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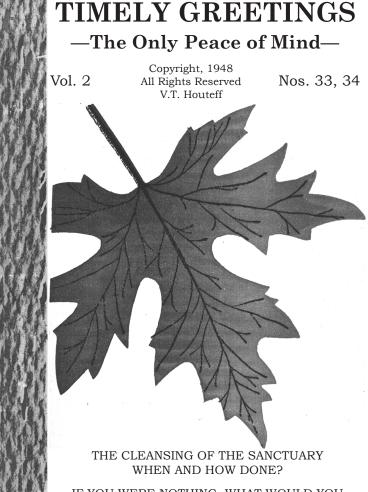
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of God. Try it. "smis" off ni bus tsind) to evol off ni beqquaw when you hear the Rod, you will find yourself literature which God recommends you to hear. And there is none other today than роу әці between the Rod literature and some other. For

ισου :οωσυ ληι οος ηγαις wopsim fo upu out pup Verse 9-The Lord's voice crieth unto the city, special comments; they are self-interpretative. already given, the following scriptures need no which we are almost face to face. With the light day you and I are now approaching, the day with language of the prophets tell you more about the Now listen to His Word and let Him in the

they shall call on My name, and I will hear them: I will say, It is My people: and they shall say, The Lord is my God. left therein. And I will bring the third part through the fire, and will refine them as silver is refined, and will try them as gold is tried: the refined fine of the remaining the second all the land, saith the Lord, two parts therein shall be cut off and die; but the third shall be left therein. And I will bring the third part Tech. 13:8, 9-And it shall come to pass, that in ye the rod, and Who hath appointed it.

whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for all the nations that come against lerusalem. And I will pour upon the house of David, and upon the inhabitants of lerusalem, the spirit of grace and of supplications: and they shall look upon Me to pass in that day, that I will seek to destroy and the house of David shall be as God, as the angel of the Lord before them. And it shall come jeeble among them at that day shall be as David; si indi on bno ;molozurol to zinzidadin อบ1 Zech. 12:8-10-In that day shall the Lord defend

> ime of the end shall be the vision. I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the , о ће сате пеат where I stood: апа when he came .noisiv shi bnaisishnu oi nam sihi sham, lsion. the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Ga-Verses 16, 17-And I heard a man's voice between

> ·puə end, but after the $\ensuremath{\texttt{S300}}$ days, in the time of the Daniel's time, and not before the time of the of the sanctuary, and that it takes place not in mount importance of the vision is the cleansing the end shall be the vision, shows that the parato smit sht that the the reiter of the time of

> are to mark the time of the end?therefore, are actually 2300 years, in the end of which the sanctuary is cleansed. What signs for a year as in Ezekiel 4:6. The 2300 days, obviously the 2300 days must be computed a day be for many days, for the time of the end, then following verses), and since the vision was to the fifth century before Christ (as seen in the Now since the 2300 days began somewhere in

> be increased. linds syall run to and fro, and knowledge shall Dan. 12:4-But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end:

> now to be cleansed. now to be understood, and that the sanctuary is living in the time of the end, that the vision is won sins switch sevorg flesti ni besseroni nesd saf system that the ort bus of gainner won And the fact that men are shall be increased. end many shall run to and fro, and knowledge The angel explained that at the time of the

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obtain mercy. Blessed are the pure in heart: for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers: for they shall be called the children of God. Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for My sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. Ye are the salt of the earth: but if the salt have lost his savour, wherewith shall it be salted? it is thenceforth good for nothing, but to be cast out, and to be trodden under foot of men. Ye are the light of the world. A city that is set on an hill cannot be hid. Neither do men light a candle, and put it under a bushel, but on a candlestick; and it giveth light unto all that are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father which is in heaven.

Him, as one mourneth for his only son, and shall be in bitterness for Him, as one that is in bit-

terness for his firstborn.

