WHY SEPARATION FROM APOSTASY IS VITAL

The Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy give us ample reasons why we should separate, from all apostasy, even within the Adventist Church.

The true reason behind the commonly-held argument that we should go back into the backslidden structure and try to share our influence, is based on the traditional teaching that somehow God is going to revive the Organization of which will then suddenly be purified and go out and give the Loud Cry. This short pamphlet will provide many proofs, from the plain statements of Inspiration, which will disprove this commonly held, erroneous belief. The 'weight of evidence' will clearly establish our religious duty to separate from apostasy. It will also reveal the 'organized structured system' is not going to be revived, and will not be the instrument through which the Lord works to give the Loud Cry, and will not go through to the Kingdom.

The 'God' of the Bible is a 'God' of division. Let us start at the beginning of the Word of God. God himself divided the light from the darkness.

Genesis 1:3, 4 "And God said, Let there be light: and there was light. And God saw the light, that it was good: and God <u>divided</u> the light from the darkness."

IS THERE ANY HOPE THAT THE DENOMINATED CHURCH WILL BE REVIVED?

In the year 1892 there was a statement made about the "Church" which has been kept well hidden from sight for many years.

"There is a little hope in one direction: Take the young men and women, and place them where they will come as little in contact with <u>our churches</u> as possible, that the low grade of piety which is current in this day shall not leaven their ideas of what it means to be a Christian." 12 MR p. 333

The prophecy in Ezekiel Chapter 8 and 9, clearly teaches the end result of the Church that has left God, retaining nothing more than a profession. Please take time to read the entire chapter, for only the first few verses are cited here.

Ezekiel 9:1–6 "He cried also in mine ears with a loud voice, saying, Cause them that have charge over the city to draw near, even every man with his destroying weapon in his hand. And, behold, six men came from the way of the higher gate, which lieth toward the north, and every man a slaughter weapon in his hand; and one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side: and they went in, and stood beside the brazen altar. And the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub, whereupon he was, to the threshold of

the house. And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer's inkhorn by his side; And the LORD said unto him, Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the abominations that be done in the midst thereof. And to the others he said in mine hearing, Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: Slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house."

Ezekiel chapters 8 & 9 clearly reveals those who have a 'profession of spirituality' and deny, the 'foundational principles of the Word of God,' have joined the ranks of Satan. Remember, it is only a small company who escape the destruction and will be sealed. (Matt. 7:14)

RH, January 11, 1887 par. 9-12 "The command is, "Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of Jerusalem, (the church) and set a mark upon the foreheads of the men that sigh and that cry for all the <u>abominations</u> that be done in the midst thereof." These sighing, crying ones had been holding forth the words of life; they had reproved, counseled, and entreated. <u>Some</u> who had been dishonoring God repented and humbled their hearts before him. But the glory of the Lord had departed from Israel. (God's

professed people) Although many still continued the <u>forms of religion</u>, its power and presence were lacking.

In the time when his wrath shall go forth in judgments, the humble, devoted followers of Christ will be distinguished from the rest of the world.... While others try to throw a cloak over the existing evil, and excuse the great wickedness everywhere prevalent, those who have a zeal for God's honor.... will be powerless to stop the rushing torrent of iniquity, and hence they will be filled with grief and alarm. They will mourn before God to see religion despised in the very homes of those who have had great light. They will lament and afflict their souls because pride, avarice, selfishness, and deception of almost every kind are in the church.

The class who do not feel grieved over their own spiritual declension, nor mourn over the sins of others, will be left without the seal of God. The Lord commissions his messengers, the men with slaughtering weapons in their hands: "Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at my sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house."

Here we see that the church--the Lord's sanctuary--was the first to feel the stroke of the wrath of God. The ancient men, those to whom God had given great light, and who had stood as guardians of the spiritual interests of the people, had betrayed their trust."

