When does the Judgment of the Living begin? Answer at the Sunday Law

The Parable of the Ten Virgins – The midnight cry is the Sunday Law, this separates the virgins (this wakes up the whole Church), the judgment that takes place to see who has the oil and who doesn't. The foolish can no longer obtain oil, everyone had an opportunity to obtain the oil before this. The wise give the midnight cry (receive the outpouring of the Holy Spirit (latter rain) at the arrival of the bridegroom and give the call "come out of her my people" Revelation 18:4). When this call is finished the door is shut and probation closes with a "death decree". Christ the bridegroom says to them "I never knew you" Revelation 13:15, Daniel 12:1

Matthew 25:1-13

25 "At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish and five were wise. ³ The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. ⁴ The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. ⁵ The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep. ⁶ "At midnight the cry rang out: 'Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!' ⁷ "Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.' ⁹ "'No,' they replied, 'there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.' ¹⁰ "But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut. ¹¹ "Later the others also came. 'Lord, Lord,' they said, 'open the door for us!' ¹² "But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I don't know you.' ¹³ "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour.

Jeremiah 1:14-19

¹⁴Then the LORD said unto me, Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.

God warns His people first

¹⁵For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the (1)gates of Jerusalem, and against all the (2)walls thereof round about, and against all the (3)cities of Judah.

16And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands. (Gods People referenced)

3x three incursions - gates, walls, city -1^{st} commandments attacked, 2^{nd} church is infiltrated with sin 3^{rd} the whole structure is compromised. Inviting Gods judgments (*Sunday law shaking)

4x worldwide message to leaders & people - kings of Judah, princes, priests and the people of the land – God sends offers of mercy and warning and strengthens His messengers to give the message.

¹⁷"Get yourself ready! Stand up and say to them whatever I command you. Do not be terrified by them, or I will terrify you before them.

¹⁸For, behold, I have made thee this day a **defenced city**, and an **iron pillar**, and **brasen walls** against the whole land, against the **kings of Judah**, against the **princes** thereof, against the **priests** thereof, and against the **people of the land**.

The church will not be completely overthrown – The sinners in Zion will be shaken out ¹⁹And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

2 Chronicles 36:14-21

- ¹⁴ Moreover all the chief of the priests, and the people, transgressed very much after all the abominations of the heathen; and polluted the house of the Lord which he had hallowed in Jerusalem.
- ¹⁵ And the Lord God of their fathers sent to them by his messengers, rising up betimes, and sending; because he had compassion on his people, and on his dwelling place:
- ¹⁶ But they <u>mocked the messengers of God</u>, and <u>despised his words</u>, and <u>misused his prophets</u>, until the wrath of the Lord arose against his people, till <u>there was no remedy</u>.
- ¹⁷ **Therefore he brought upon them the king of the Chaldees**, who slew their young men with the sword in the house of their sanctuary, and had no compassion upon young man or maiden, old man, or him that stooped for age: he gave them all into his hand.
- ¹⁸ And all the vessels of the house of God, great and small, and the treasures of the house of the Lord, and the treasures of the king, and of his princes; all these he brought to Babylon.
- ¹⁹ And they burnt the house of God, and brake down the wall of Jerusalem, and burnt all the palaces thereof with fire, and destroyed all the goodly vessels thereof.
- ²⁰ And them that had escaped from the sword carried he away to Babylon; where they were servants to him and his sons until the reign of the kingdom of Persia:

²¹ To fulfil the word of the Lord by the mouth of Jeremiah, until the land had enjoyed her sabbaths: for as long as she lay desolate she kept sabbath, to fulfil threescore and ten years.

When does this test come?

Jeremiah 6

¹⁶Thus saith the LORD, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and <u>ask for the old paths</u>, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls. <u>But they said</u>, <u>We will not walk therein</u>.

¹⁷Also I set watchmen over you, saying, Hearken to the sound of the trumpet. But they said, We will not hearken.

¹⁹Hear, O earth: behold, *I will bring evil upon this people*, even the fruit of their thoughts, because they have not hearkened unto my words, *nor to my law, but rejected it.*

²⁸They are all grievous revolters, walking with slanders: they are <u>brass and iron</u>; they are all corrupters.

Brass Strong's H5178 - něchosheth

1) copper, bronze

2) lust, harlotry

Iron Strong's H1270 - barzel

- 1) iron
- 2) tool of iron
- 3) harshness, strength, oppression (fig.)

Ezekiel 8 – Rejection of the Three Angels Messages

³And he put forth the form of an hand, and took me by a lock of mine head; and the spirit lifted me up between the earth and the heaven, and brought me in the visions of God to Jerusalem, to the door of the inner gate that looketh toward the north; where was the seat of the image of jealousy, which provoketh to jealousy.

⁴And, behold, the *glory of the God of Israel was there*, according to the vision that I saw in the plain.

The Message of the North -1^{st} Angels message: is the everlasting gospel, Fear God -1^{st} Commandment Rejected - Have no other Gods before me -1^{st} work of the Holy Spirit Fearful conviction of sin

⁵Then said he unto me, Son of man, lift up thine eyes now the way toward the north. So I lifted up mine eyes the way toward the north, and behold northward at the gate of the altar this <u>image of jealousy</u> in the entry.

⁶He said furthermore unto me, Son of man, seest thou what they do? even the great abominations that the house of Israel committeth here, that I should go far off from my sanctuary? but turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations.

 1^{st} Angels message, Give Him Glory -2^{nd} Commandment rejected - Make no graven image nor bow thyself down to them -2^{nd} work of Christ righteousness

¹⁰So I went in and saw; and behold every <u>form of creeping things</u>, <u>and abominable beasts</u>, <u>and all the idols of the house of Israel</u>, pourtrayed upon the wall round about.

