

Seven Seals & Four Horses

The few times in my entire life that I have heard a study on the seven seals, the speaker always began with Revelation Chapter 6 verse 1 where the first seal is opened, and then went from there.

Revelation 6:1 “And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.”

This makes no sense for this verse begins with **AND**. What is the word **AND**? The word ‘And’ is a conjunction or connective word; that makes this verse a phrase, which is an incomplete thought not a sentence which is a complete thought. So when we read this verse speaking of the first seal we have a phrase that leaves us with three questions, what? (What Lamb, What Seals?) Where? When?

So let us go back to chapter 5 and see what we can find.

Revelation 5:1 “And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.”

This chapter speaks of the seals as well, but here again we have the opening verse beginning with a **connecting word ‘AND’**.

In the Biblical Institute–Synopsis of lectures of the principle doctrines of Seventh Day Adventists written in 1878 on page 253, we find this:

“The seals are introduced to our notice in the 4th, 5th, and 6th, chapters of Revelation. The scenes presented under these seals are brought to view in Revelation 6, and the first verse of Revelation 8. They evidently cover events with which THE CHURCH is connected from the opening of this dispensation to the coming of Christ. While the seven churches present the internal history of the church, the seven seals bring to view the great events of its external history.”

page 253. 1878.

So we were on the right track going back to chapter 5, but let's do as they suggest and move backward to chapter 4.

Revelation 4:1 *“After this I looked, (After what? Well, after receiving the counsel to the 7 churches in Revelation 2 and 3.) “After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.”*

Revelation 4:2 –4 “And immediately I was in the spirit: and, behold, a throne was set in heaven, and one sat on the throne. And he that sat was to look upon like a jasper and a sardine stone: and there was a rainbow round about the throne, in sight like unto an emerald. (Emerald is green, it takes two primary colors: blue and yellow, to make green. If you do a color study in the Bible, blue stands for the Ten Commandment moral law, yellow for the love and mercy of God. So here we have a throne that contains the Law of God, and above is the mercy seat.)

“And round about the throne were four and twenty seats: and upon the seats I saw four and twenty elders sitting, clothed in white raiment; and they had on their heads crowns of gold.”

Revelation 4:5-6 “And out of the throne proceeded lightnings and thunderings and voices: and there were seven lamps of fire burning before the throne, which are the seven Spirits of God.”

Some may think at first glance that these seven lamps of fire burning before the throne are the same as the seven golden candlesticks in Revelation 1:20. But may I help you notice that God is specific in telling us that the candlesticks are the seven churches, and here in this verse when mentioning these “seven **lamps of fire**”, **not candlesticks**, he then specifically

tells us that these are the seven Spirits of God. So may I submit to you that these seven lamps of fire are NOT the same candlesticks that we find in the Holy Place, for we have just read that a door was opened in heaven, we are now in another room with other lamps for lighting. Reading on:

Revelation 4:6 “And before the throne there was a sea of glass like unto crystal; and in the midst of the throne, and round about the throne, were four beasts full of eyes before and behind.”

What is this? A door was opened in heaven... a throne was set....24 Elders sit on 24 seats round about the throne, etc..... What is this?

This is Judgment language is it not?

Let's look at Daniel 7:9 & 10 *“I beheld till the thrones were cast down, and the Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire. Daniel 7:10 “A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him: the judgment was set, and the books were opened.”*

What did it say in Revelation 4:2? A throne was set in heaven and one sat on the throne. These two prophets are seeing the same thing. Judgment being set and books opened. When did this take place?

*Broadside, April 6, 1846 “In February, 1845, I had a vision of events commencing with the Midnight Cry. I saw a throne and on it sat the Father and the Son.....
...And I saw the Father rise from the throne, and in a flaming chariot go into the Holy of Holies, within the veil, and did sit. There I saw thrones that I had never seen before.” (In the Most Holy Place)*

When did the Midnight Cry commence? When was this judgment to take place?

Daniel 8:14 “And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed.”

We can establish from Scripture that the 2300 days/years ended in 1844, I would love to go through that time prophecy with you, but due to time and space restraints that must be a study for another time. Reading from Spirit of Prophecy Volume 4 page 269: *“At the termination of the 2300 prophetic days in 1844, Christ changed his ministration from the holy to the most holy place.”*

So Revelation 4 is giving us a picture of the setting up of the investigative Judgment in 1844 in the Most Holy Place.

So by beginning in chapter 4 we have answered two of our questions. Of what this is speaking of, and when it happened.

WHAT? THE INVESTIGATIVE JUDGMENT
WHEN did it begin? In 1844

Our second question under What? Is What book is sealed with seven seals?

Revelation 5:1 “And I saw in the right hand of him that sat on the throne a book written within and on the backside, sealed with seven seals.”

Revelation 5:2 “And I saw a strong angel proclaiming with a loud voice, Who is worthy to open the book, and to loose the seals thereof?”

Revelation 5:3 “And no man in heaven, nor in earth, neither under the earth, was able to open the book, neither to look thereon.”

Revelation 5:4 “And I wept much, because no man was found worthy to open and to read the book, neither to look thereon.”

This is so dramatized here! John was so upset that no one could open this book that he wept MUCH!

Revelation 5:5 “And one of the elders saith unto me,

Weep not: behold, the Lion of the tribe of Judah, the Root of David, hath prevailed to open the book, and to loose the seven seals thereof.”

Revelation 5:6 “And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as it had been slain, ...”

Revelation 5:7 “And he came and took the book out of the right hand of him that sat upon the throne.”

Then they worship the Lamb that is worthy. So we answer our question of WHAT; this is the opening of the judgment. What book?

Revelation 21:27 “And there shall in no wise enter into it anything that defileth, neither whatsoever worketh abomination, or maketh a lie: but they which are written in the Lamb's book of life.”

Same book! For if no man could open that book but the Lamb. It is definitely the Lamb's book.

Revelation 20:12 “And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works”....

Revelation 20:15 “And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.”

The reason John wept much, was because he feared that ALL would be cast into the lake of fire if no one was found worthy to open the book.

We have one more question we need to answer and that is WHERE was this judgment set?

Revelation 4:1 already gave us the answer. In the Most Holy Place in Heaven:

Revelation 4:1 “After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven:....”

Heb 9:24 “For Christ is not entered into the holy places

made with hands, which are the figures of the true; but into heaven itself, now to appear in the presence of God for us:”

Volume 4 Spirit of Prophecy. Page 269 tells us:

“At the termination of the 2300 prophetic days in 1844, Christ changed his ministration from the holy to the most holy place. When, in the ministration of the earthly sanctuary, the high priest on the day of atonement entered the most holy place, the door of the holy place was closed, and the door of the most holy was opened. So, when Christ passed from the holy to the most holy of the heavenly sanctuary, the door, or ministration, of the former apartment was closed, and the door, or ministration, of the latter was opened.” Spirit of Prophecy Vol 4 p. 269

Very important information here! Which church has the promise of an open door?

Revelation 3:7 *“And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write; These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth;”*

Revelation 3:8 *“I know thy works: behold, I have set before thee an open door, and no man can shut it: for thou hast a little strength, and hast kept my word, and hast not denied my name.”*

Which church is this promise made to? Philadelphia
A door was opened in heaven in 1844. Look at what was written in April of 1850 by James and Ellen White.

Present Truth Articles- April, 1850 No. 9. p. 68

“The second angel’s message called the second advent host from the various sects, and formed the Philadelphia church, or church of Brotherly Love, in the fall of 1844. To THIS CHURCH it is said:- “Behold, I have set before thee an open door.” This doubtless refers to the tabernacle of the testimony which was

then opened, that the light of the holy law of God might shine out upon the waiting saints.”

