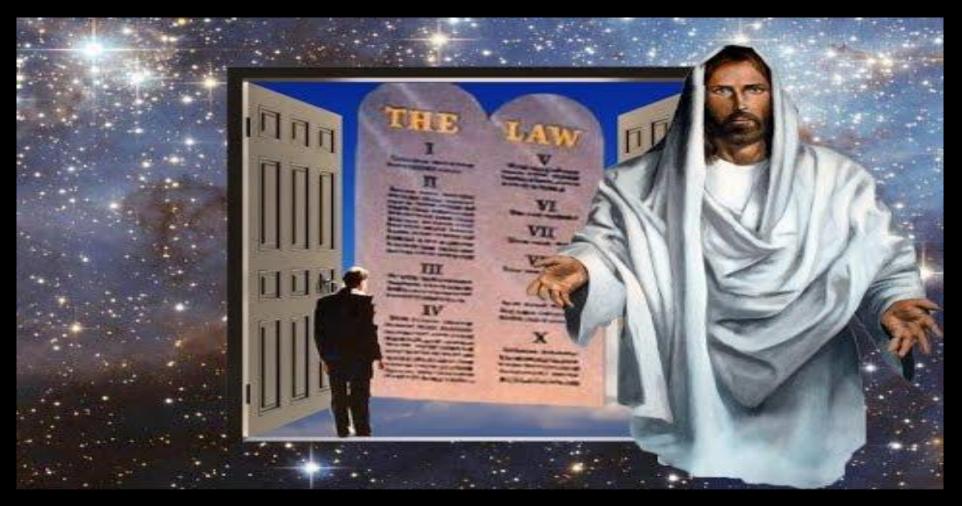
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And let them make me a sanctuary; that I may dwell among them.

Exodus 25:8

**Psalms 77:13** 



### Health Snippet - Sunshine

#### **Surprising Benefits the Sun Offers Your Hair**

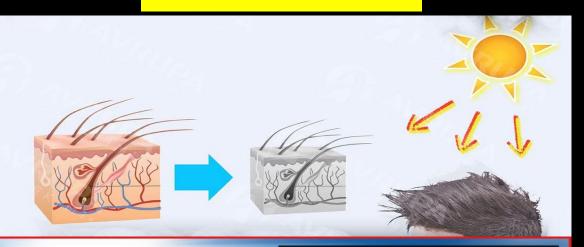
- 1. It helps with hair growth: it helps create new hair follicles. Many turn to heliosis, otherwise known as exposure to the sun, to promote hair growth.
- **2.** It has been known to treat hair loss: Vitamin D has been know to stimulate hair growth, thus preventing hair loss.
- **3.** It treats acne and fungal infections on the scalp: The sun's UV rays are pretty harmful, but in the right dose, they can help treat acne and fungal infections on the scalp.
- 4. It may allow you to lighten your strands: With a little help from some lemon, honey, or apple cider vinegar, you can have brighter strands after a few days in the sun. What too much sun can do to your hair!

#### Too much UV sunlight can also cause:

- Pigment drainage, for dull, lifeless hair colour.
- Loss of natural moisture, leaving you with dry, frizzy locks that are impossible to style
- A painfully parched, sunburned scalp
- breaks down the proteins that build strong hair strands.

**FUN IN THE SUN?** Science: 5 to 10 minutes of sun on your hair, 2-3 times a week, produces vitamin D your hair needs.

#### **Too Much Sunshine**





Make sure to drink enough water in the summer. Your scalp, just like your skin, can dehydrate if you don't replenish your liquids.

# Can We Trust Bible Prophecy?





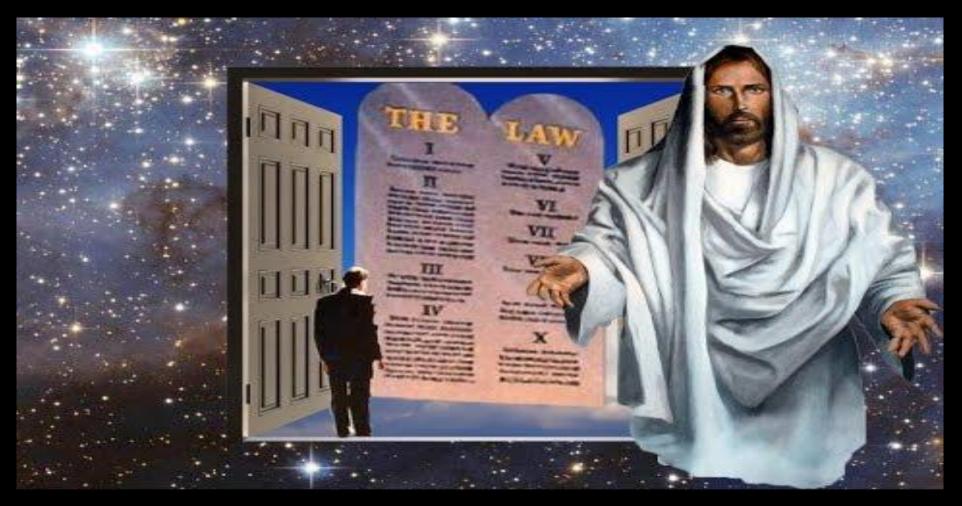
# Yes we Can!