The seventy represent The Leadership – The Sanhedrin

Jaazaniah = Jehovah hears, Son of Shaphan, an elder of Israel in the days of Ezekiel: 2 Kings 22:3-14; Jeremiah 29:1-3; Jeremiah 36:10-12; Jeremiah 39:14

¹¹And there stood before them <u>seventy men of the ancients of the house of Israel</u>, and in the midst of them stood <u>Jaazaniah the son of Shaphan</u>, with <u>every man his censer in his hand</u>; and a thick cloud of incense went up.

¹²Then said he unto me, Son of man, hast thou seen what the ancients of the house of Israel do in the dark, every man in the chambers of his imagery? for they say, the LORD seeth us not; the LORD hath forsaken the earth.

¹³He said also unto me, Turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations that they do.

 1^{st} Angels message, The hour of his Judgment has come -3^{RD} Commandment rejected - Don't take the Lords name in vain, the Lord will <u>not hold Him guiltless</u> (judgment) -3^{rd} work of God the Father Judgment

¹⁴Then he brought me to the door of the gate of the LORD's house which was toward the north; and, behold, there sat women weeping for Tammuz.

Clarkes Commentary

The women of Phoenicia, Assyria, and Judea worshipped him as dead, with deep lamentation, wearing priapi and other obscene images all the while, and they prostituted themselves in honor of this idol. Having for some time mourned him as dead

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TAMMUZ

⁷And he brought me to the door of the court; and when I looked, behold a hole in the wall.

⁸Then said he unto me, Son of man, dig now in the wall: and when I had digged in the wall, behold a door.

⁹And he said unto me, Go in, and behold the wicked abominations that they do here.

tam'-uz, tam'-mooz (tammuz; Thammouz):

(1) The name of a Phoenician deity, the Adonis of the Greeks. He was originally a Sumerian or Babylonian sun-god, called Dumuzu, the husband of Ishtar, who corresponds to Aphrodite of the Greeks. The worship of these deities was introduced into Syria in very early times under the designation of Tammuz and Astarte, and appears among the Greeks in the myth of Adonis and Aphrodite, who are identified with Osiris and Isis of the Egyptian pantheon, showing how widespread the cult became. The Babylonian myth represents Dumuzu, or Tammuz, as a beautiful shepherd slain by a wild boar, the symbol of winter. Ishtar long mourned for him and descended into the underworld to deliver him from the embrace of death (Frazer, Adonis, Attis and Osiris). This mourning for Tammuz was celebrated in Babylonia by women on the 2nd day of the 4th month, which thus acquired the name of Tammuz (see CALENDAR). This custom of weeping for Tammuz is referred to in the Bible in the only passage where the name occurs (Ezekiel 8:14). The chief seat of the cult in Syria was Gebal (modern Gebail, Greek Bublos) in Phoenicia, to the South of which the river Adonis (Nahr Ibrahim) has its mouth, and its source is the magnificent fountain of Apheca (modern `Afqa), where was the celebrated temple of Venus or Aphrodite, the ruins of which still exist. The women of Gebal used to repair to this temple in midsummer to celebrate the death of Adonis or Tammuz, and there arose in connection with this celebration those licentious rites which rendered the cult so infamous that it was suppressed by Constantine the Great.

The name Adonis, by which this deity was known to the Greeks, is none other than the Phoenician 'Adhon, which is the same in Hebrew. His death is supposed to typify the long, dry summer of Syria and Palestine, when vegetation perishes, and his return to life the rainy season when the parched earth is revivified and is covered with luxuriant vegetation, or his death symbolizes the cold, rough winter, the boar of the myth, and his return the verdant spring.

Considering the disgraceful and licentious rites with which the cult was celebrated, it is no wonder that Ezekiel should have taken the vision of the women weeping for Tammuz in the temple as one of the greatest abominations that could defile the Holy House.

What was going on when women wept for Tammuz was part of Idol worship of the dead and was followed by licentious practices according to the rites of the heathen deities where the woman prostituted themselves.

- Impure woman
- Unlawful fornication as part of Idol worship

Thou shalt not take the name of the Lord thy God in vain; for the Lord will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Exodus 20:7. {SD 58.1}

The reason for this command is given: we are not to swear "by the heaven, for it is the throne of God; nor by the earth, for it is the footstool of his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, for thou canst not make one hair white or black." All things come of God. We have nothing that we have not received; and, more than this, we have nothing that has not been purchased for us by the blood of Christ. {SD 58.2}

Burning words of passion should never be spoken, for in the sight of God and holy angels they are as a species of swearing. {SD 58.3}

This commandment not only prohibits false oaths and common swearing, but it forbids us to use the name of God in a light or careless manner, without regard to its awful significance. By the thoughtless mention of God in common conversation, by appeals to Him in trivial matters,

and by the frequent and thoughtless repetition of His name, we dishonor Him. "Holy and reverend is his name." All should meditate upon His majesty, His purity and holiness, that the heart may be impressed with a sense of His exalted character; and His holy name should be uttered with reverence and solemnity. {SD 58.4}

This is the direct connection with verse 14

It is not men whom we are to exalt and worship; it is God, the only true and living God, to whom our worship and reverence are due. According to the teaching of the Scriptures, it dishonors God to address ministers as "reverend." No mortal has any right to attach this to his own name, or to the name of any other human being. It belongs only to God, to distinguish Him from every other being. . . . "Holy and reverend is his name." We dishonor God when we use this word where it does not belong. . . . The Father and the Son alone are to be exalted.

{SD 58.5}

Psalm 111:9

⁹He sent redemption unto his people: he hath commanded his covenant for ever: *holy and reverend is his name*.

When the world beginning in America sets up the man of sin (the Papacy) as the spiritual leader of the whole world and exalt his day Sunday in place of Gods Holy Sabbath day. The third Angels message as well as 1st through 4th commandment is rejected by the masses of humanity. When this breaking down of the protecting wall between "self worship" and true worship is accomplished the most terrible scenes of lawlessness will manifest themselves (see Daniel 12:1). Men at this time have no barrier of protection from Satanic agencies and are plunged into ruin more terrible than the over-through of Jerusalem in 70 AD.