So the church of Philadelphia was born in 1844.

Now, let us take a second look at this opening quote from the book “A synopsis of Lectures on the Principal Doctrines of Seventh-Day Adventists” page 253. 1878

“The seals are introduced to our notice in the 4th, 5th and 6th chapters of Revelation. The scenes presented under these seals are brought to view in Revelation 6 and the first verse of Revelation 8; They evidently cover events with which THE CHURCH (Philadelphia) is connected from the opening of this dispensation (1844) to the coming of Christ.”

This statement makes more sense now; for we can clearly see that THE CHURCH spoken of here is none other than the Philadelphian church. So the Philadelphian church, which is the only church in the counsels given to John in Revelation that stands without condemnation, was the church that was prepared to meet her Lord in 1844.

Spirit of Prophecy -Volume 4 page 268 & 269

*“But clearer light came with the investigation of the sanctuary question. Now was seen the application of those words of Christ in Revelation, addressed to THE CHURCH at this very time: (then she quotes from Revelation 3:7 the promise to Philadelphia) **“These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth; I know thy works; Behold, I have set before thee an open door **and no man can shut it.**”** Here an open as well as a shut door is brought to view.”* An OPEN AS WELL AS A SHUT DOOR! This is KEY to our understanding of the Seven Seals.

So we see from this that an open as well as a shut door are brought to view through the study of the

seals, and this is our key to understanding the seven seals. Remember what the second half of our opening comment from the “*Biblical Institute- A synopsis of Lectures on the Principal Doctrines of Seventh-Day Adventists*”- page 253. 1878 said:

“.....While the seven churches present the internal history of the church, the seven seals bring to view the great events of its external history.”

So the seven seals are about an open and a shut door and the external history of the church. These men were on the right track here, from all that I have found in the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy on this subject, but sad to say they then go into a run down on the seven seals by giving a synopsis of Evangelical and Catholic sources instead of personally studying it out for themselves, Uriah Smith parroted these same men in his views on the seven seals in his book ‘**Thoughts on Daniel and Revelation**’ and so Adventism has since that time done nothing more with this study on the 7 seals and 4 horses. In this synopsis of ‘**Adventist Doctrines**’ they copied down what these men wrote, Lets look to see who these men were. They were EVANGELICAL AND CATHOLIC...

“**A dissertation on the Seals and Trumpets of the Apocalypse**” by William Cunninghame London, 1843 (Congregationalist Minister)

“**General History of the Christian Religion and Church**” By: Johann Neander (Orthodox Lutheran)

“**Annotations on the Apocalypse**” By: J.C. Woodhouse-Doctor of Divinity¹, London, 1828

“**12 folio volumes (Amsterdam, 1673-1675)** By: Johannes Cocceius (Dutch Theologian), professor of theology at University of Leiden. The Father of Exegesis.²

And finally:

“The History of the Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire.” By: Cardinal Edward Gibbon.

So what did these men teach on the seven seals? These men taught that the seven seals began with the church in apostolic times; running down through the dark ages, and on down to our time placing us in the very end of the sixth seal.

Uriah Smith taught these same views in ‘Thoughts on Daniel and Revelation’ These men begin in Chapter 6 and then place much of the seals way back in Apostolic times and on down through the dark ages; yet we have just established from the Scriptures that this book was not unsealed until a door opened in heaven and the ancient of days did sit, and we have just established from the Scriptures and Spirit of Prophecy that this event happened at the commencement of the investigative judgment which began in 1844.

Some will say, **‘Sister White said back in her day that the sealing had already started!’** Let’s read carefully and see what she really said!

Review & Herald, August 1, 1849 par. 9

“Just now in this sealing time. I saw some who were not standing stiffly for present truth.”

A prophet always wrote in present tense when sharing something that they saw in vision. If what they viewed was a 1000 years in the past or a 1000 years

¹ Notice: J. C. Woodhouse was a “Doctor of Divinity.” Remember what Sister White through the inspiration of God has to say about Doctors of Divinity: {Volume 4 -Spirit of Prophecy p. 214} **“The fact that doctors of divinity have the world on their side does not prove them to be on the side of truth and of God.”**

² ‘Exegesis’ is the study of the author, the times, people and conditions under which the author wrote to see if that passage of scripture is relevant to our times or not. This man also wrote much against the Bible Sabbath and against a faith that works by love and purifies the soul. He wrote much on going by one’s own feelings.

in the future they always wrote it in present tense **such as this statement of “JUST NOW.”** So if we believe her to be a true prophet of God, this little statement will not give us difficulty at all. Especially if we look from paragraph 9 up to paragraph 1 of this same article and read the beginning of what she wrote.

Review & Herald, August 1, 1849 par. 1

“The Lord has shown me that it is my duty to relate to you, what he has revealed to me relating to the present truth, our present tried, scattered and tempted state, and our duty in view of the coming judgments of God.”

First point here as we have read through this is that she was shown this in vision, second point is that it she is covering events that relate to the COMING JUDGMENTS OF GOD. So this is in the future. Then she simply goes on to relate what she saw and as she wrote she used present tense for what she saw, proving that she was more than just your run of the mill historian.

Question! Has Evangelical thinking ever caused **trouble for God’s people in the past?**

What about the great disappointment??? Reading from **Volume 4 Spirit of Prophecy pg. 258:** *“In common with the rest of the Christian world, Adventists then held that the earth, or some portion of it, was the sanctuary, and that the cleansing of the sanctuary was the purification of the earth by the fires of the last great day. This they understood would take place at the second coming of Christ. Hence the conclusion that Christ would return to the earth in 1844.”*

You see, had our forefathers studied the Sanctuary truths out for themselves there would not have been a great disappointment. They would have understood the earthly sanctuary was a pattern of the heavenly sanctuary; and they would have understood the work that Christ had yet to do there. But they stopped

short of a deep understanding of the Word, being satisfied with Evangelical thinking of their day on what the sanctuary was. This led to a great disappointment and a great falling away. So let us set evangelical thinking aside and take a fresh look at the seven seals. Beginning with the 4th chapter of Revelation at the setting up of the investigative judgment in 1844, let us go through these 7 seals. With the KEY— that of the open and shut doors that we already discovered.

1st. Seal:

Revelation 6:1 “**And I saw when the Lamb opened one of the seals, and I heard, as it were the noise of thunder, one of the four beasts saying, Come and see.**”

Revelation 6:2 “**And I saw, and behold a white horse; and he that sat on him had a bow; and a crown was given unto him: and he went forth conquering, and to conquer.**”

In 1844 with the giving of the 1st, & 2nd angel’s messages did the church of Philadelphia go forth conquering and to conquer? Yes, she did, the message went with power preparing a people to meet their King. But unfortunately it was not time for him to come; it was time for the setting up of the investigative judgment in the sanctuary above.

Review & Herald July 10, 1900

“God desired his people to obey him because they realized that obedience would make them men and women of understanding. He drew the willing and obedient to him with cords of love. He desired his people to go forth conquering and to conquer.”

That great disappointment led to a purification of the church.

Daniel 12:10 “**Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and none of the wicked shall understand; but the wise**

shall understand.”

Christ's Object Lessons p. 112

“Disobedience has closed the door to a vast amount of knowledge that might have been gained from the Scriptures. Understanding means obedience to God's commandments.”