Testimonies Vol. 5 p. 211 "They had taken the position that we need not look for miracles and the marked manifestation of God's power as in former days. Times have changed. These words strengthen their unbelief, and they say: The Lord will not do good, neither will He do evil. He is too merciful to visit His people in judgment. Thus "Peace and safety" is the cry from men who will never again lift up their voice like a trumpet to show God's people their transgressions and the house of Jacob their sins. These dumb dogs that would not bark are the ones who feel the just vengeance of an offended God. Men, maidens, and little children all perish together."

Isaiah wrote about these "DUMB DOG leaders that would not bark" !!!

Isaiah 56:10, 11 "His watchmen are blind: they are all ignorant, they are all dumb dogs, they cannot bark; sleeping, (Laodicean) lying down, loving to slumber. Yea, they are greedy dogs which can never have enough, and they are shepherds that cannot understand: they all look to their own way, every one for his gain, from his quarter."

What do we (as individuals) do, when the leadership and pastors of the churches refuse to speak the truth, and are only interested in filling their pockets? Is our soul in danger of perdition if we listen to sleeping preachers, preaching to a sleeping people? Do we have any council as to our individual responsibility? Manuscript Release No. 16 p. 216 "Reforms must be made, for spiritual weakness and blindness were upon the people who <u>had been</u> blessed with great light and precious opportunities and privileges. As reformers they had come out of the denominational churches, but they now act a part similar to that which the churches acted. We hoped that there would not be the necessity for another coming out. While we will endeavor to keep the "unity of the Spirit" in the bonds of peace, we will not with pen or voice cease to protest against bigotry.

RH, January 19, 1905 par. 22 "We have, as had John, a message to bear of the things which we have seen and heard. God is not giving us a new message. We are to proclaim the message that in 1843 and 1844 brought us <u>out</u> of the other churches.

The Midnight Cry which comes before the Loud Cry states clearly, "Come out of her (the church) my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues." Revelation 18:4 The "Peace and Safety" message comes just before God ceases to strive with those impenitent 'Dumb Dogs' that refuse to sound the alarm.

1 Thessalonians 5:3 "For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then <u>sudden destruction</u> cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape."

We all have been taught that the 'Church' is the 'Ark

of Safety' but we are now beginning to see, that instead, it is a fast highway to Hell! With Babylonish teachings of false doctrines [cell groups, neurolinguistic programming, the Purpose Driven ecumenical life, spiritual formation & etc.] throughout the church, it becomes a dangerous place to be and if you don't flee NOW it will forever be too late.

In 1904 we were warned! We have a step-by-step prediction concerning Satan's false reformation within the church structure — including the false theological system of Seventh-Day Adventism— which ends with the 'church structure' being swept away by storm and tempest.

Special Testimonies, Series B, No. 2, pp. 54, 55 "The enemy of souls has sought to bring in the supposition that a great reformation was to take place among Seventh-day Adventists, and that this reformation would consist in giving up the doctrines which stand as the pillars of our faith, and engaging in a process of reorganization. Were this reformation to take place, what would result? The principles of truth that God in His wisdom has given to the remnant church, would be discarded. Our religion would be changed. The fundamental principles that have sustained the work for the last fifty years would be accounted as error. A new organization would be established. Books of a new order would be written. A system of intellectual philosophy would be introduced. The founders of this system would go into the cities, and do a wonderful work. The Sabbath, of course, would be lightly regarded, as also the God who created it. Nothing would be allowed to stand in the way of the new movement. The leaders would teach that virtue is better than vice, but God being removed, they would place their dependence on human power, which, without God, is worthless. Their foundation would be built on the sand, and storm and tempest would sweep away the structure."

"Are we hoping to see the whole church revived? That time will never come." RH, March 22, 1887 par. 2

I have seen many foundations from 25 years experience in the remodeling/construction field. Many of these remodeled foundations have crumbled because the inexperienced builders knew not what they were doing. It is impossible to build a sturdy, solid building or effectually repair a structure that has a poor or weak foundation. The sandy, crumbling foundation upon which the remodeled SDA church organization is built upon, is a reminder of the foolish man who failed to build his house on the solid Rock.

Matthew 7:26, 27 "And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand: And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house;

and it fell: and great was the fall of it."