Now back to Ezekiel

¹⁵Then said he unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? turn thee yet again, and thou shalt see greater abominations than these.

 I^{st} Angels message, Worship Him who made the Heavens and the Earth (Sabbath Seal) -4^{th} Commandment rejected - This image in the vision is the type of the Sunday Law in our day - This Message is from the East - Tragically the majority forsake the Sabbath among Gods people because when they come up to this hour cherished sin prevents Gods healing remedy. This is the 4^{th} waymark. The judgment begins with the house of God and quickly moves to Edom Moab and Ammon (Those outside the SDA church but close relatives). Notice 25 men this is a type of the high priest and 24 elders the very top leadership of Gods people. So we see here that ALL of the leadership had step by step turned on the Law and testimony, the everlasting gospel was rejected the judgment of the living begins with the house of God.

¹⁶And he brought me into the inner court of the LORD's house, and, behold, at the door of the temple of the LORD, between the porch and the altar, were about <u>five and twenty men</u>, with

their backs toward the temple of the LORD, and their faces toward the east; and they worshipped the sun toward the east. (* note – the sun rises in the east)

¹⁷Then he said unto me, Hast thou seen this, O son of man? Is it a light thing to the house of Judah that they commit the abominations which they commit here? for they have filled the land with violence, and have returned to provoke me to anger: and, lo, **they put the branch to their nose.** (* note – they would put the branch to their nose to cover the smell of the human sacrifice of their children).

¹⁸Therefore will I also deal in fury: mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity: and though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them.

The Lord declares that probation is going to end - though they cry in mine ears with a loud voice, yet will I not hear them.

Ezekiel 9 – The Sealing begins its final phase as the Judgment of the Living begins

The Lord has shown me the danger of letting our minds be filled with worldly thoughts and cares. I saw that some minds are led away from present truth and a love of the Holy Bible by reading other exciting books; others are filled with perplexity and care for what they shall eat, drink, and wear. Some are looking too far off for the coming of the Lord. Time has continued a few years longer than they expected; therefore they think it may continue a few years more, and in this way their minds are being led from present truth, out after the world. In these things I saw great danger; for if the mind is filled with other things, present truth is shut out, and **there is no place in our foreheads for the seal of the living God**. I saw that the time for Jesus to be in the most holy place was nearly finished and that time can last but a very little longer. What leisure time we have should be spent in searching the Bible, which is to judge us in the last day. {EW 58.1}

My dear brethren and sisters, <u>let the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus</u>

<u>Christ be in your minds continually and let them crowd out worldly thoughts and cares.</u> When you lie down and when you rise up, let them be your meditation. <u>Live and act wholly in</u>

<u>reference to the coming of the Son of man. The sealing time is very short, and will soon be</u>

<u>over. Now is the time</u>, while the four angels are holding the four winds, *to make our calling and election sure.* {EW 58.2}

Ezekiel 9

¹He 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.

²And, behold, <u>six men came from the way of the higher gate</u>, which <u>lieth toward the north</u>, and every man a <u>slaughter weapon in his hand</u>; and <u>one man among them was clothed with linen, with a writer's inkhorn by his side</u>: and they went in, and <u>stood beside the brasen altar</u>.

Six Men come into view and are made ready – After the fourth waymark has been passed the Judgment phase begins. The same thing happens at the Sunday law this is a limit that the Lord has set that will bring on these events.

- They come from the way of the higher gate which lieth toward the north The Lord uses Nebuchadnezzar as the king of the north as His sword to bring judgment. In our day the king of the north is the papacy. The Lord is the true king of the north and is controlling history.
- Everyone a slaughter weapon in his hand
- One man was clothed with linen with a writers inkhorn Linen is a symbol of the righteousness of Christ each person is being weighed in the balances of the sanctuary by this standard. The writer's inkhorn symbol is names being blotted out or sealed.
- They all stand beside the brazen alter The brazen alter is EAST The work of purifying Gods people is about to begin

³And <u>the glory of the God of Israel was gone up from the cherub</u>, whereupon he was, to the threshold of the house. <u>And he called to the man clothed with linen, which had the writer's inkhorn by his side;</u>

- The glory of the Lord goes up from the cherub When the Lord STANDS a change of dispensation occurs. The glory goes up, just as Christ stood on Mt Olivet and stated that the Jews house was left desolate. The glory of the Lord begins His departure.
- The Lord moves to the threshold of the house His departure has arrived Gods house is left desolate
- The Lord calls to the man clothed in linen with the writers inkhorn to begin his fourfold work.
 - 1. Judgment at the fourth waymark. A Message from the EAST
 - 2. National apostasy is followed by national ruin After Gods law is made void in the land
 - 3. The sealing and blotting out Each person is measured by the righteousness of Christ. Corresponding blotting out takes place at the same time. After the blotting out if you are still holding on to sin you are lost and are part of those who have no rest day or night. There are only two classes at this time Revelation 14:11; Isaiah 62:6.
 - 4. Purification at the brazen alter. God's church is purified. The change of dispensation has taken place.

When the 4th waymark is reached – The High priest and the 24 elders worshipping the sun along with the Sanhedrin – The Lord stands up, departs from the temple and Leaves His house desolate. The same way he did on Olivet in Matthew 23:38 and Luke13:35. The church is to be purified and nations come in to the glorious Holy Mountain never more to wander in the awful wilderness. After the Nations come in to form the church, Babylon falls never more to rise and receive the plagues (*the outpouring of Gods wrath unmingled with mercy). The

sealing and blotting out have done their work Gods people move from militant to triumphant, Laodicea to Philadelphia (Revelation 3:7-13).

Matthew 23:38

Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

Luke 13:35

Behold, your **house** is **left** unto you **desolate**: and verily I say unto you, Ye shall not see me, until the time come when ye shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

⁴And the LORD said unto him, <u>Go through the midst of the city, through the midst of</u>
<u>Jerusalem</u>, 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.

