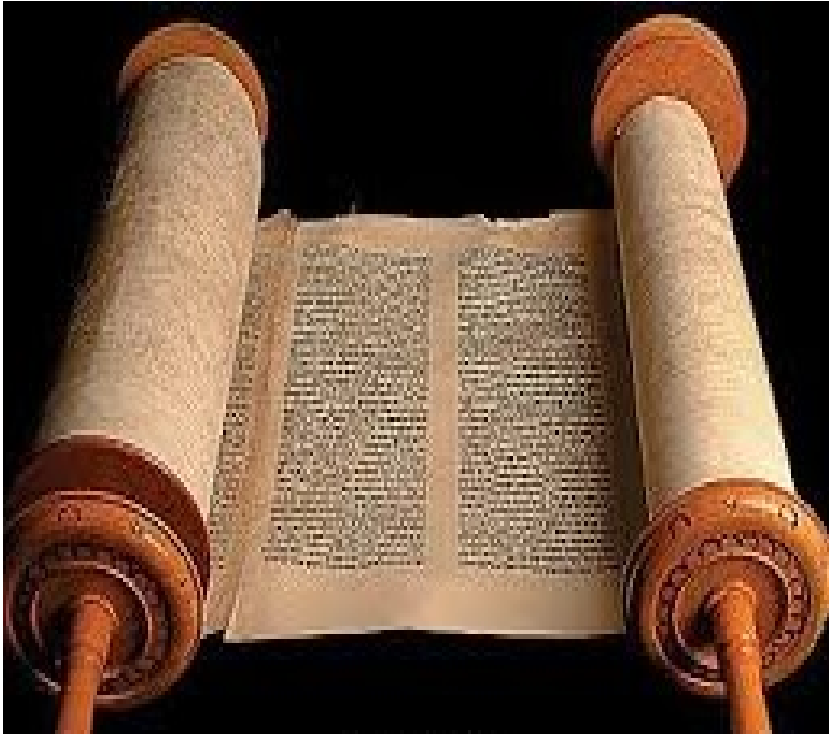


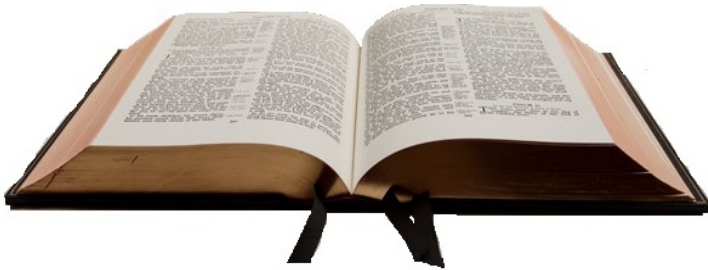
THE STATUTES OF THE LORD LEVITICUS 23: 1-44.



“AND IT CAME TO PASS WHEN MOSES HAD MADE AN END OF WRITING THE WORDS OF THIS LAW IN A BOOK, UNTIL THEY WERE FINISHED. THAT MOSES COMMANDED THE LEVITES WHICH BEAR THE ARK OF THE COVENANT OF THE LORD SAYING.

TAKE THIS BOOK OF THE LAW, AND PUT IT IN THE SIDE OF THE ARK OF THE COVENANT OF THE LORD YOUR GOD, THAT IT MAY BE THERE FOR A WITNESS AGAINST THEE.”
DEUTERONOMY 31:24-26.

**“THY WORD IS A LAMP UNTO MY FEET
AND A LIGHT TO MY PATH.”
PSALMS 119:105.**



THE STATUTES OF THE LORD.

Leviticus 23:1-44.

MEMORY VERSE - “The STATUTES of the Lord are RIGHT rejoicing the heart, the Commandments of the Lord are pure enlightening the eyes. Psalms 19:8.

GEM THOUGHT – Ancient Instructions To Be Studied –“ The instructions given to Moses for ancient Israel, with their sharp rigid outlines are to be studied and obeyed by the people of God today.” 7A. BC. Vol:1 pg:1103 [35].

STUDY HELPS – Desire Of Ages. Pg:75 – 77; 154 -155; 643, 645- 646; 6 Testimonies pg: 368, 392; Patriarch/ Prophets pgs: 364 - 367; 540 - 541; 2 Testimonies pg; 573 -574; Education pg:50.

INTRODUCTION TO STUDY –

“The solemn service of the Sanctuary TYPIFIED THE GRAND TRUTHS that were to be REVEALED THROUGH SUCCESSIVE GENERATIONS.” Patriarch/ prophets pg:367.

The teachings and beliefs, held by many throughout Christendom today, and even among Seventh – Day Adventists is, that the “Statutes” also called “Feasts” and days of “Holy Convocations” Leviticus 23:2, 4; with the “sacrificial Law” given to Moses, by God, were not shadowy types which passed away with the death of Christ.

Many Christians are taught and do believe, that the New - Moon was added to the symbolic services because of transgression.

Yet the Scriptures are very clear on this subject. The reason God brought Israel out of Egypt was that they might keep His “statutes and observe His laws...” Psalms 105:45. The statutes were to be kept forever through out your generations in all your dwellings. Leviticus 23:14.

How few Seventh – Day Adventists, realise that the “statutes” are truly the “**Gospel Of Jesus Christ**.”

6 Testimonies pg: 392 “.... The Gospel is given in Leviticus. **Implicit obedience** is required now, as then. How **essential** it is that we understand the importance of this Word.”

THE LAW THAT WAS TAKEN AWAY.