**Psalms 113:3** 



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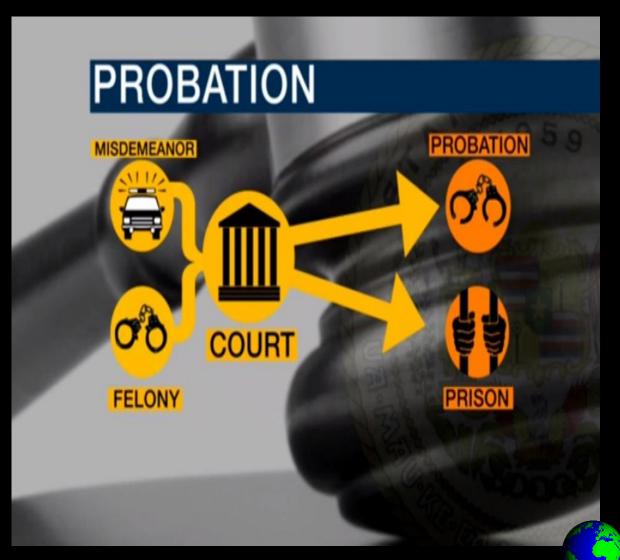


#### The first question to ask is: What is probation?

PROBATION is defined to be the "Critical examination and evaluation or subjection to such examination and evaluation. The subjection of an individual to a period of testing and trial to ascertain fitness (as for a job or school). — Merriam Webster Dictionary.

It is also the "act of proving; to proof. Trial; examination; any proceeding designed to ascertain truth." — Webster 1828 Dictionary.

Therefore, there is a close of probation when testing, proving, evaluation, trial, examination ends.



# What are the different types or phases of the close of probation?

#### **For Individuals:**

- 1. Close of probation at one's death.
- 2. Close of probation before one's death.

#### For a group:

- 3. Close of probation for a group of people *before* the general close of probation when Michael stand up.
- 4. General close of probation when Michael stands up.



#### Probation meaning and implication

Note again that probation is a time of testing, proving, examination and evaluation. This time is the time of mercy for humanity, it's a time when mercy is still opened to man and it is a time when prayers can still be heard by our High priest as he cleanses the Sanctuary above and we correspondingly work with him to cleanse the soul temple. When probation closes, then prayer ceases, mercy ceases, and there is a shut door of the most Holy place for all humanity.

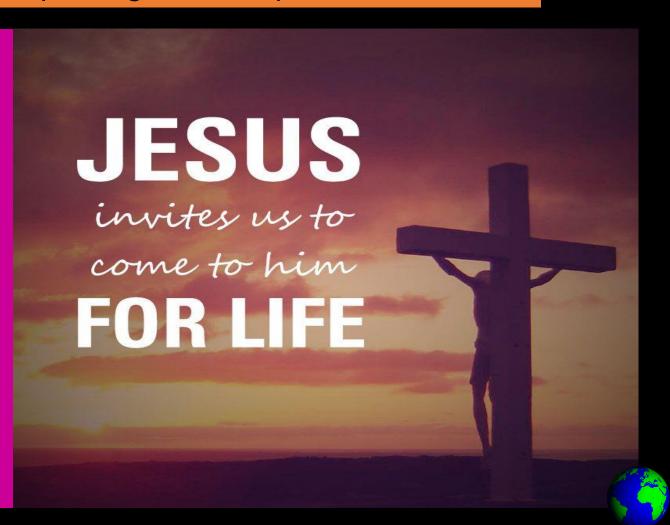


#### Time of Probation in the Bible

Let us look at some Bible passages about probation:

John 6:37 "All that the Father giveth me shall come to me; and him that cometh to me I will in no wise cast out."

There is a time when this promise shall cease and this assurance will have no validity; it shall be a time when Jesus will cast out all that do not come to Him. Now is the time to come to Jesus, now it the time of probation.



#### Time of Probation in the Bible

Micah 3:4 "Then shall they cry unto the LORD, but he will not hear them: he will even hide his face from them at that time, as they have behaved themselves ill in their doings."

There is a time when men will seek the Lord and he will not hear. This is applicable to any time of probation as we shall see. Now is the time when the Lord is attentive to the prayers of both the wicked and saints and now is the time when His face is not hidden from both the righteous and sinners.



THE

KINGDOM

of God

WILL BE GIVEN TO A PEOPLE PRODUCING THE FRUIT OF IT

MATTHEW 21:4



#### Time of Probation in the Bible

Isaiah 55:6-7 "Seek ye the LORD while he may be found, call ye upon him while he is near: Let the wicked forsake his way, and the unrighteous man his thoughts: and let him return unto the LORD, and he will have mercy upon him; and to our God, for he will abundantly pardon."

#### **Note carefully in Isaiah:**

There is a time of seeking the Lord, finding the Lord, calling upon Him, forsaking our wicked ways, unrighteous thoughts, returning to the Lord, a time of mercy and abundant pardon.



### Need Meat in Due Season

We are in the great day of atonement, when our sins are, by confession and repentance, to go beforehand to judgment. God does not now accept a tame, spiritless testimony from His ministers Such a testimony would not be present truth The message for this time must be meat in due season to feed the church of God. But Satan has been seeking gradually to rob this message of its power, that the people may not be prepared to stand in the **day of the Lord** {1SM 123.3}

