGE, that those who make the Bible their ONLY TEACHER, should inconsistently follow in this matter the TRADITION of the Catholic Church?” *Question Box*, Ed., 1915, page 179

“The Catholic Church for over one thousand years before the existence of a Protestant, by virtue of her divine mission, changed the day from Saturday to Sunday.” *Catholic Mirror*, Sept., 1893

“Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act. . . . And the act is a MARK of her ecclesiastical authority in religious things.” H.F. Thomas, Chancellor of Cardinal Gibbons

## “HIS IMAGE”

“Resolved, that the Sabbath (Sunday) is a sign between God and man, and its reverent observance a MARK of the nation whose God is Jehovah.” National Reform Convention, September, 1887.

“WE HEREBY AGREE . . . that such Sabbath (Sunday) observance laws for the District of Columbia MAY BE LOOKED UPON not only as MODEL SABBATH OBSERVANCE LAWS FOR AMERICA, but as model Sabbath observance laws for the REST OF THE WORLD.” *Christian Statesman*, Sept., 1927.

“We insist upon the challenge, All must rest, that all may.” We stand by the battle cry, ‘NO SPECIAL PRIVILEGES AND NO SEVENTH DAY SUBSIDY.’ If the Sabbath (Sunday) laws need adjusting to ‘works of necessity’ of the twentieth century, WE WILL ALTER AND ADJUST THEM OURSELVES.” *Christian Statesman*, March, 1927.

their sincerity of purpose and their integrity before Him. But when Sunday observance shall be enforced by law, and the world shall be enlightened concerning the obligation of the true

Sabbath, then whoever shall transgress the command of God, to obey a precept which has no higher authority than that of Rome, will thereby honor popery above God. He is paying homage to Rome and to the power which enforces the institution ordained by Rome. He is worshipping the beast and his image. As men then reject the institution which God has declared to be the sign of His authority, and honor in its stead that which Rome has chosen as the token of her supremacy, they will thereby accept the sign of allegiance to Rome—"the mark of the beast." And it is not until the issue is thus plainly set before the people, and they are brought to choose between the commandments of God and the commandments of men, that those who continue in transgression will receive "the mark of the beast." {GC 449.1} (See also pp 604-5.)

**A SUNDAY LAW IN FREE AMERICA:** The dignitaries of church and state will unite to bribe, persuade, or compel all classes to honor the Sunday. The lack of divine authority will be supplied by oppressive enactments. Political corruption is destroying love of justice and regard for truth; and even in free America, rulers and legislators, in order to secure public favor, will yield to the popular demand for a law enforcing Sunday observance. Liberty of conscience, which has cost so great a sacrifice, will no longer be respected. In the soon-coming conflict we shall see exemplified the prophet's words: "The dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ." Revelation 12:17. {GC 592.3}

**NATIONAL RUIN WILL FOLLOW NATIONAL APOSTASY:** "When our nation, in its legislative councils, shall enact laws to bind the consciences of men in regard to their religious privileges, enforcing Sunday observance, and bringing oppressive power to bear against those who keep the seventh-day Sabbath, the law of God will, to all intents and purposes, be made void in our land; and national apostasy will be followed by national ruin." (RH, December 18, 1888 par. 6)

**LOUD CRY SOUNDED DURING STORM OF PERSECUTION:** "The love of Christ, the love of our brethren, will testify to the world that we have been with Jesus and learned of Him. Then

will the message of the third angel swell to a loud cry, and the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord." {6T 401.1}

**A NATIONAL SUNDAY LAW WILL BE THE SIGNAL FOR GOD'S PEOPLE TO LEAVE THE LARGE CITIES:** "As the siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies was the signal for flight to the Judean Christians, so the assumption of power on the part of our nation in the decree enforcing the papal sabbath will be a warning to us. It will then be time to leave the large cities, preparatory to leaving the smaller ones for retired homes in secluded places among the mountains." {5T 464-5}

**THEN SHALL BE SEEN THE MARVELOUS WORKING OF SATAN:** "When Protestantism shall stretch her hand across the gulf to grasp the hand of the Roman power, when she shall reach over the abyss to clasp hands with spiritualism, when, under the influence of this threefold union, our country shall repudiate every principle of its Constitution as a Protestant and republican government, and shall make provision for the propagation of papal falsehoods and delusions, then we may know that the time has come for the marvelous working of Satan and that the end is near." {5T 451.1}

**NOTE:** The marvelous working of Satan with great signs and lying wonders through spiritualism is foretold in Matthew 24:24; in 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12; and Revelation 13:13; 16:14

### ***THIS WILL TAKE PLACE!!!***

**As the crowning act in the great drama of deception, Satan himself will personate Christ. The church has long professed to look to the Saviour's advent as the consummation of her hopes. Now the great deceiver will make it appear that Christ has come. In different parts of the earth, Satan will manifest himself among men as a majestic being of dazzling brightness, resembling the description of the Son of God given by John in the Revelation. Revelation 1:13-15. The glory that surrounds him is unsurpassed by anything that mortal eyes have yet beheld. The shout of triumph rings out upon the air: "Christ has come! Christ has come!" The people prostrate themselves in adoration before him, while he lifts up his hands and pronounces a blessing upon them, as Christ blessed His disciples when He was upon the earth. His voice is soft and subdued, yet**

**full of melody. In gentle, compassionate tones he presents some of the same gracious, heavenly truths which the Saviour uttered; he heals the diseases of the people, and then, in his assumed character of Christ, he claims to have changed the Sabbath to Sunday, and commands all to hallow the day which he has blessed. He declares that those who persist in keeping holy the seventh day are blaspheming his name by refusing to listen to his angels sent to them with light and truth. This is the strong, almost overmastering delusion.** {GC 624}

### **IT WILL BE TOO LATE TO WAIT**

**EVERY COUNTRY ON GLOBE WILL FOLLOW EXAMPLE OF THE UNITED STATES:** "As America, the land of religious liberty, shall unite with the papacy in forcing the conscience and compelling men to honor the false sabbath, the people of every country on the globe will be led to follow her example. Our people are not half awake to do all in their power, with the facilities within their reach, to extend the message of warning." {6T 18.2}

"In both the Old and the New World, the papacy will receive homage in the honor paid to the Sunday institution, that rests solely upon the authority of the Roman Church." {GC 579}

**WHEN THE CUP OF THE NATION WILL BE FULL:** "God keeps a record with the nations: the figures are swelling against them in the books of heaven; and when it shall have become a law that the transgression of the first day of the week shall be met with punishment, then their cup will be full." {RH, March 9, 1886}

**WHEN THE GREAT CRISIS WILL COME:** "This crisis will be reached when the nations shall unite in making void God's law. {5T 523.4}

**THE UNION WILL BE SEEN AS A GRAND MOVE FOR THE CONVERSION OF THE WORLD:**

"Papists, Protestants, and worldlings will alike accept the form of godliness without the power, and they will see in this union a grand movement for the conversion of the world and the ushering in of the long-expected millennium. {GC 588.3}

**STRICTER SUNDAY OBSERVANCE WILL BE DEMANDED:** "It will be declared that men are offending God by the violation of the Sunday sabbath; that this sin has brought calamities which will not cease until Sunday observance shall be strictly enforced; and

that those who present the claims of the fourth commandment, thus destroying reverence for Sunday, are troublers of the people, preventing their restoration to divine favor and temporal prosperity. {GC 590.1}

**DEMONS WILL SECOND THE TESTIMONY OF RELIGIOUS LEADERS:** Communications from the spirits will declare that God has sent them to convince the rejecters of Sunday of their error, affirming that the laws of the land should be obeyed as the law of God. They will lament the great wickedness in the world and second the testimony of religious teachers that the degraded state of morals is caused by the desecration of Sunday. Great will be the indignation excited against all who refuse to accept their testimony. {GC 590.2}

**THE FAITHFUL WILL BE DECLARED ENEMIES OF SOCIETY:** "Their conscientious scruples will be pronounced obstinacy, stubbornness, and contempt of authority. They will be accused of disaffection toward the government. Ministers who deny the obligation of the divine law will present from the pulpit the duty of yielding obedience to the civil authorities as ordained of God. In legislative halls and courts of justice, commandment keepers will be misrepresented and condemned. A false coloring will be given to their words; the worst construction will be put upon their motives. {GC 592.1}

**CALAMITIES WILL BE CHARGED TO GOD'S PEOPLE:** "I saw the sword, famine, pestilence, and great confusion in the land. The wicked thought that we had brought the judgments upon them, and they rose up and took counsel to rid the earth of us, thinking that then the evil would be stayed." {EW 33.2}

**A DEATH DECREE WILL BE ISSUED BY THE UNITED POWERS OF THE EARTH AGAINST GOD'S PEOPLE:** "The powers of earth, uniting to war against the commandments of God, will decree that 'all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond' (Revelation 13:16), shall conform to the customs of the church by the observance of the false sabbath. All who refuse compliance will be visited with civil penalties, and it will finally be declared that they are deserving of death." (GC 604.2)

**IT WILL BE A UNIVERSAL DEATH DECREE:** "Especially will the wrath of man be aroused against those

who hallow the Sabbath of the fourth commandment; and at last a universal decree will denounce these as deserving of death.” {PK 512.1}

**WORLD LEADERS WILL CONSULT TOGETHER AND ISSUE THE DECREE:** “I saw the saints leaving the cities and villages, and associating together in companies, and living in the most solitary places. Angels provided them food and water, while the wicked were suffering from hunger and thirst. Then I saw the leading men of the earth consulting together, and Satan and his angels busy around them. I saw a writing, copies of which were scattered in different parts of the land, giving orders that unless the saints should yield their peculiar faith, give up the Sabbath, and observe the first day of the week, the people were at liberty after a certain time to put them to death.” {EW 282.2}

NOTE: Thus “a certain time” will elapse between the date of the publication of the decree and the date of its execution. The following passages bear out this same thought.