The “**LAW**” that was taken away by the death of Christ according to the prophecy of Daniel 9:27; “He [Messiah] shall confirm the covenant with many for **one week**: and in the midst of the week He shall cause the **sacrifice and oblation to cease.....**”

Patriarchs/ Prophets pg: 365 “The ritual law, with it’s sacrifices and ordinances, was to be performed by the Hebrews until type met anti -- type in the death of Christ...Then all the **sacrificial offerings** were to **cease**. It is this **LAW** that Christ “took out of the way, nailing it to the cross,” Colossians 2:14.

In this article by the grace of God, our objective is to point the student, to what the Holy Scriptures and the Testimonies of Sr. E. G. White, teach on this subject. Also how relevant the “Statutes” are at this time of the “Judgment Of The Living; in the house of God.” 1Peter 4:17.

STUDY - Leviticus 23: 1-4 “ And the Lord spake unto Moses saying, Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the **Feasts of the Lord**, which ye shall proclaim to be **holy convocations**, even these are MY feasts. Six days shall work be done: but the seventh day is the **Sabbath of rest, an holy convocation**: ye shall do no servile work therein: it is the Sabbath of the Lord in all your dwellings.”

DAYS OF HOLY CONVOCATIONS IN THEIR SEASONS.

These are the **Feasts of the Lord**, even holy convocations which ye shall proclaim in their **seasons**.

[1] **The Passover** - “ On fourteenth day of the first month at even is the Lord’s Passover. And on the fifteenth day of the same month is the Feast of Unleavened Bread unto the Lord: seven days ye **must** eat unleavened bread. In the first and in the seventh day ye shall do no servile work therein.” Leviticus 23: 4 – 8.

[2] **The Wave - Sheaf Offering** – “.....When ye be come into the land which I give unto you, and shall reap the harvest thereof, then ye shall bring a sheaf of the first fruits of your harvest unto the priest: And he shall wave the sheaf before the Lord, to be accepted for you.....It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. Leviticus 23: 10 -11,14,

[3] **Pentecost** - “And ye shall count unto you from the morrow after the sabbath, from the day that ye brought the sheaf of the wave offering; **seven sabbaths** shall be complete. Even unto the morrow after the seventh Sabbath shall ye number **fifty days**; ...Ye shall bring out of your habitations two wave - loaves of two tenths deals: they shall be of fine flour: they shall be **baken with leaven**; they are the first fruits unto the Lord.And ye shall proclaim on the self same day, that it maybe an holy convocation unto you: ye shall do no servile work therein it shall be a **statute forever** in all your dwellings throughout your generations. Leviticus 23:15 – 17, 21.

[4] **New – Moon** - “Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, In the seventh month, in the first day of the month, shall ye have a sab-bath, a memorial of blowing of trumpets an holy convocation. **Ye shall do no servile work therein.....**” Leviticus 23: 24; Numbers 28: 11, (14 last part)

[5] **Day Of Atonement** - “ Also on the **tenth day** of this seventh month there shall be a day of atonement: it shall be an holy convocation unto you; and ye shall afflict your soulsAnd ye shall do no work in that same day: for it is a day of atonement, **to** make an atonement for you before the Lord your God.

For whatsoever soul it be that shall not be afflicted in that same day, he shall be **CUT OFF from among his people**. And whatsoever soul it be

that doeth any work in that same day, the same **soul will I DESTROY** from among his people. Ye shall do no manner of work: It shall be a statute forever throughout your generations in all your dwellings. **It shall be unto you a sabbath of rest**, ye shall afflict your soul in the ninth day of the month at even, from even to even shall ye celebrate your Sabbaths.” Leviticus 23: 27 -32.

[6] **Feast Of Tabernacles** – “Speak unto the children of Israel, saying, The fifteenth day of this seventh month shall be the feast of tabernacles for seven day unto the Lord. On the first day and on the eight day shall be an holy convocation: It is a **solemn assembly** and ye shall do no servile work therein..... And ye shall keep it a feast unto the Lord seven days in the year. It shall be a **statute forever** in your generations: ye shall celebrate it in the **seventh month**. And Moses declared unto the children of Israel the **FEASTS of the Lord.**” Leviticus 23: 34- 36, 41,44.

PROPHETS / KINGS pg: 83 – “ ...Amidst all of life’s perplexities and dangers and conflicting claims, the one safe and sure rule is to do what God says. “The statutes of the Lord are right , “ and he that doeth these things shall **NEVER be moved**. Psalms 19:8; 15:5

THE STATUTES AND THEIR SIGNIFICANCE.

7A BC VOL:1 [36] 1104 – Precepts Given To Guard Decalogue. “In consequence of continual transgression, the moral law was repeated with awful grandeur from Sinai. Christ gave to Moses religious precepts which were to govern everyday life. These statutes were explicitly given to guard the ten commandments. **THEY** were not **shadowy types to pass away with the death** of Christ. **THEY were to be BINDING UPON MEN IN EVERY AGE** AS LONG AS TIME SHALL LAST. These commands were enforced by the power of the moral law, and they clearly and definitely explained that law.”

David in Psalms 119:5; prayed - “O that my ways were **directed** to keep **Thy statutes.**” In verse twelve he blessed the Lord, and asked to be taught His “**statutes.**” Verse 54, The “**statutes**” have been David’s “songs.” In verse 71, he states “It is good for me that I have been afflicted that I might learn Thy **statutes.**” He also prays “Let my **heart be sound in “Thy statutes.”**”

There is good reason for this desire to be “sound” in God’s “statutes,” for in verse 118 he states “Thou hast trodden down ALL them that ERR from Thy statutes for their deceit is falsehood.”