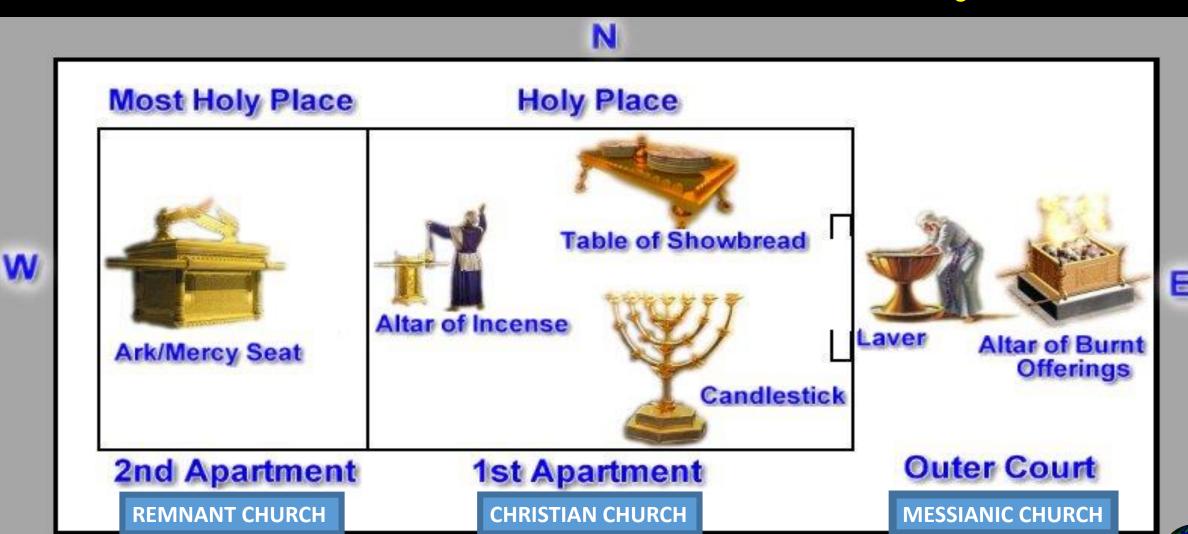


### Sanctuary and Investigative Judgement

The subject of the sanctuary and the investigative judgment should be clearly understood by the people of God. All need a knowledge for themselves of the position and work of their great High Priest. Otherwise it will be impossible for them to exercise the faith which is essential at this time or to occupy the position which God designs them to fill. Every individual has a soul to save or to lose. Each has a case pending at the bar of God. Each must meet the great Judge face to face. {GC 488.2}



#### Church Timeline in the Sanctuary



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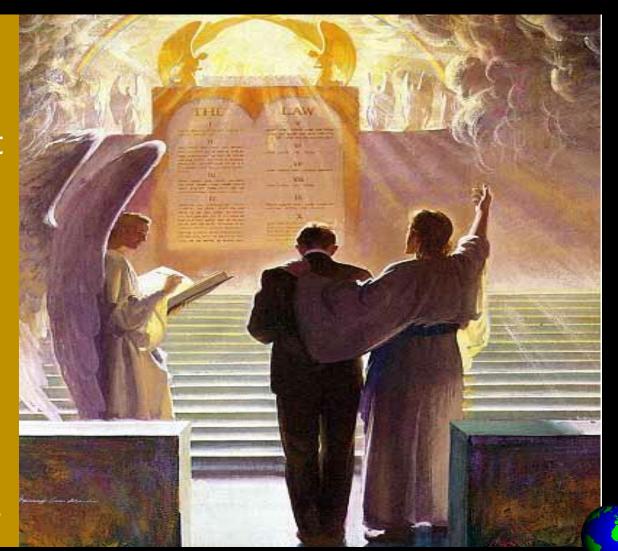
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This is the time, when the High Priest, in the Most Holy place, is blotting out our sins from the books of heaven and also wants to blot out sins from our hearts and soul temple.

We are to sigh and cry to God to save us from our sins and to give us the grace to put away our wicked thoughts.

Now is the only time to do this.

Now is the time to put on the white robes of Christ's righteous character.

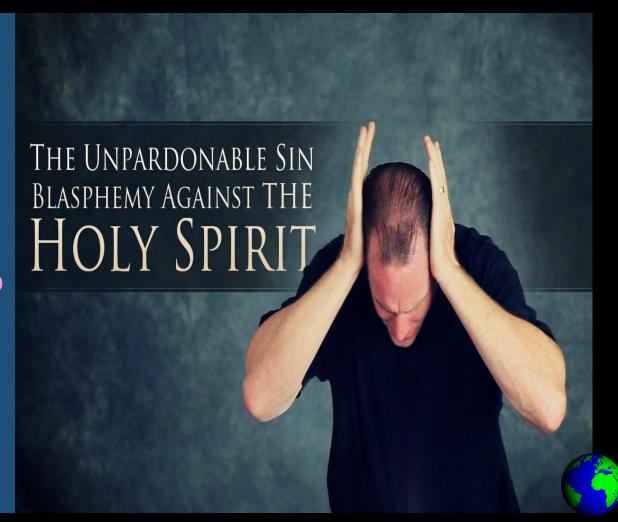


#### Probation before Death

Let us look at the individual close of probation before death briefly.

## Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit: Matthew 12:22-32

"By rejecting the light that was shining upon them, by refusing to examine the evidence to see whether the messages were from heaven, the Pharisees sinned against the Holy Ghost. . . . But turning their faces from the light, they refused to listen, choosing, instead, to cultivate their unbelief. Thus the light which, if received, would have been to them a savour of life unto life, rejected, became a savour of death unto death,—death to spirituality." {RH, July 27, 1897 par. 2}



# Probation before Death Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit

To speak against Christ, charging His work to satanic agencies, and attributing the manifestations of the Spirit to fanaticism, is not of itself a damning sin, but the spirit that leads men to make these assertions places them in a position of stubborn resistance, where they cannot see spiritual light. . . . {5BC 1092.8}

"In this our day men have placed themselves where they are wholly unable to fulfil the conditions of repentance and confession: therefore they cannot find mercy and pardon. The sin of blasphemy against the Holy Spirit does not lie in any sudden word or deed; it is the firm, determined resistance of truth and evidence (MS 30, 1890). {5BC 1093.1}



# Probation before Death Blasphemy against the Holy Spirit

"No one need look upon the sin against the Holy Ghost as something mysterious and indefinable. The sin against the Holy Ghost is the sin of persistent refusal to respond to the invitation to repent." (RH June 29, 1897). {5BC 1093.2}