**WHAT THE DEATH DECREE WILL DEMAND:** “The decree will go forth that they must disregard the Sabbath of the fourth commandment, and honor the first day, or lose their lives.” {1T 353-4}

**THE DEATH DECREE WILL BE ISSUED AFTER THE CLOSE OF PROBATION:** “I saw that the four angels would hold the four winds until Jesus’ work was done in the sanctuary, and then will come the seven last plagues. These plagues enraged the wicked against the righteous; they thought that we had brought the judgments of God upon them, and that if they could rid the earth of us, the plagues would then be stayed. A decree went forth to slay the saints, which caused them to cry day and night for deliverance. This was the time of Jacob’s trouble.” {EW 36-7}

NOTE: Note that the death decree will be issued after the seven last plagues shall have begun to be poured out upon the earth. This seems to be implied in the fourth plague of Revelation 16; 5, 6. It will be too late to wait until we see these things happen before we begin to get ready for the end. (See Matthew 24:42, 44.)

**THEN THE TIME OF JACOB’S TROUBLE FOR GOD’S PEOPLE WILL BEGIN:** “The people of God will then be plunged into those scenes of affliction

and distress described by the prophet as the time of Jacob’s trouble.” (5T 451) {GC 616.1}

NOTE: The time of Jacob’s trouble is described in Jeremiah 30:5-7

**THE DEATH DECREE WILL BE SIMILAR TO THAT ISSUED BY AHASUERUS:** “The decree which is to go forth against the people of God will be very similar to that issued by Ahasuerus against the Jews in the time of Esther.” See the book of Esther. {5T 450.1}

**A SIMULTANEOUS MOVE WILL BE PLANNED TO KILL GOD’S PEOPLE IN ONE NIGHT:**

“When the protection of human laws shall be withdrawn from those who honor the law of God, there will be, in different lands, a simultaneous movement for their destruction. As the time appointed in the decree draws near, the people will conspire to root out the hated sect. It will be determined to strike in one night a decisive blow, which shall utterly silence the voice of dissent and reproof. {GC 635.1}

NOTE: Here it is said that it will be at night that the death decree will go into effect. According to the civil law, the legal day begins at midnight. Hence we may suppose that the date for the execution of this decree will begin at midnight. We shall note later in this study that it will be at midnight that God will manifest His power for the deliverance of His people.

**THE DEATH DECREE WILL BE ANTICIPATED BY SOME:** “In some places, before the time for the decree to be executed, the wicked rushed upon the saints to slay them; but angels in the form of men of war fought for them.” {EW 283}

**GOD’S PEOPLE WILL BE ATTACKED AT HOME AND WHILE IN FLIGHT:** “In the time of trouble we all fled from the cities and villages, but were pursued by the wicked, who entered the houses of the saints with a sword. They raised the sword to kill us, but it broke, and fell as powerless as a straw.” {EW 34.1}

“God would not suffer the wicked to destroy those who were expecting translation and who would not bow to the decree of the beast or receive his mark. I saw that if the wicked were permitted to slay the saints, Satan and all his evil host, and all who hate God, would be gratified. And oh, what a triumph it would be for his satanic majesty to have power, in the last closing

struggle, over those who had so long waited to behold Him whom they loved! Those who have mocked at the idea of the saints’ going up will witness the care of God for His people and behold their glorious deliverance. {EW 284.1}

**SOME OF THE FAITHFUL WILL BE IMPRISONED:** “As the decree issued by the various rulers of Christendom against commandment keepers shall withdraw the protection of government and abandon them to those who desire their destruction, the people of God will flee from the cities and villages and associate together in companies, dwelling in the most desolate and solitary places. Many will find refuge in the strongholds of the mountains.... But many of all nations and of all classes, high and low, rich and poor, black and white, will be cast into the most unjust and cruel bondage. The beloved of God pass weary days, bound in chains, shut in by prison bars, sentenced to be slain, some apparently left to die of starvation in dark and loathsome dungeons. No human ear is open to hear their moans; no human hand is ready to lend them help.... Though enemies may thrust them into prison, yet dungeon walls cannot cut off the communication between their souls and Christ. One who sees their every weakness, who is acquainted with every trial, is above all earthly powers; and angels will come to them in lonely cells, bringing light and peace from heaven. {GC 626-7}

**THE WICKED WILL BE URGED ON BY THE HOST OF DEMONS:** “They seemed to be surrounded by the wicked inhabitants of the earth. Every appearance was against them.... But if their eyes could have been opened, they would have seen themselves surrounded by angels of God. Next came the multitude of the angry wicked, and next a mass of evil angels, hurrying on the wicked to slay the saints. But before they could approach God’s people, the wicked must first pass this company of mighty, holy angels. This was impossible. The angels of God were causing them to recede and also causing the evil angels who were pressing around them to fall back.... But the saints heeded them not, ... The angels, faithful to their trust, continued their watch. ... The time had nearly come when He was to manifest His mighty power and gloriously deliver His saints.” {EW 283-4}

**THE HOUR OF DELIVERANCE:** “The people of God—some in prison



cells, some hidden in solitary retreats in the forests and the mountains—still plead for divine protection, while in every quarter companies of armed men, urged on by hosts of evil angels, are preparing for the work of death. It is now, in the hour of utmost extremity, that the God of Israel will interpose for the deliverance of His chosen.” {GC 635.2}

**RESCUE OF PURE CHURCH (WOMAN) WILL COME AT MIDNIGHT:** “With shouts of triumph, jeering, and imprecation, throngs of evil men are about to rush upon their prey, when, lo, a dense blackness, deeper than the darkness of the night, falls upon the earth.... It is at midnight that God manifests His power for the deliverance of His people. The sun appears, shining in its strength. Signs and wonders follow in quick succession. The wicked look with terror and amazement upon the scene, while the righteous behold with solemn joy the tokens of their deliverance. Everything in nature seems turned out of its course. The streams cease to flow. Dark, heavy clouds come up and clash against each other. In the midst of the angry heavens is one clear space of indescribable glory, whence comes the voice of God like the sound of many waters, saying: “It is done.” Revelation 16:17.

“That voice shakes the heavens and the earth. There is a mighty earthquake, ‘such as was not since men were upon the earth, so mighty an earthquake, and so great.’ Verses 17, 18. The firmament appears to open and shut. The glory from the throne of God seems flashing through. The mountains shake like a reed in the wind, and ragged rocks



Sodom for wickedness are swallowed up by the angry waters. Babylon the great has come in remembrance before God, 'to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of His wrath.' Great hailstones, every one 'about the weight of a talent,' are doing their work of destruction. Verses 19, 21. The proudest cities of the earth are laid low. The lordly palaces, upon which the world's great men have lavished their wealth in order to glorify themselves, are crumbling to ruin before their eyes. Prison walls are rent asunder, and God's people, who have been held in bondage for their faith, are set free. {GC 635-7}

NOTE: Here it is said that at midnight God will deliver His people. It was at midnight that God interposed to deliver Israel from Egypt. (Ex. 12: 29-30.) Immediately after the pronouncement "It is done" the seventh plague will follow. (See Job 34:20)

**THE WICKED WILL SLAY EACH OTHER AND PASTORS WITH THE ARMS INTENDED TO KILL GOD'S PEOPLE:** "After the saints had been delivered by the voice of God, the wicked multitude turned their rage upon one another. The earth seemed to be

deluged with blood, and dead bodies were from one end of it to the other." {EW 290}

"The people see that they have been deluded. They accuse one another of having led them to destruction; but all unite in heaping their bitterest condemnation upon the ministers. Unfaithful pastors have prophesied smooth things; they have led their hearers to make void the law of God and to persecute those who would keep it holy. Now, in their despair, these teachers confess before the world their work of deception. The multitudes are filled with fury. 'We are lost!' they cry, 'and you are the cause of our ruin;' and they turn upon the false shepherds. The very ones that once admired them most will pronounce the most dreadful curses upon them. The very hands that once crowned them with laurels will be raised for their destruction. The swords which were to slay God's people are now employed to destroy their enemies. Everywhere there is strife and bloodshed." {GC 655-6}

### THE DELIVERER COMES

#### History's Greatest Event

"Soon there appears in the east a

small black cloud, about half the size of a man's hand. It is the cloud which surrounds the Saviour and which seems in the distance to be shrouded in darkness. The people of God know this to be the sign of the Son of man. In solemn silence they gaze upon it as it draws nearer the earth, becoming lighter and more glorious, until it is a great white cloud, its base a glory like consuming fire, and above it the rainbow of the covenant. Jesus rides forth as a mighty conqueror." {GC 640-41}

Addendum: "The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude. The agencies of evil are combining their forces, and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones."—Testimonies, vol. 9, p. 11.

are scattered on every side. There is a roar as of a coming tempest. The sea is lashed into fury. There is heard the shriek of a hurricane like the voice of demons upon a mission of destruction. The whole earth heaves and swells like the waves of the sea. Its surface is breaking up. Its very foundations seem to be giving way. Mountain chains are sinking. Inhabited islands disappear. The seaports that have become like

# JESUS IS LORD

## AND LORD OF THE LORD'S DAY

**TELL ME, Lord, do you have a special day of rest for your followers or is every day alike?**

"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's day." Rev. 1:10.

**But which day is the Lord's day? Which day are you Lord of?**

"The Son of man is Lord even of the Sabbath day." Matt. 12:8.

**There are seven days in the week. Which day is the Sabbath day?**

"The seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." Fourth Commandment (Ex. 20:8)

**Which day, according to our reckoning, is the seventh day, Saturday or Sunday?**

"And when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdeline and Mary, the mother of James, . . . very early in the morning the first day of the week, they came unto the sepulcher at the rising of the sun . . . And entering into the sepulcher, they saw a young man . . . And he saith unto them, be not affrighted; Ye seek Jesus of Nazereth, which is

cucified; He is risen." Mark 16:1-6. (Note: everybody knows that Sunday was the resurrection day. The Sabbath was past when it dawned. Thus it is evident that The Sabbath is Saturday, the day before Sunday.)

**But, Lord, didn't you abolish the law which contains the Sabbath Commandment?**

"Do not suppose that I have come to do away with the law or the prophets. I have not come to do away with them, but to enforce them." Matt. 5:17 (Goodspeed Translation) ". . . not come to destroy, but to fulfil." (KJV)

**Well, at least, didn't you change one of the Commandments so that today, your followers may keep another day?**

"I tell you, as long as heaven and earth endure, not one dotting of an 'i' or crossing of a 't' will be dropped from the law until it is all observed." Matt. 5:18

**But, Lord, isn't Saturday a Jewish Day? Isn't the seventh day the Sabbath of the Jews?**

"The Sabbath was made for man." Mark 2:2 (The Sabbath was made and given to man 2500 years before the existence of a Jew. See Gen. 2:1-3.)

