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and every eye shall see him, and
they also which pierced him: and
all kindreds of the earth shall
wail because of him. Even so, shall
it be with the Son of man. Amen.

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From the Editor ...



The Church of God's Faithful celebrated our fourteenth anniversary on September 12, 2011. We have begun our fifteenth year as the faithful remnant of the Philadelphia era. Shortly after we were incorporated, the living Jesus Christ came suddenly to His Temple—His true Church! On the night of October 1, 1997, the Day of the Lord came as "a thief in the night," and no one knew it until it had happened.

Our Lord had warned that He would come as "a thief" (Rev. 16:15)—and He did! As the Day of the Lord began, He came, suddenly and secretly, after opening the meaning of the seven seals that covered the book of Revelation. He opened our understanding of the seals, giving His true Church fantastic new truths, especially those contained in the book of Revelation.

On that very evening of October 1, 1997, Christ revealed that the Day of the Lord and the Day of the Lord's Wrath are two different events. Revelation 1:10 plainly states that the apostle John was in the spirit on the Lord's Day—the Day of the Lord. The Day of the Lord abruptly came at the end of 6000 years of rebellious mankind going his own way. Then God's TIME began once again—the Day of the Lord CAME "as a thief in the night," and will continue throughout eternity! That milestone event happened first, and then the understanding of the seals of the book of Revelation was opened.

John wrote as he was projected in spirit into the Day of the Lord! The reality of the first six seals involve several years that include the appalling ride of the four horsemen, then two-and-a-half years of the horrific Great Tribulation, and the terrifying heavenly signs described in Revelation 6:1-17! All of these great events happen during the Day of the Lord, which begins in chapter 1, verse 10. Each one of these mighty earth-shaking events must happen during the Day of the Lord—but before the one-year period of the Day of the Lord's Wrath occurs.

These plain biblical facts are so very easy to understand and prove! Yet, thousands of people with the Spirit of God have read our literature explaining this wonderful truth, and still refuse to believe what the Bible clearly teaches.

Preconceived ideas are one of the problems that prevent new truth from entering people's minds. Others turn for answers about the new truth to their ministers, who in most cases have no answers for them. Thus the ministers, to protect their vanity, have often lashed out in anger with unkind remarks and false accusations against us.

The fact that the Day of the Lord is a completely different event from the

Day of the Lord's Wrath is only one of many easy-to-understand new truths given to the CGF that former WCG ministers and members refuse to even consider.

Their refusal to recognize truth could be frustrating and discouraging to us, but Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and has given us the following example in John 8:45-47:

“ And because I tell you the truth, ye believe me not. Which of you convinceth me of sin? And if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me? He that is of God heareth God's words: ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

Our Lord also reminds us that if those of His day would not accept wonderful truth from Him—neither will they listen to new truth from us today:

“ 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, [which they did not] they will keep yours also [which they will not] (Jn. 15:20).

On our website, we have an article and a two-part video titled, Five Proofs that Herbert W. Armstrong fulfilled Matthew 24:14! As the title signifies, we give FIVE detailed facts from the Bible and recent history that clearly demonstrate that God's end-time apostle did fulfill his commission of proclaiming the Gospel of the Kingdom of God to all nations—as a witness—and the END of that proclamation came!

Matthew 24:14 declares:

“ 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.

The word “end” in verse 14 is #G5056 in Strong's Exhaustive Concordance, and is defined as:

“ From a primary word *tello* (to set out for a definite point or goal); properly the point aimed at as a limit, that is, (by implication) the conclusion of an act or state (termination [literally, figuratively or indefinitely], result [immediate, ultimate or prophetic], purpose); specifically an impost or levy (as paid): - + continual, custom, end (-ing), finally, uttermost. Compare G5411.

Jesus Christ set out with a specific goal as He raised up Herbert Armstrong and gave him his commission. The “end” or “goal” was to proclaim to ALL nations, as a witness, the Good News of the coming Kingdom of God. After 50 years, the “goal” was reached, the conclusion of that act was successfully accomplished—the commission was completed.

However, the scattered and DIVIDED churches, that are the daughters of the old Worldwide Church of God, have never accepted the fact that the WORK of preaching to the world was over and done; thus they continue on with a fruitless and futile work.

The spiritual Temple was completed by the time of Mr. Armstrong's death! All 144,000 firstfruits, from Abel to the last one called and chosen during Mr. Armstrong's ministry, had received their calling as parts of the spiritual Tem-

ple. This is another wonderful and amazing, yet so easily proven, truth that Christ has revealed to His one true Church. No one else was to be called into the spiritual Temple, EXCEPT a few from the “streets and lanes of the city” or from “the highways and the hedges,” to REPLACE those who foolishly throw away their crowns.

Some of the hireling ministers, who realize they cannot refute the correct understanding of Matthew 24:14, in desperation turn to Matthew 28:18-20 and claim it as their commission.

“ And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, All power is given unto me in heaven and in earth. Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I am with you always, even unto the end of the world. Amen.

Of course, we understand that the scriptures NEVER contradict, but the ministers who look to those verses and attempt to ignore Matthew 24:14 are in effect claiming a contradiction! They claim Matthew 28:18-20 defines the overall commission of the Church, but Mr. Armstrong always emphasized Matthew 24:14 as the true commission of the Church.