The Judgment of the Living is PROGRESSIVE and begins with the house of God then passes to rest of the world and finally Michael stands up Daniel 12:1 and the great time of trouble begins. Probation is closed – Nehemiah states that the captivity from the north was due to Sabbath breaking:

Nehemiah 13:15-22

¹⁵In those days saw I in Judah some treading wine presses on the sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day wherein they sold victuals.

¹⁶There dwelt men of Tyre also therein, which brought fish, and all manner of ware, and sold on the sabbath unto the children of Judah, and in Jerusalem.

¹⁷Then I contended with the nobles of Judah, and said unto them, What evil thing is this that ye do, and profane the sabbath day? ¹⁸Did not your fathers thus, and did not our God bring all this evil upon us, and upon this city? yet ye bring more wrath upon Israel by profaning the sabbath.

¹⁹And it came to pass, that when the **gates** of Jerusalem began to be dark before the sabbath, I commanded that the **gates** should be shut, and charged that they should not be opened till after the sabbath: and some of my servants set I at the gates, that there should no burden be brought in on the sabbath day.

²⁰So the merchants and sellers of all kind of ware **lodged without Jerusalem once or twice**.

²¹Then I testified against them, and said unto them, **Why lodge ye about the wall**? if ye do so again, I will lay hands on you. From that time forth came they no more on the sabbath.

²²And <u>I commanded the Levites that they should cleanse themselves</u>, and that they should come and keep the gates, to sanctify the sabbath day. Remember me, O my God, concerning this also, and spare me according to the greatness of thy mercy.

Back to Ezekiel 9

⁵And 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:

⁶Slay 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.

⁷And he said unto them, Defile the house, and fill the courts with the slain: go ye forth. And they went forth, and slew in the city.

⁸And it came to pass, while they were slaying them, and I was left, that <u>I fell upon my face</u>, and cried, and said, Ah Lord GOD! wilt thou destroy all the residue of Israel in thy pouring out of thy fury upon Jerusalem?

⁹Then said he unto me, <u>The iniquity of the house of Israel and Judah is exceeding great,</u> and the land is full of blood, and the city full of perverseness: for they say, <u>The LORD hath</u> forsaken the earth, and the LORD seeth not.

The progressive Judgment of the Living leads to the close of probation.

¹⁰And as for me also, <u>mine eye shall not spare, neither will I have pity</u>, but I will recompense their way upon their head.

¹¹And, behold, the man clothed with linen, which had the inkhorn by his side, reported the matter, saying, I have done as thou hast commanded me.

After Gods people are Judged and purified at the Sunday Law then the Judgment of the Living quickly passes to the Families of the north

Jeremiah 1

The Lord says when His people are surrounded by the King of the North that He will Judge His people touching their wickedness. Here we see a type of the Sunday Law, it comes when Gods people burn incense to other Gods and worship the works of their own hands.

¹⁴Then the LORD said unto me, *Out of the north an evil shall break forth upon all the inhabitants of the land.*

15 For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one his throne at the entering of the gates of Jerusalem, and against all the walls thereof round about, and against all the cities of Judah.

16 And I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.

Jeremiah 25

The time of the chapter is fully laid out twice using 2 kings

¹The word that came to Jeremiah concerning all the people of Judah in the <u>fourth year of</u>
<u>Jehoiakim</u> the son of Josiah king of Judah, that was <u>the first year of Nebuchadrezzar king of</u>
<u>Babylon;</u>

The Lord gives the time range that He pleads with His people

³From the thirteenth year of Josiah the son of Amon king of Judah, even unto this day, that is the three and twentieth year, the word of the LORD hath come unto me, and I have spoken unto you, rising early and speaking; but ye have not hearkened.

When the people reject the counsel of the Lord the only thing left is desolation

⁴And the LORD hath sent unto you all his servants the prophets, rising early and sending them; but ye have not hearkened, nor inclined your ear to hear.

⁵They said, Turn ye again now every one from his evil way, and from the evil of your doings, and dwell in the land that the LORD hath given unto you and to your fathers for ever and ever: ⁶And go not after other gods to serve them, and to worship them, and provoke me not to anger with the works of your hands; and I will do you no hurt.

Since the people are bent on destruction the Lord declares the outcome they have chosen

⁷Yet ye have not hearkened unto me, saith the LORD; that ye might provoke me to anger with the works of your hands to your own hurt.

⁸Therefore thus saith the LORD of hosts; Because ye have not heard my words,

The siege of the Land, The People and the nations round about

⁹Behold, I will send and take all the families of the north, saith the LORD, and Nebuchadrezzar the king of Babylon, my servant, and will bring them <u>against this land</u>, and <u>against the inhabitants</u> thereof, and <u>against all these nations round about</u>, and will utterly destroy them, and make them an astonishment, and an hissing, and perpetual desolations.

Probation will close . . .

¹⁰Moreover I will take from them the voice of mirth, and the voice of gladness, the voice of the bridegroom, and the voice of the bride, the sound of the millstones, and the light of the candle.

The land will be <u>desolate and an astonishment</u> the people will go into captivity to the king of the north

¹¹And this whole land shall be a desolation, and an astonishment; and these nations shall serve the king of Babylon seventy years.

The Lord punishes the King of the North after the sifting process is finished

¹²And it shall come to pass, when seventy years are accomplished, that *I will punish the king of Babylon, and that nation, saith the LORD, for their iniquity, and the land of the Chaldeans, and will make it perpetual desolations.*

Many nations will ally with the King of the north and make slaves of the people they will drink the cup of wrath double for all their sins

¹⁴For many nations and great kings shall serve themselves of them also: and I will recompense them according to their deeds, and according to the works of their own hands.

¹⁵For thus saith the LORD God of Israel unto me; *Take the wine cup of this fury at my hand, and cause all the nations, to whom I send thee, to drink it.*

¹⁶And they shall drink, and be moved, and be mad, because of the sword that I will send among them.

