

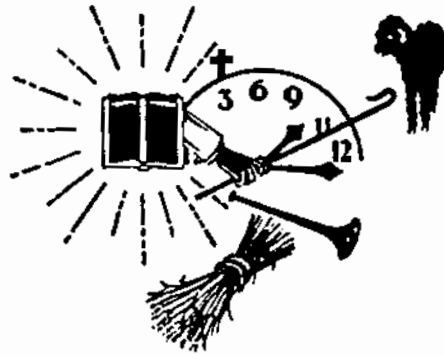
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### WHAT IS TODAY'S PRESENT TRUTH?

#### PURPOSE

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It should be obvious by now to every Davidian that we are experiencing a testing, shaking, and sifting in our midst. Therefore, it behooves each of us to be equipped by Inspiration to discern and recognize the various deals the Devil is handing out at this time, and be ready to "give... a reason of the hope that is in you with meekness and fear" (1 Peter 3:15), be fortified with the present Truth, and "hold that fast which thou hast, that no man take thy crown." (Rev. 3:11)

The Enemy of souls has tried to cleverly conceal a number of snares along our Kingdom pathway, and the Lord, as early as five years ago, in 1950, gave us advance warning about what was in store for us. Have we heeded this admonition or have we allowed our attention to be drawn to some strange voice other than the message of Elijah? Are we letting the Lord lead us through the Elijah message and Elijah's faithful helpers, or are we being led blind-folded into perdition by a voice here or a voice there? The 1950 General Conference Special clearly states our ever-present danger in this closing work for the church and our only safety for such an hour as this:

"Moreover, the old Devil has already put all his forces to work, piping pleasing tunes to lure Truth seekers to climb aboard his golden band-

wagon. Its glittering tinsel of truth is already beguiling many with his wares while his captains and generals are to the top of their voices shouting their 'Hallelujahs,' 'Holy Ghost,' 'gift of healing,' 'gift of tongues,' 'gift of miracles,' and all the rest, although the entire fanfare is devoid even of a spark of life. Every wind of doctrine will be blowing, false revivals and reformations will be at their peak. Everything that can be done will be done to distort the Truth and thus distract and dishearten believers and draw their attention to something other than the message of Elijah.

"This will be the Devil's deal while the day of God is approaching, and while Elijah is making the announcement of it as the scroll unrolls and while the prophecies concerning the day of God are being unsealed. His work and his interpretation of the prophecies for the great day will identify him as the promised Elijah the prophet (Testimonies to Ministers, p. 475), and this will enrage the Devil as never before. Nevertheless, one's only safety will be in the teaching of Elijah, for there will be no other voice of living Truth and authority to whom one may turn. Any others will lead their victims blind-folded into perdition."--General Conference Special, pp. 7, 8.

Then there is the symbolism of the five stones, representing five messages, which is clearly explained in Tract No. 8, Mt. Zion at the 11th Hour, revealing that the fifth and last message at the eleventh hour is the message of the Judgment for the Living.

"So as the five stones in the shepherd's bag

are figurative of five messages, the messages, therefore, are necessarily scheduled somewhere in the Bible. They are in Christ's parable of the vineyard: the first, at the 'early' hour (the ceremonial system); the second, at the 'third hour' (the crucifixion and resurrection of Christ); the third, at the 'sixth hour' (the twenty-three hundred days of Daniel 8:14); the fourth, at the 'ninth hour' (the judgment of the dead); and the fifth, and last, at the 'eleventh hour' (the judgment of the living, the time of the Loud Cry), which shall wound the beast, and with his own sword (the ten horns of Revelation 17:16), cut off his head, and then with fire destroy him, so that the wound shall never heal again. In the message of the hour, therefore, lies the safety of God's people...."--Tract 8, pp. 59, 60.

The way some have been taken captive by the humming of the Devil's hum-bug, evidenced by the way they are talking and acting, one would have to conclude that they believe the chariot of Ezekiel has not as yet arrived or that it arrived in 1929 but for some unexplainable reason it has taken leave of us in 1955. What satanic self-deception and what utter nonsense in the light of Inspiration's own answer to the question: "When Will This Chariot Arrive? How Long Will It Stay?"