Actually, these scriptures are stating the same plain facts.

Matthew 24:14 declares:

“ And this gospel of the kingdom shall be preached in all the world for a witness unto all nations...

Matthew 28:18-20 states it this way:

“Go ye therefore, and teach all nations [the Gospel of the kingdom—as a witness], baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost: Teaching them to observe all things [concerning the true Gospel] whatsoever I have commanded you...

Through the ministry of Mr. Armstrong, the servant of Jesus Christ, the Gospel was proclaimed to ALL nations, and those called through the GOSPEL MESSAGE were baptized. Thus, at Herbert Armstrong's death, ALL the building blocks--the lively stones and the pillar members--became part of the spiritual Temple. They took their place with those from Old Testament times and from the other Church eras who had died in the faith, and were attached to the foundational stones of the spiritual Temple. Therefore, all 144,000 had been called.

Both scriptures are saying the same thing! However, the final phrase in Matthew 24:14 and the final phrase in Matthew 28:20 are NOT saying the same thing, but are stating two different, yet wonderful, promises from our Almighty God.

Matthew 24:14 declares this important promise: "...and then shall the END come." (END here is #5056; the "goal" of proclaiming the Gospel would then be accomplished and concluded.)

The last phrase in Matthew 28:20 is a change of subject, but gives the comforting statement: "... I am with you alway, even unto the END of the world." (END in this verse is #4930, means "entire completion," as defined in Strong's, below, and is used only six times in the New

Testament—but always as the end of the [or this] world!)

G4930: sunteleia; From G4931; entire completion, that is, consummation (of a dispensation): - end.

If the preaching of the Gospel was intended to continue going to the world until "the end of the world," as the hireling ministers would have you believe, the word sunteleia, #4930, would have been used in Matthew 24:14, instead of tello #5056, which simply means the goal or point aimed at was successfully concluded.

The true Gospel is an ever-living Gospel through which we are called, and it must be internalized so that we can "grow up into Christ in all things (Eph. 4:15). And He most certainly will be with us even to the end of the world (Heb. 13:5). The Gospel was proclaimed to the world in great POWER until the Temple was completed. The Temple was finished (Zech. 4:9) by the time of Herbert Armstrong's death on January 16, 1986. The world is not receiving a calling at this time. Now, the SCATTERED MEMBERS should be the main focus of the CHURCH. Preparing the called, chosen and begotten brethren as the Bride of Christ MUST be the all-important WORK of the Church today. Again--the world is NOT receiving a calling at this time.

We, the CGF, have presented to you new truth. Our literature, videos and audios are available for you to read, listen to and understand; thus we say as Jesus Christ did: "... if I say the truth, why do ye not believe me?"

Here is another opportunity for you: go to our website www.setapartbytruth.org, and view our

videos on Five Proofs that Herbert W. Armstrong Fulfilled Matthew 24:14! Prove all things—hold fast that which is good (I Thes. 5:21).

Christ also tells us in John 8:47: "He that is of God heareth God's words..." Therefore, I truly hope you will hear, prove, and believe the words of God that have been presented to you in this article and in our other material, because the next words of Christ are frightening indeed: "... ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God."

We must grow in the grace and knowledge of our Savior Jesus Christ (II Pet. 3:18). Growth in the knowledge of Christ (the WORD) is growth in the knowledge of the Word of God (the Bible). Growth in the knowledge of the Bible is growth in new truth. We must not be afraid of TRUTH, for John 8:32 offers another breathtaking promise: "And ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free."

Let's truly hear and believe the words of the Lord—the WORDS of TRUTH! The LIGHT of revealed TRUTH will set us apart as the true Church of Jesus Christ (Jn. 17:17). Truth—new truth and old truth—will completely FREE those who receive it from the darkness, deception, division, and confusion of Satan and his synagogues!

Your brother in Christ,



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COURAGE

AND THE MIDNIGHT CRY

By John Wood

Brethren, courage is definitely an attribute that God and Christ want each and every one of us to have. The Lord told Israel that this was an attribute they would need as they encountered powerful enemies upon entering the Promised Land. God relates through Moses in Deuteronomy 31:3:

“The Lord thy God, he will go over before thee, and he will destroy these nations from before thee, as the Lord has said.

God further relates through Moses in Deuteronomy 31:5-6:

“And the Lord shall give them up before your face, that ye may do unto them all the commandments which I have commanded you. Be strong and of a good courage, fear not, nor be afraid of them: for the Lord thy God, he it is that shall go with thee; he will not fail thee, nor forsake thee.

Brethren, in the time just ahead of us, we will need to be strong and very courageous. Some might even say we will need to be valiant. When the time comes to deliver the Midnight Cry in its full strength, will you be ready? When the time comes to perform acts of healing,

cast out demons and deliver powerful sermons to the wise virgins, will you be ready? You must be.