¹⁷Then took I the cup at the LORD's hand, and made all the nations to drink, unto whom the LORD had sent me:

First the siege comes to Gods people

¹⁸To wit, Jerusalem, and the cities of Judah, and the kings thereof, and the princes thereof, to make them a desolation, an astonishment, an hissing, and a curse; as it is this day;

The King of the north and his 24 elders, Egypt is overcome a symbol of the whole world

¹⁹Pharaoh king of Egypt, and his servants, and his princes, and all his people; (1)

²⁰And all the mingled people, and all the kings of the land of Uz, and all the kings of the land of the Philistines, and Ashkelon, and Azzah, and Ekron, and the remnant of Ashkolo(8),

²¹*Edom*, and *Moab*, and the children of *Ammon*, (11)

²²And *all the kings of Tyrus*, and *all the kings of Zidon*, and the *kings of the isles* which are beyond the sea, (14)

 23 **Dedan**, and **Tema**, and **Buz**, and all that are in the utmost corners, (18)

²⁴And all the kings of Arabia, and all the kings of the mingled people that dwell in the desert, (20)

²⁵And all the kings of Zimri, and all the kings of Elam, and all the kings of the Medes, (23)

²⁶And <u>all the kings of the north</u>, (24) <u>far and near, one with another</u> (25) (2 kings represented, 1 King of Babylon in the city and 1 waging war abroad or father and son *Satan and the papacy), and all the kingdoms of the world, which are upon the face of the earth: and the king of Sheshach shall drink after them.

Sheshach = "thy fine linen"

1) another name for Babylon apparently taken from the goddess 'Shach'

Strong's H8347 - Sheshak

Babylon drinks the cup, falls and rises no more

²⁷Therefore thou shalt say unto them, Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Drink ye, and be drunken, and spue, and fall, and rise no more, because of the sword which I will send among you.

The house of God then the world

²⁹For, lo, I begin to bring evil on the city which is called by my name, and should ye be utterly unpunished? Ye shall not be unpunished: for I will call for a sword upon all the inhabitants of the earth, saith the LORD of hosts.

The Lord shall roar from on high he shall tread the grapes of gall he will plead with all flesh and give those that are wicked to the sword.

³⁰Therefore prophesy thou against them all these words, and say unto them, The LORD shall roar from on high, and utter his voice from his holy habitation; he shall mightily roar upon his habitation; he shall give a shout, as they that tread the grapes, against all the inhabitants of the earth.

³¹A noise shall come even to the ends of the earth; for the LORD hath a controversy with the nations, he will plead with all flesh; he will give them that are wicked to the sword, saith the LORD.

The four winds from the four corners of the earth will be let loose

³²Thus saith the LORD of hosts, Behold, evil shall go forth from nation to nation, and a great whirlwind shall be raised up from the coasts of the earth.

Jezebels children end up like her -42 (symbolic number) torn by two she bears *See the Elijah Elisha sequence study

³³And the slain of the LORD shall be at that day from one end of the earth even unto the other end of the earth: they shall not be lamented, neither gathered, nor buried; they shall be dung upon the ground.

The Lord punishes all the false shepherds. They all fall like a vessel that is shattered. Not one stone will be standing on another.

³⁴Howl, ye shepherds, and cry; and wallow yourselves in the ashes, ye principal of the flock: for the days of your slaughter and of your dispersions are accomplished; and ye shall fall like a pleasant vessel.

³⁵And the shepherds shall have no way to flee, nor the principal of the flock to escape.

The Lord is the young Lion that tears the oppressor

³⁸He hath forsaken his covert, as the lion: for their land is desolate because of the fierceness of the oppressor, and because of his fierce anger.

When does the Mighty Angel of Revelation Eighteen come down? Answer: At the Sunday Law

What is the time of Rev 18:1-5 arrival?

In the passages below we are going attempt to pinpoint exactly the time and place that the angel of Revelation comes down according to the spirit of prophecy. We will use the phrases below underlined and in yellow and do "word" and "key phrase" searches to discern what time and place is being discussed. We will also employ a question answer format to be able to give greater clarity on the subjects considered.

Revelation 18:1-5

¹And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.

²And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, **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.

³For 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 are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.

⁴And I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my people, that ye be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not of her plagues.

⁵For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.

Satan is constantly seeking to cast his hellish shadow about these messages, so that the remnant people of God shall not clearly discern their import--their $\underline{\text{time and place}}$ --but they live, and are to exert their power upon our religious experience while time shall last{3SM 405.2}

We are going to try to attempt to clarify and pinpoint the $\underline{\text{time}}$ that this quote applies to using the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy

³⁶A voice of the cry of the shepherds, and an howling of the principal of the flock, shall be heard: for the LORD hath spoiled their pasture.

³⁷And the peaceable habitations are cut down because of the fierce anger of the LORD.

"Now comes the word that I have declared that New York is to be swept away by a tidal wave. This I have never said. I have said, as I looked at the great buildings going up there, story after story: 'What terrible scenes will take place when the Lord shall arise to shake terribly the earth! Then the words of Revelation 18:1-3 will be fulfilled.' The whole of the eighteenth chapter of Revelation is a warning of what is coming on the earth. But I have no light in particular in regard to what is coming on New York, only I know that one day the great buildings there will be thrown down by the turning and overturning of God's power. From the light given me, I know that destruction is in the world. One word from the Lord, one touch of His mighty power, and these massive structures will fall. Scenes will take place the fearfulness of which we cannot imagine." {LS 411.5}

(*Our belief is that this is talking about the 7th plague when the cities of the nations fall)

Isaiah 2:19-21 – Is talking about the same time period. Notice the reference to gold and silver being worthless (Isaiah 2:20, Daniel 11:43, Revelation 18) And the phrase "when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth" is mentioned twice (Isaiah vs. 19 & 21) just like the verse in Revelation 18:2 "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen" The Second Angels Message is mentioned the second time quoted from Revelation 14:8.