The “Statutes” are called “Solemn Feasts.” In the book of Nahum 1: 15; “Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, KEEP thy Solemn Feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall NO MORE pass through thee: he is UTTERLY CUT OFF.”

Let the student carefully analyse the above text. For all those who reject the “Message” to KEEP the “Solemn Feasts” [plural] are classed as the wicked to be utterly cut off. Note here also, the finality of the separation “the wicked pass through NO MORE.”

The above prophecy is a graphic forecast of the “Judgment Of The Living” in the house of God. 1Peter 4:17. It must be so as only living people can be “cut off” and “no more pass through thee.” That is mingle again with those that were not cut off.

It is the “TIME OF HARVEST” for the tares and bad fish are taken from among the good. Matthew 13:30, 47-48. The sheep from among the goats. Matthew 25:31-34; 5 Testimonies pg:80.

Now, are you now able to see how very important the keeping of the “Feasts” is, and that it seals your eternal destiny for Life or for Death. “And the Lord commanded us to do all these statutes, to fear the Lord our God always, that He might preserve us ALIVE....” Deuteronomy 6:24.

Since 1844, we have been living in the “antitypical day of atonement.” As in the TYPE all those who failed to afflict their souls on the “Day of Atonement” were cut off from among the people, and the Lord Himself, said, “I will destroy that same soul from among his people.” Leviticus 23:27 – 30. Likewise, it will be today in the antitype. See Ezekiel 9:1-11; 5Testimonies pg:211.

THE NEW – MOON IN THE NEW HEAVENS / NEW EARTH.

Many Christian folks have been taught and do believe, that the **New - Moon**, was added because of transgressions; and like all the other Holy – Days, ceased at the death of Christ. Yet if they will take closer look into the Word of God, they would see that the “**New Moon**” was from the beginning, and is found in the creation week, when God on the fourth day made great lights. The greater light the **Sun** to rule the day and the lesser light the **Moon** to rule the night. They were created to be in the heavens, to divide the night from the day, for signs, for seasons for days and for years. Genesis 1:14 – 19.

As the **evening** comes before the morning, the “**moon**” would have been the first great light to be created, but as it draws its light from the “**Sun**” it could not begin to shine until the **fifth** evening. Thus it was created a dark moon and a moon at rest for twenty – four hours – **a Sabbath moon**, and the beginning of the first day in the first month at creation. Thereafter, it became a **waxing moon that is a working moon**, and has been the sign in the heavens for the beginning of each new month. The month got its name from the moon. **New – Moon - New – Month**.

Isaiah 66: 22 -23. “For as the **NEW** heavens and the **NEW** earth which I will make, shall remain before me saith the Lord, so shall your seed and your name remain? And from one **New Moon to another**, and from one Sabbath to another, shall ALL flesh come to worship before Me saith the Lord.”

6 Testimonies pg: 368 - “ **God teaches** that we should assemble in His **house** to cultivate the attributes of perfect love. This will fit the dwellers of earth for the mansions that Christ has gone to prepare for all who love Him. There they will assemble in the sanctuary from **Sabbath to Sabbath and from one New – Moon to another**, to unite in loftiest strains of song, in praise and thanksgiving to Him Who sits upon the throne and unto the Lamb.”

NEW TESTAMENT JEWS AND GENTILE SAINTS
KEPT THE STATUTES

The Seventh – Day Sabbath. Acts 13: 42-44.

The Passover and Feast of Unleavened Bread.-Acts.18: 21; 20:6;
1Corinthians 5: 7-8; 1Corinthians 11: 2.

Pentecost. - Acts 2:1-3; 20:16.

Day of Atonement. - Acts 27:9. [See margin].

Feast Of Tabernacles - John 7:2, 37.

HE SHALL **THINK** TO CHANGE TIMES / LAWS.

The “**little horn- head power**, of Daniel 7:7-8; 20,21,25, has so altered the “**TIMES** and the “**SEASONS**” in the year, that few in Christendom today, really know or understand that the **Gregorian Calendar**, used in the Religious and non – religious world, is not in harmony with Creation’s Time.

Here is a list of all the “**TIMES**” **plural** and “**LAWS**” **plural** that the little horn– head power of Daniel 7:7-8; would think to change.

[1] The Seventh day Sabbath. Leviticus 23: 1-3.

DAYS HOLY CONVOCATIONS.

[2] The fourteenth day at **even** of the **first month** - The Passover And The Feast Of Unleavened Bread. Leviticus 23:4-8.

The **first month** that begins the year is the month of Abib.
Exodus 12:2; 13:4; 23:15; 34:18. Desire /Ages. Pg: 76. “The Time of the **Passover** corresponded to the close of March or The beginning of April.”

[3] The **Wave – Sheaf** – On the morrow after the Sabbath. Leviticus 23: 10 – 14. [Not a holy day of rest.]

[4] The Pentecost - Leviticus 23:15 -21.

[5] The New – Moon. Leviticus 23: 24 -25; Psalms 81:3-4.

[6] The Day of Atonement. Leviticus 23: 27 -32.

[7] The Feast of Tabernacles. Leviticus 23: 34 – 44.

PAPAL ROME – Has changed the **TIME** the day ends from sunset – Genesis 1:5, to midnight and the **TIME** the day begins from **sunrise**. Psalms 104:19-22; to **six o'clock**.

The beginning of each **new month**, from the New – Moon. Numbers 10:10; 29:1. to any phase of the moon in the month.

The month on which the year begins from **Abib the first** month. Exodus.12:2; 13: 4, to January the tenth month in the year. See A Doctrinal Catechism by Pastor Stephen

EXCERPTS FROM SR. E. G. WHITE.