**Someone told me that after your crucifixion, your followers no longer kept the seventh-day Sabbath according to the Commandment. Is this true?**

"And that day was the Preparation day and the Sabbath drew on. And the women also, which came with Him from Galilee, followed after, and beheld the Sepulchre, and how His body was laid. And they returned and prepared spices and ointments; and rested the Sabbath day according to the commandment. Luke 23:54-56.

**But didn't the Apostle Paul always meet with the early Christians on Sunday in honor of the Resurrection?**

"And Paul, as his manner was, went in unto them, and three Sabbath days reasoned with them out of the Scriptures." Acts 17:2.

**Perhaps he met with the Jews**

**on the Sabbath and the Gentiles on Sunday. What about that?**

"And he reasoned in the synagogue every Sabbath, and Persuaded the Jews and the Greeks." Act 18:4

**What did Paul teach in regard to Sabbath keeping?**

"There therefore remaineth a keeping of Sabbath (margin) to the people of God. For He that is entered into his rest, he also hath ceased from his own works as God did from His. Hebrews 4:9,10.

**But, which day did Paul mean when he spoke of resting as God did?**

"For He spake in a certain place of the seventh day on this wise, And God did rest the seventh day from all His works." Hebrews 4:4 (In the New Testament there are no less than 59 references to the Sabbath. The book of Acts records 84 Sabbaths on which the Apostle Paul and his associates held religious services. Yet there is not one word in the entire Bible authorizing Sunday keeping.)

**Why do so many people keep Sunday instead of Saturday? If the Bible teaches Sabbath keeping, how and by whom was Sunday keeping started?**

"And he (the 'little horn' power) shall speak great words against the Most High, . . . and think to change times and laws." Daniel 7:25.

**The Roman Catholic Church is the Little Horn of Daniel 7. Does it think it has the power to change the law of God?**

"Had she not such power, she could not have done that which all modern religionists agree with her; she could not have substituted the observance of Sunday, the first day of the week for the observance of Saturday, the seventh day of the week, a change for which there is no Scriptural authority." Stephen Keenan, a RC priest, *Doctrinal Catechism*, p. 174.

**When was this change made?**

"We observe Sunday instead of Saturday instead because the Catholic Church in the Council of Laodicea (364 A.D.) transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday." Peter Geirmann, *The 'Converts' Catechism*, page 50 (This catechism received the pope's blessing on Jan. 25, 1910.)

**Do Protestant ministers agree with this?**

**Congregationist:** It is quite clear that however rigidly devotedly we may spend Sunday, we are not keeping the Sabbath." —Dr. R. W. Dale, *The Ten Commandments*, page 106. **Methodist:** Sabbath in the Hebrew language signifies rest and is the seventh day of the week . . . and it must be confessed that there is no law in the New Testament concerning the first day." Buck's *Theological Dictionary*.

**Baptist:** "There was and is a commandment to keep holy the Sabbath day, but that Sabbath day was not Sunday. It will be said, however, and with some show of triumph, that the Sabbath was transferred from the seventh to the first day of the week where can the record of such a transfer be found? Not in the New Testament — absolutely not. . . . Of course, I quite well know that the Sunday came into use in the early Christian history. . . . But what a pity that it comes branded with the mark of Paganism, and christened with the name

of the sun god, when adopted and sanctioned by the Papal apostasy, and bequeathed as a sacred legacy to Protestantism." Dr. E. T. Hiscox, author, of the *Baptist Manual*.

**What difference does it make which day I keep? A day is a day, isn't it?**

"Know ye not that to whom ye yield yourselves servants to obey his servants ye are to whom ye obey; whether of sin unto death, or of obedience unto righteousness?" Romans 6:16

**Then what shall I do, obey the Sabbath of God's Commandment or keep the Sunday of man?**

"We ought to obey God rather than men." Acts 5:29

**Well, Lord, What do you think of Sunday keeping?**

"Thus have ye made the commandment of God of none effect by your tradition . . . But in vain they do worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Mathew 15:6,9.

**But surely the millions of people who keep Sunday can't be wrong, can they?**

"Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leadeth to destruction and many there be which go in thereat: because strait is the gate and narrow is the way that leadeth unto life, and few there be that find it." Mathew 7:13, 14. (Only a few obeyed God in the days of Noah, in the days of Lot, in the days of Christ. The majority were lost.)

**But Billy Graham is a very wise man: Why doesn't he and all the great preachers keep the Sabbath?**

"For ye see your calling, brethren, how that not many wise men after the flesh, not many mighty, not many noble, are called but God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the wise; and God hath chosen the foolish things of the world to confound the things which are mighty" 1 Cor. 1:26,27. (Note: The great religious teachers in Christ's day rejected the truth also. His followers were of the common people.)

**But I have accepted Jesus. He has accepted me and I have been keeping Sunday. Surely I would not be lost if I did not keep the Sabbath now, would I?**

"The times of this ignorance God winked at; but now commandeth all men every where to repent." Acts 17:30

**I know you, Lord, you wouldn't condemn me for breaking the Sabbath, would you?**

"He that saith, I know Him and keepeth not his commandments, is a liar, and the truth is not in him." 1 John 2:4

**But isn't it sufficient that I love the Lord and live by the law of love?**

"If ye love me keep My commandments." John 14:15

**Does that mean all ten of them?**

"For whosoever shall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2:10

**Well, I think that if we try to follow Jesus, that is all that is necessary. Isn't that right?**

"He that saith he abideth in Him, ought himself also to walk, even as He walked." 1 John 2:6

**What was your custom regarding the Sabbath?**

"And He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up; and, as His custom was, He went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day and stood up for to read." Luke 4:16.

**But, Lord, that was over 1900 years ago. Wouldn't you keep some other day than Saturday if you should come to earth today?**

"I am the Lord, I change not." Mal. 3:6, "Jesus Christ, the same yesterday, and today, and forever." Hebrews 13:8.

**Does my salvation depend upon my obedience to your commandments?**

"And being made perfect, He became the author of eternal salvation unto all them that obey him." Hebrews 5:9.

**Is it absolutely necessary to keep the Commandments to receive Eternal Life?**

"If thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments." Mathew 19:17.

**But I still can't see why you insist on the seventh day, Lord. Isn't Sunday as good as Saturday?**

"God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it." Gen 2:3. "He hath blessed and I cannot reverse it." Num. 23:20. "For Thou blessest, O Lord, and it shall be blessed for ever."

1 Chron. 17:27.

**Well, it seems to me that if I keep one day in seven, regardless of which one, that ought to be good enough.**

"There is a way that seemeth right unto a man; but the end thereof are the ways of death.: Prov. 16:25. "Spiritual things . . . are spiritually discerned." 1 Cor. 2:13,14.

**But, Lord! Can't I do something else? Won't my prayers and my profession get me to heaven?**

"Not every one that saith unto Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of My Father which is in heaven." Matt. 7:21.

**But I pray!**

"He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination." Proverbs 28:9

**But, Lord, look at the people who work miracles. Some heal the sick, others talk in tongues; yet they do not keep the Sabbath. What about them?**

"Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Thy name? And in Thy name have cast out devils? And in Thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: Depart from Me." Matthew 7:22,23.

**Yes, I know the Sabbath is right; but my business would suffer if I closed on Sabbath. I might lose my job.**

"For what shall it profit a man if he shall gain the whole world, and lose his own soul? Mark 8:36.

**Well, for myself I wouldn't care; but what about my family? Wouldn't it be better for me to work on the Sabbath than to let my family starve?**

"Your heavenly Father knoweth that ye have need of all these things, but seek ye first the kingdom of God and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you." Matt. 6:32, 33. "I have not seen the righteous forsaken, nor his seed begging bread." Psalms 37:25.

**My friends will laugh at me and ridicule me.**

"Blessed are ye when men shall revile you . . . and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for My sake; rejoice, and be exceeding glad, for great is your reward in heaven." Matt.

5:11, 12. "If the world hate you, ye know that it hated Me before it hateth you" John 15:18.

**But suppose my own family does not agree with me. Should I cause a division in my home?**

"He that loveth father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me: And he that loveth son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me: And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after Me is not worthy of Me." Matt. 10:37,38. "So likewise, whosoever be of you that forsaketh not all that he hath, he cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:33.

**I am afraid I won't be able to withstand all these trials. I am too weak.**

"My grace is sufficient for thee: For My strength is made perfect in weakness...When I am weak, then

am I strong." 2 Cor. 1:9,10. "I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me." Phil. 4:13.

**Then, Lord, what is the reward for being faithful to you and the Commandments?**

"There is no man that hath left house, or parents, or brethren, or wife or children, for the kingdom of God' sake, who shall not receive manifold more in this present time, and in the world to come, life everlasting." Luke 18:29,30. "Blessed 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." Rev. 22:14.

**Lord, I'm looking forward to a new home in the earth made new! Will we keep the Sabbath there too?**

"For as the new heavens and the

new earth which I will make shall remain before Me saith The Lord, so shall your seed and your name remain, and it shall come to pass that from one new moon to another and from one Sabbath to another shall all flesh come to worship before Me, saith The Lord." Isaiah 66:22,23.

**Then, Lord, Thy will be done on earth as it is in Heaven. With Your help, I will keep Your Sabbath!**

"Well done, good and faithful servant" Mathew 25:21 KJV.

### **WHICH MARK WILL YOU RECEIVE??**

"The Catholic Church for over one thousand years before the existence of a Protestant, by virtue of her divine mission, changed the day from Saturday (sabado, Spanish) to Sunday." — Catholic Mirror, September, 1893

"Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act, and the act is a MARK of her ecclesiastical power (See Revelation 13:16-18 & Chap. 14:9-12) and authority in religious matters." — C.F. Thomas was the Official Spokesman and Chancellor of the Roman Catholic Church's high Ranking Cardinal Gibbons.