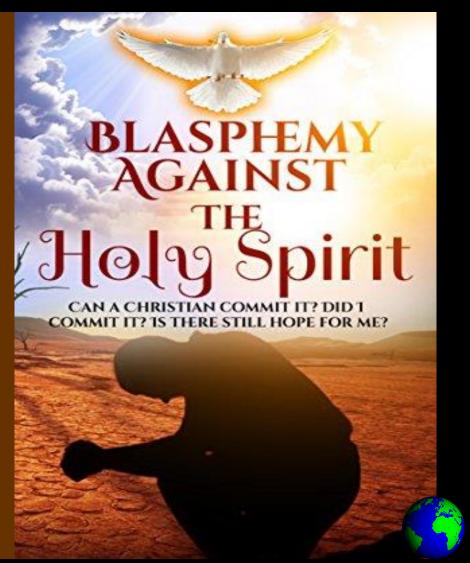
Hebrews 6:4 For *it is* impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost,

**5** And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come,

**6** If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put *him* to an open shame.

**7** For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God:

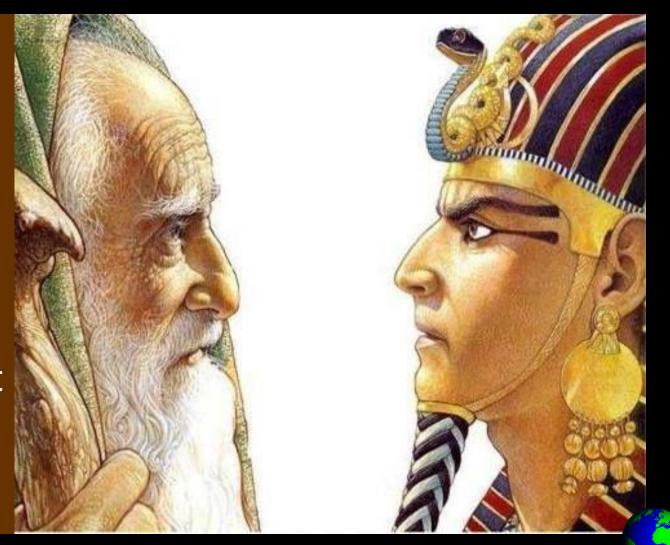
**8** But that which beareth thorns and briers *is* rejected, and *is* nigh unto cursing; whose end *is* to be burned.



### Past Individuals: Pharaoh in Egypt

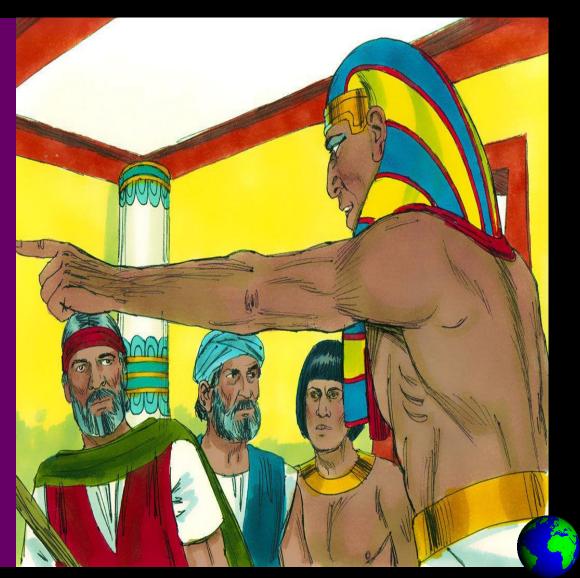
Pharaoh that hardened his own heart: Exodus 4:21, 9:12, 10:20,27, 11:10, 14:4, 8, 17.

Philistines also confirmed this fact: 1 Samuel 6:6 -Wherefore then do ye harden your hearts, as the Egyptians and Pharaoh hardened their hearts? when he had wrought wonderfully among them, did they not let the people go, and they departed?



### Pharaoh hardening his heart

After God sends light and evidence, calculated to convince any rational, unprejudiced mind, and it is not received or acted upon, but rather treated with contempt, resisted, and refused, the Holy Spirit is withdrawn, and men are left in their chosen obstinacy. The Lord gradually removed from Pharaoh the restraint that his Holy Spirit had exercised over him, and gave him up to his own way. It was more and more evident that the heart of the king was fixed in desperate rebellion against God. In word and character he said, "Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice to let Israel go? I know not the Lord, neither will I let Israel go."" {YI, November 30, 1893 par. 4, 5}



### King Saul: Why was he rejected?

Read: 1 Samuel 28:1-25; 1 Samuel 15:1-29.

Probation closed progressively for king Saul. God's Spirit was withdrawn from Him, his character was fixed, sealed and settled before he died.

"Saul knew that in this last act, of consulting the witch of Endor, he cut the last shred which held him to God. He knew that if he had not before willfully separated himself from God, this act sealed that separation, and made it final. He had made an agreement with death, and a covenant with hell. The cup of his iniquity was full."— Spirit of Prophecy, Vol. 1, p. 376. 3.

With this last act, probation closed finally for King Saul before he died in the war.



#### If this was the last act, what was the first act?

He rebelled against God's authority through God's prophet.

- 1 Samuel 15:23 For rebellion is as the sin of witchcraft, and stubbornness is as iniquity and idolatry. Because thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, he hath also rejected thee from being king.
- 26 And Samuel said unto Saul, I will not return with thee: for thou hast rejected the word of the LORD, and the LORD hath rejected thee from being king over Israel.
- 27 And as Samuel turned about to go away, he laid hold upon the skirt of his mantle, and it rent.
- 28 And Samuel said unto him, The LORD hath rent the kingdom of Israel from thee this day, and hath given it to a neighbour of thine, that is better than thou.
- 29 And also the Strength of Israel will not lie nor repent: for he is not a man, that he should repent.