.mədi oinu Jer. 30:9-But they shall serve the Lord their God, and David their king, whom I will raise up

tiqitium bap, and the sanctuary in the multiply to the multiply for the multiply of the multiply of the multiplication of the multip inpnovo gnitzblrovo an od llpdz ti ;modt dtiw ever. Moreover I will make a covenant of peace My servant, wherein your fathers have dwelt; and they shall dwell therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children for ever: and My servant David shall be their prince for and My servant Lunil shall be their prince for dozal oinu nevig evad l tadi baal edi ni llewb E20K. 37:24-26—And David My servant shall be king over them; and they all shall have one shep-herd: they shall also walk in My judgments, and observe My statutes, and do them. And they shall

:spuəш -Hear ye now the class which the Lord recomchurch members would you love most to associate? WILL SOON SWALLOW ING ILOOD, WILL WALCH CLASS OF message is but the announcement that the earth swallowed up the Dragon's flood, also since this righteousness, and since the earth has not yet Since you are now instructed in Truth and

jilled. Blessed are the merciful: for they shall earth. Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness: for they shall be their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are they that mourn: for they shall be comforted. Matt. 5:3-16-Blessed are the poor in spirit: for their's is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are

TEXT FOR PRAYER

Grow In Grace Or Else Die

This afternoon I shall read from Christ's Object Lessons, page 65, beginning with the last paragraph.

"The germination of the seed represents the beginning of spiritual life, and the development of the plant is a beautiful figure of Christian growth. As in nature, so in grace; silent and imperceptible, but continuous, so is will be continual advancement. Sanctification

knowledge increase. We shall become strong to bear responsibility, and our maturity will be in proportion to our privileges." What is our need of prayer this afternoon?-Let us pray to grow in grace for there can be no life without growth; to advance with the truth; to take advantage of all our opportunities; to cooperate with Divine agencies; to be willing to bear responsibilities; to realize that when we do all these, then our responsibilities will in-

crease, and our maturity will be commensurate to

our privileges.

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there can be no life without growth. The plant must either grow or die. As its growth is the development of the Christian life. At every stage of development our life may be perfect; yet if God's purpose for us is fulfilled, there is the work of a lifetime. As our opportunities multiply, our experience will enlarge, and our

, test of Address by V. T. Houtelt, Minister of D. Seventh-day Adventists Sabbath, March 27, 1948 βAD, Carmel Chapel Mt. Carmel Chapel MHEN VND HOM DONES THE CLEANSING OF THE SANCTUARY-

.besnaes; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. and another saint said unto that certain saint and another saint said unto that certain saint which spake, How long shall be the vision con-sion of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the host to be trodden under foot? And he said unto me, Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed. Dan. 8:13, 14-Then I heard one saint speaking,

Our text is found in Daniel chapter eight,

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verse 14. I shall begin with verse 13.

.txət əft ni gnoləd ton After this the sanctuary is to be cleansed. "Every morning" (margin), denotes 24 hour days-tull measure of time. The word "sacrifice" does full tuary and the host shall be trodden underfoot. the transgression of desolation set up, the sancin the 2300 days the daily shall be taken away, -diiw , si That ".beansed of a substance of the state of "Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then host to be trodden under foot?" came the answer, of desolation, to give both the sanctuary and the sion concerning the daily, and the transgression To this question, "How long shall be the vi-

them for evermore.

Verses 26, 27—And the vision of the evening and

none understood it.

the morning which was told is true: wherefore shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days. And I Daniel fainted, and was sick certain days; afterward I rose up, and did the king's business; and I was astonished at the vision, but

Daniel here confesses that the meager explanation which Gabriel gave concerning the vision was not sufficient. None could understand it.

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In the latter end of the Medes and the Greeks, when the transgressors, the Jews, are come to the full, another king or kingdom was to stand up. It was of course none other than Rome, the kingdom which overran the four Grecian divisions.

Here you see where the prophetic history of the victories of Alexander the Great.