You can be sure there will be euphoria after the blind receive sight, when limbs grow back strong and healthy, when burn victims are healed before our eyes, and when people suffering from such disfiguring diseases as infantile paralysis and cancer are

transformed into radiant, healthy people in an instant. These people will be filled with pure joy. They will run and leap as they experiment with their healed bodies. Parents of little children who have watched their children suffer year after year will be ecstatic and awe-

struck. Families will be grateful and will thank God for His miraculous healings. Strain to think of this brethren. Imagine the joy you will be feeling

to be used by the mighty Christ in this marvellous rescue work. Think of the powerful indelible faith you will have at this point.

Demons will be cast out of tormented individuals. People will be restored to their right minds and finally after many years will experience peace and true joy as only God

can give. Perhaps some brethren will raise the dead. Those certainly will be powerful miracles that will command attention. The wise virgins will certainly give ear and be very interested. That is when the message must accompany the miracles. We must remember that the miracles are a means to an end; the end is rescuing the wise virgins. The remnant will become the woman and thousands will be brought into the Church. It will be a wonderful, joyful, busy time of miracles.

However, there will be challenges, brethren. Certain quarters of the population may think we have nefarious intentions. There is the possibility or even the probability of religious persecution. There will be scoffers, as unbelievable as that may sound. As well, expect demonic attacks, orchestrated to stop the work of God.

Additionally, there will be exhaustion or extreme fatigue in dealing with the many crowds of people who will want healing

or who want God to heal a loved one through us. People can be very insistent at times and downright demanding at others. Mark 3:7-9 states:

“But Jesus withdrew himself with his disciples to the sea: and a great multitude from Galilee followed him and from

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Judea. And from Idumea, and from beyond Jordan; And they about Tyre, and Sidon, a great multitude when they had heard what great things he did, came unto him. And he spake to his disciples, that a small ship should wait on him because of the multitude, lest they should throng him.

Christ and the apostles not only had great courage in facing the crowds, but they possessed great endurance and had great compassion for these people and they did their utmost to help them all.

which were vexed with unclean spirits: and they were healed every one.

Notice that Christ and the apostles not only had great courage in facing the crowds, but they possessed great endurance and had great compassion for these people and they did their utmost to help them all.

“ And the seventy returned again with joy, saying, Lord, even the devils are subject to us through thy name. And he said unto them, ‘I beheld Satan as lightening fall from heaven. Behold, I give unto you power to tread on serpents and scorpions, and over the power of the enemy: and nothing by any means shall hurt you. Notwithstanding in this rejoice not, that the spirits are subject unto you: but rather rejoice, because your names are written in heaven.

Great multitudes followed him. He had His disciples have a small ship ready to sail across the Sea of Galilee lest the crowd should throng him. He was aware that the crowd could be extremely demanding, wearing, and maybe even rowdy. There was the possibility that the vast number of people following Christ could weary Him. Remember, Christ was only human at the time and He needed His rest as much as anyone else.

The seventy that Christ sent out showed great stalwartness and compassion in the face of adversity. Luke 10:1-3 states:

The disciples went through similar experiences. Acts 5:12,14-16 relates:

“ And by the hands of the apostles were many signs and wonders wrought among the people... And believers were the more added unto the Lord, both of men and women. Insomuch they brought forth the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and couches, that at the least the shadow of Peter passing by might overshadow some of them. There came a multitude out of the cities round about unto Jerusalem, bringing sick folks, and them

“ After these things the Lord appointed other seventy also, and sent them two by two before his face into every city and place, whither he himself would come. Therefore said he unto them, ‘The harvest truly is great, but the labourers are few: pray ye therefore the Lord of the harvest, that he would send forth labourers into his harvest. Go your way: behold, I send you forth as lambs among wolves.

We have a great God fighting for us and protecting us as we warn the wise virgins and win them over by means of miracles, signs, and wonders.

Brethren, these verses are written for the pillars in the Day of the Lord. These are our examples. We have a great God fighting for us and protecting us as we warn the wise virgins and win them over by means of miracles, signs, and wonders. We must have great courage when delivering the Midnight Cry. Physical and eternal lives hang in the balance.

We must be like Joshua, the Great Warrior. As the Word told Joshua in Joshua 1:5-7:

“ There shall not any man be able to stand before thee all

the days of thy life: as I was with Moses, so I will be with thee: I will not fail thee, nor forsake thee. Be strong and of a good courage: for unto this people shalt thou divide for an inheritance the land, which I swear unto their fathers to give them. Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest

The seventy, having fulfilled their commission exceedingly well, relate in Luke 10:17-20:

observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

Like Joshua, we must keep the Law of God in order to succeed in anything we do.

Notice that God tells Joshua twice to be strong and courageous. In fact He tells Joshua to be very courageous in verse 7. Furthermore,

this same Word, or Jesus Christ, tells us in Revelation 21:7-8 that there are dire consequences for the fearful:

“He that overcometh shall inherit all things: and I will be his God, and he shall be my son. But the fearful, and unbelieving, and the abominable, and murderers, and whoremongers, and sorcerers, and idolaters, and all liars, shall have their part in the lake of fire which burneth with fire and brimstone: which is the second death.”

Did you notice that the fearful are first on the list? God will not tolerate cowards when it comes to His work. We must ask God for the courage to do the work of God because Christ is here discerning, and the rescue work of the wise virgins is about to commence.