# Judas Iscariot: Who was he and how did probation close for him?

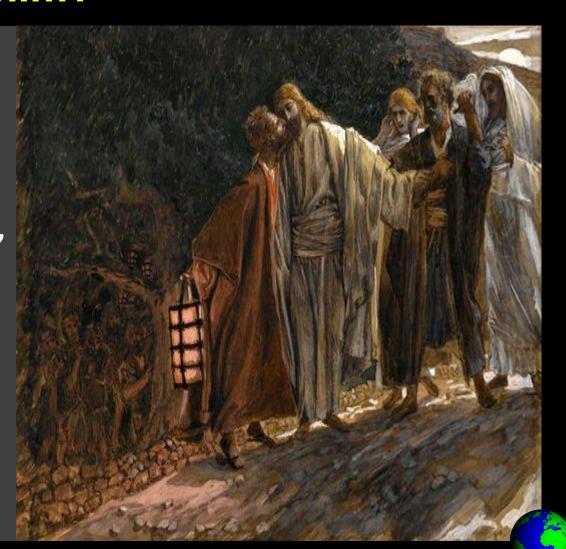
#### Judas was a thief: John 12:1-8

John 12:6 " . . . This he said, not that he cared for the poor; but because he was a thief, and had the bag, and bare what was put therein."

#### Judas was a devil, not the Devil:

John 6:70 "Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil?"

• Also read John 13:21-27



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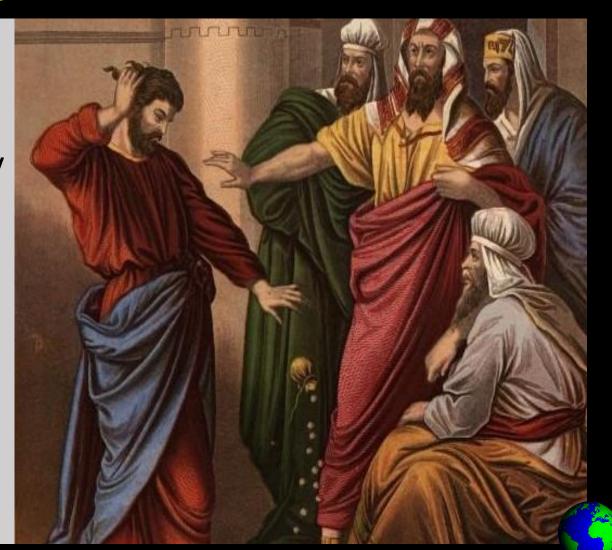
"But Judas was not yet wholly hardened. Even after he had twice pledged himself to betray the Saviour, there was opportunity for repentance. At the Passover supper Jesus proved His divinity by revealing the traitor's purpose. He tenderly included Judas in the ministry to the disciples. But the last appeal of love was unheeded. Then the case of Judas was decided, and the feet that Jesus had washed went forth to the betrayer's work." {DA 720.3



# Judas Iscariot: Who was he and how did probation close for him?

"Oh what can we say to awaken the soul's interest to make no compromise with Satan; but make thorough work for repentance before it is everlastingly too late? How can we make them consider that there are limits to the forbearance of God, and that it is possible for them to pass the limit of the forbearance of God, as did Judas and Saul?"—1888 materials, 1201. 2

Let us further explain the progression of the close of probation.



#### Past Groups: The antediluvian world of Noah

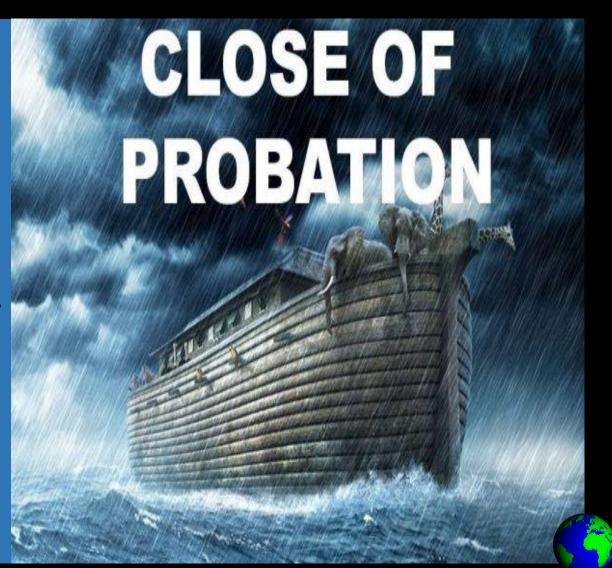
Genesis 6:3 "And the LORD said, My spirit shall not always strive with man, for that he also is flesh: yet his days shall be an hundred and twenty years."

Genesis 7:1 "And the LORD said unto Noah, Come thou and all thy house into the ark; for thee have I seen righteous before me in this generation."

Genesis 7:4 "For yet seven days, and I will cause it to rain upon the earth forty days and forty nights; and every living substance that I have made will I destroy from off the face of the earth."

Genesis 7:9-10 "There went in two and two unto Noah into the ark, the male and the female, as God had commanded Noah. (10) And it came to pass after seven days, that the waters of the flood were upon the earth."

Genesis 7:16 And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the LORD shut him in.