Verse 23-And in the latter time of their king-

dom, when the transgressors are come to the full,

a king of fierce countenance, and understanding

dark sentences, shall stand up.

but he touched me, and set me upright. And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be. The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings

Dan. 8:18-21-Now as he was speaking with me, I

was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground:

this vision begins. It begins with the Medo-

Persian empire, and carries us in time through

of Media and Persia. And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is be-tween his eyes is the first king.

ened human being today, you would at last be a Davidian Seventh-day Adventist. Suppose, though, you would then wish to go

Mic. 6:6, 7-Wherewith shall I come before the Lord, and bow myself before the high God? shall I come before Him with burnt offerings, with calves of a year old? Will the Lord be pleased

with thousands of rams, or with ten thousands of rivers of oil? shall I give my firstborn for my transgression, the fruit of my body for the sin

And now this is God's answer to your cry:

Verse 8—He hath shewed thee, O man, what is good; and what doth the Lord require of thee,

but to do justly, and to love mercy, and to walk humbly with thy God?

desire: Do justly, love mercy, and walk humbly

with thy God; be not high-minded and self-suffi-

cient. And what is more, Inspiration continues:

Verse 9-The Lord's voice crieth unto the city,

and the man of wisdom shall see thy name: hear ye the rod, and Who hath appointed it.

The Shepherd's Rod, the books that Inspira-

tion so named and inspired its contents, being

the only Rod in the world that can be heard

speaking, the Lord commands that you should hear

it, that you do not waste any time in deciding

Yes, here you have the answer to your heart's

of my soul?

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on to perfection? You would of course again cry out to the Lord, and say:

Davidian Seventh-day Adventists. And so if you were nothing yesterday, and a Divinely enlight-

end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the sant the period is the prince that shall come south the strong shall be been south of the strong south the second the south th

Verses 26, 27-And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for Himself.

takes place during this week is told in the

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2300 days. Look at the chart.) We should now

weeks are the first block of time from within the puted a day for a year, and that the seventy

incident, too, proves that the 2300 days are com-

years from 457 B.C. bring us to 27 A.D., to the year Christ, the Messiah, was baptized. (This

cient city went forth in 457 B.C. Hence 483 -ns and blinder of served to rebuild the an-

-siH .saf years)-69 weeks in all, or 483 years. Histhere were to be 7 weeks (49 years), and 62 weeks

build Jerusalem to Messiah the Prince, to Christ, From the commandment to restore and to re-

Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and

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Verse 25-Know therefore and understand, that

be hopelessly given up. Next Daniel was told

make reconciliation for their iniquity, or else

ple, the Jews, were to make an end of sin and

Mark that during these 490 years, Daniel's peo-

The seventy weeks are actually 490 years.

Let us now study the subject with the aid of

the wall, even in troublous times.

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the 70 weeks there is yet one week left.

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is a part, and of the second advent of Christ. the commandments of which the seventh-day Sabbath that testifies of the Kingdom message, of keeping to be Davidian Seventh-day Adventists, mame time down to the time the Kingdom is set up, is dom according to prophecy. Hence the logical name that would represent her work from this -guix nsibived of the noitsrotesr of also bas the commandments, the second advent of Christ,

advance with the Truth for this time. while in fact you are spiritually poor and naked. And you will stay that way if you neglect to and increased with goods, in need of nothing ford to calmly stand by, dreaming of being rich ламез Its people. You could not, therefore, аf-Spirit of Prophecy Who unfolds the Truth and man, but to Christ, cannot help going on with the Truth of the Spirit, you who are not tied to any Church, but in the name of Christ through the who have not besitqsd need for even of the Truth brings an additional timely name. And you Now you see that every additional timely

ventist" to the title Davidian Seventh-day Ad-(Early Writings, pg. 277), and the phase of its work that promotes the title "Seventh-day Adthe Kingdom message, the "additional message" Finally, you need to know concretely what is

and from Elam, and from Shinar, and from Hamath, and from the islands of the sea. And He shall lons an arisin for the nations, and shall gain the second time to recover the remnant of His people, which shall be left, from Assyria, and from Egypt, and from Pathros, and from Cush, in that day, that the Lord shall set His hand a-11:11, 12, 16-And it shall come to pass .BS1 .jsijnsv

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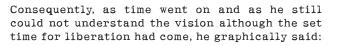
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Dan. 9:1-3, 22, 23-In the first year of Darius the son of Ahasuerus, of the seed of the Medes, which was made king over the realm of the Chaldeans; in the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem. And I set my face unto the Lord God, to seek by prayer and supplications, with fasting, and sackcloth, and ashes... And he informed me, and talked with me, and said, O Daniel, I am now come forth to give thee skill and understanding. At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

Because Gabriel was to begin where he left off (Chapter 8), he counselled Daniel first to consider the vision. Then said Gabriel:

Verse 24—Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, and to make reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, and to seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the Most Holy.

