

For what are Christians persecuted?

THE GREAT COMMISSION!

Matt. 24:9 Then shall ***they deliver you up to be afflicted***, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of ***all nations for my name's sake***.

24:10 And then shall many be offended, and shall betray one another, and shall hate one another.

24:14 And ***this gospel*** of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto ***all nations; and then shall the end come. Acts 3:25;***

28:19 Go ye therefore, and teach ***all nations***, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Luke. 24:47 And that ***repentance and remission of sins*** should be preached in his name among ***all nations***, beginning at Jerusalem. *Acts 3:19, 2:38, 17:30-1, 20:21 (Rev. 12:17; 14:12; 1John 3:4; Rom. 7:7), Rom. 2:4; 2Cor. 7:9-10; 1John. 3:9; Heb. 6:1-6, 10:26. Rev. 2:21-22. Rom. 6:1-6, 23; Eph. 4:22-24 (Ps. 119:172, Rom 12:2), Col. 2:12*, 3:1-5, 9, 10* (Gen. 1:26), 1Peter 1:10-16; 4:1,2; 2Cor. 11:3,4; 1John 3:5-9.*

Rev. 14:6 And 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,

Christ's commission was to go to all Nations not make one.

Was there to be a Christian Nation?

John. 8:23 And he said unto them, Ye are from beneath; ***I am from above: ye are of this world; I am not of this world.***

15:18 If the world hate you, ye know that it hated me before it hated you.

15:19 If ye were of the world, ***the world would love his own:*** but because ye are not of the world, but I have chosen you out of the world, therefore the world hateth you. 1John. 2:15-17; 4:4,5,17;

15:20 Remember the word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me, they will also persecute you; if they have kept my saying, they will keep yours also. Of whom is Christ speaking. Acts 4:26, 27.

15:21 But ***all these things will they do unto you for my name's sake***, because they know not him that sent me.

18:36 Jesus answered, My kingdom is ***not of this world:*** if my kingdom were of this world, then would my servants fight, that I should not be delivered to the Jews: but now is my kingdom not from hence. See 1 Sam. 12:12, 17; 8:7.—***Due 17:14.*; John 19:12, 15*; 11:50. Jer. 2:11.*** John

16:33. Acts 1:6—Eze. 21:26,27; Matt. 20 :21; 2:2. Luke 17:20,21; 19:11

Luke. 4:5 And the devil, taking him up into an high mountain, showed unto him ***all the kingdoms of the world in a moment of time.***

4:6 And the devil said unto him, All this power will I give thee, and the glory of them: for ***that is delivered unto me;*** and to whomsoever I will I give it.

4:7 If thou therefore wilt worship me, ***all shall be thine.***

4:8 And Jesus answered and said unto him, ***Get thee behind me,*** Satan: for it is written, Thou shalt worship the Lord thy God, and him only shalt thou serve.

John. 14:2 ***In my Father's house*** are many mansions: if it were not so, I would have told you. ***I go to prepare a place for you.***

14:3 And ***if I go*** and prepare a place for you, ***I will come again,*** and receive you unto myself; that ***where I am, there*** ye may be also.

14:4 And whither I go ye know, and the way ye know.

Eph. 1:3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings ***in heavenly places*** in Christ: 2:6;

Col.3:1 If ye then be risen with Christ, ***seek those things which are above,*** where Christ sitteth on the right hand of God.

3:2 ***Set your affection on things above, not on things on the earth.***

3:3 For ye are dead, and your life is hid with Christ in God.

3:4 When Christ, who is our life, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.