The plain language of Inspiration shows beyond a shadow of a doubt that God is ordering and directing His work, thus complimenting the statement in Timely Greetings, Vol. 1, No. 7, page 6, that: "God is either leading us altogether or not at all." This declaration of God's leading through the chariot that has already arrived and is now operating is now quoted:

"The fact, therefore, that from the chariot, the Lord commands the prophet to go speak, bear the message to His people, and that the message totals over 1250 pages of literature published since 1930, unfolding its truth from different angles, solemnly reveals that the chariot, though invisible to human beings (as to 'the young man' were the chariots which covered the mountains --2 Kings 6:17), has already arrived. And since it is already here, it must of course be the Divine instrumentality through which, as a sort of base of operations, the Lord is ordering and directing His work, and through which He shall do so until 'this gospel of the kingdom... be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations; and... the end come.' Matt. 24:14. 'The end'---the unbelievable! to those who say, 'Where is the promise of His coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of the creation' (2 Pet. 3:4); but the long-looked-for, to those who shall say, 'Lo, this is our God; we have waited for Him, and He will save us' (Isa. 25:9). --Dreadful, awful, finality! it should drive all to ascertain the purpose of the message." --Tract 1, Pre-Eleventh Hour Extra, pp. 37,38.

Some are now fulfilling the role of the "cattle" of Ezekiel 34:17, 18, that eat and drink only that "meat in due season" that is to their liking and tramp the residue. They declare "We will believe the part of the Rod message we think is of God and reject the rest," or "We believe God is leading in this department of the work but not in that department (usually the one they have not been assigned a part in by the Lord)." What half-and-half believers, what sunshine patriots, what vocal candidates

for perdition, unless they awake and repent of their apostasy. Nothing could be clearer to startle us into our need of being all out for God and all out in following His leadership through the revealed Word, than the following quotation:

"Ezekiel 34:17--'And as for you, O My flock, thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I judge between cattle and cattle, between the rams and the he goats.'

"Inspiration now turns from the shepherds and speaks to the flock, to the laity, and warns that there are two kinds of cattle (two classes of laity), rams and he-goats. This is therefore a warning to them, and we must not fail to declare it, and they must not fail to hear and to act. For this very cause are the Timely Greetings published and scattered as the leaves of autumn.

"Verse 18--'Seemeth it a small thing unto you to have eaten up the good pasture, but ye must tread down with your feet the residue of your pastures? and to have drunk of the deep waters, but ye must foul the residue with your feet?'

"Part of the cattle are accused of being selective, of eating and drinking only that which is to their liking, and of tramping the residue. They accept whatever Truth is agreeable to them, but reject the rest. Here we shall cite an example:

"My labor has been most discouraging, as I have seen that what God designed has not been accomplished....These brethren took this position:

We believe the visions, but Sister White, in writing them, put in her own words, and we will believe that portion which we think is of God, and will not heed the other.'--Testimonies, Vol. 1, p. 234.

"The rebuke, O ye 'slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken,' that rested upon the two disciples, is a challenge to each of us. None of us is as great as the Lord, yet He believed all the prophets wrote. Entire belief in the prophets is what makes God's people great. Here is seen that 'whosoever... humbleth himself shall be exalted,' and 'whosoever exalteth himself shall be abased.' Luke 14:11.

"Well, I for one do not question anything God has spoken through His prophets. I know that He does not lie; that He is well able to direct the writings of His prophets; that He makes no vain promises; that He is able to fulfil all He says; that His prophecies never fail. I take the promises of rebuke as readily as the promises of commendation. I study my duties as laid down by Him with as great pleasure as I study the promises of glory.

"Verse 19--'And as for My flock, they eat that which ye have trodden with your feet; and they drink that which ye have fouled with your feet.'

"God's true people, the truly great, accept that which the so-called wise tread down with their feet.

"Verses 20, 21--'Therefore thus saith the

Lord God unto them; Behold, I, even I, will judge between the fat cattle and between the lean cattle. Because ye have thrust with side and with shoulder, and pushed all the diseased with your horns, till ye have scattered them abroad.'

"There is a class of church members who thrust with side and shoulder those whom they dislike, usually those who are not of the same haughty type as themselves. These shall have their punishment. And those who are thus mistreated should never feel hurt, should never become discouraged, for their's is the Kingdom, so long as they do not 'thrust' and 'push' others. The doubters and 'scatterers' will have their reward.

"Verses 22-25--'Therefore will I save My flock, and they shall no more be a prey; and I will judge between cattle and cattle. And I will set up one shepherd over them, and he shall feed them, even My servant David; he shall feed them, and he shall be their shepherd. And I the Lord will be their God, and My servant David a prince among them; I the Lord have spoken it. And I will make with them a covenant of peace, and will cause the evil beasts to cease out of the land; and they shall dwell safely in the wilderness, and sleep in the woods.'

"The present state of affairs among both ministry and laity will soon have to cease. No longer are the transgressors to commingle with the obedient. No longer are the hypocrite and the sincere to walk together. No longer are God's people to be obliged to listen to every wind of doctrine. No longer are they to be neglected, or left to suffer and fear.

"Since we are now face to face with Inspiration, and are told the difference between right and wrong, we are left without a cloak to hide under. We can now intelligently choose either to serve God or to serve self and man, either to trust in God, to study His Word for ourselves or to trust in man, to have others study it for us and tell us what is Truth and what is error. We can now decide to let prejudice control us, or to open our hearts so that Truth can find lodgment there. We can now be as dark objects in the corner, or as bright lights on the top of the mountains. 'And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.' Dan. 12:3.