Since Gabriel is here explaining the vision of chapter 8-the things that were to take place during the 2300 days-the seventy weeks are therefore a part of the 2300 days.

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will make a covenant of peace with them; it shall be an everlasting covenant with them: and I will place them, and multiply them, and will set My sanctuary in the midst of them for evermore. My tabernacle also shall be with them: yea, I will be their God, and they shall be My people. And the heathen shall know that I the Lord do sanctify Israel, when My sanctuary shall be in the midst of them for evermore.

Ezekiel 37:21-28—And say unto them, Thus saith the Lord God; Behold, I will take the children of Israel from among the heathen, whither they be gone, and will gather them on every side, and bring them into their own land: and I will make then mage the model of a land and the mountain of

sin. Where is that place?-Let the Bible give

vulnerable to her plagues, and where there is no

they must necessarily go to a place that is not

she rides the beast and rules the world (Rev. 17)

nedw nolydsa ni ers that are shi biovs of bus come out of her to escape her plagues (Rev. 18:4) If God's people who are in Babylon are to

assemble the outcasts of Israel, and gather to-gether the dispersed of Judah from the four cor-ners of the earth. And there shall be an high-way for the remnant of His people, which shall be left, from Assyria; like as it was to Israel in the day that he came up out of the land of Exret.

Ezek. 36:22-28—Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord God; I do not this for your sakes, O house of Israel, but for Mine holy name's sake, which ye have profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. And I will sanctify My great name, which was profaned among the heathen, which ye have profaned in the midst of them; and the heathen shall know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when I shall be sanctified in you before their eyes. For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring you into your own land. Then will I sprinkle clean water your own land. Then will I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also will I give you, and a new spirit will I put within you: and I will take away the stony heart out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judg-ments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be land that I gave to your fathers; and ye shall be My people, and I will be your God.

Now you can more fully appreciate the name Vol. 2. No. 34 27.

therein, even they, and their children, and their children's children forever: and My servant David shall be their prince forever. Moreover I

Plainly, then, her name must express the truths she advocates: that is, the keeping of 24.

As we are now living in the time of $\ensuremath{\mathsf{The}}$ Revelation, in the time of the unfolding of the prophecies which point to the setting up of the Kingdom as well as to the second advent of Christ, the Church at this time, therefore, could not logically go by a name other than a name which would befit her present (advanced) phase of the gospel work.

ple then.

Church. At the commencement of each message the people that marched on with the Truth were the individual members of the church which had become a church through the acceptance of a message, a message which its founder brought forth. For example, the entire Jewish church did not become a Christian church, but the Christian church drew its members from the Jewish church and brought them to advanced Truth, Truth especially adaptable for the time and the peo-

patriarchs, by which various movements of the past were named, were changed as time went on. Abram, you recall, in the process of time was called Abraham; and Jacob was called Israel. Then, too, the Church of Moses' time was called Israelite, at Christ's time it was called Judean, and after that Christian. Finally came the time that it was called either Catholic or Protestant. Then either Lutheran or some other. Each one of these was the offspring of the old. Not those who lag behind, but those who march on with the messages of God, as time goes on, are always recognized by Heaven as the

To illustrate: Even the personal names of the

end of the war desolations are determined. And He shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week He shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations He shall make it desolate, even until the consumma-tion, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate. Just what was to take place during the first

митси зяуз: ing of the Sabbath commandment, the commandment ments can openly be recognized only by the keepremember, too, that the keeping of the commandshall keep the whole law, and yet offend in one point, he is guilty of all." James 2:10. And volves keeping everyone of them, for "Whosoever Keeping the commandments of God, though, in-

day; wherefore the Lord blessed the Sabbath day, and hallowed it." Ex. 20:9-11. and all that in them is, and rested the seventh six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea, thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in vant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manser-Lord thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, work: but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the "Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy

ordained sacriiice. s'boð as betgesas need evad gairefte a'nis) acceptable as a commandment of God than could Sabbath substitute, therefore, can no more be faith in the Creator, and against evolution. A the seventh-day Sabbath alone testifies of one's keep another day in its stead. The keeping of all the holy Word of God there is no command to seventh-day Sabbath is the only Sabbath, and in but the first six days are created for work. The The Sabbath day, you see, is created holy,

