ADVENTISM'S VISITATION PART SEVEN

PALMONI: 2004

THE 2520

SEVENTY YEARS

THE DESOLATIONS OF JERUSALEM

Daniel 9:2

THE PUNISHMENT OF BABYLON

Jeremiah 25:9–12

THE LORD CHOOSING JERUSALEM

Zechariah 1:12

THE RESTING LAND

2 Chronicles 36:16-21

LEVITICUS 25

Leviticus 26:33–35; 40–44

490 YEARS

Acts 13:16-20

490 YEARS TO THE FIRST KING

1 Samuel 8:4–7

490 YEARS TO THE LAST KING

Saul anointed king 1096/1095 BC, 1 Samuel 10. Jerusalem's captivity began 606/605 BC, 2 Kings 24:1. *Clark's Commentary*.

PROBATIONARY TIME

Psalms 12; Matthew 18:21–22

Seventy weeks are determined [cut off] upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy. Daniel 9:24.

PROBATIONARY TIME—490 YEARS

Revelation 2:20-21; 9:20-21

TYRE

Isaiah 23

FORGOTTEN

"Romanism is now regarded by Protestants with far greater favor than in former years....

"Have these persons **forgotten** the claim of infallibility put forth for eight hundred years by this haughty power?" *The Great Controversy*, 563.

THE DAYS OF ONE KING

"What nation of the New World was in 1798 rising into power, giving promise of strength and greatness, and attracting the attention of the world? The application of the symbol admits of no question. One nation, and only one, meets the specifications of this prophecy; it points unmistakably to the United States of America." *The Great Controversy*, 441.

THE CUP OF INIQUITY

"He has borne long with the perversity of the race; he has tried to win them to himself. But the time will come when they shall have filled their measure of iniquity; and then it is that God will work. This time is almost reached. 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." *Review and Herald*, March 9, 1886.

Daniel 11:40-41

THE DECREES

"The whole earth is to be lightened with the glory of the Lord. The pure in heart shall see God. It is those who are following the Lamb whithersoever He goeth that will receive power from that angel that came down from heaven 'having great power.' The first message is to be repeated proclaiming the second advent of Christ to our world. The second angels' message is to be repeated." *Manuscript Releases*, volume 16, 40.

THE STREETS AND WALLS

Daniel 11:42-43; Revelation 13:13-15; 17:16-17

JUDGMENT OF THE LOST DEAD BEGINS

Revelation 11:18

"I saw that the anger of the nations, the wrath of God, and the time to judge the dead were separate and distinct, one following the other, also that Michael had not stood up, and that the time of trouble, such as never was, had not yet commenced. The nations are now getting angry, but when our High Priest has finished His work in the sanctuary, He will stand up, put on the garments of vengeance, and then the seven last plagues will be poured out." *Early Writings*, 36.

"The wrath of God for the present generation is filled up in the seven last plagues (chapter 15:1), which consequently must here be referred to, and which are soon to be poured out upon the earth.

"The Judgment of the Dead.—'And the time of the dead, that they should be judged.' The great majority of the dead, that is, the wicked, are still in their graves after the visitation of the plagues, and the close of this dispensation. A work of judgment, of allotting to each one the punishment due to his sins, is carried on in reference to them by the saints, in conjunction with Christ, during the one thousand years following the first resurrection. 1 Corinthians 6:2; Revelation 20:4. Inasmuch as this judgment of the dead follows the wrath of God, or the seven last plagues, it would seem necessary to refer it to the one thousand years of judgment upon the wicked, above mentioned; for the investigative judgment takes place before the plagues are poured out.

"The Reward of the Righteous.—'And that thou shouldst give reward unto thy servants the prophets.' These will enter upon their reward at the coming of Christ, for he brings their reward with him. Matthew 16:27; Revelation 22:12. The full reward of the saints however is not reached till they enter upon the possession of the new earth. Matthew 25:34." Uriah Smith, *Thoughts on Daniel and the Revelation*, 539.

JUDGMENT OF THE LIVING LOST

Revelation 20:7-15

CONFIRMING THE SATANIC COVENANT

He shall enter also into the glorious land, and many *countries* shall be overthrown: but these shall escape out of his hand, *even* Edom, and Moab, and the chief of the children of Ammon. Daniel 11:41.

Revelation 13:11, 13

"By the decree enforcing the institution of the papacy in violation of the law of God, **our nation** will disconnect herself fully from righteousness. 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." *Testimonies*, volume 5, 451.

THE POWER DESCENDS

"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. Like the Samaritans who were deceived by Simon Magus, the multitudes, from the least to the greatest, give heed to these sorceries, saying: This is 'the great power of God.' Acts 8:10." The Great Controversy, 624.

IN THE MIDST OF THE WEEK

"The two armies will stand distinct and separate, and this distinction will be so marked that many who shall be convinced of truth will come on the side of God's commandment-keeping people. When this grand work is to take place in the battle, prior to the last closing conflict, many will be imprisoned, many will flee for their lives from cities and towns, and many will be martyrs for Christ's sake in standing in defense of the truth." *Maranatha*, 199.

But tidings out of the east and out of the north shall trouble him: therefore he shall go forth with great fury to destroy, and utterly to make away many. Daniel 11:44.

NONE SHALL HELP

And he shall plant the tabernacles of his palace between the seas in the glorious holy mountain; yet he shall come to his end, and none shall help him. And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation *even* to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book. Daniel 11:45–12:1.