THE GOSPEL - 6 Testimonies pg: 392. “...The gospel is given in precept in Leviticus. Implicit obedience is required NOW as then.

How essential it is that we understand the importance of this word.”

7A BC Vol:1 pg:52 – “....God will have **NO** controversy with us in regard to these binding precepts. It is enough that He has said that obedience to His **STATUTES** and Laws is the **LIFE** and prosperity of His people.”

7A. BC. Vol: 1 pg: 1104 [36] “.....Christ gave to Moses religious precepts which were to govern everyday life. These STATUTES were explicitly given to GUARD the “**Ten Commandments**.” They were not shadowy types to pass away with the death of Christ. They were to be **binding upon men** in every age as long as **TIME shall last**. These commands were enforced by the power of the **moral law** and they clearly and definitely explained that LAW.”

COMMENTS - Let the student of prophecy note carefully in the above statement, that the STATUTES were given to be the **GUARD** of the Ten Commandments.” As the “Ten Commandments” are **still binding on all men today**, so too must be their “**GUARD**.”

In the book of Malachi 4:4, God reminds His people to “**REMEMBER**” ye the law of Moses My servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for **ALL Israel, with the statutes and judgments.**”

FEAST OF TABERNACLES. - Leviticus 23:34 - 44; John 7: 2, 37

Patriarchs / Prophets. Pgs 540 - 541 “.... Well would it be for the people of God at the present time to have a feast of Tabernacles a joyous commemoration of the blessings of God to them..... The Feast of tabernacles was not only commemorative **but typical**. It not only pointed back to the wilderness sojourn, but as the feast of harvest, it celebrated the ingathering of the fruits of the earth, and **pointed forward** to the great day of **final ingathering**.”

Zechariah 14: 16 -18 “And it shall come to pass, that everyone that is left of all the nations which came against Jerusalem shall even go up from year to year to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, and to keep the **feast of Tabernacles**. And it shall be, that whoso will not come up of all the families of the earth unto Jerusalem to worship the King, the Lord of hosts, even upon them shall be no rain.

And if the family of Egypt **go not up**, and come not, that have no rain: there shall be the plague wherewith the Lord will smite the heathen that come not up to keep the **feast of tabernacles**. This shall be the punishment of Egypt, and the punishment of **ALL NATIONS** that come not up to keep the feast of tabernacles.”

Deuteronomy 6:24-25 – “ And the Lord commanded **US** to do ALL of these statutes, to fear the Lord our God, for our good **ALWAYS**, that He might preserve us **ALIVE**, as it is this day. And it shall be **OUR RIGHTEOUSNESS**, if we observe to do ALL these Commandments before the Lord our God as He hath commanded **US**.”

The Book Of Esdras. 2:28; “Arise up and stand, Behold the number of those **SEALED in the FEASTS of the Lord**.” [Text found in book of Apocrypha].

Prophets / Kings pg: 678 “**In the TIME** of the **END** EVERY DIVINE INSTITUTION IS TO BE **RESTORED**.”

Jeremiah 6:16 – “Thus saith the Lord, **STAND** in the ways, and **SEE**, and ask for the **OLD PATHS**, where in is the **GOOD WAY and WALK THEREIN**,

and ye shall find rest for your souls. But they said, **We will NOT walk therein.**”

7A BC. Vol: Pg: 984 [428] “.....As men, women and children proclaim the gospel, the Lord will **open the eyes of the BLIND TO SEE HIS STATUTES**, and will write upon the hearts of the truly penitent His Law.”

THE GRAND TRUTHS OF THE SANCTUARY.

Patriarch / Prophets pg: 367 “ The solemn service of the sanctuary typified the grand truths that were to be revealed through **successive** generations.” The “Third Angel’s” message, is a **“Sanctuary truth”** which revealed in 1844; the “grand successive truth” of the seventh of – day –Sabbath and the “investigative judgment” of the righteous dead.

In 1888; another “grand successive truth” was revealed – “The Righteousness of Christ” in the symbolic Law, which was rejected. Since then, NO OTHER grand **truth** from the “solemn service of the sanctuary” has ever been revealed by the General Conference presidents, or by those Associated with them, to past generations and even to this present generation.

According to the above statement, as a people we have been losing out terribly over the years the **“grand truths”** that were intended for every generation. Let us now however, review the grand truths of **the “Three Harvest Feasts.”**

THREE MAJOR HARVEST FEASTS.

The three major harvest feasts in the symbolic services **were prophetic**. That is they point backwards as well as forward to the harvest in the **END** of the world.

FIRST FEAST OF HARVEST. “The Passover” - Leviticus 23:5-8. The Passover was to be **commemorative and typical**, not only pointing back to the deliverance from Egypt, but forward to the greater

deliverance which Christ was to accomplish in freeing His people from the bondage of sin.” Patriarch / Prophets pg:277.

SECOND FEAST OF HARVEST – “The Pentecost.” Leviticus 23:15 – 21. 7A BC. VOL;6 PG; 1055 [279] - Pentecost Repeated With Greater Power. – “It is with an earnest longing that I look forward to the **TIME** when the events of the day of Pentecost shall be repeated with even greater power than on that occasion. John says, “I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.” Then, as at the Pentecostal season, the people will hear the **TRUTH** spoken to them, every man in his own tongue.”

THIRD FEAST OF HARVEST – “The Tabernacles” – Leviticus 23:34 -44; Patriarchs / Prophets. Pgs 540 - 541 “....**The Feast of tabernacles was not only commemorative but typical.** It not only pointed **back** to the wilderness sojourn, but, as the feast of harvest, it celebrated the ingathering of the fruits of the earth, and pointed forward to the great day of final ingathering.”