No, do not contradict the Lord by saying the

:s/BS seventh-day is for the Jews only, for the Lord

.IS bnp ,ti gnitulloq mort dtbddb2 sht dtsqssh tbdt this, and the son of man that layeth hold on it; 13a. 56:2-7—Blessed is the man that doeth

read Tract No. 3, The Harvest.) does not belong in the text. For light on these set up. The word "sacrifices" is supplied and neer for the sent that should not have been not have been abolished, and the abominations up. (The daily represents something which should the daily is abolished and the abomination set 2300 days is introduced, beginning from the time Here another block of time from within the

promised blessing (the cleansing) does not begin until after the 1335 days, or years, expire. It should be noticed, however, that the

among the living, the Lord says: through the prophet Ezekiel of the cleansing be living during the cleansing time. Speaking who are to be resurrected and those who are to the sanctuary includes the cleansing of both those should now be remembered that this cleansing of quently end in 1844, the time the 1335 days end, then the days of the blessings begin. It build the city Jerusalem, the 2300 days conse-B.C., with the commandment to restore and to re-Vow since the 2300-year period begins wow

out of your flesh, and I will give you an heart of flesh. And I will put My Spirit within you, and cause you to walk in My statutes, and ye shall keep My judgments, and do them. And ye shall dwell in the land that I gave to your will I give you, and a new spirit will i put within you: and I will take away the stony heart I sprinkle clean water upon you, and ye shall be clean: from all your filthiness, and from all your idols, will I cleanse you. A new heart also uliw nədī. bnal nwo ruoy otni uoy gnird lliw bna the heathen, and gather you out of all countries Ezek. 36:24-29-For I will take you from among

seven weeks or 49 years I am not prepared to say, but in the end of the next 62 weeks, or 434 years the Messiah was to be cut off, crucified. During the remaining week, the 70th, He was to confirm the covenant with many, and in the midst of it He was to be cut off, crucified; that is, there were to be $3 \ 1/2$ years from His baptism to the crucifixion, and $3 \ 1/2$ years after the crucifixion in which He was to confirm the covenant. This completes the 70 weeks and brings us to the time to apostles were commanded to go out and preach the Gospel to the Gentiles: One named Cornelius (a Gentile), and Peter (a Jew and an Apostle) were both given a vision: Cornelius was instructed to see Peter and Peter was commanded to meet Cornelius. See Acts, chapter 10. The Jews as a nation failed to make an

end of sin and were therefore rejected, given

 $3 \ 1/2$ years replaced the sacrificial ceremonial

system, and thus He caused the sacrifice to

cease in the midst of the week. All this, time and event, you see, took place exactly as

Nevertheless, even with this added explana-

tion, Daniel still was not able to comprehend all

Christ's own sacrifice at the end of the first

up.

Gabriel predicted.

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By this long prophetic history and geography as seen in chapters 11 and 12, the angel brings us up to the time of the end, to the time the cleansing is to take place. And here is the nature of the cleansing according to the angel's word:

and Grecia as symbolized by the ram and he goat in chapter 8. Then was Daniel told that the explanation at last was sufficient, but that it was impossible for him to understand it all, for the vision was sealed to the time of the end (chapter 12, verses 8, 9).

Daniel was then promised all the light that could be given, not only on the vision of chapter 8, but on all that is noted in the scripture of truth in connection with the vision. That which the angel showed him is recorded in chapters 11 and 12:

Chapter 11, you will see, begins with the vision of Daniel 8, with the kings of Medo-Persia

Dan. 10:21—But I will shew thee that which is noted in the scripture of truth: and there is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael your prince.

that was in the vision. But as time went on, and as his burden for the deliverance of his people increased, knowing that the time had come, he prayed for light. His prayer is recorded in the first part of chapter 10, after which the angel appeared and again explained:

Me, saith the Lord.