3:5 ***Mortify therefore your members*** which are upon the earth; fornication, uncleanness, inordinate affection, evil concupiscence, and covetousness, which is idolatry:

Notice History

1 Sam. 12:12 And when ye saw that Nahash ***the king*** of the children of Ammon ***came*** against you, ye said unto me, Nay; but a king shall reign over us: **when the LORD your God was your king, Due 17:14.***

12:17 Is it not wheat harvest to day? I will call unto the LORD, and he shall send thunder and rain; that ye may perceive and see **that your wickedness is great,** which ye have done in the sight of the LORD, **in asking you a king,**

1 Sam. 8:7 And the LORD said unto Samuel, **Hearken unto the voice of the people** in all that they say unto thee: ***for they have not rejected thee, but they have rejected me, that I should not reign over them.*** See John 19:12, 15*; 11:50. Jer. 2:11. ***As the Jews rejected Christ for political favor so protestants do the same.***

Christ's warning of false Christ's and Prophets, When are these to be,

and what are they to be teaching in the name of Christ?

According to Matthew 24:24 After papal supremacy verse 21,22 ended in 1798, during the time of the two servants.

Matt. 24:23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, **here is Christ, or there;** believe it not. *Luke 17: 20,21., geographically-nation.*

24:24 For there shall arise **false Christs, and false prophets, and shall show great signs and wonders;** insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Matt. 7:15 Beware of **false prophets,** which come to you in **sheep's** clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Rev. 19:20; 13:11; 18:1-24;3;14-17; 14:8.

7:16 **Ye shall know them by** their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles?

7:17 Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit.

7:18 A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

7:19 Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit **is hewn down,** and cast into the fire.

7:20 Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.

7:21 **Not every one that saith** unto me, Lord, Lord, **shall enter** into the kingdom of heaven; **but he that doeth** the will of my Father which is in heaven.

7:22 **Many will say** to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works?

7:23 And **then will I profess unto them, I never knew you:** depart from me, ye that work iniquity.

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

A Counterfeit Gospel?

Gal. 1:6 I marvel that ye are so **soon removed** from him that called you into the grace of Christ **unto another gospel:**

1:7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and **would pervert** the gospel of Christ.

1:8 But **though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel** unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

1:9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

2Cor. 11:3 But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtlety, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

11:4 For if he that cometh ***preacheth another Jesus***, whom we have not preached, or if ye receive another spirit, which ye have not received, or ***another gospel***, which ye have not accepted, ye might well bear with him.

Really? You can't be like Jesus. Salvation in sin.

2John. 1:9 Whosoever ***transgresseth***, and ***abideth not in the doctrine*** of Christ, hath not God. He that abideth in the doctrine of Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son. 1John 3:4. Rom. 7:7. Heb. 10:26. 1John 2:3-6; 1John 4:19-21. Heb 6:1.

1:10 If there come any unto you, and ***bring not this doctrine***, receive him not into your house, neither bid him God speed:

1John. 2:18 Little children, ***it is the last time***: and as ye have heard that antichrist shall come, ***even now are there many antichrists***; whereby we know that it is the last time.

2:19 ***They went out from us, but they were not of us***; for if they had been of us, they would no doubt have ***continued with us: but they went out***, that they might be made manifest that they were not all of us.

2:20 But ye have an unction from the Holy One, and ye know all things.

2:21 I have not written unto you because ye know not the truth, but because ye know it, and that no lie is of the truth.

2:22 Who is a liar but he that denieth that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist, that denieth the Father and the Son.

2:23 Whosoever denieth the Son, the same hath not the Father: (but) he that acknowledgeth the Son hath the Father also.

Rev. 2:2 I know thy works, and thy labour, and thy patience, and how thou canst not bear them which are evil: and ***thou hast tried them which say they are apostles, and are not, and hast found them liars***: *Note: How are we to know who are His disciples? Isa. 8:16 Bind up the testimony, seal the law among my disciples.*

2Cor. 11:13 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, ***transforming themselves*** into the apostles of Christ.

10:12 For we dare not make ourselves of the number, or compare ourselves with some that commend themselves: but ***they measuring themselves by themselves, and comparing themselves among themselves, are not wise***.

Micah. 6:11 Shall ***I count them pure with the wicked balances, and with the bag of deceitful weights?***

2John1:6 And this is love, that we walk after his commandments. This is the commandment, That, as ye have heard from the beginning, ye should walk in it.