So if we want to understand truth we must OBEY every command that we come to in a study of God's word; plain and simple! What a kind heavenly Father we have, so easy to understand! For when we ask, He sends His Holy Spirit to be our teacher as we study the Word.

Review & Herald July 1, 1915 “Clad in the armor of Christ's righteousness, the church is to enter upon her final conflict. “Fair as the moon, clear as the sun, and terrible as an army with banners” (Song of Solomon 6:10), she is to go forth into all the world, conquering and to conquer.”

The darkest hour of the church's struggle with the powers of evil, is that which immediately precedes the day of her final deliverance. But none who trust in God need fear; for “when the blast of the terrible ones is as a storm against the wall,” God will be to his church “a refuge from the storm.” Isaiah 25:4. In that day the righteous only are promised deliverance.”

How do we obtain righteousness?

Deuteronomy 6:25 “**And** it shall be our righteousness, if we observe to do all these commandments before the LORD our God, as he hath commanded us.”

So we see that the Philadelphian church went forth conquering and to conquer and it is the Philadelphian church which shall conquer as it enters the final conflict, and we just read that this will happen through **our willing obedience to all God's requirements.** That is how we can become part of that Philadelphian

church; Obedience to ALL of God's Commands.

2nd. Seal:

Revelation 6:3 "And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see."

Revelation 6:4 "And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword."

Review & Herald JUNE 10, 1852 *"As I have of late looked around to find the humble followers of the meek and lowly Jesus, my mind has been much exercised. Many who profess to be looking for the speedy coming of Christ are becoming conformed to this world and seek more earnestly the applause of those around them than the approbation of God. They are cold and formal, like the nominal churches from which they but a short time since separated. The words addressed to the Laodicean church describe their present condition perfectly. (See Revelation 3:14-20.) They are "neither cold nor hot," but are "lukewarm". And unless they heed the counsel of the "faithful and true Witness," and zealously repent and obtain "gold tried in the fire," "white raiment," and "eye-salve," He will spew them out of His mouth."*

So when did Laodicea raise it's cold, formal, un-Christ like head? This warning came in 1852. Not 1844 as some today teach.

3rd. Seal:

Revelation 6:5 "And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand."

Revelation 6:6 "And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and

three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.”

The Black horse with the rider carrying a pair of balances denotes judgment upon the church. In 1903 she wrote:

Vol. 8 T. p. 247 April 21, 1903 “In the balances of the sanctuary the Seventh-day Adventist church is to be weighed. She will be judged by the privileges and advantages that she has had. If her spiritual experience does not correspond to the advantages that Christ, at infinite cost, has bestowed on her, if the blessings conferred have not qualified her to do the work entrusted to her, on her will be pronounced the sentence: “Found wanting.” By the light bestowed, the opportunities given, will she be judged.”

4th. Seal:

Revelation 6:7 “And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.”

Revelation 6:8 “And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.”

5th. Seal:

Revelation 6:9 “And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held:

Revelation 6:10 “And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?”

Revelation 6:11 “And white robes were given unto

every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.”

6th. Seal:

Revelation 6:12 “And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood;”

Revelation 6:13 “And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind.”

Revelation 6:14 “And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places.”

Revelation 6:15 “And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains;”

Revelation 6:16 “And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb:”

Revelation 6:17 “For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?”

Chapter 7 is a rundown of the 144,000 that are sealed with the seal of the Living God, meaning that once they are sealed they cannot be killed. They will be sealed with the Seal of the Living God, some from every tribe, kindred, nation, tongue, and people. So let us jump to the 8th chapter - first verse and read the opening of the seventh seal.

7th. Seal:

Revelation 8:1 “And when he had opened the seventh seal, there was silence in heaven about the space of

half an hour.”

Silence in heaven! WHY SILENCE?

HEAVEN IS A PLACE OF CONTINUAL WORSHIP AND MUSIC, COULD IT BE EMPTY FOR THAT SPACE OF TIME? Christ himself let us know that when he comes again, all heaven will be emptied! *Matthew 25:31* ***“When the Son of man shall come in his glory, and all the holy angels with him, then shall he sit upon the throne of his glory:”***

So this gives us the setting for the 7th seal. When it has opened -then Christ shall come in the clouds of heaven, and all the holy angel’s with Him.

Now let’s go back to the open and shut doors we mentioned earlier for this is our key to understanding the 7 seals.

This is very important so let us take a closer look **Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 pg. 427:** *“Different periods in the history of the church have each been marked by the development of some special truth, adapted to the necessities of the people of God at that time.”* This theme we will develop in looking at the keys of the open and shut doors in the seven seals.

Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 268 & 269 *“But clearer light came with the investigation of the sanctuary question. Now was seen the application of those words of Christ in Revelation, addressed to THE CHURCH (Philadelphia) **at this very time:** “These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth and no man shutteth, and shutteth and no man openeth; I know thy works; Behold, I have set before thee an open door and no man can shut it.” Here an open as well as a shut door is brought to view.”*

Let's look and see what these shut doors are and see if they line up with these seals.

Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 427 *“Different periods in the history of the church have each been marked*

by the development of some special truth, adapted to the necessities of the people of God at that time.”

God is so good! He never makes a move without letting us know! Remember Amos 3:7?

Amos 3:7 “Surely the Lord GOD will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his servants the prophets.”

After His resurrection and ascension back to heaven He let John know that He was ministering in the Holy Place and that the courtyard ministrations were completed. Revelation 11:1-2 “Measure it not for it is given to the gentiles.”

Then in 1845 He let young Ellen Harmon know that He had moved from the Holy place into the Most Holy Place in 1844, and that the investigative judgment had commenced. He longs to have His people know **where He is and what He is doing. Jesus doesn't want us to be careless and indifferent to eternal things. The wise shall study, obey and thus understand.**

In Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 Page 427, we are told that God marks different periods in the history of the church. In other words, something has taken place on earth, each time Christ breaks open another seal in the Most Holy Place. John shows us in seals what is taking place on earth each time a seal is broken. I believe the Civil War, the First World War, and the Second World War were way marks or bookmarks to show us where Christ was in the investigative judgment.

Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 268 & 269 “Here an open as well as a shut door is brought to view.”

What were those shut doors? Remember we mentioned that the open and SHUT DOORS were our KEY to understanding the 7 Seals? Let's look at those shut doors.

#1. Word to the Little Flock p. 28 “There was a shut door in Noah's day. There was at that time a with-

drawal of the Spirit of God from the sinful race that perished in the waters of the Flood. God Himself gave the shut-door message to Noah: "My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years" (Genesis 6:3)." So in one generation that message went. God gave them 120 years to repent.

#2. Word to the Little Flock p. 28 "There was a shut door in the days of Abraham. Mercy ceased to plead with the inhabitants of Sodom, and all but Lot, with his wife and two daughters were consumed by the fire sent down from heaven."

#3. Word to the Little Flock p. 28 "There was a shut door in Christ's day. The Son of God declared to the unbelieving Jews of that generation, "Your house is left unto you desolate" (Matthew 23:38). Looking down the stream of time to the last days, the same infinite power proclaimed through John "These things saith he that is holy, he that is true, he that hath the key of David, he that openeth, and no man shutteth; and shutteth, and no man openeth." (Revelation 3:7)." Notice here she quotes the promise to the Philadelphian church. They are connected with these shut doors.

#4. Word to the Little Flock p. 28 "I was shown in vision, and I still believe, that there was a shut door in 1844. All who saw the light of the first and second angels' messages and rejected that light, were left in darkness. And those who accepted it and received the Holy Spirit which attended the proclamation of the message from heaven, and who afterward renounced their faith and pronounced their experience a delusion, thereby rejected the Spirit of God, and it no longer pleaded with them."