Since "The Revelation," the book that speaks to the people of God at this time, recommends the sect that keeps the commandments and that has the gift of prophecy, you cannot wisely connect yourself with any other sect. And since God so declares, it must be that there is but one such people at this particular time who have the living testimony of Jesus Christ, the Gift of the Spirit of Prophecy. Moreover, for God to place the Gift with more than one people, would be for Him to cause confusion and disaster to His own work, to thwart His own purpose. Still further, if more than one has the Gift, then they all would necessarily have to agree as one. But since there are no two sects that agree with each other, the truth that there is but one sect that has the Gift is an absolute reality. And while you may choose to keep the Sabbath commandment, you cannot inspire yourself with the Spirit of Prophecy-this Gift is bestowed upon the remnant

by God Himself. Your next problem in your progress of life would be to find the proper name of that commandment-keeping people, a name that would actually by practice express that they are "the remnant," for a Divinely inspired name must in actuality point out the people whom Inspiration here recommends. Any other name on them would be misleading, and the same name on any other people would

be misleading, too.

Let us not neglect to note, too, that the name of a people is not really a name but a ti-And titles, you know, change as fast as Truth unfolds, as fast as Truth advances from one phase of the gospel work to another.

The only Sabbath Jesus ever knew was the .91q09q lor all per called an house of prayer for all fices shall be accepted upon Mine altar; for Mine bath Jam polluting It, and taketh hold of My both from polluting It, and taketh hold of My covenant; even them will I bring to My house of prayer: their burnt offerings and their sacri-fices shall be accepted upon Mine altar; for Mine - qpS əųi ųiədəəy ipųi auo γιαιό (sinaras siH ad stranger, that join themselves to the Lord, serve Him, and to love the name of the Lord, 01 01 even and the second of the sec o sliden yM nintiw bas as an on sind ni svig I lliw to bas anos to and retter than o bas as a sold M Sabbaths, and choose the things that please Me, and take hold of My covenant; even unto them keepeth his hand from doing any evil. Neither let the son of the stranger, that hath joined himself to the Lord, speak, saying, The Lord hath utterly separated me from His people: neither let the eunuch say, Behold, I am a dry tree. For thus saith the Lord unto the eunuchs that please my Sabbaths, and choose the things that please

is made new, Inspiration declares: speaking of the Christian era, the time the earth in Old and New Testament times. Moreover, again shall be great tribulation, such as was not since the beginning of the world to this time, no, nor ever shall be." Matthew 24:20, 21. The Sabbath, you see, is for all peoples, both the winter, neither on the sabbath day; For then He said: "But pray ye that your flight be not in seventh-day Sabbath, and looking forward to the great tribulation, deep in the Christian era,

another, shall all flesh come to worship before mort is the stall come to pass, that from one Sabbath to one sabbath to another, and from one sabbath allows

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By delivering the righteous, He thoroughly .Aood shi ni nstiirw bnuol sd tion even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall

trouble, such as never was since there was a na-

His people from sin and sinners. out the bad (Matt. 13:48). He shall cleanse separates the visite out from among the wicked- He puts the good "fish" in the vessels and casts ${\rm He}$

nui that years and insmammil shi to sesanigind ban reve rol stars shi se sesarenestigii of yanm Verses 2. 3—And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlast-ing life, and some to shame and everlasting con-tempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the tempt.

.eiii Innaete nevig ed ot erernal to shame and everlasting contempt, but the rightfrom the righteous. The wicked are to be put this mixed resurrection are also to be separated The wicked that arise with the righteous in

.bnptsrsbnu llbdz siw shi tud ; bnattshun llahs bestand; bu the wise Verse 10-Many shall be purified, and made white, and tried; but the wicked shall do wickedly: and

the wicked shall become even more wicked. The living righteous shall be purified, but

is he that waiteth, and cometh to the thousand three hundred and five and thirty days. sacrifice shall be taken away, and the abomina-tion that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days. Blessed a thousand the hundred and someth to the thousand Verses 11, 12-And from the time that the daily

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Here, you see, the remnant—those who are left after the others are swallowed by the earth, so to speak-keeps the commandments of God and has the testimony of Jesus Christ. This remnant, or sect, that keeps the commandments of God, therefore, is the only one that Inspiration recommends, the only one that is worth joining, the only one that can profit any one. It alone possesses the power to escape any and all of the calamities that are now brewing throughout the world. It is the only sect that finds favor with God. No other would do, for no other could profit you.