¹⁹And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the LORD, and for the glory of his majesty, **when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth**.

²⁰In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats;

²¹To go into the clefts of the rocks, and into the tops of the ragged rocks, for fear of the LORD,

Mrs. White could you please tell us when exactly Lord shall arise to shake terribly the earth!

and for the glory of his majesty, when he ariseth to shake terribly the earth.

"Never did this message apply with greater force than it applies today. More and more the world is setting at nought the claims of God. Men have become bold in transgression. The wickedness of the inhabitants of the world has almost filled up the measure of their iniquity. This earth has almost reached the place where God will permit the destroyer to work his will upon it. The substitution of the laws of men for the law of God, the exaltation, by merely human authority, of Sunday in place of the Bible Sabbath, is the last act in the drama. When this substitution becomes universal, God will reveal Himself. He will arise in His majesty to shake terribly the earth. He will come out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity, and the earth shall disclose her blood and shall no more cover her slain. {7T 141.1}

The substitution of the false for the true is the <u>last act in the drama</u>. When this substitution becomes universal, God will reveal Himself. When the laws of men are exalted above the laws of God, <u>when the powers of this earth try to force men to keep the first day of the week, know that the time has come for God to work. He will arise in His majesty, and <u>will shake terribly the earth.</u> He will come out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity. The earth shall disclose her blood, and shall no more cover her slain. {Mar 262.5}</u>

Thank you for clarifying this Mrs. White could you please tell us and shed additional light on what Gods plan is and who we should be in earnest sharing the gospel message to before the Sunday law time period "when the Lord shall arise to shake terribly the earth."

In the Power of the Spirit

The Lord lives and reigns. Soon he will arise in majesty to shake terribly the earth. A special message is now to be borne,--a message that will pierce the spiritual darkness, and convict and convert souls. "Haste thee, flee for thy life," is the call to be given to those dwelling in sin. We must now be terribly in earnest. We have not a moment to spend in criticism and accusation. Let those who have done this in the past fall on their knees in prayer; and let them beware how they place their words and their plans in the place of God's words and his plans. Hundreds are waiting for the warning to escape for their life, and lay hold on the hope set before them in the gospel. Far less labor is to be given to those who know the truth, and far more to those who are without God and without hope in the world. {RH, March 3, 1903 par. 5}

So what is our personal work for this time could you tell us please.

This world is our school--a school of discipline and training. We are placed here to form characters like the character of Christ, and to acquire the habits and the language of the higher life. Influences opposed to good, abound on every side. The developments of sin are becoming so full, so deep, so abhorrent to God, that soon He will arise in majesty to shake terribly the earth. So artful are the plans of the enemy, so specious the complications that he brings about, that those who are weak in the faith cannot discern his deceptions. They fall into the snares prepared by Satan, who works through human instrumentalities to deceive if possible the very elect. Only those who are closely connected with God will be able to discern the falsehoods and the intrigues of the enemy. {20MR 154.1}

OK Then... Mrs. White could you please tell us when "Babylon falls" and when "she makes all nations drink the wine of the wrath of her fornication". Who are the churches being referred to?

The second angel's message of Revelation 14 was first preached in the summer of 1844, and it then had a more direct application to the churches of the United States, where the warning of the judgment had been most widely proclaimed and most generally rejected, and where the declension in the churches had been most rapid. But the message of the second angel did not reach its complete fulfillment in 1844. The churches then experienced a moral fall, in consequence of their refusal of the light of the advent message; but that fall was not complete. As they have continued to reject the special truths for this time they have fallen lower and lower. Not yet, however, can it be said that "Babylon is fallen,... because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." She has not yet made all nations do this. The spirit of world conforming and indifference to the testing truths for our time exists and has been gaining ground in churches of the Protestant faith in all the countries of Christendom; and these churches are included in the solemn and terrible denunciation of the second angel. But the work of apostasy has not yet reached its culmination. {GC 389.2}

The Bible declares that before the coming of the Lord, Satan will work "with all power and signs and lying wonders, and with all deceivableness of unrighteousness;" and they that "received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved," will be left to receive "strong delusion, that they should believe a lie." 2 Thessalonians 2:9-11. Not until this condition shall be reached, and the union of the church with the world shall be fully accomplished throughout Christendom, will the fall of Babylon be complete. The change is a progressive one, and the perfect fulfillment of Revelation 14:8 is yet future. {GC 389.3}

Thank you Mrs. White it sounds like all these verses converge on a single "Hour" the Sunday Law

Not yet, however, can it be said that "Babylon is fallen, . . . because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." She has not yet made all nations do this. . . . The work of apostasy has not yet reached its culmination. {FLB 285.2}

Babylon's Fall Not Yet Complete

<u>Babylon's Fall Not Yet Complete---</u>"She made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication" (Revelation 14:6-8). <u>How is this done? By forcing men to accept a spurious sabbath.</u>—Testimonies for the Church 8T94 (1904) {8T 94}

Solemn Warnings Stir Thousands.--Men of faith and prayer will be constrained to go forth with holy zeal, declaring the words which God gives them. <u>The sins of Babylon will be laid</u> <u>open. The fearful results of enforcing the observances of the church by civil authority, the inroads of Spiritualism, the stealthy but rapid progress of the papal power,--all will be <u>unmasked</u>. By these solemn warnings the people will be stirred. Thousands upon thousands will listen who have never heard words like these. In amazement they hear the testimony that</u>

<u>Babylon is the church, fallen</u> because of her errors and sins, because of her rejection of the truth sent to her from heaven.--The Great Controversy, pp. 606, 607. (1888) {Ev 43.4}

Could you please tell us when the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord?