"Verse 26--'And I will make them and the places round about My hill a blessing; and I will cause the shower to come down in his season; there shall be showers of blessing.'

"We often sing the song, 'There Shall Be Showers of Blessing,' but now it is up to us--we can have them or we can run away from them. Those who accept all God gives, all the prophets have written, upon them will the showers fall. 'Only those who have withstood temptation in the strength of the Mighty One will be permitted to act a part in proclaiming it [Third Angel's Message] when it shall have swelled into the Loud Cry.'--The Review and Herald, Nov. 19, 1908.

"Verse 27--'And the tree of the field shall yield her fruit, and the earth shall yield her increase, and they shall be safe in their land, and shall know that I am the Lord, when I have broken the bands of their yoke, and delivered

them out of the hand of those that served themselves of them.'

"There shall be showers of blessing, and there shall be a great harvest, too. This shall be when the bands of our yoke are broken, when we are delivered from the hands of those who serve themselves instead of the flock.

"Verses 28, 29--'And they shall no more be a prey to the heathen, neither shall the beast of the land devour them; but they shall dwell safely, and none shall make them afraid. And I will raise up for them a plant of renown, and they shall be no more consumed with hunger in the land, neither bear the shame of the heathen anymore.'

"Not only will God deliver His people from the hands of unfaithful and cruel brethren, but He will also protect them from being a prey to the heathen, and to isms.

"Verses 30, 31--'Thus shall they know that I the Lord their God am with them, and that they, even the house of Israel, are My people, saith the Lord God. And ye My flock, the flock of My pasture, are men, and I am your God, saith the Lord God.'

"God does not forsake His flock. He tenderly calls them 'My flock,' and reassures them that He is their God. He will, without fail set one shepherd to accomplish what a multitude of shepherds have failed to do. Now is your opportunity to feast on 'meat in due season,' at the hand of God's chosen shepherd, or starve on husks at the hand of a multitude of shepherds."--Timely Greetings, Vol. 2, No. 2, pp. 19-23.

"Because in that day the Lord is both to shepherd the faithful and to punish the unfaithful, the message which announces this 'great and dreadful day' (Mal. 4:5), is titled, The Shepherd's Rod. 'The Lord's voice,' therefore, 'crieth unto the city,...

'HEAR YE THE ROD, AND WHO HATH APPOINTED IT.' MIC. 6:9.

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"The church of the Laodiceans, being the last of the seven churches, is the last section of the Christian church in which the wheat and the tares are commingled. The overcomers, the marked ones, from it, those who hear the Rod, begin the eighth section of the church--the one symbolized by the 'barn' (Matt. 13:30) and by the 'vessels' (verse 48), also by the 'golden candlestick' of Zechariah 4. Of her the Lord says: '... the Gentiles shall see thy righteousness, and all kings thy glory: and thou shalt be called by a new name, which the mouth of the Lord shall name. Thou shalt also be a crown of glory in the hand of the Lord, and a royal diadem in the hand of thy God.' Isa. 62: 2,3."-- Tract No. 9, Behold, I Make All Things New, pp. 61, 62.

"Indeed, in the very nature of the case, the Eleventh-hour Movement must triumph, for, being the last, the one to garner in the harvest, that should it fail, everyone in the world today would forever remain lost. Double, therefore, are the reasons that the Lord purposes it to stand. Thus the Davidians have been called to 'the Kingdom for such a time as this.'

"For,' declares the Word, 'by fire and by His sword will the Lord plead with all flesh: and the slain of the Lord shall be many....And I will send those that escape of them unto the nations... and they shall declare My glory among the Gentiles. And they shall bring all your brethren for an offering unto the Lord out of all nations.' Isa. 66:16-20.

"And they [the Gentiles] shall call them, The holy people, The redeemed of the Lord.' Isa. 62:12.

"But who may abide the day...? Who shall stand when He appeareth? for He is like a refiner's fire, and like fullers' soap.' Mal. 3:2.

"All the more reason, then, that its adherents must be tested and proved worthy. What, therefore, is the first and gravest danger confronting Present-truth believers today?

"With the end of the long journey in view, the work was never so great, the time in which to do it never so short, and the laborers never so few, as now. Self-evident, therefore, is the fact that Satan's supreme effort at this hour must be to cause the time to be wasted and the work to go undone.

"Rouse, then, O Present-truth believer! Rise speedily to the task set, and 'whatsoever thy hand findeth to do, do it with thy might.' Eccles. 9:10. No longer let a moment be wasted, for every precious one is vital to the salvation of your own soul and to the souls of others."-- The Answerer, Book No. 1, pp. 68, 69.