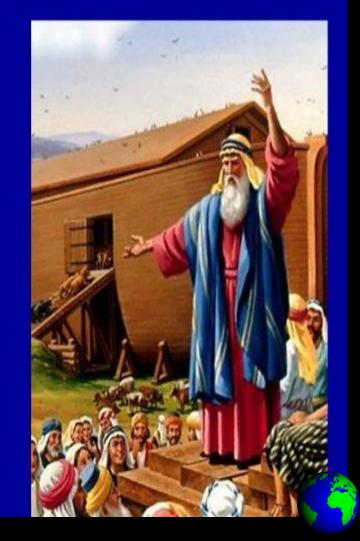
### The antediluvian world of Noah:

First Noah was given a message. Noah gave the message for 120 years. God gave the world 120 years of probationary time. Noah entered the ark but the rain didn't fall until after 7 days. When the 7<sup>th</sup> day expired God opened the windows of heaven and the rain fell. God shut, sealed, fixed and permanently settled Noah and his family in the ark.

This reveals a progression in the close of probation for men.

The end of the opportunity to be saved.

Of the 7 billion plus people that lived only 8 entered the ARK OF SAFETY!



# What about group of people or the church before a general close of probation when Michael stands up?

- Sodom and Gomorrah Gen 18 and 19
- Amalekites 1 Samuel 15:1-33; Exodus 17:8-16
- 1 Samuel 15:2 "Thus saith the LORD of hosts, I remember that which Amalek did to Israel, how he laid wait for him in the way, when he came up from Egypt.
- 3 Now go and smite Amalek, and utterly destroy all that they have, and spare them not; but slay both man and woman, infant and suckling, ox and sheep, camel and ass."



# What happens when God remembers one's sin or iniquity like that of the Amalekites?

Whenever God remembers one's unconfessed sins, that means that sin has not been forgiven and blotted out from God's books. When their sins are remembered in the time of Judgment, then such person probation has closed or they are about to be destroyed.

Hosea 7:1-2 "When I would have healed Israel, then the iniquity of Ephraim was discovered, and the wickedness of Samaria: for they commit falsehood; and the thief cometh in, and the troop of robbers spoileth without. (2) And they consider not in their hearts that I remember all their wickedness: now their own doings have beset them about; they are before my face."

Samaria the Northern Kingdom of Israel closed their probation in 723 BC as a group of people or God's church and they lost their spiritual privileges.



# The sins of Babylon will be remembered when her sins are full: Future

Revelation 18:4-6 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. (5) For her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her iniquities. (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.

Revelation 16:19 "And the great city was divided into three parts, and the cities of the nations fell: and great Babylon came in remembrance before God, to give unto her the cup of the wine of the fierceness of his wrath."



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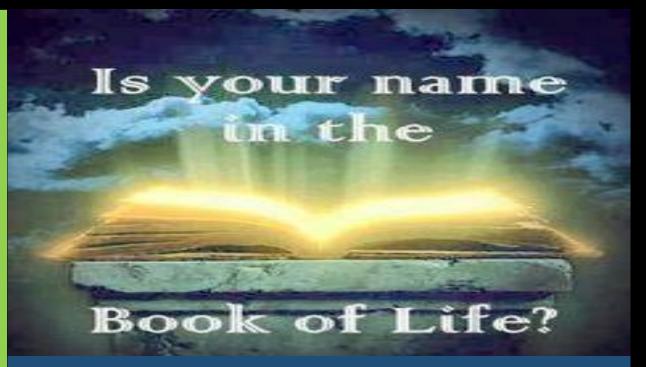
God will remember the sins of Babylon [Dragon, Beast and False prophets – Revelation 16:13] after the National Sunday Law has done its work. The time of the National Sunday Law is the time when the sin of Babylon is full and will be worldwide. But the 7 Last Plagues is the reward God will pour upon her.

 When your sins are fully forgiven and blotted out God will remember them no more because you now have the mind of Christ and are sealed.



### Book of Life in Heaven

The book of life contains the names of all who have ever entered the service of God. Jesus bade His disciples: "Rejoice, because your names are written in heaven." Luke 10:20. Paul speaks of his faithful fellow workers, "whose names are in the book of life." Philippians 4:3. Daniel, looking down to "a time of trouble, such as never was," declares that God's people shall be delivered, "everyone that shall be found written in the book." And the revelator says that those only shall enter the city of God whose names "are written in the Lamb's book of life." Daniel 12:1; Revelation 21:27. {GC 480.3}



And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world. – Revelation 13:8

### THE BOOK OF REMEMBERANCE

In the book of God's remembrance every deed of righteousness is immortalized.

Every temptation resisted.

Every evil overcome.

Every word of tender pity expressed.

Every act of sacrifice.

Every suffering and sorrow endured for Christ's sake.

#### THE RECORD IN HEAVEN

- Luke 10:20 teaches that there is such a record.
- God keeps a record in His book Psalm 56:8.
- It is called a book of remembrance Malachi 3:16,
- It is called the book of life Philippians 4:3; (Lamb's book of life) in Revelation 20:15.
- It is a register or record of those who are citizens of His kingdom Philippians 3:20; Hebrews 12:23.
- Is having your name enrolled in heaven really important?



### **BOOK OF INIQUITY**

Every man's work passes in review before God and is registered for faithfulness or unfaithfulness. Opposite each name in the books of heaven is

entered with terrible exactness.

Every wrong word.

Every selfish act.

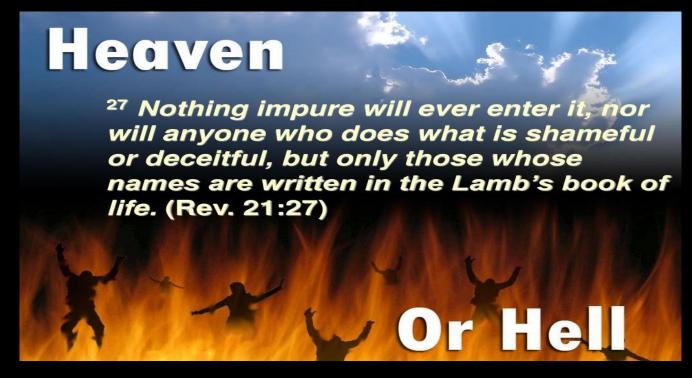
Every unfulfilled duty.

