# Biblical & spirit of prophecy admonitions

Daniel 12:5-12

END-TIME PROPHECY SEMMARS
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## OUR ENCOURAGEMENT

In every age there is a new development of truth, a message of God to the people of that generation. The old truths are all essential; new truth is not independent of the old, but an unfolding of it. It is only as the old truths are understood that, we can comprehend the new... It is the light, which shines in the fresh unfolding of truth that glorifies the old. He who rejects or neglects the new, does not really possess the old. For him, it loses its vital power and becomes a lifeless form. E. G. White, COL 127.

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## PRESENT TRUTH IN 1844

- Before 1844, One Bible text had precedence over all the rest of scripture; Daniel 8:14.
- It is not the most important text in scripture.
- But that was the time for Daniel 8:14 to speak to humanity.
- It was the food in season.
- Nothing else was relevant.
- It announced the beginning of the Judgment.

## END-TIME PRESENT TRUTH

For the Last Generation, Daniel 12:7-12 is Present truth.

#### It deals with:

The End of the Investigative Judgment of the Dead and the Judgment of the Living.

The Universal Death Decree.

The Time of Trouble

Our Deliverance.

### THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY

"We want the past message and the fresh message"

-E. G. White, 2 RH 378.

## THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY

"Increased light will shine upon all the grand truths of prophecy and they will be seen in freshness and brilliance because the bright beams of the Sun of Righteousness will illuminate the whole"

-E. G. White, MS 18, 1888 (Ev. 198)

## THE BIBLE

"We have a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto Ye do well that Ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place ..."

-2 Pet. 1:19

### OUR ADMONITION

Let us read and study the twelfth chapter of Daniel. It is a WARNING that we shall all need to understand before the time of the END.

**E.** G. White, Letter 161 to A. G. Daniells & W. W. Prescott, July 30, 1903.

## COMMENT

"The Prophecy of Daniel 12 is a warning that we <u>shall</u> all need to understand before the end.

Written in 1903, saying '... shall'.

The Spirit of Prophecy places the events of Daniel 12 in the future, not the past.

## MHA SHONTD ME BE INNOTAEDS

" Perhaps, one of the most conspicuous lessons of all prophetic testimony through the years is the contemporary recognition or interpretation of each major epoch or event in the prophetic outline at the very time of fulfillment."

- L. E. Froom. (The Prophetic Faith of our fathers, Washington D. C. RHPA, 1950 Vol. 1, P 890)

## MHA SHOOFD ME BE INAOFAEDS

- "Whenever a major epoch or event of prophecy is reached, always there are reverent students whose minds are led by the Spirit of God to special study and recognition of the fulfillment. This is ever contemporaneous with the event."
- L. E. Froom. (The Prophetic Faith of our fathers, Washington D. C. RHPA, 1950 Vol. 3, P 9)

#### THE RULES

The study of Daniel 12 must be done in the same way that the rest of scripture is studied.

The same rules of Bible Study must apply and be consistent all the way through.

Arbitrariness is unacceptable

#### RULE No. 1 (LITERAL APPROACH)

"Every declaration of scripture is to be taken in the most obvious and literal sense, except where context and well-known laws of language Show that the terms are figurative and not literal, and whatever is figurative must be explained by other portions of scripture which are literal"

- Don Neufeld, Symposium on Biblical Hermeneutics. Washington, D. C. RHPA, 1970.

### RULE No. 2

"... Knowing this first, that no prophecy of scripture is of any private interpretation... " – 2 Peter 1:20.

### RULE No. 3 (Cross Reference)

"... The Word of the Lord was unto them precept upon precept, precept upon precept; line upon line, line upon line; here a little, and there a little"

- Isaiah 28:9-13.

### RULE No. 4 (Context)

- ✓ One text shall not be made or permitted to destroy all others on the subject.
- ✓ Statements must be read in context (verses before & after the text in question)
- ✓ Historical settings & circumstances must be considered.

### RULE No. 5 'Speaking' & 'Voices'

"The 'Speaking' of a nation, is the action of its Legislative or Judicial Authorities."

(E. G. White, GC 442)

### RULE No. 5 (2)

Time prophecies in the Bible are marked by 'speaking' voices in their beginning and ending. The 'voices' or 'speaking' may be in Heaven or earth.

### RULE No. 5 (3)

The 'voices' are legislative or Judicial actions taken by a government, in Heaven or on Earth.

- E. G. White, GC 442

### RULE No. 5 (Example 1)

The 2300 days – Dan. 8:14

#### Began with legislative action:

"Know and understand this; from the issuing of the decree..." Dan. 9:25 (NIV)

Referring to Artaxerxes's decree of 457 BC.

#### **Ended with a judicial action:**

"... The judgment was set and the books were opened" in 1844. Dan. 7:10.

#### RULE No. 5 Illustrated (Ex. 2)

The 1260 days (Years) – Dan. 7:25

#### Began with legislative action:

Emperor Justinian's decree (decretal letter) made the Bishop of the church in Rome the 'Head of all holy churches' in 533AD. But opposition ended in 538 AD, thus began the first Papal ecclesiastical supremacy (over Europe)

#### **Ended with a judicial action:**

In 1798, Napoleon Bonaparte of France ordered the dismantling and termination of the Papacy and the arrest and death of Pope Pius VI.

### THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY

"In the scriptures are truths that relate especially TO OUR OWN TIME to the period just prior to the appearing of the Son of Man... The prophetic periods... extending to the very eve of the great consummation, throw a flood of light upon events then to transpire."

- E. G. White, RH September 25, 1883 (1 RH 367).

### THE PROPHETIC PERIODS

- O"... The Man clothed in linen ... sware... that it shall be for a time, times, and an half... to scatter the power of the holy people, ..." Dan. 12:7
- O"And from the time that the daily... Shall be taken away, and the abomination that maketh desolate set up, there shall be a thousand two hundred and ninety days" Dan. 12:11.
- O"Blessed is he that waiteth and cometh to the thousand, three hundred and five and thirty days" Dan. 12:12.

- PROPHECY IN DANIEL
- SPEAKING VOICES TO START AND TO FINISH.
- FULFILLMENT IN REVELATION
- CROSS-REFERENCE WITH MATTHEW 24 & OTHER TEXTS IN SCRIPTURE.
- SPIRIT OF PROPHECY
  AFFIRMATION OF THE MEANING.

#### **SUMMARY OF DECODING RULES**