There seems to be much confusion over the definition of the word "organization" when discussing this subject. We need to be organized in our work, but we are not required to be part of an organization. Lets read how John the Baptist worked.

"We feel as if we must belong to some organization if we would accomplish good. But John the Baptist did not work on this plan. His mission was to prepare the way for the Messiah by his God-given message; and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, he did the work appointed him without calling to his aid priest or rabbi. RH, March 29, 1898 par. 6

We have also for our example, Jesus and His disciples. They were not part of the "Church Organization" and yet they were truly the "Church" that was working for the salvation of souls.

"The disciples.... went out to give to others the light and knowledge they had received. They were few in numbers, but under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, they did more for the conversion of those in Jerusalem than the large religious organizations had ever done. They extended their work to the remote parts of the earth. God blessed their efforts, and thousands of such as should be saved were added to the church. So the Lord would have us labor." RH, March 29, 1898 par. 8

In April 1903, just after the 1903 General Conference Session, we find E. G. White giving the Church some important council.

Our position in the world is <u>not</u> what it should be. We are far from where we should have been had our Christian experience been in harmony with the light and the opportunities given us, had we from the beginning constantly pressed onward and upward. Had we walked in the light that has been given us, had we followed on to know the Lord, our path would have grown brighter and brighter. But many of those who have had special light are so conformed to the world that they can scarcely be distinguished from worldlings. They do not stand forth as God's peculiar people, chosen and precious. It is difficult to discern between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not.

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." Testimonies for the Church Vol. 8 p. 247

Has the "Church structure" followed the council, or was that council rejected? Did they pass the "balances"

test? Have they made those changes required of God not to be "found wanting"? Continuing to read on a few pages later, something very interesting is stated:

"The heavenly Teacher inquired: "What stronger delusion can beguile the mind than the pretense that you are building on the right foundation and that God accepts your works, when in reality you are working out many things according to worldly policy and are sinning against Jehovah? Oh, it is a great deception, a fascinating delusion, that takes possession of minds when men who have once known the truth, (SDA leaders) mistake the form of godliness for the spirit and power thereof; when they suppose that they are rich and increased with goods and in need of nothing, while in reality they are in need of everything."

"I saw our Instructor pointing to the garments of so-called righteousness. Stripping them off, He laid bare the defilement beneath. Then He said to me: "Can you not see how they have pretentiously covered up their defilement and rottenness of character? 'How is the faithful city (the SDA Church) become an harlot!' My Father's house is made a house of merchandise, a place whence the divine presence and glory have departed! (past tense) For this cause there is weakness, and strength is lacking." Testimonies for the Church, Vol. 8 p. 250

We know from the history of the Bible, that once the sentence "FOUND WANTING" has been pronounced

there isn't any returning; they are doomed to destruction. What a sad state of affairs!

Daniel 5:25-28, 30 "And this is the writing that was written, MENE, MENE, TEKEL, UPHARSIN. This is the interpretation of the thing: MENE; God hath numbered thy kingdom, and finished it. TEKEL; Thou art weighed in the balances, and art found wanting. PERES; Thy kingdom is divided, and given to the Medes and Persians. ... In that night was Belshazzar the king of the Chaldeans slain."

RH, July 24, 1888 par. 1 "Spiritual death has come upon the people that should be manifesting life and zeal, purity and consecration, by the most earnest devotion to the cause of truth. The facts concerning the real condition of the professed people of God, speak more loudly than their profession, and make it evident that some power has cut the cable that anchored them to the Eternal Rock, and that they are drifting away to sea, without chart or compass."

In 1888 they had received this warning, but by 1903 it was forever too late. They had rejected their opportunity, their warnings, their reproofs; yet the 'Church Organization' as a whole, had chosen to remodel (change) the foundation that had been built for them by the Great Builder.

"I saw a company who stood well guarded and firm, and would give no countenance to those who would unsettle the established faith

of the body. God looked upon them with approbation. I was shown three steps--one, two and three--the first, second and third angels' messages. Said the angel, Woe to him who shall move a block, or stir a pin in these messages. The true understanding of these messages is of vital importance. The destiny of souls hangs upon the manner in which they are received....