1:7 For ***many deceivers are entered into the world, who confess not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh***. This is a deceiver and an antichrist. Col. 1:27; John 6:53-57; Jer. 15:16; John 1:14; 1

John 3:7; Mark 1:24; Matt. 14:33; 16:16; John 1:49; 11:27; Mark 3:11; James 2:19

Phil. 3:18 (For *many walk*, of whom I have told you often, and now tell you even weeping, that they are the *enemies of the cross of Christ*:

3:19 Whose end is destruction, whose God is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame, *who mind earthly things*.)

1Tim. 4:1 Now the Spirit speaketh expressly, that in the latter times some *shall depart from the faith*, giving heed to seducing spirits, and doctrines of devils;

4:2 *Speaking lies in hypocrisy*; having their conscience seared with a hot iron;

2Tim. 4:3 For the time will come *when they will not endure sound doctrine*; but after their own lusts shall they *heap to themselves teachers*, having itching ears;

4:4 And they shall *turn away their ears from the truth*, and shall be turned unto fables.

2Peter. 3:16 As also in all his epistles, speaking in them of these things; in which are some things hard to be understood, which *they that are unlearned and unstable wrest, as they do also the other scriptures*, unto their own destruction.

Webster. *wrest v.t.* to turn from truth or twist from the natural and proper meaning *by violence*; to pervert; to distort; as, to *wrest a wrong meaning from a statement*.

2Thess. 2:2 That ye be not soon *shaken* in mind, or be *troubled*, neither by spirit, nor by *word, nor by letter as from us*, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Note: In Paul's day, the second coming was being preached.

Rom. 16:17 Now I beseech you, brethren, mark them which cause divisions and offences *contrary to the doctrine* which ye have learned; and avoid them.

16:18 For they that are such *serve not our Lord* Jesus Christ, but their own belly; and by *good words and fair speeches deceive the hearts of the simple*.

2Thess. 3:6 Now we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that *ye withdraw yourselves* from every *brother* that walketh disorderly, and not after the tradition which he received of us.

3:14 And if any man obey not our word by this epistle, note that man, and have *no company with him*, that he may be ashamed.

1Tim. 6:3 If any man teach otherwise, and consent not to wholesome words, *even the words of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to the doctrine* which is according to godliness;

6:4 He is proud, knowing nothing, but doting about questions and strifes of words, whereof cometh envy, strife, railings, evil surmisings,

6:5 Perverse disputings of *men of corrupt minds, and destitute of the truth*, supposing that gain is godliness: from such withdraw thyself.

2Tim. 3:5 *Having a form of godliness, but denying the power* thereof: from such turn away.

Matt. 22:14 For many are called, but *few are chosen*.

7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and *many there be which go in thereat*:

7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and *few there be that find it*. see *Matt. 13:19-23 Mark. 14-20*

By Whom comes Persecution? Christians persecuting Christians!

We are now in the Laodicean Protestant Church and not Thyatiran papal church. We are under the 6th Seal and not the grizzled and bay 4th papal horse seal. We are under the Protestant two horned Beast and not the leopard papal beast. We are under the Protestant evil-foolish servants and not the Great Tribulation of papal supremacy, during the time of the daughters and not the mother—*SpM 1.4*. Under Babylon of Revelation 14:8 and 18, false prophets, tares, goats, the Broadway and foolish, evil servants.

Luke.18:8 I tell you that he will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless *when* the Son of man cometh, *shall he find faith on the earth?*

The warning for the *last church* also *must be proclaimed to all who claim to be Christians. The Laodicean message, like a sharp, two-edged sword, must go to all the churches:* "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot. So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of My mouth. Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: I counsel thee to buy of Me gold tried in the fire, that thou mayest be rich; and white raiment, that thou mayest be clothed, and that the shame of thy nakedness do not appear; and anoint thine eyes with eyesalve, that thou mayest see. As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent." Verses 15-19. It is our work to proclaim this message. Are we putting forth every effort that the churches may be warned? {6T 77.2}