"The observance of Sunday by the Protestants is an homage (act of WORSHIP) they pay in spite of themselves to the authority of the (Roman) Catholic Church." — book. "Plain Talk for Protestants", p.213.

GOD ALMIGHTY said, "And hal-low (keep Holy) My Sabbaths; and they shall be a SIGN between Me and you, that ye may know that I AM The Lord your God." Ezekiel 20:20

# **SPECIAL ALERT!**

## **Promotion of Sunday as Sabbath — History's Greatest Deception**

### **THE GREATEST DECEPTION IN HISTORY!**

#### **TEN COMMANDMENTS SUNDAY**

#### **Sponsored by the Ten Commandments Commission.**

They say: "Finally, a day in which we can come together and celebrate God's eternal moral law."

The Ten Commandments Commission is inviting all Christians, churches, synagogues, ministry leaders, religious bookstores and everyone who is interested in preserving traditional values to join them in a national and global movement to put forward the Ten Commandments to the nation.

The focal point of this movement is the Ten Commandments Day. The first annual Ten Commandments Day gathering was Sunday, May 7, 2006.

Some of the many Christian leaders involved include: Dr. Paul Crouch, Founder and President of the Trinity Broadcasting Network; Jay Sekulow, Chief Counsel for the American Center for Law and Justice (ACLJ); Benny Hinn, Founder of Benny Hinn Ministries; Ted Haggard, President of the National Association of Evangelicals; Richard Shakarian of the Full Gospel Business Men's

Fellowship; Dr. Charles Phillips, Official Representative to the United Nations; and many more.

### **Million Church Goal**

The Ten Commandments Commission appeals to leaders, pastors, rabbis, educators and heads of denominations to take part in this movement. Many churches have already announced that they will celebrate the Ten Commandments Day in their community.

### **Commandments as Changed**

The Ten Commandments (Exodus 20:1-17)

Thou shalt have no other gods before me.

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth.

Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain.

Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy.

Honour thy father and thy mother.

Thou shalt not kill.

Thou shalt not commit adultery.

Thou shalt not steal.

Thou shalt not bear false witness against thy neighbour.

Thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's house, thou shalt not covet thy neighbour's wife, nor his manservant, nor his maidservant, nor his ox, nor his ass, nor any thing that is thy neighbour's.

Let us now take a look at God's Ten Commandment Law as it is written in the Bible, in Exodus 20:1-17. See page 2, column 1.

In their shortened version, the Ten Commandments Commission is quoting only part of God's Ten Commandment Law, because they are only including parts of the second, third, fourth, and fifth commandments.

Exodus 20:1 says: "And God spake all these words, saying, ..."

Why is the Ten Commandments Commission not speaking ALL God's words?

By deviating from the wording of the Ten Commandment Law of God as found in Exodus 20:1-17, are they not misleading the people, and violating the Word of God by taking words away from God's law, that God has spoken?

In designing their own version of the Ten Commandment Law – by picking and choosing what they want to include, have they not, in reality, created another law and shown defiance of Divine authority?

### **Changed a Thousand Years Ago**

Over a thousand years ago the Roman Catholic Church did the same thing, designing their own version of God's Holy Law, as found in their Catechism, and this falsehood, sad to say, was accepted and adopted by most of the (fallen) protestant churches. As a consequence, this falsehood, perpetrated upon the Christian world EVER SINCE — has exerted its influence, leading the minds of the people AWAY FROM the TRUE WORSHIP OF GOD BY **NOT KEEPING HIS HOLY LAW!**

Perhaps this is the greatest spiritual deception in history, as it lays the foundation in the minds of the people, to continue to accept MAN-MADE VARIATIONS of God's HOLY LAW, as we see proposed by the Ten Commandments Commission.

In the Commission's version of the commandments, surprisingly they have included a part of God's second commandment. This commandment is entirely missing in the Catholic version of the Ten Commandments, according to their Catechism. But "God spake all these words" in regard to His second commandment, as found in the Bible:

"Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or

that *is* in the earth beneath, or that *is* in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the Lord thy God *am* a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth *generation* of them that hate me; And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.” (Ex. 20:4-6.)

The shortened version of the fourth commandment, according to The Ten Commandments Commission, is like the Catholic version was for over a thousand years:

“Remember the sabbath day to keep it holy.”

### ***Catechism’s False Change***

However, in 2005 – something very interesting happened! The Catholic church CHANGED their version of the fourth commandment, according to their Catechism. It now reads:

“Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days you shall do all your work; but the seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord your God; in it you shall not do any work.”

In addition to the change, they make a subtle adjustment of the wording. The original phrase: “... the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the Lord ...” is changed to: “the seventh day *is* a sabbath to the Lord ...”

This false changed phrase: “The seventh day is a sabbath to the Lord”, the Ten Commandments Commission has adopted and is using in their long version of the Ten Commandments law as posted on their internet homepage (April 27, 2006).

But “God spake all these words ...” in regard to the fourth commandment:

“Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day *is* the sabbath of the LORD thy God: *in it* thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that *is* within thy gates: For *in* six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them *is*, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.” (Ex. 20:8-11).

### ***God’s Seal as Lawgiver***

In the Biblical wording of the Sab-



bath Commandment, God speaks to the reader in regard to the six-day creation week, and then about the seventh day Sabbath as the day of rest. God’s seal of authority, as the lawgiver, is found in this commandment. A seal identifies the lawgiver by giving his name, his domain or kingdom, and his title. The fourth commandment of God’s moral law gives His name (“The LORD”), His domain (“Heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is”), and His title (“The Lord made,” or Creator). All of these are only in the fourth commandment as written in the Bible.

Furthermore, in the last sentence of the fourth commandment we read that the Lord blessed the seventh day, the Sabbath, and hallowed it.

What is left out of the fourth commandment by the Ten Commandments Commission is the identity of who the lawgiver is—the Creator, what day of the week is the true Sabbath—the seventh, and the blessing connected with keeping His seventh-day Sabbath holy.

The Biblical Sabbath day is the seventh day of the week, Saturday, not Sunday. It is from sunset Friday to sunset Saturday (Leviticus 23:32, Nehemiah 13:15-21).

### ***A Counterfeit Law***

While it appears as if The Ten Commandments Commission is promoting the Biblical Ten Commandment Law of God, they are, in fact, exalting by omission a subtle counterfeit of that law, which PAVES THE WAY for a continued exaltation of the counterfeit, spurious Sabbath (Sunday), instituted and promoted for over a thousand years by the Roman Catholic Church.

Perhaps a large number of people think the aim of the Ten Commandments Commission is to strengthen the Biblical day of worship, and that this is a good thing. But let us take a closer look.

The Ten Commandments Commission refers to their shortened version of the Ten Commandments, which they are promoting, as the commandments of God’s “eternal moral law.” This is not true. Anyone that compares God’s Ten Commandments, as found in the Bible, with the shortened version of the Ten Commandments of the Ten Commandments Commission will discover that there is a big difference between these two sets .

We also see that Jay Sekulow, at The American Center for Law and Justice, is supporting the Commission in uplifting their shortened, and therefore changed, version of God’s Ten Commandment Law.

Is it a serious matter when the Ten Commandments Commission excludes parts of God’s Ten Commandment Law, and says that this is GOD’S LAW?!

The Bible says: “Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish [ought] from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you.” (Deut. 4:2)

Jesus Himself said that nobody should take away even one jot or one tittle from the law! (Matt. 5:17). But what has the Ten Commandments Commission done with God’s Ten Commandment Law? They have not only taken away one jot or one tittle, but most of the text in the second, third, fourth, and fifth commandments. They have taken away about 170 words, or 680 letters.

**THEY [Commission] HAVE CHANGED THE TEN COMMANDMENT LAW OF GOD.**

THEY HAVE, in reality, CREATED a different law – a “TEN COMMANDMENT LAW OF MAN,” if you please – just as the Catholic Church did, according to the commandments found in their Catechism. How sad that this falsehood has been so widely accepted and adopted by most of the (fallen) protestant churches as found in their Catechism.

The Ten Commandment Commission is, in essence, REFERRING TO AND QUOTING FROM the Ten Com-

mandment Law of God as found in the Bible, BUT IS PROMOTING, AND SEEKING SUPPORT FOR, THEIR SHORTENED, INCOMPLETE, AND THEREFORE CHANGED VERSION OF THAT LAW. This is very tricky. It is A GREAT SPIRITUAL DECEPTION!

This GREAT SPIRITUAL DECEPTION is also in reality leading the people away from the true Ten Commandment Law of God, as we have seen the Catholic version of the Ten Commandments do! For again, it was the Catholic Church that started this apostasy when they changed God’s Ten Commandments in their Catechism more than a thousand years ago. At that time they removed the Second Commandment, removed nearly all the text in the fourth commandment, and divided the Tenth Commandment in two, in order to get ten commandments.

Therefore, unfortunately, the Catholic Church and The Ten Commandments Commission both have part in the greatest spiritual deception and falsehood in history, by changing the Ten Commandment Law of God, as found in the Bible, in Exodus 20:1-17. Their united efforts to that end reveals a persistent disregard for God’s Holy Word, a self-exalting rebellion against the Most High God, and His carefully expressed will, as found in the Ten Commandment law of God.

The Bible says, “It is time for thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void thy law.” Psalm 119:126.

**The law of God as presented in the Scriptures, as He spoke it on Mount Sinai, and as He wrote it with His own finger, on tables of stone, lays man under obligation to God!**

A loving Creator, God, deserves our expression of loving obedience, devotion, and worship! His law contains His careful instruction that reveals to us our selfishness and sins, and seeks to lead us to our Creator for forgiveness and a new life, free from sin.

By faith, through the new birth, we can be reconciled to our God, and the claims of His precious Holy Law. By just surrendering our life to Jesus Christ, and receiving from Him the forgiveness of our sins, and by faith accept the gift of His sinless life, and His death on the cross on our behalf, we can, by God’s grace and the power of His Spirit, live a life abiding in Christ.