Every secret sin.

Heaven-sent warnings or reproofs neglected.

Wasted moments.

Unimproved opportunities.



The influence exerted for good or for evil, with its far-reaching results, all are chronicled by the recording angel.

### Angels trace with Accuracy

Angels of God witnessed each sin and registered it in the unerring records. Sin may be concealed, denied, covered up from father, mother, wife, children, and associates; no one but the guilty actors may cherish the least suspicion of the wrong; but it is laid bare before the intelligences of heaven. The darkness of the darkest night, the secrecy of all deceptive arts, is not sufficient to veil one thought from the knowledge of the Eternal. God has an exact record of every unjust account and every unfair dealing. He is not deceived by appearances of piety. He makes no mistakes in His estimation of character. Men may be deceived by those who are corrupt in heart, but God pierces all disguises and reads the inner life. {GC 486.2}



### The Faithful Steward

In the judgment the use made of every talent will be scrutinized. How have we employed the capital lent us of Heaven? Will the Lord at His coming receive His own with usury? Have we improved the powers entrusted us, in hand and heart and brain, to the glory of God and the blessing of the world? How have we used our time, our pen, our voice, our money, our influence? What have we done for Christ, in the person of the poor, the afflicted, the orphan, or the widow? God has made us the depositaries of His holy word; what have we done with the light and truth given us to make men wise unto salvation? No value is attached to a mere profession of faith in Christ; only the love which is shown by works is counted génuine. Yet it is love alone which in the sight of Heaven makes any act of value. Whatever is done from love, however small it may appear in the estimation of men, is accepted and rewarded of God.



### All confessed sins are blotted out

Isaiah 43:25 I, even I, am he that blotteth out thy transgressions for mine own sake, and will not remember thy sins.

Jeremiah 31:34 "And they shall teach no more every man his neighbour, and every man his brother, saying, Know the LORD: for they shall all know me, from the least of them unto the greatest of them, saith the LORD: for I will forgive their iniquity, and I will remember their sin no more."



### Jews closed their probation progressively:

- 1. When Christ said "Your house if left unto you desolate" Matt 23:37-39;
- 2. When Jesus was nailed to the cross;
- **3.** When Stephen was stoned to death completed the 490 day/years prophecy ending the probationary time of 490 years given to the southern kingdom;
- **4.** Finally at 70 AD by General Titus fulfilling the prophecy of Christ in Matthew 24:15 about how the abomination that maketh desolate will destroy the holy city of Jerusalem.



### Isaiah's Experience Represents Last-Day Church

Isaiah 6:4-7 And the posts of the door moved at the voice of him that cried, and the house was filled with smoke. Then said I, Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts. Then flew one of the seraphims unto me, having a live coal in his hand, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar: And he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged.

4BC 1138.6 "As the prophet Isaiah beheld the glory of the Lord, he was amazed, and, overwhelmed with a sense of his own weakness and unworthiness, he cried, "Woe is me! for I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips: for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of Hosts."



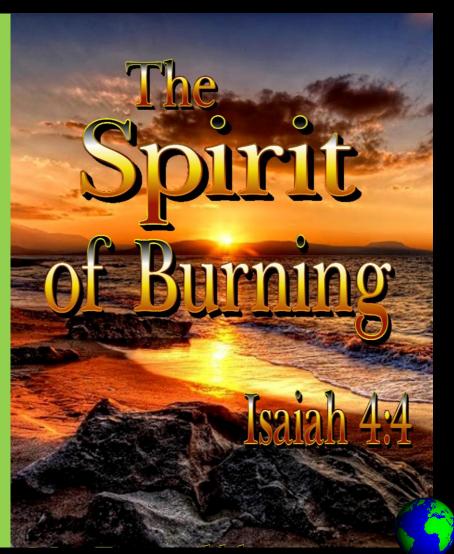
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Isaiah had denounced the sin of others; Surely that doesn't happen in God's church? Have you ever done that? Looked at someone else and said they should not be doing that? Guess what...Isaiah did too but now he sees himself exposed to the same condemnation he had pronounced upon them. He had been satisfied with a cold, lifeless ceremony in his worship of God. How cold and lifeless is your worship of God? Are you satisfied with your current position? Isaiah did not know he was in this state until the vision was given to him from the Lord. How little now appeared his wisdom and talents as he looked upon the sacredness and majesty of the sanctuary. How unworthy he was! how unfitted for sacred service! His view of himself might be expressed in the language of the apostle Paul, "O wretched man that I am! who shall deliver me from the body of this death?"



## But relief was sent to Isaiah in his distress: [Isaiah 6:6, 7 quoted.] . . .

The vision given to Isaiah represents the condition of God's people in the last days. They are privileged to see by faith the work that is going forward in the heavenly sanctuary. "And the temple of God was opened in heaven, and there was seen in his temple the ark of his testament." As they look by faith into the holy of holies, and see the work of Christ in the heavenly sanctuary, they perceive that they are a people of unclean lips,--a people whose lips have often spoken vanity, and whose talents have not been sanctified and employed to the glory of God. If you do not go into the most holy place you will not see this glory and your own sinfulness. Well may they despair as they contrast their own weakness and unworthiness with the purity and loveliness of the glorious character of Christ. But if they, like Isaiah, will receive the impression the Lord designs shall be made upon the heart, if they will humble their souls before God, there is hope for them. The bow of promise is above the throne, and the work done for Isaiah will be performed in them. This is a work done for those who already claim to be Christians as Isaiah was already a prophet before he had this vision God will respond to the petitions coming from the contrite heart (RH Dec. 22, 1896). {4BC 1139.3}



# This cannot be obtained in the Holy place or the outer court. It can only be experienced in the Most Holy Place

What was the purpose of the sanctuary?