I was shown that the testimony to the Laodiceans applies to God's people *at the present time*, and the reason it has not accomplished a greater work is because of the hardness of their hearts. But God has given the message *time to do its work. The heart must be purified from sins which have so long shut out Jesus. This fearful message will do its work.* When it was first presented, it led to close examination of heart. Sins were confessed, and the people of God were stirred everywhere. Nearly all believed that this message would end in the *loud cry* of the third angel. But as they failed to see the powerful work accomplished in a short time, many lost the effect of the message. I saw that this message would not accomplish its work in a few short months. It is designed to arouse the people of God, to discover to them their backslidings, and to lead to zealous repentance, that they may be favored with the presence of Jesus, and be fitted for the loud cry of the third angel. As this message affected the heart, it led to deep humility before God. Angels were sent in every direction to prepare unbelieving hearts for the truth. The cause of God

began to rise, and His people were acquainted with their position. If the counsel of the True Witness had been fully heeded, God would have wrought for His people in greater power. Yet the efforts made since the message has been given, have been blessed of God, and many souls have been brought from error and darkness to rejoice in the truth. {1T 186.1}

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}

Of the true Prophets by the False.

Matt. 24:23 Then if any man shall say unto you, Lo, here is Christ, or there; ***believe it not.***

24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and ***false prophets,*** and ***shall show great signs and wonders;*** insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

1John 4:1 Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because ***many false prophets are gone out into the world.***

2Peter 2:1 But there were false prophets also among the people, ***even as there shall be false teachers among you,*** who privily shall bring in ***damnable heresies,*** even denying the Lord that bought them, and bring upon themselves swift destruction.

2:2 And many shall follow their pernicious ways; by reason of whom the way of truth shall be evil spoken of.

2:3 And through covetousness shall they with feigned words ***make merchandise of you:*** whose judgment now of a long time lingereth not, and their damnation slumbereth not.

Acts. 20:26 Wherefore I (Paul) take you to record this day, that ***I am pure from the blood of all men.*** Eze. 33:6,8.

20:27 For I have not shunned to declare unto you all the counsel of God.

20:28 ***Take heed*** therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood.

20:29 For I know this, that after my departing shall grievous wolves enter in among you, not sparing the flock.

20:30 Also *of your own selves shall men arise*, speaking perverse things, *to draw away* disciples after them.

20:31 Therefore watch, and remember, that by the space of three years *I ceased not to warn every one* night and day with tears.

Eph. 4:11 And he gave some, apostles; *and some, prophets*; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers;

4:12 *For the perfecting of the saints*, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 1Cor. 12:28; 14:1-25;

4:13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:

Rev. 16:6 *For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets*, and thou hast given them blood to drink; for they are worthy. *What Saints and Prophets? Matt. 24:49*; Rev. 11:18*; 18:20*,24; Joel 2:28*; 6:15,17*—all these are after 1844, this plague is a result of the death decree*; Eph. 4:11-13.

18:20 Rejoice over her, thou heaven, and *ye holy apostles and prophets; for God hath avenged you on her*.

18:24 And in her was found *the blood of prophets, and of saints*, and of all that were slain upon the earth.

Of the Good by the Evil.

Matt. 24:46 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

24:47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

24:48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

24:49 And shall begin to *smite his fellowservants*, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

24:50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for him, and in an hour that he is not aware of,

24:51 And shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

25:1 Then shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto ten virgins, which took their lamps, and went forth to meet the bridegroom.

25:2 And five of them were wise, and five were foolish.

25:3 They that were foolish took their lamps, and took no oil with them:

25:4 But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps.

25:5 While the bridegroom tarried, they all slumbered and slept.

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

25:7 Then all those virgins arose, and trimmed their lamps.

25:8 And the foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil; for our lamps are gone out.

25:9 But the wise answered, saying, Not so; lest there be not enough for us and you: but go ye

rather to them that sell, and buy for yourselves.

25:10 And while they went to buy, the bridegroom came; and they that were ready went in with him to the marriage: and the door was shut.