Verse 17—And the dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ.

from the Dragon's flood, saved from being carried away by the flood of hypocrites and "tares" in her midst.

the earth opened her mouth, and swallowed up the flood which the dragon cast out of his mouth.

Only this Church, you see, is favored even by the earth itself. This sect alone is saved

Verse 16-And the earth helped the woman, and

sect, the Church.

The woman, you know, is the symbol of the

fathers; and ye shall be My people, and I will be your God. I will also save you from all your uncleannesses: and I will call for the corn, and will increase it, and lay no famine upon you.

Gentile nations, you see. They must first be separated from the hypocrites and Gentiles, then

brought into their own land, there to be sprinkled with clean water, cleansed from all

their filthiness and from all their idols, when they get to their own land, not before. Even a

new heart is to be given them there, and a new

spirit also. Thus will the Lord cause them to walk in His statutes and keep His judgments

forevermore. Thus shall they return and dwell in

the land of their fathers, Palestine, and thus

Let us now examine the cleansing according

Joel 3:21-For I will cleanse their blood that I

have not cleansed: for the Lord dwelleth in Zion.

Malachi 3:1-3—Behold, I will send My messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and the Lord, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to His

temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the Lord of hosts. But who may abide the day of his

coming? and who shall stand when he appeareth? for he is like a refiner's fire, and like full-ers' sope: and he shall sit as a refiner and purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver,

that they may offer unto the Lord an offering in

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shall they be God's people eternally.

to the prophets Joel, Malachi, and Jeremiah-

things, you see, are premillennial.

None of the living can actually be cleansed from all their marks of sin while among the

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WHAT WOULD YOU CHOOSE TO BE?

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our text is found in U

.99At 9vig llbAz I 1 Kings 3:5—In Gibeon the Lord appeared to Solo-mon in a dream by night: and God said, Ask what

.guinrsei of applying themselves to earning and hunting, not others for a wife or a husband. And what makes me think this?—Simply because I see so many some of us perhaps would ask for great riches, would ask for a reasonable amount of money, and thing as Solomon asked. I think most of us a boog as tol last ton bluow ou to γ as the I-Isuch as Solomon was given, what would we ask for? he got everything a man could desire to have. (1 Kings 3:10-14.) If we were given a choice Solomon asked for wisdom, and along with it

.gni9d to be the best in God's creation—a human saying: "What do you wish to be? Ask for it, and that shall ye be." You would, of course, want sense to hear God's voice, as did Solomon, Supposing you were nothing, and you had enough

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morid Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherit the king-dom prepared for you from the foundation of the all nations: and He shall separate them one from all nations: and He shall separate them one from another, as a shepherd divideth his sheep from the goats: and He shall set the sheep on His right hand, but the goats on the left. Then shall the King say unto them on His right hand, shall the Niessed of MY Father inherit the king-Matt. 25:32-34-And before Him shall be gathered

'S.TRAK ple to be fitted to reign with Christ a thousand among the living cleansed, and thus are the peoa pure and eternal God. Thus is the sanctuary to some presence of balans ad thus presence of heathen, then cleansed from all their filthiness, the people must trat be separated from among the But according to the scriptures, here you see line to the throne of God for the Millennium. looked: they think that they are to make a bee -revo and noitanimoned but that durit ai ereH

tion of the world." (Matt. 25:34). it the kingdom prepared for you from the founda-King say, "Come, ye blessed of My Father, inherthe sheep on His right if you are to hear the found, not among the goats on His left, but with Brothers, Sisters, make certain that you be

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flesh.

shall all know the Lord. Then they shall indeed be His people, His nation. And God's guarantee is this: Verses 35, 36-Thus saith the Lord, which giveth

the sun for a light by day, and the ordinances of the moon and of the stars for a light by night,

his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the Lord: for they shall all know Me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the Lord: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more.