We can bear fruit in our lives to His



exist successfully without recognition, acceptance, adherence, and submission to an absolute authority. “

### **Removing Divine Authority**

How sad to hear them speak of standing “for divine authority,” and “adherence and submission to an absolute authority,” when they themselves, in essence, are doing the opposite! How sad it is to discover their lack of integrity, in saying one thing, and doing another! The Bible says:

“This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips, but their heart is far from me. But in vain they do worship me, teaching *for* doctrines the commandments of men.” Matthew 15:8,9.

“We ought to obey God rather than men.” Acts 5:29

Jesus Himself said, “If ye love me, keep MY commandments.” John 14:15. (Emphasis supplied).

The question is: “Which authority will you and I be loyal to?”

If the Ten Commandments Commission really mean what they say, why do they not respect and follow the Biblical Ten Commandments?—The fourth Commandment says that the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God, and is the day of worship! Why do they not respect that commandment as it reads? Why do they promote Sunday worship instead of the Biblical day of rest, from Friday evening to Saturday evening?

### **Submitting to Catholic Church**

They say that a government cannot exist successfully without recognition, acceptance, adherence, and submission to an absolute authority. But by honoring the unbiblical Sabbath, which is Sunday, they submit to, and give authority to, the Catholic Church, and not to God. Why are they speaking with two tongues? Why are they not respecting the content of God’s Ten Commandments?

The Ten Commandments Commission says: “At such a time when God is being pushed out of our schools, the sanctity of life is ignored, and the Ten Commandments are thrown out of courtrooms, it is our moral duty and obligation to unite and demonstrate our stand for divine authority.”

The Ten Commandments Commission is, in reality, not respecting and

giving authority and honor to God’s Holy Ten Commandment Law, as they pretend to do. Are they not submitting to another authority – to the unbiblical authority of the Roman Church?

### **Promoting Man-Made Commandments**

Are not they themselves, in a way, casting God’s Ten Commandments out of the school-rooms, the courtrooms and leading the people to man-made commandments? While they are saying that we should follow divine authority, they promote man-made authority.

Here is something to think about for all of us. The Bible teaches that if we break one commandment, it is the same as if we broke all (for we broke the law). “For whosoever shall keep the whole law and yet offend in one *point*, he is guilty of all.” (See James 2: 10-12.)

If we know the truth, and teach the Ten Commandments in any other way than what Christ and the Bible says, then we are leading the people away from the will of God.. It is a very serious thing to make light of God’s Word, and His Ten Commandment Law, the Divine Law, the Constitution of the universe, taught by the sovereign God, in His Holy Word. Let us patiently uphold it, and be found faithful, by His grace, to all its precepts.

“Here is the patience of the saints: here *are* they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.” Revelation 14:12.

### **False Values of Massive Coalition**

Because of the urgency of this matter, the Ten Commandments Commission is calling on all supporters of traditional values to unite and let their voices be heard. They appeal to all supporters to do this primarily through the wearing of the Ten Commandments Pin that they have made available and by celebrating the annual Ten Commandments (Sun)day. They are calling on all churches, synagogues, ministry leaders, Christians, and all that care about traditional values to celebrate Ten Commandments Sunday by hosting local community events in support of the Ten Commandments.

The Ten Commandments Commission has assembled a massive coalition of cross cultural interdenominational

community leaders, pastors, rabbis, educators, and heads of denominations who are committed to standing up for traditional values. They further say: “By making our voices heard in support of the Ten Commandments, we believe we will make a major societal impact by restoring God’s eternal moral code to the heart of our nation. Will you join us as we call our nation back to the divine standard upon which it was founded?”

### **A Global Movement**

In summary: The Ten Commandments Commission called on all supporters of traditional values to unite and let their voices be heard by celebrating the Ten Commandments Sunday. They appeal to all the leaders in the nation who care about traditional values to celebrate the Ten Commandments Sunday. While this is a clear attempt to uplift Sunday as a national day of rest in the United States, they also want to make it a global movement.

The “Ten Commandments Day” is the “Ten Commandments Sunday.” Do you recognize that?

The **traditional values** mentioned in their statements includes the **Sunday tradition**, a tradition from Rome.

Let us take a close, brief look at the Sunday tradition! From a Roman Catholic book of creed we read the following:

“Question: Which is the Sabbath day?”

Answer: Saturday is the Sabbath day.

Question: Why do we observe Sunday instead of Saturday?

Answer: We observe Sunday instead of Saturday because the Catholic Church, in the Council of Laodicea (A.D.336), transferred the solemnity from Saturday to Sunday.

Question: Have you any other way of proving that the Church (Roman Catholic) has power to institute festivals of precept?

Answer: Had she no such power, she could not have done that in which all modern religionists agree with her - she could not have substituted the observance of Sunday, the first day of the week, for the observance of Saturday, the seventh day, a change for which there is no Scriptural authority.” (“Doctrinal Catechism”, p. 147, and “The Convert’s Catechism of Catholic

name’s glory — by the help of the law! We will learn to love to live in harmony with His law, and have great peace. We will learn to love His law, for it is the law of love — Holy Love — and good and just and perfect, and makes us wise. **Like a friend that brings us happiness!** Happiness from God! It is like God! For “... God is love.” (1 John 4:8).

“O how love I thy law...” Psalm 119:97.

**“The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul:** the testimony of the Lord *is* sure, making wise the simple.” Psalm 19:7. (Emphasis added).

The Ten Commandments Commission writes:

The objectives of the Commission are as follows:

To restore the supremacy of the tenets, precepts, and principles contained in the Ten Commandments.

To provide a global symbol that expresses our submission and commitment to the values found in the Ten Commandments.

To create a mechanism by which the Word of God can be restored in every aspect of society peacefully and without violation of the legal system.

To give opportunity for identification with millions who adhere to the supreme, universal law of God.

They further write: “At such a time when God is being pushed out of our schools, the sanctity of life is ignored, and the Ten Commandments are thrown out of courtrooms, it is our moral duty and obligation to unite and demonstrate our stand for divine authority. We cannot let those who wish to remove all vestiges of Judeo-Christian morality from our society succeed. History has shown that no civilized society or government can

Doctrine" (1977 edition), p. 50.

**Appeal:** By God's grace you can now understand a little better the bigger picture of the movement promoted by The Ten Commandments Commission. We are in an intense spiritual battle, the battle between truth and error, between Christ and Satan! It is important that we stay informed so we can make the right choices, and take our stand accordingly. Stand for God and the truth!

### ***The Sunday Tradition and the True Sabbath***

In this connection we refer to John Paul II. In his encyclical *Dies Domini* (The Lord's Day), published in 1989, the Pope admits that the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week in the Bible, is the Scriptural day of rest. But then, he gives the impression that Jesus liberated the day, showing how it was to be used, and then draws this conclusion: "This is why Christians, called as they are to proclaim the liberation won by the blood of Christ, **felt that they had the authority to transfer the meaning of the Sabbath to the day of the Resurrection.**" (Point 63). Can you see the weakness in his reasoning? The Pope defends the transfer of the Sabbath to Sunday, and the fact that the Christians **felt** they had the right to make this change. In his document, he also admits that Sunday, as a rest day, is a tradition.

This question arises: Are we to make our decisions and determine our faith based on emotions and traditions?

The Pope, therefore, is of the opinion that they had the right to change the day of rest from the Sabbath to the Sunday. Indeed, they consider Sunday the mark of their authority. The Catholic Church confirms through many statements that she has a mark.

We read: "Sunday is our **mark** of authority. The church is above the Bible, and this transference of Sabbath observance (to Sun-day) is proof of that fact." ("Catholic Record," London/Ontario, Sept. 1, 1923). (Emphasis supplied). Let us look at another: "Of course the Catholic Church claims that the change was her act... And the act is a **MARK** of her ecclesiastical authority in religious things." (H. F. Thomas, Chancellor of Cardinal Gibbons). (Emphasis supplied).

So the Catholic Church has a

mark of their authority, and that is the introduction of the Sunday, the unbiblical day of rest. This is the Mark of the Beast. For more in-depth study on this subject, go to the web page [www.endtime.net](http://www.endtime.net), in the document "666, the Beast, the Mark of the Beast," or contact us.

It is astonishing, and at the same time very sad, that the Lutheran Church with all her branches have joined with the Catholics in accepting the false day of rest and the false commandments promoted in the Catechism. They have accepted a counterfeit of a God-given commandment. Those who are acquainted with the facts and accept the falsehoods, and do not turn away from them, also break Gods law.

It is even more astonishing that forces within the land of liberty, the United States, have started to openly uplift the unbiblical Catholic day of rest. The Bible, in Revelation 13:11-16, tells us this will happen:

13:11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

13:12 And he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

13:13 And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by *the means* of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

13:16 And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

Now we see the first clear steps to gather people in all branches of society to uplift Sunday as the day of rest, even though it states in the American Constitution that Congress shall make

no law concerning religion.

### ***Prophecy Fulfilled***

Prophecy is being fulfilled. It seems that this is a clear step forward towards implementing the Mark of the Beast, the false unbiblical day of rest in the United States. We will soon see Congress make laws concerning Sunday as the day of rest, and that those who refuse to follow this law will be punished as lawbreakers. Ultimately, according to Revelation 13:15-16, there will be a law enforced that will carry a death decree against everyone that violates the law of Sunday sacredness. It is at this time that Christ will return with all His holy angels in the clouds of heaven, and deliver His faithful people.

However, in spite of the efforts to uplift the false Ten Commandments and the spurious Sabbath, Scripture states: "The sabbath was made for man. Therefore the Son of man is Lord also of the sabbath" (Mark 2:27-28). In other words, the day of rest was made for mankind, for all of us, irrespective of race and nationality.

If anyone was to change the Ten Commandments and the day of rest, it would, therefore, have to be Jesus. This He has not done. The Bible states: "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, and today, and for ever" (Hebrews 13:8). Therefore, all Christians should keep God's and Christ's holy rest day, the seventh-day Sabbath.

Christ says: "If you love me, keep MY Commandments. John 14:15.

Do you love Christ? Which day of rest will you then keep?

The Bible always speaks about the Sabbath day as the day between the Biblical sixth day of the week and the first day of the week. In connection with the death of Jesus, His burial and resurrection, the Bible calls the day Jesus died "the preparation day," or "the day before the Sabbath." (Luke 23:54-56). We also call it Good Friday. The day Jesus arose from the grave is called the first day of the week, our Sunday. (Luke 24:1-3). The day between these two days is called "the Sabbath," "the seventh day," Saturday. Jesus, the Lord of the Sabbath, rested in the tomb on Saturday, and arose to a new workday on Sunday.