SAYINGS OF JESUS – Matthew 5:17 -18. - “**Think not that I AM come to** destroy the **LAW** or the prophets: I AM not come to destroy, but to fulfill. For verily I say unto you, till heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the **LAW** till all be fulfilled.”

SUMMARY.

Dear friend, the “**Gregorian Calendar**” on your wall, bears the name of **Gregory the pope**, who authorised its making. It is made up to foster the papal days of holy convocations i.e. Christmas, Easter, All - Saints day, Halloween, St Patrick’s Day, etc. **It is not in harmony with God’s Law or time in Creation’s week.**

At this **TIME** of the “**PURIFICATION OF THE CHURCH**” 5 Testimonies pg: 80. “**JUDGMENT OF THE LIVING,**” which “begins in the house of God.” 1Peter 4:17; Malachi. 3:1- 4. God, has made it very plain in His Word, that the **KEEPING** of His “Solemn Feasts” is the means that He will use to

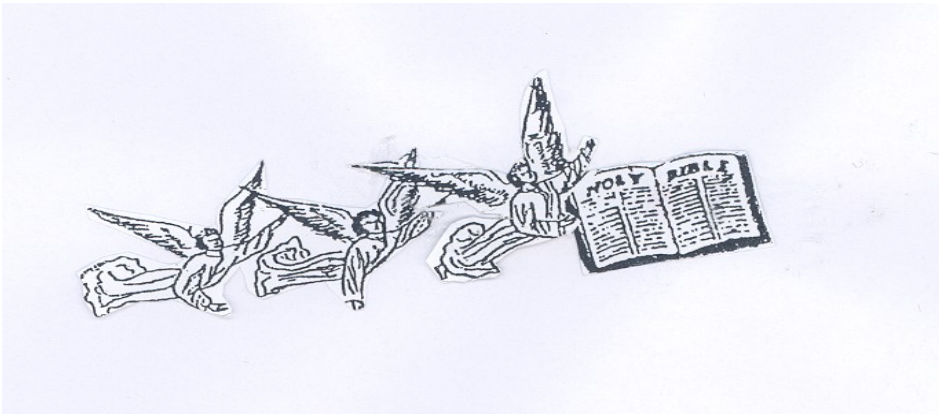
forever separate the righteous living from among the living wicked, who will be utterly cut off.

Friend, don't be a papist at heart, by keeping **papists** "TIMES" and "SEASONS." **KEEP** God's solemn feasts and **LIVE!**

LIVE! LIVE! AND LIVE FOREVER!

WRITTEN – CELESTINE LOWE

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“THE FAITH OF JESUS IN THE THIRD ANGEL’S MESSAGE

**“....THE THIRD ANGEL’S MESSAGE, A MESSAGE WHICH
WILL BRING BACK THE CHURCH TO APOSTOLIC GROUND
AND MAKE IT INDEED THE LIGHT – NOT DARKNESS TO
THE WORLD.” EARLY WRITINGS PG:138;
3 SELECTED MESSAGES PG:172.**

**“ THE THIRD ANGEL’S MESSAGE
THE COMMANDMENTS OF GOD AND
THE FAITH OF JESUS”**

“....John sees a people. He says “Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that **KEEP** the commandments of God and the **FAITH OF JESUS.**” Revelation 14: 12. This people John beholds just before he sees [the one like unto the] Son of Man “having on his head a golden crown and in his hand a sharp sickle.” Verse 14. 3 Selected Message pg:168.

Comments - Many parishioners in Christendom understand and know what the Commandments of God are; but what the “faith of Jesus is, is not quite clear to them. Sr. E. G. White charges the **Seventh – Day**

Adventist Ministry with not treating the “Faith of Jesus” with equal importance as the Commandments of God.”

“WHAT IS THE FAITH OF JESUS?

The “faith of Jesus” has been overlooked and treated in an indifferent careless manner. It has not occupied the **PROMINIENT POSITION** in which it was revealed to John. **FAITH IN CHRIST** as the sinner’s only hope has been largely left out, not only of the discourses given but of the religious experience of many who claim to belief the **THIRD ANGEL’S MESSAGE.**” 3Selected Messages pg:168.

THE THIRD ANGEL’S MESSAGE AND THE FAITH OF JESUS.

The third angel’s message is the proclamation of the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus Christ. The commandments of God have been proclaimed, **BUT THE FAITH of Jesus Christ HAS NOT BEEN proclaimed by SEVENTH – DAY ADVENTISTS AS OF EQUAL IMPORTANCE.** The **LAW and the GOSPEL** going hand in hand. I cannot find language to express this **subject** in it’s **FULLNESS.** 3 Selected Message pg: 172.

“**THE FAITH OF JESUS “ IS TALKED OF, BUT NOT UNDERSTOOD.** What constitutes the Faith Of Jesus, that **BELONGS** to THE THIRD ANGEL’S MESSAGE? Jesus becoming our sin bearer that He might become our sin pardoning Saviour.” 3 Selected Messages pg:172.

“.....Since 1844 – At this meeting I bore testimony that the **most precious light** had been shining forth from the Scriptures in the presentation of the great subject of the Righteousness Of Christ connected with the **LAW** which should be kept before the sinner as his only hope of salvation.” 3 Selected Messages pg: 168.

THE “LAW” THAT DRIVES US TO CHRIST.

Galatians 3:24 – “ Wherefore the law was our **school master** to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.”