When God's people are thus cleansed, they

Verse 34—And they shall teach no more every man

husband unto them, saith the Lord: but this shall be the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel; After those days, saith the Lord, I will put My law in their inward parts, and write it in their hearts; and will be their God, and they shall be My people. The old covenant has been to keep the commandments while they are written, not on the

heart, but on tables of stone, against the will

of the stony heart. But the new covenant is to

cleanse them from their stony hearts, and to

write the commandments on their hearts of

Jer. 31:31-33-Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel, and with the house of Judah: not according to the covenant that I made with their fathers in the day that I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt; which My covenant they brake, although I was an

righteousness.

from being a nation before Me for ever. which divideth the sea when the waves thereof roar; The Lord of hosts is His name: If those ordinances depart from before Me, saith the Lord, then the seed of Israel also shall cease from being a point of the form

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For I will take you from among the heathen, and gather you out of all countries, and will bring seve rieht eroled nov ni beititones ed llede I know that I am the Lord, saith the Lord God, when llnds nadinad adi bna ; madi to izbim adi ni banaf λανε profaned among the heathen, whither ye went. And I will sanctify My great name, which was pro-profaned among the heathen, which ye have pro-Israel, but for Mine holy name's sake, which ye beople of the Lord, and are gone forth out of His land. But I had pity for Mine holy name, which the house of Israel had profaned among the heathen, whither they went. Therefore say unto the house of Israel, Thus saith the Lord of the house of this for your sakes of house of heather, whither they went, they profaned My holy name, when they said to them, These are the Ezek. 36:20-24-And when they entered unto the

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This same cleansing Christ describes thus: this shall take place right before their eyes. His people, for the Scriptures show that all heathen, too, will know what God has done for name's sake, for His own goodness sake. əцլ reason of the people's goodness, but for God's reclaimed, and the Kingdom restored, not by is to be cleansed, that the land also is to be Plainly, the Word declares that the sanctuary

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immemorial to the time of the end. And since its founder alone claims credit for creating the world; and of being the Son of God, the beginning and the end, the Saviour of all mankind, you would want to join it. In fact, if one is to reap the fullest benefit from religion, then these are the qualifications which his religion must have. And if these are the chief reasons for one's embracing religion, then there is no alternative but to take the Christian religion, for it alone backs up its guarantee with actual facts, with actual performance.

Suppose you have now become a whole-hearted,

an altogether Christian, but you are confronted with still a greater problem; that is, you find

Christianity divided into many sects, one

differing from the other both in doctrine and

deportment. You are therefore forced to choose

the sect you would like to join, the sect you

since the Bible Itself has now become your only

guide, your only teacher, you would have to consult It, and your choice would have to be made

accordingly. And if you be living now in the time of the end, the time in which The Revelation

of John actually speaks and shines upon the path

of the saints, you would of course have to con-

sult the book of The Revelation first and join the sect which It recommends. And which is it?-

Rev. 12:15—And the serpent cast out of his mouth water as a flood after the woman, that he

might cause her to be carried away of the flood.

Your choice, of course, would have to be again based on facts, not on assumption. And

would like to make your own.

Let us turn to Revelation 12-

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.noigiler tuoda people. You know nothing about God and nothing yet belong to no family, race, government or man being, but have advanced no further: You as granted, that you have now become a fine hu-Let us suppose that your request has been

doubtless choose to become one of its citizens. freedom than in any other nation, you would under its rule you can move about with greater America is the most prosperous nation, and since to make your home. Since the United States of choose the government under which you would like has no government of its own; it is scattered among the nations. You would therefore have to lieving present day Jews), at the present time Hebrew nation, of course (I do not mean the unbeits parentage prophets, kings, and priests. The brew mation of all the mations on earth has for I would choose to be a Hebrew, because the Heall the people on earth would you choose to be? would want to choose your nationality. Which of Next in your progress among the living, you

.guivil shi guitalaring the living. itself capable of saving a sinner, raising the its origin and endurance, the one that has proved best and longest record, the one that has proved that it would have to be the one that has the your own? Your God-given wisdom would tell you and Mohammedan-which one would you choose for three religions to choose from-Pagan, Christian, connect yourself with a church. There being but Suppose next you were greatly impressed to

peoples, past, present, and future-from time predicting the rise and fall of nations and itself capable of performing all these and of Since the religion of Christ alone has proved

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