Step by step had God brought them along, until he had placed them upon a solid, immovable platform. Then I saw individuals as they approached the platform, before stepping upon it examine the foundation. Some with rejoicing immediately stepped upon it. Others commenced to find fault with the laying of the foundation of the platform. They wished improvements made, and then the platform would be more perfect, and the people much happier. Some stepped off the platform and examined it, then found fault with it, declaring it to be laid wrong." Spiritual Gifts Vol. 1 p. 168

"Jesus departed from Jerusalem, from the priests, the temple, the religious leaders, the people who had been instructed in the law, and turned to another class to proclaim His message.... Again and again the history of Christ's withdrawal from Judea has been repeated. When the Reformers preached the word of God, they had no thought of separating themselves from the established church; but the religious leaders would not tolerate the light, and those that bore it were forced to seek another class, who were longing for the truth. In our day few of the professed followers of the Reformers are ac-

tuated by their spirit. Few are listening for the voice of God, and ready to accept truth in whatever guise it may be presented. Often those who follow in the steps of the Reformers are forced to turn away from the churches they love, in order to declare the plain teaching of the word of God. And many times those who are seeking for light are by the same teaching obliged to leave the church... that they may render obedience." Desire of Ages p. 232

General Conference Bulletin, January 1, 1900 par. 7 "The third angel's message must do its work of <u>separating from the churches</u> a people who will take their stand on the platform of eternal truth."

RH Oct. 31, 1899 "The first, second, and third angels' messages are to be repeated. The call is to be given to the church: "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird....Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues."

Special Testimonies Series B # 7 p. 64 "I am now giving the message God has given me, to give to all who claim to believe the truth: "Come out from among them, and be ye separate," else their sin in justifying wrongs and framing deceits will continue to be the ruin of souls. We can not afford to be on the wrong side."

Testimonies Vol. 2 p. 442 "Like ancient Israel

the church has dishonored her God by departing from the light, neglecting her duties, and abusing her high and exalted privilege of being peculiar and holy in character. Her members have violated their covenant to live for God and Him only. They have joined with the selfish and world-loving. Pride, the love of pleasure, and sin have been cherished, and Christ has departed. His Spirit has been quenched in the church."

Testimonies Vol. 1 p. 609 "I was pointed back to ancient Israel. But two of the adults of the vast army that left Egypt entered the land of Canaan.... Modern Israel are in greater danger of forgetting God and being led into idolatry than were His ancient people. Many idols are worshiped, even by professed Sabbathkeepers.

Exodus 23:2 "Thou shalt not follow a multitude to do evil; neither shalt thou speak in a cause to decline after many to wrest judgment."

Spalding and Magan Collection p. 370 "Now is our time of peril. Our only safety is in walking in the footsteps of Christ, and wearing his yoke. Troublous times are before us. In many instances, friends will become alienated. Without cause men will become our enemies. The motives of the people of God will be misinterpreted, not only by the world, but by their own brethren."

Proverbs 1:10 "My son, if sinners entice thee, consent thou not."

RH May 9, 1899 par. 18 "Even though you may not feel able to speak a word to those who are working on wrong principles, leave them. Your withdrawal and silence may do more than words. Nehemiah refused to associate with those who were untrue to principle, and he would not permit his workmen to associate with them. The love and fear of God were his safeguard. He lived and worked as in view of the unseen world. And David said, "I have set the Lord always before me.""

RH, January 2, 1900 par. 5 "You are exhorted to touch not the unclean thing; for in touching this, you will yourself become unclean. It is impossible for you to unite with those who are corrupt, and still remain pure."

Let us look at the example of Paul who separated the 'true Church' from the synagogue of those unbelieving Jews, who were attacking the doctrines of the gospel of Christ.

Acts 19:8, 9 "And he went into the synagogue, and spake boldly for the space of three months, disputing and persuading the things concerning the kingdom of God. But when divers were hardened, and believed not, but spake evil of that way before the multitude, he departed from them, and separated the disciples..."