Mr. Robert Ardis has asked the

Church of God’s Faithful membership, “What will you do?” Can you answer that question, brethren? When you are given the abilities,

Only be thou strong and very courageous, that thou mayest observe to do according to all the law, which Moses my servant commanded thee: turn not from it to the right hand or to the left, that thou mayest prosper whithersoever thou goest.

through God’s Holy Spirit, to heal the sick, to cast out demons, to speak in different languages, to discern spirits, to cast out demons, to answer questions thoroughly, to preach powerfully or even to raise the dead, what will you do? Will you stand or will you run? To some it may be a frightening prospect.

Certainly for the ones performing signs, miracles, and wonders (which will certainly include the two witnesses), this will be a bit of a shock. These people will be thrust out of obscurity onto the world stage. It will be a life-changing prospect, with all eyes upon them. If God calls you to do this brethren, will you be up to the task? You must be ready. Physical and eternal lives hang in the balance. We can’t run. We can’t quit. God is counting on us to do our duty and to fulfill His plan. The Midnight Cry must be delivered in strength and with courage.

The Church of God’s Faithful will be front and center on the world stage. All brethren in the church will have their duties that will be performed in the media spotlight for the most part. How will you handle this? Will you diligently perform your duties, whether it be answering questions or healing the ill? Will you speak ef-

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NOW IN PRINT!



The Time of the End

By Robert Ardis

Much has been written and spoken about the mysterious book of Revelation. The last book in the Holy Bible has piqued the curiosity and imagination of many scholars and laymen alike. And the conclusions drawn by those who have written and spoken about this book are so varied that confusion is their final product. However, there is a simple reason why there exists so much variation and confusion in the interpretation of the book of Revelation.

An amazing fact that has eluded each of those who have devoted hours, or perhaps years of study to this revelation from God is that it COULD NOT be understood until a certain period in time!

The book of Revelation, from chapters 6 through 22, has been sealed with seven seals! The seven seals are each identified in chapter 6, describing God's intervention in the affairs of the world. The seventh seal is opened in chapter 8, and is identified as the one-year period

of the Day of the Lord's Wrath. The fulfillment or reality of the events displayed by the seven seals could NOT happen until a certain TIME came in the plan of God—nor could the correct understanding of the book of Revelation be known until that special TIME arrived.

The book of Revelation and the book of the prophet Daniel are each a part of the Word of God. History and prophecy are interlinked and presented in these two books. They verify and factually compliment each other.

Like so many men who have deeply studied his prophecies and the prophecies of the book of Revelation, Daniel was unable to grasp the truth contained in his visions. Daniel desired very much to under-

stand how the very detailed prophecies of the "end time" were all going to come about. Nevertheless, he was told that understanding was *closed and sealed*.

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These words were spoken to Daniel by "the man standing on the waters of the river," who was, apparently, Christ Himself:

“And I heard, but I understood not: then said I, O

my Lord, what shall be the end of these things? And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end (Dan. 12:8-9).

The book of Revelation was also sealed and closed to correct understanding UNTIL the "time of the end." What the "time of the end" actually means is defined in the

book of Revelation, but even that explanation was hidden until the "time of the end"!

Here is an astounding biblical fact that has been veiled for nearly 1900 years and is closely related to the *greatest secret* contained in the entire Bible! This greatest of all secrets was also spoken of by Jesus Christ. In Matthew 24:36-37, Jesus says:

at the precise TIME that God would reveal the great secret of His Son's "coming," the "closed and sealed" prophecies of the "time of the end" would be OPENED.

“ *But of that day and hour knoweth no man* [it was closed and sealed], *no, not the angels of heaven* [nor the Son, as Mark 13:32 adds], *but my Father only* [it was truly a GREAT SECRET]. *But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the "coming" of the Son of man be* [the time of the coming of Christ was God's great secret].

(Please download or request our booklets, *The Day of the Lord* and *The Little Book Unveiled at Last*, which explain in detail the Father's great secret and its momentous meaning for us today.)

Thus, at the precise TIME that God would reveal the *great secret of His Son's "coming,"* the "closed and sealed" prophecies of the "time of the end" would be OPENED.

And the amazing truth is: IT HAS HAPPENED! Man's 6000 years of allotted time to go his own rebellious way has come to an abrupt END. It came right on time, as God intended. The "time of the end" came, and understanding of the closed and sealed prophecies of Daniel and Revelation, and other

"end time" prophecies, was opened to God's true Church!

Revelation 10 and the message of the "little book" is the vital key to understanding all the "time of the end" prophecies! Observe verses 6-7:

“ *And I swear by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the*

earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, THAT THERE SHOULD BE TIME NO LONGER.

Man's time came to an END—the time of the end began!

Man's 6000 years of going his own Satan-inspired way is over; *the TIME of the end has COME!* Now God's TIME has begun again—the Day of the Lord began and Christ returned to His Temple. The "time of the end" is here, and the closed and sealed scriptures are being OPENED!