"When the storm of persecution really breaks upon us, ... then will the message of the third angel swell to a loud cry, and the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord.—Testimonies for the Church 6T401 (1900). {6T 401}"

Many Backsliders Will Return.--When the storm of persecution really breaks upon us, the true sheep will hear the true Shepherd's voice. Self-denying efforts will be put forth to save the lost, and many who have strayed from the fold will come back to follow the great Shepherd. The people of God will draw together, and present to the enemy a united front.... The love of Christ, the love of our brethren, will testify to the world that we have been with Jesus and learned of Him. Then will the message of the third angel swell to a loud cry, and the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord.--Testimonies, vol. 6, p. 401. (1900) {Ev 693.2}

All the prophets are telling the same story . . . Jeremiah is given a message from the Lord telling him that the <u>ALL</u> the families of the north will surround them with thrones, (Judicial power - Sunday Law) there will be <u>three incursions</u>. This is going to happen at a time when the people of God go so far into apostasy that they have become wicked and are worshipping the works of their own hands and have become almost unreachable. The beginning of verse 16 the Lord states that He will utter His judgments. <u>Here we enter the Judgment of the living</u>. God will purify His people with a Sunday law and THIS is the judgment of the living. We brought out this before but let's review . . .

Jeremiah 1:13-19

¹³And the word of the LORD came unto me the second time, saying, What seest thou? And I said, I see a seething pot; and the face thereof is toward the north.

¹⁵For, lo, I will call all the families of the kingdoms of the north, saith the LORD; and they shall come, and they shall set every one <u>his throne</u> at the <u>entering of the gates of Jerusalem</u>, and <u>against all the walls</u> thereof round about, and <u>against all the cities of Judah</u>.

¹⁶And <u>I will utter my judgments against them touching all their wickedness, who have forsaken me, and have burned incense unto other gods, and worshipped the works of their own hands.</u>

¹⁷Thou therefore gird up thy loins, and arise, and speak unto them all that I command thee: be not dismayed at their faces, lest I confound thee before them.

¹⁴Then the LORD said unto me, **Out of the north an evil shall break forth** upon all the inhabitants of the land.

¹⁸For, behold, I have made thee this day a defenced city, and an iron pillar, and brasen walls against the whole land, against the kings of Judah, against the princes thereof, against the priests thereof, and against the people of the land.

¹⁹And they shall fight against thee; but they shall not prevail against thee; for I am with thee, saith the LORD, to deliver thee.

All the prophets are telling the same story we see the same reference to silver and gold as we saw in Isaiah . . .

Zephaniah 1

¹⁴The great day of the LORD is near, it is near, and hasteth greatly, even the voice of the day of the LORD: the mighty man shall cry there bitterly.

¹⁵That day is a day of wrath, a day of trouble and distress, a day of wasteness and <u>desolation</u>, a day of darkness and gloominess, a day of clouds and thick darkness,

¹⁶A day of the trumpet and alarm against the fenced cities, and against the high towers.

¹⁷And I will bring distress upon men, that they shall walk like blind men, because they have sinned against the LORD: and their blood shall be poured out as dust, and their flesh as the dung.

¹⁸Neither their silver nor their gold shall be able to deliver them in the day of the LORD's wrath; but the whole land shall be devoured by the fire of his jealousy: for he shall make even a speedy riddance of all them that dwell in the land.

Before the Sunday Law "decree" the people of God draw together just as the quote above 6T 401

Zephaniah 2

¹Gather yourselves togethe<u>r</u>, yea, gather together, O nation not desired;

²Before the decree bring forth, before the day pass as the chaff, before the fierce anger of the LORD come upon you, before the day of the LORD's anger come upon you.

Those who have dwelt mostly upon the prophecies and the theoretical points of our faith should without delay become Bible students upon PRACTICAL subjects. They should take a deeper draft at the fountain of divine truth. They should carefully study the life of Christ and His lessons of practical godliness, given for the benefit of all and to be the rule of right living for all who should believe on His name. They should be imbued with the spirit of their great Exemplar and have a high sense of the sacred life of a follower of Christ. {3T 214.1}

Thus will the truth be brought into PRACTICAL life, and thus will be answered the prayer of Christ, uttered just before His humiliation and death: "That they all may be one;

as Thou, Father, art in Me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in Us: that the world may believe that Thou hast sent Me." John 17:21. <u>The love of Christ, the love of our brethren, will testify to the world that we have been with Jesus and learned of Him. Then will the message of the third angel swell to a loud cry, and the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord.</u>

Mrs White it sounds like you are repeating the messages of the ancient prophets. So Gods people are to come together in unity on the <u>eternal platform</u> together and then the whole earth will be lightened with the glory of the Lord. What is the eternal platform?

God is leading a people out from the world upon the exalted platform of eternal truth, the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. He will discipline and fit up His people. They will not be at variance, one believing one thing, and another having faith and views entirely opposite, each moving independently of the body. Through the diversity of the gifts and governments that He has placed in the church, they will all come to the unity of the faith. If one man takes his views of Bible truth without regard to the opinions of his brethren, and justifies his course, alleging that he has a right to his own peculiar views, and then presses them upon others, how can he be fulfilling the prayer of Christ? And if another and still another arises, each asserting his right to believe and talk what he pleases without reference to the faith of the body, where will be that harmony which existed between Christ and His Father, and which Christ prayed might exist among His brethren? {3T 446.3}

God is leading out a people and establishing them upon the one great platform of faith, the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus. He has given His people a straight chain of Bible truth, clear and connected. This truth is of heavenly origin and has been searched for as for hidden treasure. It has been dug out through careful searching of the Scriptures and through much prayer. {3T 447.1}

Hmmmm . . . this sounds familiar

Ecclesiastes 12:13-14 – The three fold work of the Holy Spirit sin, righteousness & judgement

Revelation 14:6-7 — The three fold work of the Holy Spirit sin, righteousness & judgement

⁶And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people,

¹³Let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter: Fear God(*sin*), and keep his commandments(*righteousness*): for this is the whole duty of man.

¹⁴For God shall bring every work into judgment(*judgment*), with every secret thing, whether it be good, or whether it be evil.