Remember that an outpouring of the Holy Spirit comes through a study of Prophecies and then our obedience to the message.

We have established that the judgment was set and the first seal was opened in 1844. See Rev. 4, 5, 6

Christ took the book, broke the first seal and began to go through the records of all those that had their names written in that book of life.

Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 309 *“The lives of all who have believed on Jesus pass in solemn review before God. Beginning with those who first lived upon the earth, our Advocate examines the cases of each successive generation, and closes with the living. Every name is mentioned, every case closely investigated. Names are accepted, names rejected. From age to age, all who have truly repented of sin, and by faith claimed the blood of Christ as their atoning sacrifice, have had pardon written against their names in the books of Heaven, and in the closing work of Judgment their sins are blotted out, and they themselves are accounted worthy of eternal life.”*

Youth's Instructor, April 27, 1899 *“He (Jesus) saw that in the history of the world, beginning with the death of Abel, the conflict between good and evil had been unceasing.”*

So in 1844, with the breaking of that first seal; judgment began with Abel, the first martyr for Jesus.

Question- IS THE MESSAGE THE SAME FOR EACH GENERATION? What was the message in Noah's day? **The message in the days of Noah;** *“Come into the ark!”* **The message in Abraham's day;** *“Come out the City!”* The message for those living before the cross was different from those living after the cross. Those who lived before the cross were required to go to the sanctuary, and shed the blood of the animal, and have the priest sprinkle the blood and make a burnt offering of it; but after the cross, this was an

evidence of unbelief.

Christ's Object Lessons. p. 35 *"They (the Unbelieving Jews) rejected the anti-type, and clung to their types and useless ceremonies."*

So we see that each generation has a special message to learn, obey and give.

In Spirit of Prophecy Volume 4 in the chapter on the 'open and shut doors' Ellen White states this: **Spirit Of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 270 & 271** *"Men cannot with impunity reject the warnings which God in mercy sends them."*

Then she goes through the shut doors:

*"A message was sent from Heaven to the world in Noah's day, and their salvation depended upon the manner in which they treated that message. Because they rejected the warning, the Spirit of God was withdrawn from that sinful race, and they perished in the waters of the flood. In the time of Abraham, mercy ceased to plead with the guilty inhabitants of Sodom, and all but Lot with his wife and two daughters were consumed by the fire sent down from heaven. So in the days of Christ. The Son of God declared to the unbelieving Jews of that generation, "Your house is left unto you desolate." [Matthew 23:38.] Looking down to the last days, the same infinite power declares, concerning those who "received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved," "For this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie; that they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." [2 Thessalonians 2:10-12.] As they reject the teachings of his word, God withdraws his Spirit, and leaves them to **the deceptions which they love.**"*

So we clearly see that there was a shut door in Noah's day, God gave them time to accept the message and go onto the ark.

Word to the Little Flock p. 28 #1 *"There was a*

shut door in Noah's day. There was at that time a withdrawal of the Spirit of God from the sinful race that perished in the waters of the Flood. God Himself gave the shut-door message to Noah:"

In looking up "Message" I found this. In 1888 there was a special message which was yet future.

Great Controversy 1888 Edition, p. 382 "IN A MESSAGE WHICH IS YET FUTURE..."

We will speak more about that in a few moments. But first let's go through and count these shut doors and see if they line up with the seven seals.

Remember in 1844 judgment began with Abel. 1st Seal opened.

#1st Shut door *"There was a shut door in Noah's day. There was at that time a withdrawal of the Spirit of God from the sinful race that perished in the waters of the Flood. God Himself gave the shut-door message to Noah: 2nd Seal opened.*

"My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years" (Genesis 6:3). Word to the Little Flock p. 28

#2nd Shut door **"There was a shut door in the days of Abraham.** *Mercy ceased to plead with the inhabitants of Sodom, and all but Lot, with his wife and two daughters, were consumed by the fire sent down from heaven."* 3rd Seal opened.

#3rd Shut Door **"There was a shut door in Christ's day.** *The Son of God declared to the unbelieving Jews of that generation, "Your house is left unto you desolate" (Matthew 23:38). 4th Seal opened.*

#4th shut door *"I was shown in vision, and I still believe, that there was a shut door in 1844. All who saw the light of the first and second angels' messages and rejected that light, were left in darkness"...5th Seal opened.*

So there is a judgment of the dead, commencing in

1844, (beginning with Abel) with each successive generation, judged on the basis of how they treated those messages, when that event took place.

- When the judgment of those living in **Noah's day** took place, then the 2nd seal was broken;
- When judgment of those living in **Abraham's day** took place, then the 3rd seal was broken;
- When the judgment of the **Jews living in Christ's** day took place, then the 4th seal was broken;
- When the judgment of those living in 1844 took place, then the 5th seal was broken.

Each time a new seal was broken, God revealed through events mentioned in the seals of Revelation where we were in the investigative judgment; He gave us way-marks such as the; Civil War, the First World War, the Second World War, etc.....

Revelation 6:3 "And when he had opened the second seal, I heard the second beast say, Come and see."

Revelation 6:4 "And there went out another horse that was red: and power was given to him that sat thereon to take peace from the earth, and that they should kill one another: and there was given unto him a great sword."

John is viewing Christ's breaking the second seal, then the second beast says "Come and see" and his attention is once again brought toward the earth where he is shown that the horse, which is a symbol of the church on earth, is no longer pure and white. The pure church of Philadelphia has become Laodicean, (Lukewarm) and at the same time there is war upon the earth.

The church is organized, "All ye are brethren" Is thrown out, they become like the worldly churches with settled pastors, and worldly Policies taken in to govern the church. At this same time in the world scene; Civil War breaks out and rages from 1861 to

1865.

Revelation 6:5 “And when he had opened the third seal, I heard the third beast say, Come and see. And I beheld, and lo a black horse; and he that sat on him had a pair of balances in his hand.”

Revelation 6:6 “And I heard a voice in the midst of the four beasts say, A measure of wheat for a penny, and three measures of barley for a penny; and see thou hurt not the oil and the wine.”

John again sees Christ break the third seal, and then is asked to look at what is happening upon the earth with the Church and in world events. The Church has become black with sin, and is being weighed in the balances. When would it have been weighed in the balances of heaven?

The 1919 Bible Conference, when the leaders strove for a whole month to get their pastors, teachers, and **administrators to believe in ‘thought inspiration’** instead of ‘verbal or word inspiration’. In 1 Samuel 15:23 we have the **“Conference President,” Saul choosing not to believe the Word of the Lord and what did the prophet Samuel tell him. “Because thou hast rejected the WORD of the Lord I will also reject thee from being King!” Did this condemnation from God come years and years after he decided that he had a right to change the Word of God and disobey God’s command? No, God told him straight away that he was finished with him and would put another man on the throne who would obey. So in 1919 the king and leaders of Adventism threw out the “Word of the Lord” and went with to a belief in ‘thought inspiration’ and ‘degrees of inspiration’.**

While in the world, the First World War was being fought from 1914 to 1918, 16 Million were killed worldwide. Food was measured; people had to stand in long bread lines, even in the freezing weather in order to take home a bit of food for their families.

God withheld swift judgment upon the church because of the innocent still within the church. He says “Hurt not the oil and wine.” Oil = Holy Spirit; Wine = Doctrine.