That fantastic announcement (**that there should be TIME no longer**) was fulfilled on the evening of October 1, 1997, on the Feast of Trumpets! Now the books of Daniel and Revelation can be understood by the true Church of Jesus Christ.

The *great secret*, which ONLY the

Father knew, was fulfilled and became a reality that evening, when Jesus Christ and the Day of the Lord *came as a thief in the night* (Rev. 16:15, I Thes. 5:2 and II Pet. 3:10).

The amazing revelation that the Day of the Lord and the *Day of the Lord's Wrath* are TWO different occurrences was given to the CGF on the very evening of the Feast of Trumpets, October 1, 1997. The Day of the Lord came as "a thief in the night," and Christ came "as a thief" to His Temple. God's *great secret* was revealed, and the hidden TRUTHS of the "time of the end" began to be revealed to His true Church!

Our booklet, *The Little Book Unveiled at Last*, explains in detail how the "closed and sealed" prophecies of the "time of the end" were revealed as Revelation 10:8-11 became a reality:

“ *And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel which standeth upon*

the sea and upon the earth. And I went unto the angel, and said unto him, Give me the little book. And he said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; and it shall make thy belly bitter, but it shall be in thy mouth sweet as honey. And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bit-

ter. And he said unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings.

The apostle John was writing, *in spirit*, in the Day of the Lord, as plainly stated in Revelation 1:10: *"I was in the Spirit on the Lord's Day, and heard behind me a great voice, as of a trumpet."*

John is projected into the Day of the Lord as the book of Revelation begins in chapter 1. The seven seals and their true meaning were NOT revealed until the Day of the Lord began, when "the time of the end" came and the "closed and sealed" prophecies were OPENED. The physical REALITY of the seven seals happens as Christ rips off each seal, but the UNDERSTANDING of the entire book of Revelation has been made available to the true Church of Jesus Christ, now that the Day of the Lord has come.

Please understand! The book of Revelation could NOT be understood UNTIL the Day of the Lord began.

This is extremely important information!

The arrival of the Day of the Lord happened FIRST! Then the four horsemen of the first four seals were released. After their intense ride, the fifth seal, the Great Tribulation, will become a reality for 3½ years. When 2½ years of the Tribulation have passed, the heavenly signs of the sixth seal will usher in more horror and fright, as the

seventh seal--the final one-year period of the 3½ years of Great Tribulation--begins. That one-year period is the *Day of the Lord's Wrath—the seven trumpet plagues.*

Please note that understanding of ALL the seven seals is OPENED during the Day of the Lord! And the Day of the Lord—the return to God's TIME—came as

man's "time was no longer." The "time of the end" came and all that was *sealed and closed* to understanding was OPENED!

The very important understanding that the Day of the Lord and the Day of the Lord's Wrath are TWO entirely different occurrences was given to the CGF on the evening of the Feast of Trumpets, October 1, 1997! From that point in time, over EIGHTY NEW TRUTHS have been revealed to the CGF—right from the pages of the Holy Bible.

The "time of the end" has come—the "end of man's time" (Rev. 10:6) of stubbornly going his own way. We have returned to God's TIME, and the Day of the Lord has come *as a thief in the night!* The *great secret* of Almighty God was revealed, as the living Jesus Christ CAME secretly and suddenly to His Temple (Mal. 3:1). In coming to His Temple (His Church), He has opened our eyes to the meaning of scriptures which lay closed and sealed to our understanding for centuries. He came to His Church and "set it apart by truth"!

Here is a brief listing of new truths

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given to the CGF to identify it as the Church of Jesus Christ, set apart from all the rest by TRUTH:

- The Day of the Lord and the Day of the Lord's Wrath are TWO different major events.
- The 144,000 firstfruits are identified (Rev. 14:1-4).
- The role of the 144,000 Israelites of Revelation 7:4 is revealed.
- The First Resurrection occurs on a future Feast of Firstfruits.
- The synagogue of Satan is identified (Rev. 3:9).
- The rescue of the sleeping virgins of Matthew 25:1-13 and Revelation 3:9 is understood.
- There are strong biblical indications of the location of the place of safety.
- Only Israel is given God's Spirit during the Millennium.
- There are only TWO general resurrections, not three.
- The duration of the Last Great Day is revealed.
- Satan's fate is revealed.
- The "innumerable multitude" is identified (Rev. 7:9).

This brief list of new truths that have been given to the CGF since the Day of the Lord has come is compiled in our book, *Set Apart by Truth*. We would be happy to send you a copy, or you may download it from our website, setapartbytruth.org. ❖

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When is the Last Time You Had New Fruit?

Beware of false prophets who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

You shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes from thorns, or figs from thistles?

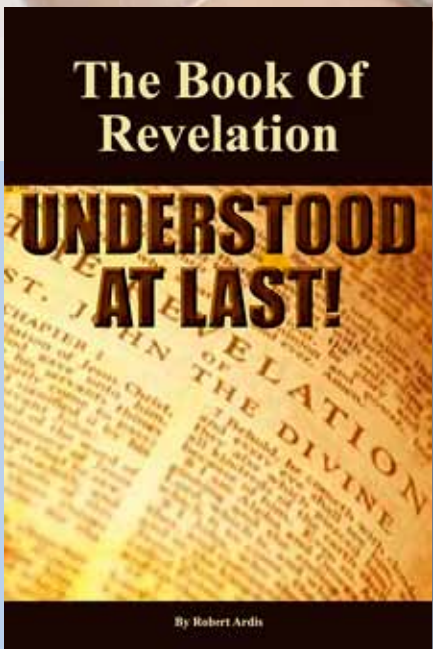
Even so every good tree brings forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree brings forth evil fruit.