Therefore Sunday is—according to the Bible—the first of the six work-days of the week, and the followers

of Christ will accept this. (Gen. 1:1-5; Neh.13:16-21).

The disciples continued to keep the Sabbath as the day of rest also after the resurrection of Jesus, which is in the new covenant. (Acts 13:42-44; 16:11-15; 17:2; 18:4, 11).

The Bible describes the Sabbath as the Lord's holy day (See Isaiah 58:13). "The Lord's day" is therefore NOT Sunday, but the Sabbath (Saturday). Sunday means "the day of the Sun," and not the Son's day.

There are countries that have adjusted the days of the calendar. In some countries of Europe this was done as of January 1, 1973. Before that date Saturday was the seventh day of the week, according to their calendar. Ever since that date Saturday has been the sixth day of the week. Sunday, which previously was listed as the first day, now stands as the seventh day of the week.

This is misleading. The impression can be given that Sunday is the seventh day of the Bible. **Some people, including the Catholic Church, have started to mention Sunday as Sabbath. But those who are willing to do a little investigation, will soon discover that Sunday is a false Sabbath. Sunday was originally the first day of the week, and according to Biblical reckoning it is still the first work day of the week** (Luke 24:1-3).

Therefore, because of the change that has taken place in regard to the day of rest, we have to make a decision. Do we want to obey God and keep His precious Sabbath day holy, or obey man and keep Sunday?

### ***The Resurrection of Jesus***

Many Christians observe the first day of the week as the day of rest, in memory of the resurrection of Jesus. But even if someone decided to celebrate the day of the resurrection, it is wrong to jump to the conclusion that we have a new day of rest.

Jesus created this world and He also instituted the day of rest. (Gen. 2:1-3). It is even written that "All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made." (John 1:1-3, 14). Jesus is the Lord of the Sabbath. (Is. 58:13). If the day of rest were to be changed, Jesus would be the one to make that

change. This He has not done. It is the Papacy (the beast) that is responsible for this change.

The Bible says that God blessed and hallowed the seventh day, the Sabbath, not Sunday, the Biblical first day of the week. (Luke 24:1-3). Are you able to find—in the Bible—that Jesus has asked us to stop keeping the seventh day holy, and instead commanded us to keep the first day? Are you able to find that He has changed the Ten Commandments, including the commandment to keep the seventh-day Sabbath holy, the commandment which God wrote with His own finger? Are you able to find that God or Jesus has made holy and blessed the first day of the week? Be honest with yourself and answer these questions. It is quite clear that the Bible tells us that God set aside the seventh day for a holy purpose and blessed it. It is the day that in a special way has been set aside for spiritual and physical renewal. It is the true day of rest, God's day for us.

God gave us the day of rest because He loves us and wants to bless us in a special way by His presence. If we love God, we want to show our faith and obedience to Him by keeping holy the day of rest He has instituted for our good. Only then will we receive the full blessing of the day of rest. (Mark. 2:27-28; Gen. 2:1-3; Ex. 20:11; 1 John 5:3).

### *The United States In Prophecy*

The United States is symbolically represented in Bible prophecy. In Revelation Chapter 13, verse 11, it says that this nation rises like a lamb, but that it would speak as a dragon. Yes, the Bible makes it clear that this very nation, the United States, will be the power leading in the exaltation of what is called "the Beast," and it will finally enforce "the Mark of the Beast."

Most people will be surprised when they discover that the United States, which is known as a nation of religious liberty, will suppress the conscience and force people to worship a religious authority, through strict religious laws, enforced by the state (Rev. 13:11).

The Bible reveals that this nation - (that should stand for religious liberty and never enforce laws concerning

religion) - will eventually institute a death decree in order to destroy those who will not accept "the Image of the Beast" and "the Mark of the Beast."

Those who have warned the people from the Bible, in regard to this prophecy, have been looked upon as "prophets of doom." However, after the United States started the persecution of terrorists all over the world, many thinking people realize the implication this could have in the context of religious intolerance, or loss of religious freedom.

Eventually, this expression, "terrorists," could possibly be applied to those considered to be "Christian Fundamentalists," those who will obey God rather than man. These faithful ones will find themselves in opposition to the laws of the land, when those laws conflict with the law of God. Therefore the question today is; Do we see that the United States has begun to speak as a dragon? Will the United States be our authority in every aspect of life?

### *A Sunday Movement*

A Sunday movement is presently in progress all over the world. Strong religious groups exist in the United States, such as "The Lord's Day Alliance," "The Christian Coalition," "The Ten Commandments Commission" and others, working hard in order to establish traditional values, which includes **Sunday** as a national and universal day of rest. Because of moral decay, threatening economic collapse and reduced interest in Christianity, they firmly believe the people and the nation must get back to the Ten Commandments in order to receive the blessing of God. It is in this connection that they want to restore Sunday as the day of rest.

Today we see how bishops and priests are uniting with Christian alliances, the business world, trade unions and other organizations to give life to Sunday as the day of rest. They are trying to give life to the Mark of the Beast.

Today the Catholic Church and the fallen Protestant Churches try to find common points to agree upon to have unity, and Sunday, as a common day of rest, is something both Catholics and most Protestants can agree upon. This is a smart move by the Catholics, because the exaltation

of Sunday is in reality an effort by the Catholic establishment to strengthen the mark of their authority -Sunday - in all the nations.

The celebration of the Ten Commandments Sunday is a clear attempt to uplift Sunday as a national day of worship in the United States, and soon the next steps will be taken in order to establish Sunday as a national day of worship. Then other countries will follow their example. Bible prophecy reveals that this nation (United States) will enforce the Mark of the Beast (Sunday, as a day of rest) by law. The last events will be rapid ones (Rom. 9:28). They will happen "as travail upon a woman with child" (1 Thess. 5:1-3).

### *Obligatory Sunday Observance*

Today both Catholic and Protestant nations have dormant Sunday laws incorporated in their legal system. When these and new laws are enforced, it will be obligatory to keep Sunday as a day of rest. At that time the prophecy of "the Mark of the Beast" will be fulfilled.

The Bible says that in the end the whole world will be drawn into this last great conflict. We will either choose to worship God and honor Him as the Creator of heaven and earth - by keeping holy God's and Jesus' day of rest, which is the Sabbath - or we will be loyal to "the Beast" (the Papacy) and take its mark, which is Sunday. Those who love the Saviour and are filled with the Holy Spirit, will prove their loyalty to God by observing His law. They will refuse to accept a counterfeit Sabbath, and will rank under the banner of the Lord. They are the ones who will receive the seal of the living God.

Those who yield the truth of heavenly origin and accept the Sunday Sabbath, will receive the Mark of the Beast.

Those who choose to receive the Mark of the Beast, will receive the mark in their foreheads (representing decisions made in their mind) or receive it in their right hand (representing their actions or power). But not one person is made to feel the wrath of God until the truth has been brought in contact with his mind and conscience, and has been

rejected.

Even though the Sunday - Sabbath conflict is just ahead of us, decisions to be faithful must be made today. We know the facts concerning the violation of the law of God and the forgery of the testament that has taken place concerning the day of rest. It is therefore important that we take a stand against the false Sabbath now. We should choose to follow in the footsteps of Jesus now, and He kept the Sabbath, the seventh day of the week - from sunset Friday till sunset Saturday.

We believe there are honest and sincere people in the different denominations, including the Catholic Church. When these individuals discover the deceptions that have taken place in regard to God's Ten Commandments, including the Sabbath commandment, a number of them will deal with these falsehoods. They will cut the bands that bind them, and become powerful tools for God in the closing work at the end time.

When we, through this document, reveal what has taken place, that the Catholic system is behind the change of the day of worship, it is not to condemn the Catholic believers as individuals, but to enlighten and help them, and all of us, to arrive at the right conclusion on this subject.

The Ten Commandments Commission is an instrument that is working to uphold Sunday as a national and global day of rest, starting in the United States. This is just as prophecy has foretold in Revelation chapter 13. But as we have seen, Sunday is a false Sabbath day. Bible prophecy is being fulfilled right before our eyes, and soon we will be tested whether we will worship God on His Sabbath day, or be loyal to the Catholic Church and the fallen Protestant Churches and keep the false Sabbath! (Rev. 13:15-16).

### *Church and State*

It is worth noting that Jay Sekulow, the chief Counsel of the American Center for Law and Justice, is also in favour of joining church and state. This is a Catholic model, and the Bible calls it "the Image of the Beast," a picture or a model of the Papacy, where the church uses the state to enforce religious laws, as they did during the Dark Ages.

In the United States there has always been a separation between the church and state. In the American Constitution it says: "Congress shall make no laws regarding the establishment of religion." This has been upheld until our time. However, as we have seen in Revelation 13, the Bible tells us that there will be a change in America. This nation will set up an image to the Beast, an image to the Papacy, where church and state work together. An individual's religious conviction will not be respected, but trampled upon by the laws of the land.

The Bible tells us that America will use all the power from the first Beast (the Papacy) in order to:

1. Enforce the image of the Beast (when the church in the United States will receive help from the state to enforce religious laws.

2. Enforce the mark of the Beast (the Papal spurious Sabbath, Sunday).

It is also interesting to note that in 1958 the Court asserted, for the first time, that "the federal judiciary is supreme in the exposition of the law of the Constitution." And "it is emphatically the province and duty of the judicial department to say what the law is."

We know that when five of the nine Supreme Court members in the United States are Catholics, then they will tell the American people how they shall interpret and understand the laws and the constitution. In this connection we remember the Apostolic Letter from Pope Leo XIII:

"We exhort all Catholics to devote careful attention to public matters, and to take part in all municipal affairs and elections and all public services, meetings and gatherings. All Catholics must make themselves felt as active elements in the daily political life in the countries where they live. All Catholics should exert their power to cause the constitution of the states to be modelled on the principles of the true church." - Pope Leo XIII, Apostolic Letter 1890.