If you have not studied out “thought” versus “verbal inspiration”, you will not understand the significance of this shift in position that the leaders of the SDA church took in 1919.¹

Let me just say in brief that this taking up of ‘thought inspiration’ put them in the same camp as the Spiritualists that worship Satan. Reading from ‘I Talked with Spirits’ pgs. 41 & 42 by Victor Ernest: “Dr. Moses Hull, an accepted authority among spiritualists, wrote in Biblical Spiritualism, a book he published in 1895: “The Bible is, I think, one of the best of the sacred books of the ages... While the Bible is NOT the infallible or immaculate book that many have supposed it to be, no one can deny that it is a great book.... Yet it must be confessed that the age of critical analysis of all its sayings and its environments has hardly dawned.... “We do not believe in the verbal inspiration of the Bible. The dogma that every word of the Bible is supernaturally dictated is false. It ought to be shelved away... verbal inspiration is a superstitious theory.”

What does God have to say about His Word?

Deuteronomy 8:3 “And he humbled thee, ...that he might make thee know that man doth not live by bread only, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of the LORD doth man live.”

Proverbs 30:5 “Every word of God is pure: he is a shield unto them that put their trust in him.”

Matthew 4:4 “But he answered and said, It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.”

The “WORD OF THE LORD” is mentioned in scrip-

¹ For a better understanding of this subject please request: “Reviving the Original Spirit of Prophecy” from Testimony Press Publications

ture over 258 times, but never does it say, the ‘thought of the Lord’ came to Jeremiah, Isaiah, or Ezekiel, etc.... When we think that we can do our own thing and ignore a plain: “Thus saith the Lord” or change it to suit our own tastes and desires we are placing ourselves in the camp of the Spiritualists.

Now back to linking the shut doors with the seals.

Revelation 6:7 “And when he had opened the fourth seal, I heard the voice of the fourth beast say, Come and see.”

Revelation 6:8 “And I looked, and behold a pale horse: and his name that sat on him was Death, and Hell followed with him. And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.”

John sees the Lamb break that fourth seal, and once again his attention is called to the events on the earth. The Church had become pale as death (pale horse). No longer filled with the Spirit of God, because of this lack of true witness for God the earth suffers.

In the World events: Another world war with more countries involved and much more carnage and death.

Second World War: 1939-1945; over 30 countries get involved. 100 Million people died.

Looking at the seals and the way-marks/bookmarks

Now I find it interesting that when we get to the 4th seal which lines up with the shut door of the Jews in **Christ’s generation we come to the Second World War** as a way-mark and what did we see?

The Jews are in the news! God was trying to get our

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4 th seal	Christ’s Generation Judged	WWII 1939-1945

attention and show us where He was in the Investigative Judgment. The 4th seal is broken, and God was to the judgment of the Jews, this paralleling with the bookmark of the cross of Christ.

“And power was given unto them over the fourth part of the earth, to kill with sword, and with hunger, and with death, and with the beasts of the earth.”

In the Second World War, 30 countries were involved. More than 100 Million died, one quarter of the population of the countries involved died.

But ONLY 6 Million Jews DIED – Not even a tenth of the death toll, yet they were made prominent in the news, even yet today.

So if we count these way-marks/shut doors

Is there a way mark/bookmark for those that rejected the message in 1844?

Way marks/bookmarks 1, 2, 3, we have established by the events mentioned in Revelation, but one is missing -the 4th **shut door mentioned in “Word to the**

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4 th seal	3 rd SD —Jews Christ’s Gen. Judged	WWII 1939-1945
5 th seal	4 th SD —Rejecters 1 st , 2 nd Mess. 1844 Judged

NOTE: Shut Door = SD; Generation = Gen; Message = Mess

Little Flock” and “Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 ” she mentions one more shut door; those living in 1844. Is there a way-mark/bookmark for those that rejected the message in 1844?

Let’s take a look at the 5th seal and see what the Lord says.

Revelation 6:9 “And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held.”

Revelation 6:10 “And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?”

*Revelation 6:11 “And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be **killed as they were, should be fulfilled.**”*

Let us look at some very interesting quotes from the Servant of the Lord that speak about the 5th seal.

Manuscript Release No. 20 p.197, Letter 65, 1898 “And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: and they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, Holy and true, doest Thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them [They were pronounced pure and holy]; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled” [Revelation 6:9-11]. Here were scenes presented to John that were not in reality but that which would be in a period of time in the future.”

She wrote that the 5th seal was in the future in 1898. And remember that John was told this as well.

Revelation 4:1 “After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard ...said, Come up hither, and I will shew thee things which must be hereafter.”

So that puts an end to those Evangelical and Catholic teachers with their “Doctorates of Divinity” that have the world on their side.

John was part of the Apostolic church, in fact he out lived all the other 11 apostles. So I cannot follow

the teachings of those that put the opening of the 7 **Seals beginning back in John's day.** For this verse plainly states that it was to be **HEREAFTER!**

Lets learn more on the 5th seal:

Notice what is stated in Review and Herald.

Review & Herald, June 15, 1897 "The day of God is right upon us. The world has converted the church. Both are in harmony, and are acting on a short-sighted policy. Protestants will work upon the rulers of the land to make laws to restore the lost ascendancy of the man of sin, who sits in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. Roman Catholic principles will be taken under the care and protection of the state. This national apostasy will speedily be followed by national ruin. The protest of Bible truth will be no longer tolerated by those who have not made the law of God their rule of life. Then will the voice be heard from the graves of martyrs, represented by the souls that John saw slain for the word of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ which they held; then the prayer will ascend from every true child of God, "It is time for thee, Lord, to work: for they have made void thy law."

Did you catch that?

Review & Herald, June 15, 1897 par. 10

- *"The world has converted the church. Both are in harmony, Protestants will work upon the rulers of the land to make laws to restore the lost ascendancy of the man of sin"*
- *"Roman Catholic principles will be taken under the care and protection of the state."*

Question. When did this happen?

When did the United States of America, as a nation, take Roman Catholic principles under the care and protection of the state?

Have you ever heard of something called the PATRIOT

ACTS 1 & 2? Did you know they are drawn up on Catholic Cannon Law? When did this happen? Right after the twin towers falling on 9-11-2001.

So there is our final way-mark for the seals, this is our last book mark.

5th Seal— Those who rejected the 1st, & 2nd **angel's** messages in 1844; 9-11-2001 Twin Towers and the setting up of the Patriot Acts.

I knew at the time of the falling of the twin towers that they were of major significance to the people of

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God, but could not believe that it was the signal for the opening of the sixth seal which begins the judgment of the living—which some have been teaching, because of the following statements from the Spirit of Prophecy. This is one event that the devil has tried through various mediums to give the idea that some great thing would take place, when the judgment of the living would commence, but here is the truth.

Spirit of Prophecy Vol.4 pg 314 "Solemn are the scenes connected with the closing work of the atonement. Momentous are the interests therein involved. The Judgment is now passing in the sanctuary above. Forty years has this work been in progress. (1844-1884) Soon--none know how soon--it will pass to the cases of the living. In the awful presence of God our lives are to come up in review. At this time above all others it behooves every soul to heed the Saviour's admonition, "Watch and pray, for ye know not when the time is." "Watch ye therefore, . . . lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping." [Mark 13:33, 35, 36.]

Soon, none know HOW SOON!

Review & Herald, November 9, 1905 par. 16 "The righteous and the wicked will still be living upon the earth in their mortal state--men will be planting and building, eating and drinking, all unconscious that the final, irrevocable decision has been pronounced in the sanctuary above. Before the flood, after Noah entered the ark, God shut him in, and shut the ungodly out; but for seven days the people, knowing not that their doom was fixed, continued their careless, pleasure-loving life, and mocked the warnings of impending judgment. "So," says the Saviour, "shall also the coming of the Son of man be.¹" Silently, unnoticed as the midnight thief, will come the decisive hour which marks the fixing of every man's destiny, the final withdrawal of mercy's offer to guilty men.