25:11 Afterward came also the other virgins, saying, Lord, Lord, open to us.

25:12 But he answered and said, Verily I say unto you, ***I know you not.***

25:13 Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh.

The evil servant says in his heart, "My lord delayeth his coming." He does not say that Christ will not come. He does not scoff at the idea of His second coming. But in his heart and by his actions and words he declares that the Lord's coming is delayed. He banishes from the minds of others the conviction that the Lord is coming quickly. His influence leads men to presumptuous, careless delay. They are confirmed in their worldliness and stupor. Earthly passions, corrupt thoughts, take possession of the mind. The evil servant eats and drinks with the drunken, ***unites with the world*** in pleasure seeking. ***He smites his fellow servants, accusing and condemning those who are faithful to their Master. He mingles with the world. Like grows with like in transgression. It is a fearful assimilation.*** With the world he is taken in the snare. "The lord of that servant shall come . . . in an hour that he is not aware of, and shall cut him asunder, and appoint him his portion with the hypocrites." {DA 635.1}

Matt. 18:23 Therefore is the kingdom of heaven likened unto a certain king, ***which would take account of his servants.***

18:24 And when he had begun to reckon, one was brought unto him, which owed him ten thousand talents.

18:25 But forasmuch as he had not to pay, his lord commanded him to be sold, and his wife, and children, and all that he had, and payment to be made.

18:26 The servant therefore fell down, and worshipped him, saying, Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

18:27 Then the lord of that servant was moved with compassion, and loosed him, and forgave him the debt.

18:28 But the same servant went out, and found one of his fellowservants, which owed him an hundred pence: and he laid hands on him, and ***took him by the throat, saying, Pay me that thou owest.***

18:29 And his fellowservant fell down at his feet, and besought him, saying, Have patience with me, and I will pay thee all.

18:30 And he would not: but went and ***cast him into prison,*** till he should pay the debt.

18:31 So when his ***fellowservants*** saw what was done, they were very sorry, and came and told unto their lord all that was done.

18:32 Then his lord, after that he had called him, said unto him, O thou wicked servant, I forgave thee all that debt, because thou desiredst me:

18:33 Shouldest not thou also have had compassion on thy fellowservant, even as I had pity on thee?

18:34 And his lord was wroth, and delivered him to the tormentors, till he should pay all that was due unto him.

Matt. 14:16 Then said he unto him, A certain man made a great supper, and **bade many**: *Matt. 25:1-13; Rev. 21:9; Rev. 19:9,7,8; Luke 12:36;*

14:17 And sent his servant at **supper time** to say to them that were bidden, Come; for all things are now ready.

14:18 And **they all with one consent began to make excuse**. The first said unto him, I have bought a piece of ground, and I must needs go and see it: I pray thee have me excused.

14:19 And another said, I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I go to prove them: I pray thee have me excused.

14:20 And another said, I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.

14:21 So that servant came, and showed his lord these things. Then the master of the house **being angry** said to his servant, **Go out quickly into the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in hither the poor, and the maimed, and the halt, and the blind.**

14:22 And the servant said, Lord, it is done as thou hast commanded, and yet there is room.

14:23 And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, **that my house may be filled**.

14:24 For I say unto you, That **none of those men which were bidden shall taste of my supper**.

Jude. 1:4 For there are **certain men crept in** unawares, . . .

1:10 But these speak **evil of those things which they know not**: but what they know naturally, as brute beasts, in those things they corrupt themselves. *Isa. 5:20,21.*

1:11 Woe unto them! for they have gone in the way of Cain, and **ran greedily after the error of Balaam for reward**, and perished in the gainsaying of Core.

2Peter 2:15 Which have forsaken the right way, and are gone astray, following the way of Balaam the son of Bosor, who **loved the wages of unrighteousness**; *see 2Peter 2:1-15.*

Rom. 6:23 For **the wages of sin is death**; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Matt. 10:34 Think not that I am come to send peace on earth: I came not to send peace, but a sword.