Sketches from the Life of Paul, p. 134 "The Spirit of God had wrought with and through Paul

in his labors for his countrymen. Sufficient evidence had been presented to convince all who honestly desired to know the truth. But many permitted themselves to be controlled by prejudice and unbelief, and refused to yield to the most conclusive evidence. Fearing that the faith of the believers would be endangered by continued association with these opposers of the truth, Paul separated the disciples as a distinct body, and himself continued his public instructions in the school of one Tyrannus, a teacher of some note."

Paul warns us to avoid those who cause divisions, and teach errors, in the place of doctrinal truth.

Romans 16:17 "Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences contrary to the doctrine which ye have learned; and <u>avoid them</u>."

2nd **Timothy 3:5** "Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such <u>turn</u> <u>away."</u>

Spirit of Prophecy Vol. 4 p. 240 "As the churches depart more and more widely from the truth, and ally themselves more closely with the world, the time will come when those who fear and honor God can no longer remain in connection with them. Those that "believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness," will be left to receive "strong delusion," and to "believe a lie." 2 Thessalonians 2:11, 12.

In view of the volumes of evidence that the 'Church' was weighed in the balances and found wanting back in 1903, this message of "come out of her my people," is most definitely for us today; in fact there are none alive today that should still be connected with any daughter of Babylon. The Testimony of Jesus has made it plain, that it is absolutely necessary for us to be separate. If we fail to follow all the commands of God, we will fail to reach the standard of perfect obedience. If this next reference was the only reference found in this publication on separation it should be enough proof for the weakest saint to make haste and flee from any 'Church' that has stepped off of the platform and has been remodeling it to fit their own plans.

Supplement to the Christian Experience and Views of Ellen G. White p. 45, 46 "I was shown the necessity of those who believe we are having the last message of mercy, being separate from those who are daily imbibing new errors. I saw that young and old should not attend their assemblies; for it is wrong to encourage them by attending their meetings while they teach error that is poisonous, and death to the soul, and teach for doctrines the commandments of men. And the influence 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 those who go to listen to error, when they are not obliged to; for unless he sends us to these 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."

Spiritual Gifts Vol. 1 p. 196 "Servants of God, endowed with power from on high, with their faces lighted up, and shining with holy consecration, went forth fulfilling their work, and proclaiming the message from heaven. Souls that were scattered all through the religious bodies answered to the call, and the precious were hurried out of the doomed churches"

Great Controversy p. 464 "There are true followers of Christ in these churches.... The Spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children. At that time many will separate themselves from those churches in which the love of this world has supplanted love for God and His word."

This doesn't mean that we should wait to be thrust out, of the 'Church;' but that we will flee, separate ourselves, so that the evil influences and erroneous teachings that have come into the 'Church' will not cause our souls to fall away from the truth. We each must follow God's plan as we are NOT saved in groups, but individually.

Testimonies Vol. 3 p.269 "The plain, straight tes-

timony must live in the church, or the curse of God will rest upon His people as surely as it did upon ancient Israel because of their sins. God holds His people, as a body, responsible for the sins existing in individuals among them."

Testimonies Vol. 4 p. 210 "The headquarters of our church, affect the whole body of believers. If the physical heart is healthy, the blood that is sent from it through the system is also healthy; but if this fountain is impure, the whole organism becomes diseased by the poison of the vital fluid. So it is with us. If the heart of the work becomes corrupt, the whole church, in its various branches and interests, scattered abroad over the face of the earth, suffers in consequence."

Patriarchs and Prophets p.578 "Those who have too little courage to reprove wrong... are held accountable for the evil that may result from their neglect of duty. We are just as responsible for evils that we might have checked in others by exercise of parental or pastoral authority as if the acts had been our own."

The Ten Virgin Parable <u>has been</u> and <u>will be</u> fulfilled in every detail; meaning we will see and experience those events personally. Also remember the shut door in the parable is not Jesus' second coming, but the close of probation for those who have been waiting for Him.