A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruits, nor can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit.

Every tree that does not bring forth good fruit is cut down and thrown into the fire. (Mat 7:15-20)

Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth. (John 17:17)

But grow in grace, and in the knowledge of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. (2 Pet 3:18)



Examine the Newest “Fruit” of the Church of God’s Faithful.

Those that have “ears to hear” will know the voice of their Shepherd and allow HIM to gather them in.

Also, look for our soon coming booklet, *The Seven Visions of Revelation 14*.

The true Church of God will always “feed” the flock.

fectively to the wise virgins who may approach you? If called to do so, will you compassionately heal the sick and afflicted? Will you exalt God? Will you exalt yourself? Will you hide from the press of the crowd? They will press, brethren. Mark 3:10 states:



For he had

healed many; in so much that they pressed upon him for to touch them, as many had plagues." It is only logical that people want to be healed of their maladies. Will you give God all credit and glory? You must.

Remember the purpose of what you will be doing. The wise virgins must be rescued from the horrors of the Great Tribulation. You must speak specifically to them. The miracles are a means to this end. Also, remember that along with those who are baptised members, we also must rescue those of the "streets and lanes" and those of the "highways and hedges." Those of the "streets and lanes" include all who heard of Mr. Armstrong and who read W.C.G. literature, were co-workers, or participated in the Bible Correspondence Course. Those of the "highways and hedges" are those who have never heard of Mr. Armstrong or who know nothing of the truth of God. These people are replacements for those who have thrown away their crowns. They must be called and brought into the C.G.F. by God at this time. Another goal,

as Mr. Ardis says, is that the remnant must become the woman. God's immediate goal is to ensure that every one of the 144000 will be there for the Pentecost Resurrection of the firstfruits. The miracles are a beautiful means to that glorious end. Who else but God could perform this? All glory goes to God and Christ and no one else.

It will take tenacity, forbearance, faith, and courage to perform the miracles, signs, and wonders. The

two witnesses will receive their advanced training during this period. There will be challenges from many people, there will be many questions, and there will be hostility in some instances. How will you cope with these circumstances? Will you become angry? Will you give a soft answer? Proverbs 15:1 states: "A soft answer turneth away wrath: but grievous words stir up anger." Will you have the knowledge to answer a question in person or on the telephone? Ask God for wisdom and knowledge. Proverbs 2:6-8 states:



For the Lord giveth wisdom: out of his mouth comes knowledge and understanding. He layeth up sound wisdom for the righteous: He is a buckler to them that walk uprightly. He keepeth the paths of judgment, and preserveth the way of his saints.

Never forget, God is with you. Study and know your subject.

Study CGF doctrine; know the scriptures that pertain to it. Be prepared. You will be tested.

Finally brethren, stay close to God; this is absolutely vital. You're dead in the water if you don't. Keep His commandments; ask Him for deep faith in Him. Pray continually about every problem you encounter. Meditate, and study scriptures that assure you that God is always with you. Fast about personal problems and about problems you encounter from day to day. Always, always, always give God the credit for every miracle, sign, or wonder you may perform or for any question you may answer. You're on extremely dangerous ground if you don't. God and Christ are the source of all power, life, knowledge, wisdom, authority, and miracles.

Mr. Robert Ardis relates that the seven indelible qualities or spirits of God are: love, life, omniscience, omnipotence, omnipresence, holiness, and glory. God and Christ surely have the infinite ability to encourage, sustain, and protect you in any situation you may encounter. Without God and Christ, you can do nothing. Always remember that. Stay close to them. They love you; love them in return. Show them you love them by doing their work and by being like the valiant Joshua. The key to having courage is staying close to God and asking Him for courage. Our Father will definitely give you the courage you will require if you stay close to Him and His Son. Brethren, courage will be of paramount importance in the days just ahead. You will succeed. Remember what God told Joshua in Joshua 1:7: "Only be thou strong and very courageous..." ❖

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Through *The Faithful Watchman*, we endeavor to keep ourselves abreast of how our Lord Jesus Christ is orchestrating the ride of the 4 Horsemen as He sets the scene for the Two Witnesses to begin their 1260 days of prophesying and for the Great Tribulation to begin. Read daily updates to *The Faithful Watchman* online at setapartbytruth.org.

North Korea making missile able to hit U.S.

New intelligence indicates that North Korea is moving ahead with building its first road-mobile intercontinental ballistic missile, an easily hidden weapon capable of hitting the United States, according to Obama administration officials.

The intelligence was revealed in a classified Capitol Hill briefing last month. Its existence was made public in a letter to Defense Secretary Leon E. Panetta from five House Republicans.