10:35 For **I am come to set a man at variance against** his father, and the daughter against her mother, and the daughter in law against her mother in law.

10:36 And a man's foes shall be **they of his own household**. *Gal. 4:16.*

Matt. 7:24 Therefore whosoever **heareth** these sayings of mine, and **doeth** them, I will liken him unto a **wise** man, which built his house upon a rock:

7:25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

7:26 And every one that **heareth** these sayings of mine, and **doeth them not**, shall be likened unto a **foolish** man, which built his house upon the sand:

7:27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

Of the Wheat by the Tares.

Matt.13:36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

13:37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man;

13:38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares ***are the children of the wicked one;***

13:39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels.

13:40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire; so shall it be in the end of this world.

13:41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom ***all things that offend, and them which do iniquity;***

13:42 ***And shall cast them into a furnace of fire:*** there shall be wailing and gnashing of teeth.

13:43 Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun in the kingdom of their Father. Who hath ears to hear, let him hear.

The conflict is to wax fiercer and fiercer. Satan will take the field and personate Christ. He will misrepresent, misapply, and pervert everything he possibly can, to deceive, if possible, the very elect. Even in our day there have been and will continue to be *entire families* who have once rejoiced in the truth, but who will lose faith because of ***calumnies*** and ***falsehoods*** brought to them ***in regard to those*** whom they have loved and with ***whom*** they have had sweet ***counsel***. ***They opened their hearts to the sowing of tares; the tares sprang up among the wheat; they strengthened; the crop of wheat became less and less; and the precious truth lost its power to them. For a time a false zeal accompanied their new theories, which hardened their hearts against the advocates of truth*** as did the Jews against Christ. {TM 411.2}

The tares and wheat are now commingled, but then the one hand that alone can separate them will give to everyone his true position. Those who have had the light of truth, and heard the warning message, ***heard the invitation to the marriage supper***--farmer, merchant, lawyer, false shepherds who have quieted the convictions of the people, unfaithful watchmen who have not sounded the warning or known the time of night--all who have refused obedience to the laws of the kingdom of God, will have ***no right therein***. Those who have sought an ***excuse to avoid the cross of separation from the world will***, with the world, be taken in the snare. ***They mingled with the tares from choice. Like drew to like in transgression***. It is a fearful assimilation. Men choose to stand with the first rebel, who tempted Adam and Eve in Eden to disobey God. The tares multiply themselves, for they sow tares, and they have their part with the root of all sin--the devil. {TM 235.1}

Notice: Is it that jesuits infiltrate the tares, are they brainwashing them?

Of the Sheep by the Goats.

Matt. 7:21 *Not every one that saith* unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but *he that doeth* the will of my Father which is in heaven.

7:22 Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, *have we not prophesied* in thy name? and in thy name have *cast out devils?* and in thy name *done many wonderful works?*

7:23 And then will I profess unto them, *I never knew you: depart from me,* ye that work iniquity. *Jude. 1:5; Matt. 25:11.*

Thus Christ identifies His interest with that of suffering humanity. Every attention given to His children He considers done to Himself personally. Those who claim *modern sanctification* would have come boastingly forward, saying, "Lord, Lord, do You not know us? Have we not prophesied in Thy name? and in Thy name cast out devils? and in Thy name done many wonderful works?" The people here described, who make these pretentious claims, apparently weaving Jesus into all their doings, fitly represent those who claim modern sanctification but who are at war with the law of God. Christ calls them workers of iniquity because they are deceivers, having on the garments of righteousness to hide the deformity of their characters, the inward wickedness of their unholy hearts. {FW 44.4} {5MR 60.1} {CG 560.1-3} {RH, June 18, 1901 par. 14}

We are living in an age when the law of God is made void. *Deceptive errors prevail to an alarming degree.* Multitudes, forgetting that "sin is the transgression of the law," are following the lead of that great law-breaker, the man of sin. But genuine faith has not become extinct. *There are two parties in the world,—the advocates of truth and purity as well as the advocates of error and corruption;* and the earnest inquiry of each soul should be, What is truth? At the last we must all stand in one party or the other; and in which company do we wish to be found when Jesus shall come in the clouds of heaven? We shall all want a Saviour to stand in our defense in that awful time described by the prophet as a "time of trouble such as never was since there was a nation." And when Christ shall separate the righteous from the wicked, 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, we shall all want to be on the right hand. We shall not then esteem it an honor to be found with the multitudes in the paths of transgression. {RH, January 13, 1885 par. 6}

Of the Narrow way by the Broad way!