RH, August 19, 1890 par. 3 "I am often referred to the parable of the ten virgins, five of whom

were wise, and five foolish. This parable <u>has</u> <u>been</u> and <u>will be</u> fulfilled to the very letter, for it has a special application to this time, and, like the third angel's message, has been fulfilled and will continue to be present truth till the close of time."

The Midnight Cry is a message of separation, of going OUT to meet the Bridegroom or Christ.

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

Go ye out! Go out where? Go out of what? The Testimony of Jesus teaches us that the Laodicean church represents the foolish virgins.

RH, August 19, 1890 par. 10 "The state of the Church represented by the foolish virgins, is also spoken of as the Laodicean state."

According to the testimony, TO the 'Laodicean Church,' NOT FROM THEM, they will be spewed out!!! So if you are part of the 'Laodicean Church,' what is your end? Spewed Out? That doesn't mean going through to glory? Spew Out is to throw up violently! The God of Heaven is no dog; for Prov. 26:11 and 2 Peter 2:22 clearly tell us the dog is turned to his own vomit! When the Laodicean church is puked out, God will NOT return to it nor help it! There is council for Laodicea to make changes, but will those Laodiceans make the

change? Accept the council? Apply the eye salve, white raiment, etc? NO!!! Those who continue to be the companions of fools shall be destroyed.

Proverbs 13:20 "He that walketh with wise men shall be wise: but a companion of fools shall be destroyed."

RH, July 16, 1895 par. 12 "There is no greater evidence that those who have received great light do not appreciate that light, than is given by their refusal to let their light shine upon those who are in darkness, and devoting their time and energies in celebrating forms and ceremonies. Thoughts of the inner work, the necessary purity of heart, are not entertained. The absence of harmony with God becomes apparent. The light grows dim, goes out; the candlestick has been removed."

RH, February 25, 1902 par. 1, 2 "Nevertheless I have somewhat against thee, because thou hast left thy first love. Remember therefore from whence thou art fallen, and repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." I am instructed to say that these words are applicable to Seventh-day Adventist churches in their present condition. The love of God has been lost, and this means the absence of love for one another. Self, self, is cherished, and is striving for the supremacy. How long is this to continue? Unless there is a reconversion, there will soon be

such a lack of godliness that the Church will be represented by the barren fig tree. Great light has been given to her. She has had abundant opportunity for bearing much fruit. But selfishness has come in, and God says, "I will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent."

Testimony Vol. 2 p.488 "It will be more tolerable for Sodom and Gomorrah in the day of judgment than for those who have been privileged with the clear light, and have had a vast amount of labor, but have not profited by it. They have neglected the great salvation which God in mercy was willing to bestow. They were so blinded by the devil that they verily thought themselves rich and in the favor of God, when the True Witness declares them to be wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked."

RH, August 1, 1893 par. 5 "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 [Seventhday 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. But I say unto you, That it shall be more tolerable for the land of Sodom in the day of judgment, than for thee." [Note: bracketed comments as appears in the original.]

How much plainer can it be? Seventh-Day Adventism will be brought down to Hell— those who are within her gates Will Receive of Her Plagues!!!

Revelation 3:7, 9 "And to the angel of the church in Philadelphia write;... Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which way they are Jews, and are not, but do lie;"

Christ's Object Lessons, p. 420 ""Arise, shine; for thy light is come, and the glory of the Lord is risen upon thee." Isa. 60:1. To those who go out to meet the Bridegroom is this message given."

The role that Judas played in betraying Jesus to his enemies has set a precedent for those who will follow in Judas' footsteps to betray God's Sabbath-keeping people at the end of time.

Matthew 26:14–16 "Then one of the twelve, called Judas Iscariot, went unto the chief priests, and said [unto them], What will ye give me, and I will deliver him unto you? And they covenanted with him for thirty pieces of silver. And from that time he sought opportunity to betray him."

Spalding-Magan Collection, p. 1 "I saw the nominal church and nominal Adventists, like Judas, would betray us to the Catholics to obtain their influence to come against the truth. The saints then will be an obscure people,

little known to the Catholics; but the churches and nominal Adventists who know of our faith and customs (for they hated us on account of the Sabbath, for they could not refute it) will betray the saints and report them to the Catholics as those who disregard the institutions of the people; that is, that they keep the Sabbath and disregard Sunday." [Note: bracketed comments as appears in the original.]