A Catholic Judge is bound to obey Church Law instead of State Law. Here is the official Papal pronouncement:

"A judge may never oblige any person to perform an act contrary to the law of God or of His Church (Catholic Church)... Wherefore he cannot pronounce a penal sentence which would be equivalent to approval of such a law." - Pope Pius XII, Nov. 6. 1949.

"In other words, Catholic judges, whether citizens of a communist, democratic, Catholic, Protestant, Orthodox, or even non-Christian nation, are explicitly forbidden to obey the laws of their country if such laws do not harmonize with those of their church."

In short, "he (the Catholic Judge) must bow before the laws of the Church by forsaking those of the State, thus acting as a Catholic first and as a citizen second." (Auro Manhattan, Vatican Imperialism in the Twentieth Century, p. 119, 120 and 128).

A country speaks through its laws, and as we already have seen,

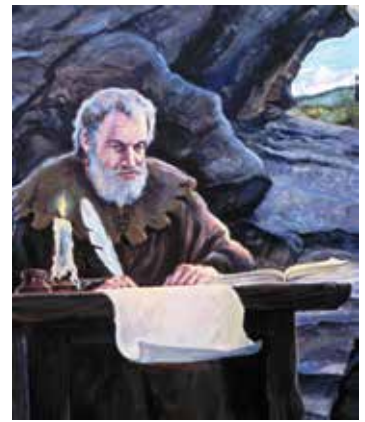
the Bible says that this nation (United States) will speak as a dragon. But the true followers of Christ will be loyal to Christ. They will keep God's day of rest. They will follow their conscience and not the laws of men, when their laws are going against God's law.

This will be the great battle in the end time, and God's Ten Commandments and the Sabbath will be the great test, because in the Sabbath Commandment God, the Lawgiver; reveals himself as the Creator of heaven and earth. It is He we shall worship and be loyal to, and not to the papacy and the fallen protestant churches. It is in this time of trouble that Christ will come and deliver His people, and the world will come to an end. God will create a new heaven and a new earth, where the righteous will live in peace and liberty. (1. Thess. 4:13-17; Rev. 15:2; Rev. 21:1-4).

The Holy Word of God proclaims:

"Blessed 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. For without are dogs, and sorcerers, and whoremongers, and murderers, and idolaters, and whosoever loveth and maketh a lie.

I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, and the bright and morning star. And the Spirit and the bride say, Come. And let him that heareth say, Come. And let him that is athirst come. And whosoever will, let



him take the water of life freely.

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book: And if any man shall take away from the words of the book of this prophecy, God shall take away his part out of the book of life, and out of the holy city, and from the things which are written in this book." (Rev. 22:14-19).

**Appeal:** Take a stand for Christ NOW and follow Him! Signs of the times tell us that Christ soon will return. It is important for each one of us to take a stand for Christ NOW! Then we can be witnesses for Him, help other people to take a stand for Him, and be ready when He returns to take the faithful ones to Heaven. By God's grace and by the power of the Holy Spirit in our lives, we will be ready!

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# EARTH'S FINAL WARNING

September 11, 2001 (9/11) — Foretold as much as 100 Years Ago

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coming of Jesus Christ and gives instruction to God's people on how to prepare for this imminent period. Notice that the vision is located in Volume 9, page 11, accurately describes the terrorist attack in the US on 9/11.

Why did God choose volume 9 page 11 100 years ahead of 9-11? God delivered the warnings and instruction in Volume 9 to prepare

His people for the coming crisis!! He has instructed them to leave the cities and learn how to live in the country, growing their own food, in order for them to be ready for the time when you cannot "buy or sell" and be faithful to God. Prophecy is designed to reveal the future so that His people can prepare for it (as in the time of the flood, God's people were the ones who were preparing). The following

prophetic examples are taken from Isaiah 41-45.

## Only God Can Tell the Future

Isa. 41:21 "Produce your cause, saith the LORD; bring forth your strong [reasons], saith the King of Jacob. Let them bring [them] forth, and show us what shall happen: let them show the former things, what they [be], that we

may consider them, and know the latter end of them; or declare us things for to come. Show the things that are to come hereafter... In other words, if you know the future, declare it to me, tell me what it shall be. But He continues and says "...For I beheld, and [there was] no man; even among them, and [there was] no counsellor, that, when I asked of them, could answer a word. Behold, they [are]

all vanity; their works [are] nothing: their molten images [are] wind and confusion.”

After pointing out that “[there was] no counsellor... that, when I asked of them, could answer a word”, God then foretells the coming of the Messiah, the Christ. Further on, in Isaiah 44 and 45, God reveals that Cyrus would one day conquer Babylon. God names Cyrus more than 100 years before he was born, and tells how He will overthrow Babylon, how the gates would be left open for the Medes and the Persian troops to enter into the city. He continues to describe how Cyrus will decree the rebuilding of the temple in Jerusalem even before the temple was destroyed by the armies of Babylon. The biblical account and accuracy of these prophecies are confirmed by the discovery of “The Dead Sea Scrolls”, discovered in 1947.

God shared the future with Isaiah’s generation to lead and prepare them so they would know that he alone is God and he would protect them during the coming crisis. Today it is equally important to understand how He (God) led in the past, that we might believe and follow his plan for the future.

### **Still a Need for Prophets?**

God has sent his messengers in every generation (even today’s), to “light up” the truth of his word that we may be prepared. Do we need prophets to tell us all these things? Are they not already in the Bible? Yes! but we have become dull of hearing, and have turned away from regarding the Bible as a book of truth. God desire’s that we know the full truth for these times and understand the impending conflict in our near and present future. For this intent, God has sent a prophet to point us to the Bible as the source of truth and “light up” his word by delivering messages about the last crisis.

### **Prophet for Today**

During the Millerite movement of the mid-1840’s God called Ellen White to point Christian believers, and the world, back to the bible as the source of truth and light. Mrs. White was inspired to write more than fifty books on life, health, and education, including the book *The Desire of Ages* which the Library of Congress considers their first choice of the over one

thousand volumes on their shelves. It occupies a place next to the Bible as you enter the vestibule. The best selling and most translated book outside of the Bible, *Steps to Christ*, (published originally by a Catholic company, Fleming Revell Co.) She especially targeted the needs that will come upon God’s people during the coming crisis and the last days. God has sent this information before hand so that His people can better understand and prepare for the last crisis.

### **World Trade Tower Events**

What does God want us to know and what should we look for? The following text in Zephaniah describes the coming of Christ and its relation to cities and towers.

#### **Does the Bible talk about the cities and towers at the end time?**

Zeph 1:14 “ The great day of the LORD [is] near, [it is] near, and hasteth greatly, [even] the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly. That day [is] a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and desolation, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness, A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.” and chap 3:1 “ Woe to her that is filthy and polluted, to the oppressing city! She obeyed not the voice; she received not correction; she trusted not in the LORD; she drew not near to her God. Her princes within her [are] roaring lions; her judges [are] evening wolves; they gnaw not the bones till the morrow. Her prophets [are] light [and] treacherous persons: her priests have polluted the sanctuary, they have done violence to the law. The just LORD [is] in the midst thereof; he will not do iniquity: every morning doth he bring his judgment to light, he faileth not; but the unjust knoweth no shame. I have cut off the nations: their towers are desolate; I made their streets waste, that none passeth by: their cities are destroyed, so that there is no man, that there is none inhabitant.”

### **Conditions at Christ’s Return**

“In the last scenes of this earth’s history, war will rage. There will be pestilence, plague, and famine. The



waters of the great deep will overflow their boundaries [tsunami]. Property and life will be destroyed by fire and flood. Disasters will come unexpectedly upon the world.” *Manuscript 41, 1896* p. 4.

“The storm is gathering; the bolts of God’s wrath are soon to fall, and when He shall begin to punish transgressors, there will be no period of respite until the end.” *Manuscript 51, 1896*, p. 5.

God caused Mrs. White to record information for His people that would inspire their minds to reflect on, and be ready for, the awesome scenes as foretold in Zephaniah, Isaiah, Daniel, and Revelation. The following excerpts are from *Testimony to the Church*, Volume 9, page 11 “The Last Crisis”:

“We are living in the time of the end. The fast-fulfilling signs of the times declare that the coming of Christ is near at hand. The days in which we live are solemn and important. The Spirit of God is gradually but surely being withdrawn from the earth. Plagues and judgments are already falling upon the despisers of the grace of God. The calamities by land and sea, the unsettled state of society, the alarms of war, are portentous. They forecast approaching events of the greatest magnitude.”

“The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones.”

In the great cities there are multitudes living in poverty and wretchedness, well-nigh destitute of food, shelter, and clothing; while in the same cities are those who have more than heart could wish, who live luxuriously, spending their money on richly furnished houses, on personal adornment, or worse still, upon

the gratification of sensual appetites, upon liquor, tobacco, and other things that destroy the powers of the brain, unbalance the mind, and debase the soul. The cries of starving humanity are coming up before God, while by every species of oppression and extortion men are piling up colossal fortunes.” What is coming next?

The following are additional messages recorded by God’s end-time Prophet to ignite action from his people.

### **Why Didn’t You Tell Us?**

“An Impressive Scene: In the visions of the night a very impressive scene passed before me. I saw an immense ball of fire fall among some beautiful mansions, causing their instant destruction. I heard someone say: “We knew that the judgments of God were coming upon the earth, but we did not know that they would come so soon.” Others, with agonized voices, said: “You knew! Why then did you not tell us? We did not know.” On every side I heard similar words of reproach spoken. In great distress I awoke. I went to sleep again, and I seemed to be in a large gathering. One of authority was addressing the company, before whom was spread out a map of the world. He said that the map pictured God’s vineyard, which must be cultivated. As light from heaven shone upon anyone, that one was to reflect the light to others. Lights were to be kindled in many places, and from these lights still other lights were to be kindled.” 9T page 28

### **Imminence of God’s Judgments**

“There are reasons why we should not build in the cities. On these cities, God’s judgments are soon to fall.”—Letter 158, 1902.

“The time is near when large cities will be swept away, and all should be warned of these coming judgments.”—Evangelism, p. 29. (1910)

“O that God’s people had a sense of the impending destruction of thousands of cities, now almost given to idolatry.—Review and Herald, 09/10/03.” Funds are needed to send containers of tabloids to warn these cities. Please Join Us. Send your gift to the address on the back page.