Matt. 7:13 Enter ye in at the strait gate: for wide is the gate, and broad is the way, that leadeth to destruction, and *many there be* which go in thereat:

7:14 Because strait is the gate, and narrow is the way, which leadeth unto life, and *few there be* that find it.

Of the Good Ground by the Stony, thorny, way side!

Luke 8:11 Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God.

8:12 Those by the *way side* are they that hear; then cometh the devil, and *taketh away the word* out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved.

8:13 They **on the rock** are they, which, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, which for a while believe, and **in time of temptation fall away**.

8:14 And that which fell **among thorns** are they, which, when they have heard, go forth, and are choked with **cares and riches and pleasures** of this life, and bring no fruit to perfection. Rom. 6:23.

8:15 But that on the **good ground** are they, which in an honest and good heart, having heard the word, keep it, and bring forth fruit with patience.

8:16 No man, when he hath lighted a candle, covereth it with a vessel, or putteth it under a bed; but setteth it on a candlestick, that they which enter in may see the light.

8:17 For **nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest**; neither any thing hid, that shall not be known and come abroad.

8:18 **Take heed therefore how ye hear**: for whosoever hath, to him shall be given; and whosoever hath not, from him shall be taken even that which he seemeth to have. Mtt. 13:19-23; Mark. 4:14-20.

Note: Hear Three Fourths of the recipients are lost!

Of those that Worship God and those who worship Him not!

The Churches condition now.

Rev. 11:1 And there was given me a reed like unto a rod: and the angel stood, saying, Rise, and **measure** the temple of God, and the altar, and **them that worship therein**. Asses, weigh, evaluate.

Them that Worship God.

Rev. 14:7 Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to him; for the hour of his judgment is come: and **worship him** that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters. Rev. 4:10; 5:14; 7:11; 11:16; 15:4; 19:4; 19:10; 22:9. **Exodus 20:11**.*

13:15 And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as **would not worship the image** of the beast should be killed. Rev. 20:4;

Promise to the faithful.

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

Them That worship Him not.

Rev. 14:9 And the third angel followed them, 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,
14:10 The same shall drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out without mixture into the cup of his indignation; and he shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels, and in the presence of the Lamb:
14:11 And the smoke of their torment ascendeth up for ever and ever: and they have no rest day nor night, **who worship the** beast and his image, and whosoever receiveth the mark of his name.
Rev. 13:4, 8, 12; 16:2; 19:20

2Cor. 11:13 For such are **false apostles**, deceitful workers, **transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ**.

11:14 And no marvel; **for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light**.

The Call to all in the counterfeit Church.

Rev. 18:2 And 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.

18:3 For all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have committed fornication with her, and the merchants of the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.

18:4 And 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.

***What are the false christ's, false Prophets, evil servants doing?
Uniting with worldly government to form a christian nation,
as the Jews did at Christ's first Advent.*** *Acts 1:6; John 19:15.*

**THEY ARE COUNTERACTING THE WORK OF CHRIST'S GOOD SERVANTS . Matt.
24:9; 28:19**

Rev. 3:15 I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.
3:16 So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.

3:17 Because thou sayest, **I am rich, and increased with goods**, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked: See 18: 7, 17

Rev. 1:20; 18: 23. Matt. 5:15 supposed to. Matt. 7:21-23.

14:8 And there followed another angel, saying, Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because **she made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication**.

18:2 And 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.