A Word to the Little Flock, p. 19 "I saw that God had children, who do not see and keep the Sabbath. They had not rejected the light on it. And at the commencement of the time of trouble, we were filled with the Holy Ghost as we went forth [HO. 6:2,3.] and proclaimed the Sabbath more fully. This enraged the church, and nominal Adventists, as they could not refute the Sabbath truth. And at this time, God's chosen, all saw clearly that we had the truth, and they came out and endured the persecution with us."

God's 'REAL CHURCH' [His people not a de-nomination], will Come OUT of the Nominal Adventist Church before the seven last plagues are poured out, during the time of the MIDNIGHT CRY. This CRY comes before the Sunday law, because at the Sunday LAW the LOUD CRY begins. The Midnight CRY goes To the "Church" just before the LOUD CRY, goes forth.

Spiritual Gifts Vol. 1 p.172, 173 "I saw that God had honest children among the <u>nominal Adventists</u>, and the fallen churches, and ministers and people will yet be CALLED OUT

from these churches, before the plagues shall be poured out, and they will gladly embrace the truth. Satan knows this, and before the loud cry of the third angel, raises an excitement in these religious bodies, that those who have rejected the truth may think 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 every one of the honest ones will leave the fallen churches, and take their stand with the remnant."

The word "NOMINAL" is defined in the 1828 Webster's dictionary as "existing in name only; as, a nominal distinction or difference is a difference in name and not in reality." Therefore, 'Nominal Adventists' are those who use the name 'Seventh Day Adventist,' but they do NOT possess the spiritual fruit or reality of being true Advent believers.

RH, June 16, 1885 par. 11 "Many are living for themselves alone. They look upon their lives with great complacency, flattering themselves that they are blameless, when in fact they are doing nothing for God, and are living in direct opposition to his expressed word. The observance of external forms will never meet the great want of the human soul. A profession of Christ is not enough to stand the test of the day of Judgment."

RH, February 10, 1891 par. 5 "We <u>are not saved as a sect;</u> NO DENOMINATIONAL <u>name</u> has any virtue to bring us into favor with God. We

are <u>saved individually</u> as believers in the Lord Jesus Christ

Jesus warned the church of Sardis that they had a name to being spiritually alive, but in reality, they were spiritually dead.

Revelation 3:1 "And unto the angel of the church in Sardis write; These things saith he that hath the seven Spirits of God, and the seven stars; I know thy works, that thou hast a name that thou livest, and art dead."

RH, November 24, 1904 par. 15 "Let churchmembers bear in mind that the fact that their names are registered on the church books will not save them."

Jesus encouraged the church of Philadelphia with a promise, to the faithful that those who claim to be spiritual Jews, but in reality they are not, (because they are the synagogue of Satan), will come and worship at the saints feet (the victorious Philadelphians.) In other words, the "synagogue of Satan" have a 'name,' "spiritual Jews," but that is all!

Revelation 3:9 "Behold, I will make them of the synagogue of Satan, which say they are Jews, and are not, but do lie; behold, I will make them to come and worship before thy feet, and to know that I have loved thee."

The Testimony of Jesus informs us that the SYNA-

GOGUE OF SATAN are professed Adventists. It is no doubt, they are the same group as the NOMINAL ADVENTISTS that we have just been reading about.

A Word to the Little Flock, p. 12 "You think, that those who worship before the saint's feet, (Rev. 3:9), will at last be saved. Here I must differ with you; for God shew me that this class were professed Adventists, who had fallen away, (from the truth) and "crucified to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put him to an open shame." And in the "hour of temptation," which is yet to come, to show out every one's true character, they will know that they are forever lost; and overwhelmed with anguish of spirit, they will bow at the saint's feet."