"Watch ye therefore, . . . lest coming suddenly he find you sleeping." Perilous is the condition of those who, growing weary of their watch, turn to the attractions of the world. While the man of business is absorbed in the pursuit of gain, while the pleasure-lover is seeking indulgence, while the daughter of fashion is arranging her adornments,--it may be in that hour the Judge of all the earth will pronounce the sentence¹, "Thou art weighed in the balance, and art found wanting."

1 Thessalonians 5:2 **"For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night."**

From these statements , we see that there is no way mark / bookmark for the opening of the sixth seal. **"ALL UNCONSCIOUS THAT THE FINAL ERREVO-CABLE DECISION HAS BEEN PRONOUNCED IN THE SANCTUARY ABOVE!"**

¹ This is not the "Second Coming of Jesus" as some teach, but his coming of judgment to each individual case of the living righteous.

So Sister White has revealed to us that the 5th seal would open when patriot acts 1 & 2 would be taken under the care a protection of the state in this nation.

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Revelation 6:10 “**And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth?**” (Their murderers are still alive.)

Revelation 6:11 “**And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellow servants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.**”

Those speaking out for Christ, are being poisoned, T-boned in car crashes, being reprogrammed through Nero Linguistic Programming, Spiritual Formation, and Drugs from the Health Care Systems, being imprisoned and some are simply disappearing. Many Christians are being beheaded by Muslims around the world, even the little children.

So the 5th seal lasts only a little season.

We know not when the sixth seal will open or if it has opened yet as we are years past 9-11-2001. There is no way-mark, or bookmark for its opening.

We will see some history repeated under the sixth seal, the sun becoming as black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon turning to blood, stars falling, and of course the **great worldwide earthquake at the ‘voice of God hour.’** (when God gives the day and hour of Jesus’ second coming) The seven last plagues fall during the sixth seal as well.

Early Writings p. 58 “**Live and act wholly in reference to the coming of the Son of man. The sealing time is very short, and will soon be over. Now is the time,**

while the four angels are holding the four winds, to make our calling and election sure.”

7BC 968 (1846) **“Just before we entered it [the time of trouble], we all received the seal of the living God. Then I saw the four angels cease to hold the four winds. And I saw famine, pestilence and sword, nation rose against nation, and the whole world was in confusion.**--

Early Writings p. 279 (1858) **“I saw angels hurrying to and from in heaven. An angel with a writer's ink horn by his side returned from the earth and reported to Jesus that his work was done, and the saints were numbered and sealed. Then I saw Jesus, who had been ministering before the ark containing the ten commandments, throw down the censor. He raised His hands, and with a loud voice said, “It is done.”--**

Testimony Vol. 6 p. 14 (1900) **“Only a moment of time, as it were, yet remains. But while already nation is rising against nation and kingdom against kingdom, there is not now a general engagement. As yet the four winds are held until the servants of God shall be sealed in their foreheads. Then the powers of earth will marshal their forces for the last great battle.”**

There will not be a ‘World War three’ until every last honest in heart is sealed with the seal of the living God; See Ezekiel 9. Then Christ will throw down the censor saying “It is done” and the angels will let go the four winds of strife. So there is no ‘way mark’ or ‘bookmark’ for the opening of the 6th seal. None know when that seal will open, or if it already has; but Christ will go through our names one by one and the seal of God will be place upon those ONLY who love and obey Him. The 144,000 are sealed with the seal of the LIVING GOD, in other words once they are sealed they cannot be killed. That takes place during the 6th seal. Who are those? The

144,000! They are those that are anointed in secret (as was David see 1 Samuel 16:13) in the midst of their brethren. All are unaware of when that sealing angel will come **and stamp upon them; ‘God, New Jerusalem;’ this is written in their foreheads.**

Back to the Four Horses:

Our study has shown us that the...

- White horse was = Philadelphia; Born in 1844
- Red horse = Laodicea; confirmed sometime around 1861-1865, because they refused to heed the counsel given in 1858 and onward.
- Black horse = Laodicea judged; Confirmed by the leadership in the 1919 Bible Conference when they **threw out belief in the ‘Word of the Lord’.**
- Pale horse of death Laodicea becomes the synagogue of Satan spoken of by Christ to the church of Philadelphia in Rev. 3. It is interesting to note that in the Second World War the Church structure did not stand by their young men that refused to bear arms. Many in Germany who were Adventists that were conscientious objectors were turned in by church leaders to the police and hundreds were shot. 1939 – clear through to the end, to be slain at the voice of God hour, or by the brightness of His coming.

Let us now go to scripture for a second witness on these four horses.

Zechariah 10:3 “Mine anger was kindled against the shepherds, and I punished the goats: for the LORD of hosts hath visited his flock the house of Judah, and hath made them as his goodly horse in the battle.”

Here we read that God likens his people Judah to a goodly horse in the battle.

Zechariah 6:1 “And I turned, and lifted up mine eyes, and looked, and, behold, there came four chariots out from between two mountains; and the mountains were mountains of brass.”

Zechariah 6:2 “In the first chariot were red horses; and in the second chariot black horses;”

Zechariah 6:3 “And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot grisled and bay horses.”

Interesting! Zechariah is not seeing these horses in the same order that John saw them.

Zechariah 6:3 “And in the third chariot white horses; and in the fourth chariot grisled^{H1261} and bay^{H554} horses.

As we look at the Strong's concordance it gives us some deeper insight into these verses.

GRISLED = H1261 -*baw-rodē*‘ From H1258; spotted (as if with hail); - grisled.

BAY = H554- - *aw-mohts*‘ =Probably from H553; of a strong color, that is, red (others fleet); - bay.

RED HORSES WITH SPOTS

Zechariah 6:4 “Then I answered and said unto the angel that talked with me, What are these, my lord?”

Zechariah 6:5 “And the angel answered and said unto me, These are the four spirits of the heavens, which go forth from standing before the Lord of all the earth.”

Those who Profess to be standing before the Lord of all the earth?

Zechariah 6:6 “The black horses which are therein go forth into the north country; and the white go forth after them; and the grisled go forth toward the south country.”

No Red Horses, The red have become Black; Meaning that they have already been weighed in the Balances of the Sanctuary and found wanting.

So we see from this that God is showing Zechariah the condition of the churches after the Laodicean church has already been judged.

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country.

Remember: The King of the North is Rome

Those foolish virgins run to Rome and the Ecumenical gatherings to obtain oil. Because in the 1919 Bible conference they threw out the WORD of God; INCREDIBLE! Now let us look at the two defining words for 'AFTER'.

“and the white go forth after^{H413 H310} them;”

H413 - (*ale, el*) —(Used only in the shortened constructive form (the second form)); a primitive particle, properly denoting motion *towards*, but occasionally used of a quiescent position, that is, *near, with or among; often in general, to: - about, according to, after, against, among, as for, at, because (-fore, -side), both . . . and, by, concerning, for, from, X hath, in (-to), near, (out) of, over, through, to (-ward), under, unto, upon, whether, with(-in).*

“and the white go forth after^{H413 H310} them;”

H310 - 'achar - (*akh-ar'*) —From H309; properly the *hind part; generally used as an adverb or conjugation, after (in various senses): - after (that, -ward), again, at, away from, back (from, -side), behind, beside, by, follow (after, -ing), forasmuch, from, hereafter, hinder end, + out (over) live, + persecute, posterity, pursuing, remnant, seeing, since, thence [-forth],*

Clearly then the **“White Horses” are the remnant** that go out, escape, get away, send out with commandment, depart from the black horses, go against their teachings, lead others out from, and out- live the Black horses; this qualifies them to be the Philadelphian church which is 144,000 strong. Notice they are able to see! Important as Laodicea is BLIND!