18:3 For **all nations have** drunk of the **wine** of the wrath of her fornication, and the kings of the earth have **committed fornication** with her, and the merchants of the earth are **waxed rich** through the abundance of her delicacies. **Rev. 14:4*; 6:15***

18:4 And 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.

18:5 For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities.

18:6 Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her double.

18:7 How much she hath **glorified herself, and lived deliciously**, so much torment and sorrow give her: for she saith in her heart, **I sit a queen**, and am no widow, and shall see no sorrow. **Jude. 1:4-18, verse 11.**

18:8 Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning, and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: for strong is the Lord God who judgeth her.

18:9 And the kings of the earth, **who have committed** fornication and **lived deliciously with her**, shall bewail her, and lament for her, when they shall see the smoke of her burning,

18:10 Standing afar off for the fear of her torment, saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.

18:11 And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:

18:12 The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of pearls, and fine linen, and purple, and silk, and scarlet, and all thyine wood, and all manner vessels of ivory, and all manner vessels of most precious wood, and of brass, and iron, and marble,

Rev. 13:11 And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.

13:12 And **he exerciseth** all the power of the first beast before him, and causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first beast, whose deadly wound was healed.

13:13 And **he** doeth **great wonders**, so that **he** maketh fire come down from heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

13:14 And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of **those miracles** which **he** had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should **make an image** to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

13:15 And **he had power to give life unto the image** of the beast, **that the image** of the beast should both speak, and **cause** that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

13:16 And **he** causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:

13:17 And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

19:20 And the beast was taken, and with him **the false prophet that wrought miracles** before him, with which he deceived them that had received the mark of the beast, and them that

worshipped his image. These both were cast alive into a lake of fire burning with brimstone.

Escape from Captivity?

Isa. 31:1; Ps. 20:7,8.

Ezekiel, Jeremiah,

Why was Jeremiah prisoned and Ezekiel made captive? Because gods people were not willing, trusting, feared the captivity, and today they are not ready or willing for the last captivity by Protestants.

Instead of a Nation what is the Cristian focus and warning?

2 Peter 2:20 For if after they have ***escaped*** the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

Gal. 4:3 Even so we, when we were children, were in bondage under the ***elements*** of the world: Matt. 4:8,9.

Col.2:8 Beware lest any man spoil you through philosophy and vain deceit, after the tradition of men, after the ***rudiments*** of the world, and not after Christ. *see Matt. 20:25, 26; Mark 10:42, 43.*

Rudiments: first or basic principles of the world and not of God! Fundamental elements, principles of the world.

1Cor. 2:6 Howbeit we speak wisdom among them that are perfect: yet not the wisdom of this world, nor of the princes of this world, that come to nought:

2:7 But we speak the wisdom of God in a mystery, even the hidden wisdom, which God ordained before the world unto our glory:

2:8 Which none of the princes ***of this world knew***: for had they known it, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. Acts 4:26.

2Cor. 4:4 In whom the god of this world ***hath blinded the minds of them*** which believe not, lest the light of the glorious gospel of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine unto them.

2Peter. 2:20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, ***they are again entangled therein***, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.

2:21 For it had been better for them ***not to have known the way of righteousness***, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.

John. 17:9 I pray for them: I pray not for the world, but for them which thou hast given me; for they are thine.

1 John. 4:5 They are of the world: therefore speak they of the world, and ***the world heareth them.***

James. 4:4 Ye adulterers and adulteresses, know ye not that the friendship of the world ***is enmity with God?*** whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God.

1:21 Wherefore lay apart all filthiness and superfluity of naughtiness, and ***receive with meekness the engrafted word,*** which is able to save your souls.

1:22 But be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving your own selves.

1:23 For if any be a hearer of the word, and ***not a doer,*** he is like unto a man beholding his natural face in a glass:

1:24 For he beholdeth himself, and goeth his way, and ***straightway forgetteth what manner of man he was.***

1:25 But whoso looketh into the perfect law of liberty, and ***continueth*** therein, he being not a ***forgetful hearer,*** but a doer of the work, this man shall be blessed in his deed.