7A. BC. Vol:6 pg: 333 – “.....I am asked concerning the **LAW** in Galatians. What **LAW** is the **school master** to bring us to Christ?

I answer - **Both** the Ceremonial and the moral code of ten commandments. Christ was the foundation of the whole Jewish economy What is **SIN**? The transgression of **the LAW**. Then the eyes are open to see the character of **SIN**. The **LAW** cannot pardon the transgressor. It is only our schoolmaster, condemning to punishment. Where is the remedy? **The LAW drives us to Christ**, Who was hanged upon the cross that He might impart His righteousness to fallen sinful man.”

COMMENTS – Sr. E. G. White, has not said in the above statements what **exactly** constitutes the “Faith of Jesus.” However, enough has been said, to enable us to understand the difference between the “**LAW**” of ten commandments and the “**LAW**” of **Statutes** connected with the “Sacrificial Offerings.” As sinners we wholly rely on the “**Sacrificial Law**” which alone can impart the “Righteousness of Christ” to sinful fallen man giving him hope.

The Scriptures do say in Revelation 14:12; “..... Here are they that **KEEP** the commandments of God and the **FAITH** of Jesus.” Within the “Ten Commandment Law” there is a “**statute**” which is the “**SEAL**” of God and that is the seventh- day Sabbath, which we are reminded to “**remember to KEEP holy.**” Likewise, there are “**statutes**” – holy days, connected to the Sacrificial Law, of which we are also told to, “remember to **KEEP** holy.” Malachi. 4: 4.

So **in “BOTH LAWS”** there is be found days of holy convocations, which the sinner in keeping shows forth his **FAITH** in the Law of God the Father and the **LAW** of God the Son. Exodus 20: 3 – 17; John 15:10.

It was thus, that patriarchs, prophets, holy – men of God, Apostles and the saints, “obtained a good report through faith.” Jesus at the close of His mission said, “**I have kept** My Father’s commandments.” He also, kept the days of holy convocations. Luke 4:16; 2:41-42; John 7:8, 37. “...And His commandments are not grievous.” 1 John 5: 2-3.

Sr. E.G. White, states, in the book “Education pg: 50 - “The experiences of Israel were recorded for our **instruction today.**” 1Corinthians10:11.

As the Scriptures agrees with the above statement, then, therein lies the KEY to our quest in finding out just what is the “**faith of Jesus.**”

SACRIFICIAL SYSTEM OF ORDINANCES

God gave to the children of Israel, through Moses a “Sacrificial System Of Ordinances” which were typical of “Christ” the Lamb of God” that taketh away the sins of the world.” John 1: 29.

These typical offerings were to be made each day in the MORNING at the “**THIRD HOUR**” and in the EVENING at the “**NINTH HOUR.**” Exodus 29:39 – 42; Numbers 28 1:-8; Mark 15: 25, 34.

Patriarch/ Prophets pg: 353 – 354. “ **The HOURS APPOINTED** for the morning and evening sacrifice **were regarded as sacred**, and they came to be observed as the **SET TIME** for worship throughout the Jewish nation. And when in **later times** the Jews were scattered as captives in distant lands, **they still at the APPOINTED HOUR** turned their faces toward **Jerusalem** and offered up their petitions to the **God of Israel.**”

COMMENTS – After the ascension of Christ the disciples were still found observing these “**SET TIMES**” of prayer. Acts 2:15; 3:1; and the record shows **Cornelius the Gentile observing the** “ninth hour.” Acts 10:3. These facts reveal that the death of Christ, did not in **any way alter** these appointed times of prayer in the “symbolic services.”

SPECIAL DAYS OF HOLY CONVOCATIONS.

There were also **special days, called** “Feast Days”- Leviticus 23: 1 - 44.
[1] Feast Days or days of Holy Convocations. Vs. 2, 4, 21, 24, 27, 35, 36.
[2] Statutes or Sabbaths of Rest. Vs. 21, 24,39,41. [3] Solemn Assembly. V.36. [4] Sabbaths of The Lord. V.38. Read the whole chapter.

The children of Israel, through the observance of the “Sacrificial” and “Ceremonial” System of worship; demonstrated their “**FAITH**” in a practical way as they awaited the coming of “Messiah.”

THE NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH - under the leadership of the Apostles, also kept the Days of Holy Convocations with the **Gentile converts**, after the death and ascension of Christ. Acts 17: 1- 4, 11-12; Acts 18: 21; Acts 20: 4 -7. 16. 20 -21; Acts 27: 9. The Corinthian Brethren kept the ordinances delivered to them, by the Apostle Paul. 1Corinthians 11: 2; 5: 7-8.

The New Testament “**DAILY**” for the “**remission of sins**” was now the “Unleavened Bread” and “Unfermented Wine” introduced to the disciples by the Lord Himself, at the Passover Table on the night of the “**Last Supper.**” Matthew 26:26 -28. This was now done from **house to house**. Acts 2: 42; 20:7. 1Corinthians 11: 23 -31; 1Corinthians 10: 16 -17.

Early Writing pg: 100 – 101 – The Apostles “..... Administering the ordinances of the Lord’s house, **often waiting upon the saints** by presenting them the Emblems of the **broken Body and split Blood** of the crucified Saviour [Note] **to KEEP FRESH** in the memory of God’s beloved children His sufferings and death.”

Before partaking of the “Emblems” the saints then received the **TYPE of the higher cleansing**, as taught by Jesus, in John 13: 3 – 10. They washed the saints feet. 1Timothy 5:10. Desire / Ages pg: 646. 7A BC Vol: 5 pg: 258 – 259.