⁷Saying with a loud voice, Fear God(*sin*), and give glory to him(*righteousness*); for the hour of his judgment is come(*judgment*): and worship him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters(*Sabbath*).

Mrs. White, This is so clear it is the everlasting gospel and the 4th message is directly referencing the Sabbath. Can you tell us the work that is done once the people of God join together on the eternal platform please?

Exalt the Sabbath.--Our publishing institutions are to exalt the claims of God's downtrodden law. Standing before the world as reformers, they are to show that the law of God is the foundation of all enduring reform. In clear, distinct lines they are to present the necessity of obedience to all His commandments. Constrained by the love of Christ, they are to co-operate with Him in building up the old waste places, raising up the foundations of many generations. They are to stand as repairers of the breach, restorers of paths to dwell in. Through their testimony the Sabbath of the fourth commandment is to stand as a witness, a constant reminder of God, to attract notice and arouse investigation that shall direct the minds of men to their Creator. {CW 179.1}

She ties this work directly with the 3 messages and the 4^{th} Angel (mentioned in the text in Isaiah below), She continues . . .

<u>Herald the Three Angels' Messages.</u>--Let it never be forgotten that these institutions are to cooperate with the ministry of the delegates of heaven. They are among the agencies represented by the angel flying "in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come." Revelation 14:6, 7. {CW 179.2}

From them is to go forth the terrible denunciation, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication."

Revelation 14:8. {CW 179.3}

They are represented by the third angel that followed, "saying with a loud voice, If any man worship the beast and his image, and receive his mark in his forehead, or in his hand, the same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God." Revelation 14:9, 10.-- Testimonies, Vol. 7, pp. 138-140. (1902.) {CW 180.1}

Isaiah says the same thing and clarifies that the foundations of many generations and building the old waste places is directly tied to the Sabbath:

Isaiah 58:12-15

¹²And they that shall be of thee <u>shall build the old waste places: thou shalt raise up the</u> <u>foundations of many generations; and thou shalt be called, The repairer of the breach, The restorer of paths to dwell in.</u>

and call the sabbath a delight, the holy of the LORD, honourable; and shalt honour him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:

14Then shalt thou delight thyself in the LORD; and I will cause thee to ride upon the high places of the earth, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father: for the mouth of the LORD hath spoken it.

Mrs. White you have given us much to consider and tied many beautiful lines of truth together please tell us when do her sins reach to heaven. . .

"When do her sins reach unto heaven [Revelation 18:2-5 quoted]? When the law of God is finally made void by legislation.—The Signs of the Times, June 12, 1893."

Please tell us more Sister White about that time . . .

After the truth has been proclaimed as a witness to all nations, every conceivable power of evil will be set in operation, and minds will be confused by many voices crying, "Lo, here is Christ, Lo, He is there. This is the truth, I have the message from God, He has sent me with great light." Then there will be a removing of the landmarks, and an attempt to tear down the pillars of our faith. A more decided effort will be made to exalt the false sabbath, and to cast contempt upon God Himself by supplanting the day He has blessed and sanctified. This false sabbath is to be enforced by an oppressive law. . . . But while Satan works with his lying wonders, the time will be fulfilled foretold in the Revelation, and the mighty angel that shall lighten the earth with his glory, will proclaim the fall of Babylon, and call upon God's people to forsake her. {Mar 189.4}

When do her sins reach unto heaven? When the law of God is finally made void by legislation. Then the extremity of God's people is His opportunity to show who is the governor of heaven and earth. As a Satanic power is stirring up the elements from beneath, God will send light and power to His people, that the message of truth may be proclaimed to all the world. {Mar 189.5}

Mrs. White it sounds like you have pinpointed the time when the Angel of Revelation 18 comes down. Does power come into the message to prepare Gods people before that?

I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven, descending to the earth, and again ascending to heaven, preparing for the fulfillment of some important event. Then I saw another mighty angel commissioned to descend to the earth, to unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which attended this angel penetrated everywhere, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, "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." The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel, is repeated, with the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844. The work of this angel comes in at the right time to join in the last great work of the third angel's message as it swells to a loud cry. And the people of God are thus prepared to stand in the hour of temptation, which they are soon to meet. I saw a great light resting upon them, and they united to fearlessly proclaim the third angel's message. {EW 277.1}

Here is the same quote worded a little different . . .

I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven. They were descending to earth, and again ascending to heaven, preparing for the fulfillment of some important event. Then I saw another mighty angel commissioned to descend to earth, and unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which went before and followed after this angel, penetrated every where, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, saying, 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. The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel, is again given, with the addition of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844. The work of this angel comes in at the right time, and joins in the last great work of the third angel's message, as it swells into a loud cry. And the people of God are fitted up every where to stand in the hour of temptation which they are soon to meet. I saw a great light resting upon them, and they united in the message, and fearlessly proclaimed with great power the third angel's message. {1SG 193.2}

Angels were sent to aid the mighty angel from heaven, and I heard voices which seemed to sound every where, 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. This message seemed to be an addition to the third message, and joined it, as the midnight cry joined the second angel's message in 1844. The glory of God rested upon the patient, waiting saints, and they fearlessly gave the last solemn warning, proclaiming the fall of Babylon, and calling upon God's people to come out of her; that they might escape her fearful doom. {1SG 194.1}

The light that was shed upon the waiting ones penetrated every where, and those who had any light in the churches, who had not heard and rejected the three messages, answered to the call, and left the fallen churches. {1SG 194.2}

Mrs. White I love the way you tie the messages in such a way as we have never considered the three messages are simply a reference to the three fold work of the Holy Spirit

John 16:8

And when he is come, he will reprove the world of **sin**, and of **righteousness**, and of **judgment**:

How we can be made righteous – The righteousness of Christ

Micah 7:9

I will bear the indignation of the LORD, because I have **sinned** against him, until he plead my cause, and execute **judgment** for me: he will bring me forth to the light, and I shall behold his **righteousness**.

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