CONCLUDING THOUGHTS

Testimonies Vol. 5 p. 505 "The angel is to place a mark upon the forehead of all who are separated from sin and sinners, and the destroying angel will follow, to slay utterly both old and young."

Only those who have 'SEPARATED THEMSELVES;' (and this does not mean waiting to be kicked out;) will receive the seal of God. Separation alone, from 'sin and sinners,' will NOT save you. We cannot separate because of ill feelings towards the church or members (upset at the 'Church' or towards those who 'mistreated me'). We must SEPARATE because we are following 'Jesus Alone,' seeking to be separate from sin and sin-

ners. We must then work with all diligence to perfect our character, because...

"We are the people who, like John, are to prepare the way of the Lord; and if we are prepared for the second coming of Christ, we must work with all diligence to prepare others for Christ's second advent, as did the forerunner of Christ for his first advent, calling men to repentance. The truth of God must be brought into the soul temple, to cleanse and purify it from all defilement. May God help us to search the Scriptures for ourselves, and when we are all filled with the truth of God, it will flow out as water from a living spring." RH, October 8, 1889 par. 10

The 144, 000 living, sealed saints, will NOT be defiled with women – that is 'Churches.' This is because they will have obeyed the Lord's call to Go Out of the midst of them.

Revelation 14:4 "These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever he goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb."

Isaiah 52:11 "Depart ye, depart ye, go ye out from thence, touch no unclean thing; go ye out of the midst of her; be ye clean, that bear the vessels of the LORD."

Testimony for the Battle Creek Church 1882, p.

66 "God's watchmen will not cry, "Peace, peace," when God has not spoken peace. The voice of the faithful watchmen will be heard: "Go ye out from hence, touch not the unclean. Go ye out of the midst of her. Be ye clean that bear the vessels of the Lord." PH117 p.65

2 Corinthians 6:14-18 "Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness? and what communion hath light with darkness? And what concord hath Christ with Belial? or what part hath he that believeth with an infidel? And what agreement hath the temple of God with idols? for ye are the temple of the living God; as God hath said, I will dwell in them, and walk in [them]; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Wherefore come out from among them, and be ye separate, saith the Lord, and touch not the unclean thing; and I will receive you, and will be a Father unto you, and ye shall be my sons and daughters, saith the Lord Almighty."

Most of us have been taught the call to 'come out' means to have nothing to do with the drunk, or vile person down the street; but what about the man or woman who attends the same church as you? One who uses beer in his pancake batter for the SDA's Sunday morning work bee. How about the pastor who preaches, that we will keep sinning till Jesus comes? Study that one out, you will find he is wrong! Or how about that woman pastor or elder? The Bible is very clear that to be an

elder or bishop requires one to be "the husband of ONE wife" (1Tim. 3:2; Tit. 1:6) and that's not one at a time either. The list could go on and on.

The message of the Loud Cry of Revelation 18 is to come out of the confusion of Babylon. God's true and faithful will OBEY every command of God!

Revelation 18:4, 5 "And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, <u>Come out of her</u>, <u>my people</u>, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities."

Testimonies Vol. 5 p. 477 "The most dangerous snares which Satan has prepared for the church will come through its own members."

RH, July 24, 1888 par. 1, 2 "The facts concerning the <u>real condition</u> of the professed people of God, speak more loudly than their profession, and make it evident that some power has cut the cable that anchored them to the Eternal Rock, and that they are drifting away to sea, without chart or compass.

What is to be done? The True Witness points out the <u>only remedy</u>: "Repent, and do the first works; or else I will come unto thee quickly, and will remove thy candlestick out of his place, except thou repent." Christ will cease to take your name upon his lips in his intercession with the Father, unless there is a decided change in the life and characters of those who have wandered from the living God, and forsaken his service.

Jesus declares, "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of my mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked."

RH, October 31, 1899 par. 11 "The first, second, and third angels' messages are to be repeated. The call is to be given to the church: "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils. and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth have waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies. . . . Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues. For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.""

Come Out !!!
Flee for Your Life !!!
RUN, RUN, RUN !!!

"Come out of her, my people... that ye receive not of her plagues."