*“...and the grisled go forth toward the south country.
Zechariah 6:7 “And the bay went forth, and sought to go that they might walk to and fro through the earth:*

and he said, Get you hence, walk to and fro through the earth. So they walked to and fro through the earth.”

Christ gives us some insight here.

Matthew 23:15 “Woe unto you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! for ye compass sea and land to make one proselyte, and when he is made, ye make him twofold more the child of hell than yourselves.”

Zechariah 6:8 “Behold, these that go toward the north country have quieted^{H5117} my spirit in the north **country.**”

Quieted—H5117 (noo'-akh)

A primitive root; to rest, that is, settle down; used in a great variety of applications, literally and figuratively, intransitively, transitively and causatively (to dwell, stay, let fall, place, let alone, withdraw, give comfort, etc.): - cease, be confederate, lay, let down, (be) quiet, remain, (cause to, be at, give, have, make to) rest, set down. Compare with H3241 that is asleep!

This judged church in its sleeping state has confederated with the world and Rome, they have quieted everyone who was prompted by the Holy Spirit and let the Holy Spirit fall as they comfort with their vain words of “Stay with the ship, the ship is going through!” “It doesn’t matter what you do, God loves you just the same!” “NOBODY’S PERFECT!” “It was all finished at the cross;” “He will give you a new character that no longer wants to sin when He comes.” “Just come to church, pay your tithe and you are in!” “Shut up, sit down and pay us all your tithe and offering, and you will be saved!”

Isaiah 31 states this.:

Isaiah 31:1 “Woe to them that go down to Egypt for help; and stay on horses, and trust in chariots, because they are many; and in horsemen, because they are very strong; but they look not unto the Holy One of Israel, neither seek the LORD!”

Life Sketches p. 190 “While at the Battle Creek in August, 1868, I dreamed of being with a large body of people. A portion of this assembly started out prepared to journey. We had heavily loaded wagons. As we journeyed, the road seemed to ascend. On one side of this road was a deep precipice; on the other was a high, smooth, white wall, like the hard finish upon plastered rooms.”

Notice not all but just a portion started out.

Life Sketches p. 190.3 “As we journeyed on, the road grew narrower and steeper. In some places it seemed so very narrow that we concluded that we could no longer travel with the loaded wagons. We then loosed them from the horses, took a portion of the luggage from the wagons and placed it upon the horses, and journeyed on horseback. (remember what horses represent)

As we progressed, the path still continued to grow narrow. We were obliged to press close to the wall, to save ourselves from falling off the narrow road down the steep precipice. As we did this, the luggage on the horses pressed against the wall, and caused us to sway toward the precipice. We feared that we should fall, and be dashed in pieces on the rocks. We then cut the luggage from the horses, and it fell over the precipice. We continued on horseback, greatly fearing, as we came to the narrower places in the road, that we should lose our balance, and fall. At such times, a hand seemed to take the bridle, and guide us over the perilous way. As the path grew more narrow, we decided that we could no longer go with safety on horseback, and we left the horses and went on foot, in single file, one following in the footsteps of another.”

Remember what we read earlier from the 1888 Great Controversy p. 382?

Great Controversy 1888 p.382 **“IN A MESSAGE WHICH IS YET FUTURE...”**

What is this message which in 1888 was yet future? *Great Controversy 1888 p.382* ***“The message of Revelation 14 announcing the fall of Babylon, must apply to religious bodies that were once pure and have become corrupt. Since this message follows the warning of the Judgment, it must be given in the last days, therefore it cannot refer to the Romish Church, for that church has been in a fallen condition for many centuries. Furthermore, in the eighteenth chapter of the Revelation, in a message which is yet future, the people of God are called upon to come out of Babylon. According to this scripture, many of God’s people must still be in Babylon.”***

In a study of pages 232 and 233 in ‘Spirit of Prophecy Volume 4’ we find that Revelation 17 is talking about Rome; Revelation 14 they understood in 1844 to be the fallen protestant churches, that refused the light of the “First and Second Angels Message” and about 50,000 people withdrew from these churches. Here we read in Revelation 18 IN A MESSAGE WHICH IS YET FUTURE, in her day it is not the Romish church; so if it is not Rome who is it speaking of then?

Spirit of Prophecy- Volume 4 p. 242-243 ***“In the parable of the ten virgins, Matthew 25, the experience of Adventists is illustrated by the incidents of an Eastern marriage.”***

Matthew 25:6 “And at midnight there was a cry made, Behold, the bridegroom cometh; go ye out to meet him.”

Early Writings p. 124, 1854 “I was shown the necessity of those who believe that we are having the last message of mercy, being separate from those who are daily imbibing new errors. I saw that neither young nor old should attend their meetings; for it is wrong to thus encourage them while they teach error that is a deadly poison to the soul and teach for doc-

*trines the commandments of men. The influence of such gatherings is not good. If God has delivered us from such darkness and error, we should stand fast in the liberty wherewith He has set us free and rejoice in the truth. God is displeased with us when we go to listen to error, without being obliged to go; for unless He sends us to those meetings where error is forced home to the people by the power of the will, He will not keep us. The angels cease their watchful care over us, and we are left to the buffetings of the enemy, to be darkened and weakened by him and the power of his evil angels; and the light around us becomes contaminated **with the darkness.**”*

WOW! DO we BELIEVE GOD'S WORD? The Adventists believe in “Thought Inspiration” like the devil worshipers. But I hear someone state Sister White said “That we are never to call the Adventist Church structure Babylon.” To be fair let us take a look at those statements!

Testimonies to Ministers p. 50 “*There is but one church in the world who are at the present time standing in the breach, and making up the hedge, building up the old waste places; and for any man to call the attention of the world and other churches to this church, denouncing her as Babylon, is to do a work in harmony with him who is the accuser of the brethren.”*

Review & Herald, September 12, 1893 “My brother, if you are teaching that the Seventh-day Adventist Church is Babylon, you are wrong. God has not given you any such message to bear. Satan will use every mind to which he can attain access, inspiring men to originate false theories, or go off on some wrong tangent, that he may create a false excitement, and thus divert souls from the true issue for this time.”

“For this time” For this TIME! In other words ‘Time and place must be considered’; If we do not stop to

consider time and place, then we are giving the Church a blank check so to speak. We are then saying that no matter what they do, no matter how deep into sin and apostasy they go, they will be corporately saved **“lock, stock and rebellion.”** Then you will have rebellion in heaven and on the new earth! That is contrary to Bible and Spirit of Prophecy teachings.