"As members of the House Armed Services subcommittee on strategic forces ..., we write out of concerns about new intelligence concerning foreign developments in long-range ballistic missile development, specifically ballistic missiles capable of attacking the United States," the Nov. 17 letter said.

"We believe this new intelligence reiterates the need for the administration to correct its priorities regarding missile defenses, which should have, first and foremost, the missile defense of the homeland."

<http://www.washingtontimes.com/...>

Comment: Reading the news we can see that many nations, not a few, are on a war footing. The US is justifiably concerned about this potential threat from North Korea, and the Defence Secretary is looking at ways to increase the protection from such missiles that are able to reach the US.

There is a God in heaven who offers individuals and nations protection from those that would like to attack them. It would be a very wise individual or nation that would heed this message.

"Blessed shalt thou be when thou comest in, and

blessed shalt thou be when thou goest out.

The LORD shall cause thine enemies that rise up against thee to be smitten before thy face: they shall come out against thee one way, and flee before thee seven ways." Deut 28:6-7

What a wonderful blessing and fantastic saving on a nation's defence budget, but there is a condition.

"And it shall come to pass, if thou shalt hearken diligently unto the voice of the LORD thy God, to observe and to do all his commandments which I command thee this day, that the LORD thy God will set thee on high above all nations of the earth:

And all these blessings shall come on thee, and overtake thee, if thou shalt hearken unto the voice of the LORD thy God." Deut 28:1-2

As Shakespeare sad, "Aye, there's the rub." The difficulty is coming under the authority of the one who knows how things work. Commandment keepers know the blessings that come from such a way of life. Unfortunately not every individual or nation agrees and so the problem for man goes on. What a wonderful world it will be when we don't have to worry about another individual or nation wanting to obliterate us from the face of the earth.

Contagion spreading FAST! No more time to wait!

The global contagion is spreading so quickly, it could strike the United States before yearend.

It's the same contagion that began over two years ago in Greece ... that hit Ireland and Portugal last year ... that slammed into Italy last month ... and is now striking down a fifth country: Spain.

Think Spain is too small to be a major factor in our markets? Think again!

Spain's total debts, including mortgages and commercial loans, are large enough to bankrupt all of Europe.

Even if the United States manages to escape a direct contagion attack for a while longer, the impact of Spain's demise ALONE will explode on global financial markets with a mega-tonnage that's many times larger than anything we've seen so far from Greece.

Worst of all, Spain has simply run out of time. Its death spiral is under way; its plunge into default, virtually unavoidable.

[http://www.moneyandmarkets.com/...](http://www.moneyandmarkets.com/)

Comment: The financial situation in Europe and most of the Western world is at crisis level. America will not escape. It is clear to see that this is a forerunner of the time just ahead after the seventh trumpet and third woe of Revelation eleven is blown.

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

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...

And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; for no man buyeth their merchandise any more:" Rev 18:1-2, 11

The merchants of the earth even now are starting to feel the pinch with less and less buying power around. Two of the oldest institutions in American finance, Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac have been said to be "too big to fail."

However, according to prophecy they will fail, not just yet, but the time of the fall of Babylon the great is getting ever closer and every nation of the world will be affected by it!

Britain expresses 'outrage' at storming of Iran embassy

The British foreign ministry on Tuesday expressed "outrage" after protesters broke into its Tehran embassy, occupying and vandalizing buildings within the compound.

A spokesman urged the Iranian government to "act urgently to bring the situation under control," claiming that Iran had a duty to protect diplomats and embassies under international law.

The demonstration came after Britain imposed sanctions on Iran's financial sector over Tehran's controversial nuclear program.

Scores of protesters - believed to be students - stormed the embassy, ransacking offices and replacing the British flag with that of Iran. Iranian state television showed them throwing stones at embassy windows and entering the compound as Iranian police stood by. Officers did later enter the embassy grounds to remove the protesters.

Britain has threatened that it will react "robustly" if Iran follows through on a decision to expel its ambassador, Dominick Chilcott, who only took up post in October.

[http://www.dw-world.de/...](http://www.dw-world.de/)

Comment: It is not acceptable for, as it appears, the Iranian authorities to have stood by and allow students to occupy and vandalise the British Embassy in Iran. The police did finally remove the protesters but not until untold damage had been done. An embassy should be a safe haven for the Ambassador and staff, who operate a diplomat presence in a foreign land, and not be subject to what happened here whilst the Iranian government seemed to condone it for a while.

Herbert W Armstrong said that God's Church operated in a foreign land and we, God's people, should be Ambassadors for world peace.

"Now then we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God did beseech you by us: we pray you in Christ's stead, be ye reconciled to God." 2 Cor 5:20

To see this type of thing happening in Iran, we realise that peace in this world is an illusion whilst human nature goes unchecked.

"Behold, their valiant one shall cry without: the ambassadors of peace shall weep bitterly." Isa 33:7

We long for world peace, but sadly that will not come about through the actions of men; and yet God's people do pray for a time when this world and the rotten society we live in will be put right by the return of Jesus Christ with the power and glory to get this job done!