WRITTEN FOR OUR LEARNING.

1 Corinthians 10: 11.

Through the ACTS of the Apostles, recorded in the New Testament, we are able to see what comprised the practise and faith of the Early Christian Apostolic Churches. Many parishioners and even Seventh – Day Adventists, when the claims of the “**Levitical Law**” is plainly laid out before them seek refuge in what the Apostle Paul, wrote, in Colossians 2:16. “Let no man therefore judge you in meat, or in drink, or in respect of an **Holyday**, or of the **New Moon**, or of the **Sabbath Days**” – [plural].

These **ignore completely** the Apostle’s actions in the rest of the Bible.

He, said, in Acts 18:21. “..... I must by **all means keep** this **FEAST** – [**holyday**], that cometh in Jerusalem.” Acts 20:16; tell us that this FEAST was the “**Pentecost.**” Also in Acts 20:6; he is **keeping the “Passover”** and

the “Days of Unleavened Bread,” with the Corinthian brethren who were converted Gentiles. Read Acts / Apostles pg: 390 – 391.

The Apostle Peter, speaking of the way the Apostle wrote under inspiration, said thus “.....Even as our beloved brother Paul also according to the wisdom given unto him hath written unto you. As also in ALL his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things HARD TO BE UNDERSTOOD, which they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, unto their own destruction.” 2 Peter 3: 15 – 16.

Then the Apostle Peter goes on to admonish the saints in verse seventeen “Ye therefore beloved, seeing ye know these things before, BEWARE lest ye also being LED AWAY with the error of the wicked, fall from your own steadfastness.”

Query - How does the Holy Scriptures classify the wicked?

Answer - The book of Nahum 1: 15; gives the answer.

“Behold upon the mountains the feet of him that bringeth good tidings, that publisheth peace! O Judah, KEEP thy Solemn Feasts, perform thy vows: for the wicked shall NO MORE pass through thee: he is UTTERLY CUT OFF.”

Psalms 119:118 – “Thou hast trodden down all them that ERR from Thy statutes. For their deceit is falsehood.”

Proverbs 28:9 - “He that turneth away his EAR from hearing the LAW, even his prayer shall be an abomination.”

Proverbs 21:16 - “The man that wandereth out of the way of understanding shall remain in the congregation of the dead.”

THE GOSPEL.

All Christendom call the books of Matthew, Mark, Luke and John “The Gospels.” Yet how few realize the Old Testament Book of “Leviticus” is the “Gospel.” Sr. E. G. White, pens, “THE GOSPEL is given in precept in Leviticus. Implicit obedience is required NOW as then. How essential

it is that we understand the importance of this word.” 6 Testimonies pg: 392.

COMMENTS – Since it is the prophetess of the Denomination that states in the above that “Implicit obedience is required now as then.” And since “the third angel’s message, [is] a message which will bring back the Church to Apostolic ground and make it indeed the **LIGHT - not darkness to the world.**” Early Writings pg:138.

Then it behoves the President of General Conference, and the presidents of Union and Local Conferences, to implement the long called for “**Revival**” and “**Restoration**” of the “**Old Paths.**” Jeremiah 6:16.

It is “**TIME**” to bring the Churches under their control back to “Apostolic Faith And Practice” as founded in the book of Acts. Yes the “Ten Commandments Law must be preached and **kept**, and so too must the Law of the “**faith Of Jesus**” be preached and **kept**.

THE RESTITUTION OF ALL THINGS.
Acts 3:21; Prophets / Kings pg:678.

This restitution must begin with the “**DAILY**” Morning and Evening Prayer and “**Communion**” at the **third hour** and at the **ninth hour**; of each day; with **feet – washing**; for the remission of sins. Matthew 26: 26- 28; John 13:4 -15. Then must follow the **KEEPING** of all the days of holy convocations i.e. The New – Moon, Passover, Feast Of Unleavened Bread, Pentecost, Day Of Atonement and the Feast of Tabernacles.

“**The Feast Of Unleavened Bread,**” has well nigh **disappeared without trace** from the religious observances of Christendom. Yet the command of the Lord is “.....**Seven days ye must eat** unleavened bread unto the Lord.” Leviticus 23:6; and in Exodus 12: 19 -20; “Seven days shall there be **NO Leaven found in your houses:** for whosoever eateth that which is **LEAVENED**, EVEN THAT SOUL SHALL BE **CUT OFF FROM THE CONGREGATION of Israel**; whether he be a **STRANGER** or born in the land.

Ye shall eat **NOTHING LEAVENED**; in all your habitations shall ye eat unleavened bread.”

COMMENTS – Let none think that God instituted the “seven days of unleavened bread” with such severe penalty, to the Israelite born and to the stranger of being **CUT OFF** from the congregation of Israel with no object in view.

Seven days – “Seven” is the symbolical number for completeness, perfection and rest. Genesis 2:2-3. Leaven – Is used as a metaphor in the Bible for **SIN**. 1Corinthians 5: 6-8

Now let us put it together to get the significance - The **absence of leaven** from all dwellings for **seven days**, must typify the **TIME** when the saints possess the kingdom and dwell on the earth in complete perfection and rest, **without SIN**. Daniel 7: 18, 22; Zechariah 3:10; 1Kings 4:25; Micah 4: 3 - 4.

No Leaven Eaten For Seven Days – Again the leaven must represent **SIN**. Therefore **not eating it**, must typify **the TIME** when **SIN** will no longer **reign in the bodies** of the saints. Romans 6:12. But as **over comers**, they will have complete perfection and rest in Christ. Colossians 1:28; John 17:23.