As time went on and the church became more and more corrupt she stated this:

Review & Herald, August 1, 1899 par. 6 *"If ye be willing and obedient, ye shall eat the good of the land," God declares; "but if ye refuse and rebel, ye shall be devoured with the sword: for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it. How is the faithful city (Church) become an harlot." How have those who have had every opportunity to know the truth become defiled with the corruptions of the ungodly. "It was full of judgment; righteousness lodged in it; but now murderers. Thy silver has become dross, thy wine mixed with water."*

Review & Herald August. 1, 1893 *"Of those who boast of their light and yet fail to walk in it Christ says, "But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment than for you. And thou, Capernaum [Seventh-day Adventists, who have had great light], which art exalted unto heaven [in point of privilege], shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works which have been done in thee had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day."-- [THE BRACKETED COMMENTS ARE BY ELLEN WHITE.]*

1 Notebook Leaflets 99 (1898) *"The church is in the Laodicean state. The presence of God is not in her midst."* We are told on pages 232 and 233 of Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 that: Revelation 17 is speaking of Rome, Revelation 14:8 they (Advent Band) understood back then it to be the fallen protestant churches that rejected the 1st and 2nd angels messages. And on page

424 speaking of Revelation 18 she states this:

Volume 4- *Spirit of Prophecy P. 424* “*The sins of Babylon will be laid open. The fearful results of a union of Church and State, (nonprofit corporation), the inroads of Spiritualism, (Thought inspiration or Spiritual Formation of St. Ignatius Loyola), the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power, (Poperly is the perversion of Church authority into mental tyranny) all will be unmasked. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred. Thousands upon thousands have never listened to words like these. In amazement they hear the testimony that Babylon is THE church, fallen because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth sent to her from Heaven. The people go to their former teachers with the eager inquiry, Are these things so? The ministers present fables, prophesy smooth things, to soothe their fears, and quiet the awakened conscience. But many refuse to be satisfied with the mere authority of men, and demand a plain “Thus saith the Lord”. The popular ministry, like the Pharisees of old, are filled with anger as their authority is questioned; they denounce the message as of Satan, and stir up the sin-loving multitudes to revile and persecute those who proclaim it.”*

Babylon is not a church alone; it is the joining of ‘church and state.’ It is when the church uses the state to protect itself from those that it deems “Heretical”

So why have thousands upon thousands never listened to words like these??? We have heard that Rome is Babylon, we have heard that communism is Babylon, we have heard that America is Babylon, but what does this say??? Babylon is THE church!

Which church does THE CHURCH mean? Page 426
Volume 4 –*Spirit of Prophecy p. 426* “As the storm approaches, (Notice, it is not here yet!) a large class who have professed faith in the third message, (Who are

the those who have professed faith in the third message?) *but have not been sanctified through it, abandon their position, and take refuge under the banner of the powers of darkness. By uniting with the world and partaking of its spirit, they come to view matters in nearly the same light; and when the test is brought, they are prepared to choose the easy, popular side. Men of talent and pleasing address, who once rejoiced in the truth, employ their powers to deceive and mislead souls. They become the most bitter enemies of their former brethren. When Sabbath-keepers are brought before the courts to answer for their faith, these apostates are the most efficient agents of Satan to misrepresent and accuse them, and by false reports and insinuations to stir up the rulers against them.*

Is this Rome? Have they believed and taught the third angel's message? Is it the fallen protestant churches? NO they rejected the message in 1844; so which church is the **ONLY CHURCH** that has faith in **the third angel's message for the last 170 years?**

Early Writings p. 261 *"I saw that God has honest children among the nominal Adventists and the fallen churches, and before the plagues shall be poured out, ministers and people will be called out from these churches and will gladly receive the truth. Satan knows this; and before the loud cry of the third angel is given, he raises an excitement in these religious bodies, that those who have rejected the truth may think that God is with them. He hopes to deceive the honest and lead them to think that God is still working for the churches. But the light will shine, and all who are honest will leave the fallen churches, and take their stand with the remnant."*

Why,? Because as she stated the Adventist Church will be brought down to hell, and Ezekiel 9 also tells

us this! Adventism has been pope bashing for years and making one Babylon out of three. But this message WILL go, whether they want it to go or not!

I tremble as I hear people say “I came into the Adventist Church 3 years ago and I learned so much truth!” The servant of the Lord said it would be the darkest place. DO WE BELIEVE THE WORD OF THE LORD?

Christ Object Lessons p. 414 “Not only is Satan leading the world captive, but his deceptions are leavening the professed churches of our Lord Jesus Christ. The great apostasy will develop into darkness deep as midnight, impenetrable as sackcloth of hair. To God's people it will be a night of trial, a night of weeping, a night of persecution for the truth's sake.”

So what must I do to be saved????

Early Writings p. 105 “We should individually seek to obtain new victory every day. We must learn to stand alone and depend wholly upon God. The sooner we learn this the better.”

Salvation is an individual matter from here on. Go **Ye OUT TO MEET HIM! Don't just have faith in but OBEY THE THREE ANGELS' MESSAGES!**

GO YE OUT! Remember Lot's Wife?? Where was her heart, where were her sympathies? She went out in fact they say that she made it all the way across to the other side of the valley from the city. There is a Basalt rock still standing on the other side of that valley from the remains of Sodom, that many say is Lot's wife. She went out, but her heart was still back in the city.

Oh brothers and sisters. Is your heart and sympathy **still with the loved ones in Sodom? Remember Lot's wife! REMEMBER LOT'S WIFE!**

So wrapping things up, we have learned from the Spirit of Prophecy that 9-11 was the opening of the 5th seal, when Roman Catholic Principles were taken

by “our nation” and the Constitution was fully rejected.

By the way, if your name is on the church books, you have no constitutional rights; because in 1904 the “Church” became a Nonprofit Corporation, or State-run church, and this 501^c3 is based on Maritime laws which are NONE OTHER THAN CATHOLIC CANNON LAW! But what else happened about the same time 9-11-2001?

The 1843 and 1850 Charts were restored, brought out of the archives and given back to the people of God. So the very same message rejected by our forefathers comes to us. Will YOU accept? Christ pleads yet a bit longer!

Revelation 3:20 “Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man (singular not a group) hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me.”

Revelation 3:21 “To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.”

*Revelation 3:22 “**He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.**”*

So after 9-11-2001, with the taking up of the Roman Catholic Laws in the Patriot Acts I & II the 5th seal was opened, this is the last seal with a way-mark or bookmark.

In reference to the opening of the 6th seal we are told “Soon none know how soon, it will pass to the cases of the living.” *Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 315*

RH, January 19, 1905 par. 22 “God is not giving us a new message. We are to proclaim the message that in 1843 and 1844 brought us out of the other churches. We need the Holy Spirit to kindle in our hearts the zeal and earnestness that were then seen among God's people.”

What is the Message of this hour?

The MESSAGE OF THIS HOUR is:

- IF YOU STAY TOGETHER YOU WILL BE SLAYED TOGETHER!
- **“A companion of fools shall be destroyed”**
Proverbs 13:20
- **“SLAY UTTERLY OLD AND YOUNG!”**
Ezekiel 9:6
- **“And at midnight a cry was made GO YE OUT TO MEET HIM!”**
- Out of Self serving, self pleasing, and self worship.
- out of sin,
- out of the cities,
- and out of ALL the churches

Prepare heart and soul and mind to meet your God.

Seal	Shut Doors	Bookmark
1 st seal	Judgment begins with Abel	1844
2 nd seal	1 st SD —Noah’s Gen. Judged	Civil War 1861-1865
3 rd seal	2 nd SD —Abraham’s Gen. Judged	WWI 1914-1918
4 th seal	3 rd SD —Jews Christ’s Gen. Judged	WWII 1939-1945
5 th seal	4 th SD —Rejecters 1 st , 2 nd Mess. 1844 Judged	Patriot Act 9-11 2001
6 th seal	Soon none know how soon 4SP p 315	Date Unknown
7 th seal	Second Coming of Jesus Christ	Date Unknown

NOTE: Shut Door = SD; Generation = Gen; Message = Mess