Le Pen calls for France to quit euro

Marine Le Pen, the leader of France's far-right National Front, has made abandoning the euro one of the pillars of her presidential election campaign, launching a powerful attack on the ailing single currency as she seeks to bolster her already strong showing in the opinion polls

Presenting her "presidential project", Ms Le Pen said Europe should give up the euro, which had "asphyxiated our economies, killed our industries and choked our jobs" for years, as well as causing France to accumulate "Himalayan" debts. In any case, she added, the country should prepare a planned exit from the currency union. "We need to anticipate the collapse of the euro rather than suffer from the collapse of the euro," she said in a television interview on Sunday.

<http://www.ft.com/...>

Comment: This lady made an interesting comment when she said, "we need to anticipate the collapse of the euro rather than suffer from the collapse of the euro".

Looking a little further ahead in time we see the emergence of a super power the Bible labels as "MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH" Rev 17:5. This colossus will also fail in a great way and God also implores His people to not be a part of it.

"And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, (demons) and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird...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." Rev 18:2, 4

Whether or not France withdraws from the euro, we will have to see, but the 17 nations at present in the eurozone will be whittled down to 10 nations that make up the Beast power, the soon to come MYSTERY BABYLON THE GREAT!

The Collapse Of The Eurozone Will A "United States Of Europe" Arise?

All over Europe, headlines are declaring that the

eurozone is on the verge of collapse. Many people falsely assume that this will mean the end of the euro and a return to national currencies. Unfortunately, that is not going to be the case at all

Instead, this is going to be yet another example of how the elite attempt to bring order out of chaos. The European elite have no intention on giving up on a united Europe. Rather, they hope to be able to bring to life a new "United States of Europe" out of the ashes of the existing eurozone

Over the coming months we will see widespread panic and fear all across Europe. The euro will likely sink like a rock and there will probably be huge financial problems in Europe and all around the globe. But for the European elite, a great crisis like this represents a golden opportunity to tear down the existing structures and build new ones

The solution that the European elite will be pushing will not be to go back to the way that Europe used to be. Instead, they will be pushing the idea of a much more tightly integrated Europe really hard

But after it is over, the European elite are hoping that they will finally have what they have always wanted - a "new Europe" that is more tightly integrated than it has been at any point since the fall of the Roman Empire.

[http://endoftheamericandream.com/ ...](http://endoftheamericandream.com/...)

Comment: The British people may rejoice when eventually the country leaves, or is put out of the Eurozone. Any rejoicing however will be short lived because a United States of Europe (without Britain) is coming, and is coming to make war! Speaking of modern Britain God says this:

"Israel (Britain) indeed is stubborn as a restive heifer; how can the Eternal feed them now, like lambs in a broad pasture?

The Ephraimites are wedded to idolatry;" Hos 4:16-17 (Moffatt)

God feeds His people with His warning Word of what is to come. The entire book of Hosea carries a terrible warning message to the British people today. Notice this quote from Mr Armstrong's book, The United States and Britain in Prophecy:

"God warns us through prophecy that our sins are fast increasing. And now the day of reckoning is here! The foreign sword always has attacked us. In this fearful, awesome atomic age, World War III

will start with nuclear devastation unleashed on London, Birmingham, Manchester, Liverpool, New York, Washington, Philadelphia, Detroit, Chicago, Pittsburgh, without warning! God help our nations to wake up before it's too late!"

Notice this includes the U.S as well. It won't be as much fun out of the Eurozone as we may think.

The trapped generation: 360,000 young buyers stuck with starter homes bought at property peak - with NO chance of moving up

Around 360,000 young people are 'trapped' in homes they bought when property prices peaked four years ago, an alarming report has warned.

Over the last four years, they have seen an average of £11,000 wiped off the value of the home, amid fears that house prices will continue to fall.

The report, from the banking giant HSBC, warns young people face 'a near impossible' task to move from their first home on to the second rung of the property ladder.

Even those who have avoided this situation will find it difficult to buy a bigger property because of the crippling cost of moving, according to the report.

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/...>

Comment: It is said that an Englishman's home is his castle. We appreciate our freedom and our privacy. Most of the western world agrees that these are major factors on how governments rule its subjects. It is the government's duty to take care of the people, and yet there has always been something sadly lacking in that duty throughout all of man's history. That lack is outgoing concern, or love, for the ones governed.

"Look, the princes of Israel: each one has used his power to shed blood in you.

In you they have made light of father and mother; in your midst they have oppressed the stranger; in you they have mistreated the fatherless and the widow...

The people of the land have used oppressions, committed robbery, and mistreated the poor and needy; and they wrongfully oppress the stranger."
Ezek 22:6-7, 29 R.A.V

In the future those in authority will realise that their treatment of other human beings is paramount in showing love to the eternal God. However, until a "strong hand from somewhere" reverses the moral decline of our societies, the oppression of the weak and poor members of our society will continue.

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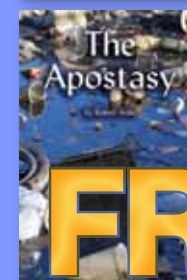
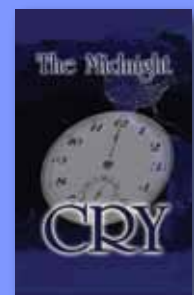
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