## God's Plan to Awaken Us

Let's go back to April 18, 1906 when the San Francisco earthquake leaped out of the ocean at 7,000 miles per hour, like some gigantic animal into the city. Streets undulated like the waves of the ocean. Crash after crash resounded.

A small lady was taken by carriage through the city. With tear-dimmed eyes she viewed the results of a warning ignored four years earlier, "that not long hence these cities will suffer under the judgements of God. San Francisco and Oakland are becoming as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the Lord will visit them in wrath." Manuscript 114, 1902.

Then two years before the 1906 earthquake, she had a vision about the wickedness in large cities. She saw houses shaken like a reed in the wind. Buildings great and small were falling. Pleasure resorts, theaters, hotels, and the homes of the wealthy were shaken and shattered. Many lives were blotted out.

Following the earthquake, she again wrote about the increased wickedness in these cities. "I feel sure that San Francisco and Oakland will again be visited with the judgements of God." Letter 2, 1909. For the same sins the Lord poured out His wrath on Sodom and Gomorrah and utterly destroyed those ancient cities with fire and brimstone. In God's mercy He has spared their modern counterparts a while longer.

While in Loma Linda, CA this same lady had a vision calling all the board members of the College of Medical Evangelists together at 5 AM. When the group had assembled she was shaking so badly that it took her 5 minutes before she could speak. Finally she said, "Brethren during the night vision, I saw the most terrible scenes pass before me. It was destruction, total destruction on all sides. I heard the cries of the dying, from the seacoast from Los Angeles to Pasadena - the entire Los Angeles Area, which included Loma Linda, Redlands, San Bernardino and Riverside, all destroyed by some massive force, whatever it was." She did not describe what the devastation was. This vision took place about 100 years ago, demonstrating that God sent a warning ahead of time before present day earthquakes and scientific facts

were known.

The San Andreas fault in the Mojave Desert near Landers and Big Bear, where twin earthquakes occurred on June 28, 1992, has scientists extremely worried as more dangerous fractures have opened up. Suddenly the San Andreas fault has become more dangerous. The following quote is one of several from the *New York Times*, dated July 12, 1992, which show the seriousness of the matter: "Dr. Allan Lindh, director of the U.S.G.S. (U.S. Geological Survey) Seismology Branch in Menlo Park, Calif. (said,) 'Everyone agrees that Los Angeles and San Bernardino should treat this like a final warning. It's like when you clean a camp. It's time to make that last pass through our cities, homes and lives and act as if it will happen tomorrow.'"

In the book *Medical Ministry*, page 305, this modern day prophet described the conditions existing in Chicago nearly 100 years ago like the sins that destroyed Sodom & Gomorrah by fire and brimstone. The remains of that devastation and scientific analysis attest to the fact that it was a sudden and catastrophic event. Friends, it's time that we heed the warnings that God is sending to all the cities of earth.

"Terrible as was the representation that passed before me, that which impressed itself most vividly upon my mind was the instruction given in connection with it. The angel that stood by my side declared that God's supreme rulership, and the sacredness of His law, must be revealed to those who persistently refuse to render obedience to the King of kings. Those who choose to remain disloyal, must be visited in mercy with judgments, in order that, if possible, they may be aroused to a realization of the sinfulness of their course."— *Testimonies*, vol. 9, pp. 92, 93. (1909)

## An Important Study

If your mind has been touched and your thoughts quickened then it is important that you continue to study Daniel and Revelation. These books of the bible complement and explain each other with an accuracy that will enthral the reader when they realize that over 600 years span the dates of their original composition. Daniel and

Revelation are often passed over and thought of as difficult to understand, however with study they can be understood by any man (with a promised blessing to the person who reads them in the KJV of the Bible).

## Promise of Blessing

Rev. 1;1-3 "The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to show unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified [it] by his angel unto his servant John: Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and of all things that he saw. Blessed [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."

## What to do Now

At the time of the flood men thought that things would continue as they always had. Most of the world scoffed at the idea of a flood and made fun of Noah's work. Did everyone get to see rain? YES! Some from inside the Ark, but most from outside, because they failed to prepare. This is the message of the Ten Virgins Found in Matthew 25. Five were wise and five were foolish. Five had prepared and five had not.

## Faith That Acts

Don't be fooled into thinking that you believe by saying some list of sentences, even if they be from the Bible, Remember that the Devil could quote scripture. Satan teaches that seeing is believing, it is taught all over our world today. I will believe when I see it sounds quite reasonable to most people. But God says "DO IT" then you will "SEE IT" then you will "BELIEVE IT" Now apply this principle to any Bible story you like and see if this is true. Peter is standing in the boat. Walking on the water, Jesus says "Peter come, STEP OUT OF THE BOAT." Now I ask you what would happen next if Peter said I will come when I can SEE a way? Peter has to take a step, Faith has to be accompanied with action, with works, as my friend used to say my faith is so good it WORKS!!! Can you cross the Red Sea without stepping in? Can the walls of Jerico fall down without the marching around?

## Salvation That Obeys

The reason so many ministers of so many churches are telling you to stay in the boat and wait for Jesus is because they have never been out of the boat themselves, like the pharisees of old they want to be saved without any obedience on their part. But John says in 14:15 "If ye love me, keep my commandments". and again in 14:23-24 "Jesus answered and said unto him, If a man love me, he will keep my words: and my Father will love him, and we will come unto him, and make our abode with him. He that loveth me not keepeth not my sayings: and the word which ye hear is not mine, but the Father's which sent me". Yet many still standing in the boat (the worlds supposed security) want to say I'm saved as if actions had nothing to do with it. That is the way Paul tells us in Romans 8:24-25 "For we are saved by hope: but hope that is seen is not hope: for what a man seeth, why doth he yet hope for? But if we hope for that we see not, [then] do we with patience wait for [it]."

## Walk With Jesus

Would you my friend like to meet Jesus, would you like to be ready He is coming, the end has been marked 100 years ahead of time so you could get ready. Step out of the boat, it is going to sink anyway. Maybe someone IN THE BOAT has told you about a "secret rapture", it is so secret that it is not anywhere in the Bible. Would you like to believe that the great men and women that have gone before us went through without any suffering? 1Peter 2:19-21 says "For this [is] thankworthy, if a man for conscience toward God endure grief, suffering wrongfully. For what glory [is it], if, when ye be buffeted for your faults, ye shall take it patiently? but if, when ye do well, and suffer [for it], ye take it patiently, this [is] acceptable with God. For even hereunto were ye called: because Christ also suffered for us, leaving us an example, that ye should follow his steps:" GET OUT OF THE BOAT!!! GET OUT OF THE CITIES NOW! YOU HAVE NO TIME TO LOSE. You will get to know Jesus as you walk with Him on the water. He will not let you down. For more information on preparation, send for the book offers on page 16. END

# EARTH'S FINAL WARNING

## September 11, 2001 (9/11) — Foretold as much as 100 Years Ago

- Amazing Past Predictions About NY Twin Towers, San Francisco, L.A., Chicago, and World Cities

**WE ARE STUNNED** as we consider that a terrible climax is now developing before our eyes, events leading to the destruction of this world. Yet, according to Bible prophecy, God is permitting this to happen. He often allows developments to work toward a climax, just as they have in the past. He did it in Noah's day, when He sent a flood of waters that buried the wicked. He did it in the days of Abraham, when He destroyed the cities of Sodom and Gomorrah because of their wickedness. When wickedness reaches a certain point, God steps in.

Christ predicted that, when conditions in the entire world became as evil as they were in the time of Noah and Sodom—the end would come!

Have we reached that point? Are the worldwide calamities a sign that we have reached the end?

Almost one hundred years ago the primary author of this article, E.G. White, was shown in vision what was to happen to the great cities of this world. Here are a few examples:

### *Twin Towers Destruction Foretold*

"On one occasion, when in New York City, I was in the night season called upon to behold buildings rising story after story toward heaven. These buildings were warranted to be fireproof, and they were erected to glorify the owners and builders. Higher and still higher these buildings rose, and in them the most costly material was used. Those to whom these buildings belonged were not asking themselves: "How can we best glorify God?" The Lord was not in their thoughts." "The scene that next passed before me was an alarm of fire. Men looked at the lofty and supposedly fire-proof buildings and said: "They are perfectly safe." But these buildings were consumed as if made of pitch. The fire engines could do nothing to stay the destruction. The firemen were unable to operate the engines." "I am instructed that when the Lord's



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"In the night I was, I thought, in a room but not in my own house. I was in a city, where I knew

not, and I heard explosion after explosion. I rose up quickly in bed, and saw from my window large balls of fire. Jetting out were sparks, in the form of arrows, and buildings were being consumed, and in a very few minutes the entire block of buildings was falling and the screeching and mournful groans came distinctly to my ears."

### *Future Destruction Upon the Cities*

"I was instructed that destruction hath gone forth upon cities. The word of the Lord will be fulfilled. Isaiah 29:19-24 was repeated. I dared not move, not knowing where I was. I cried unto the Lord, What does it mean? These representations of destruction were repeated. Where am I? "In scenes I have represented that which will be; but warn My people to cease from putting their trust in men who are not obedient to my warnings and who despise My reproof, for the day of the Lord is right upon the world when evidence shall be made sure. Those who have followed the voices that would turn things upside down will themselves be turned where they cannot see, but will be as blind men. These words were given me from Isaiah 30: "Now go, write it before them in a table, and note it in a book, that it may be for the time to come for ever and ever: That this is a rebellious people, lying children, children that will not hear the law of the Lord: Which say to the seers, See not; and to the prophets, Prophecy not unto us right things, speak unto us smooth things, prophecy deceits." A little further in Isaiah 30:25 "And there shall be upon every high mountain, and upon every high hill, rivers [and] streams of waters in the day of the great slaughter, when the towers fall."

### *The Source of the Visions*

The vision and statements above were recorded between 1900 and 1906 in a nine volume set entitled "Testimonies to the Church" and an article (MR918). This vision which took place in NYC is from the first chapter of volume nine, titled "The Last Crisis." The chapter continues to describe events that will occur just before the

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