WILLINGNESS AMONG LEADING BRETHREN.

If there is willingness among the Leading Brethren, to bring their congregations back to the example of “Apostolic Faith And Practice.” It can be easily done. The General Conference President, must inform all the Union and Local Conferences of this intention. They in turn will inform their local Churches. Like Israel of old the “**Third Hour**” and the “**Ninth Hour**” of each day will be the **Set – Time** for prayer and Holy – Communion.

Each day at the **appointed times**, let the workers in the Conference offices meet for “Prayer and Communion with Feet - Washing” on behalf of their Churches. **Ministers** too, can meet with pensioners and those who are able to attend the morning and evening hours. Some will not be able to attend because they are at work, or because of sickness, or other

reasons, but they being informed, wherever they are they can like Israel of old lift up their hearts to God and by faith claim the merits of our “Atoning Saviours” – Christ and the Holy Ghost. Romans. 8: 26- 27, 34.

We do need Sr. E. G. White, pens, “To obtain a **DAILY experience in eating the flesh and drinking the blood of the Son of God.**”

6 Testimonies pg:165.

Let all bear in mind, that it was the “**man of sin**” who “.....magnified himself even to the Prince of the host, and by him the “**Daily Sacrifice**” **was taken away**, and the place of his sanctuary was cast down.” Daniel 8:11; 7: 25.

Please note, the Scriptures teach, that they went up to the **temple** for the “Hour of Prayer” but the “**Breaking of Bread**” was done from house to house. Acts 3:1; 2: 46; 1 Corinthians 10: 16- 17.

The Passover was implemented as a **family concern**. Exodus 12: 3 – 4.

Yes, the “third angel’s” message, **restored** the Seventh – Day Sabbath, in the Law of God, and in this time of the “Marking” by the man clothed with linen, is destined to restore **the “Statutes”** in the “Law that drives us to Jesus.” - “Apostolic Practice And Faith.”

“**Duties are laid down in God’s Word**, the performance of which will keep the people of God humble and **separate from the world**, and from **backsliding**, like the nominal churches.” Early Writings pg: 116

This “**OLD,**” but “**New Duty**” will purge out the hypocrites and the sinners from amongst us; and revive the ailing faith of many of God’s beloved children.” Read Early Writings pg: 228.

Above all things, it will make you the wife of the “**LAMB**”- **ready**, so that it can be granted that you, be arrayed in the fine linen clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints. **READY-**indeed for the “**Marriage Supper Of The Lamb.**” Revelation 19:7-8.

Before you dear saint, is set forth both **LIFE** and **DEATH**. Therefore, choose **LIFE** that you and your children may **LIVE**.

LIVE! LIVE! LIVE! AND LIVE ETERNALLY!

SHALOM!

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**HOLIDAYS UNTO GOD.
COUNSELS TO PARENTS, TEACHERS
AND STUDENTS. PGS: 343, 371.**

PAGE: 343 – “Would it not be well for us to observe holidays unto God, when we could **revive** in our minds the memory of His dealings with us? Would it not be well to consider His past blessings, to remember the **impressive warnings that have come home to our souls, so that we shall not forget God ...**

The world has many **holidays**, and men become engrossed with games, with horse races, with gambling, smoking and drunkenness. **Shall not the people of God more frequently have holy convocations in which to thank God for His rich blessing.....?”**

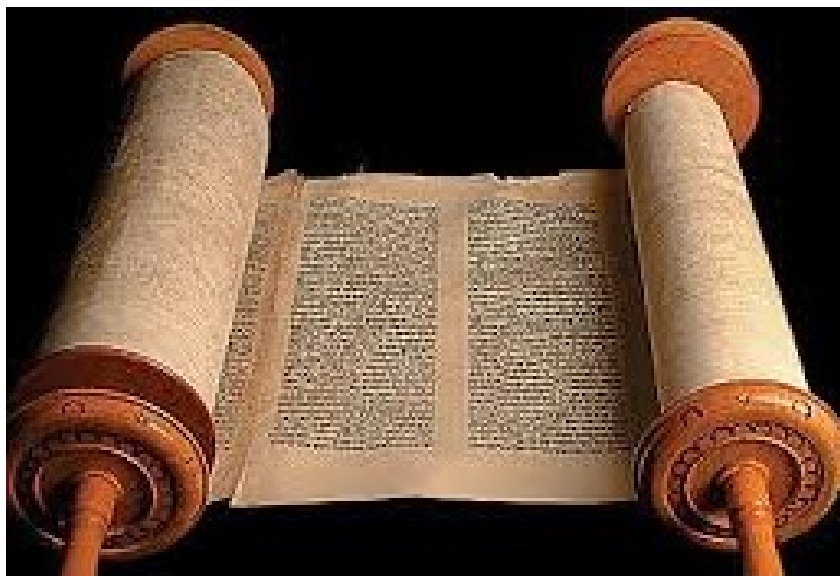
PAGE: 371 – “Shall we not **keep holy festivals unto God?** Shall we not show that we have some enthusiasm in His service? With the grand enobling theme of salvation before us, shall we be cold as statutes of marble?

If men can become so excited over a match game of cricket, or a horse race, or over foolish things that bring no good to anyone, shall we be unmoved when the plan of salvation is unfolded before us?”

Let the SCHOOL and the CHURCH henceforth have **FESTIVALS of rejoicings unto the Lord."**

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“....And when The people of God shall attain to PRIMITIVE FAITH AND PRACTICE of the Commandments Of God and the FAITH OF JESUS will not “ the Latter Rain” again develop the gifts.” Early Writings pg: 133.



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