The ultimate goal of the sanctuary service was to make the worshiper perfect in character.

Before the cross was the way of salvation through the sanctuary? It was by faith in the outer court ministry. Did it make the worshippers perfect? No!

Before Christ's death and resurrection the way of salvation was through the outer court service. They had to slay a lamb. What about after the cross? The way of salvation was through the holy place. Did this service make the worshippers perfect? **No!** 

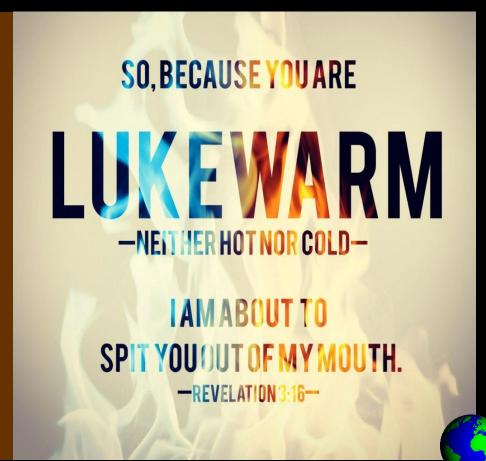


## After 1844 the way of salvation was through the most holy place.

Does this aspect of the work of Christ make the worshipper perfect in character?

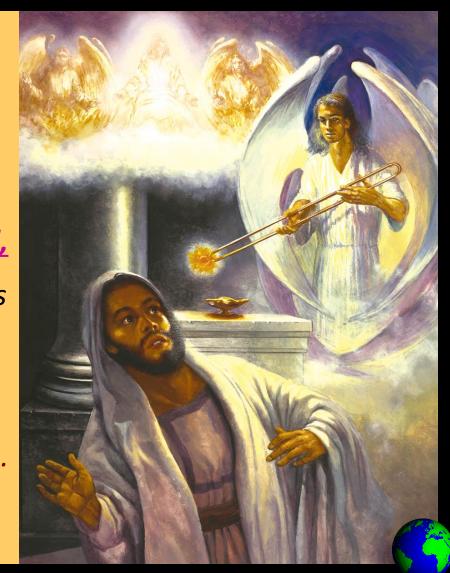
Before Isaiah saw his vision of Jesus in the Most Holy place did he think he was a good Israelite worthy of salvation, because he was a Son of Abraham? Yes, he did! He imagined himself in a righteous state before God. He was a perfect example of a Laodicean, thinking he was all right when he was all wrong. Remember, it says that this experience is for the last day church. What was wrong? Isaiah hadn't entered into the Most Holy place experience. Laodicea does not enter into the Most Holy place experience either, they are content to remain in the holy place sinning and repenting sinning and repenting until Jesus comes.

A continuous cycle of sin and repent. This is the experience of the holy place. You do not fully appreciate the sinfulness of sin until you enter into the Most Holy place and see the glory of God for yourself.



### Laodiceans needs to enter the Most Holy Place

"Isaiah had a wonderful view of God's glory. He saw the manifestation of God's power, and after beholding His majesty, a message came to him to go and do a certain work. He felt wholly unworthy for the work. What made him esteem himself unworthy? Did he think himself unworthy before he had a view of God's glory?--No; he imagined himself in a righteous state before God; but when the glory of the Lord of hosts was revealed to him, when he beheld the inexpressible majesty of God, he said, "I am undone; because I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for mine eyes have seen the King, the Lord of hosts. Then flew one of the seraphim unto me, having a living coal in his hands, which he had taken with the tongs from off the altar, and he laid it upon my mouth, and said, Lo, this hath touched thy lips; and thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged." This is the work that as individuals we need to have done for us. We want the living coal from off the altar placed upon our lips. We want to hear the word spoken, "Thine iniquity is taken away, and thy sin purged" (RH June 4, 1889).

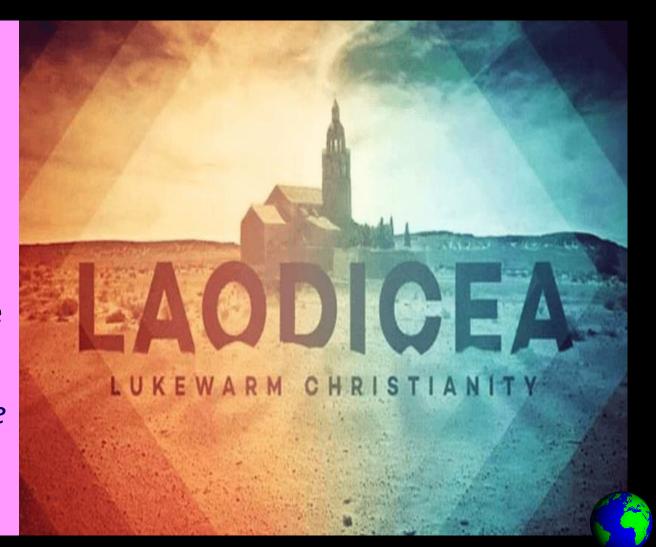


#### Laodiceans needs to enter the Most Holy Place

Laodicea remains outside of the holy place, therefore they cannot be benefited by the work of purification which takes place in the Most Holy place, when the living fire is taken from off the altar and purges our sin.

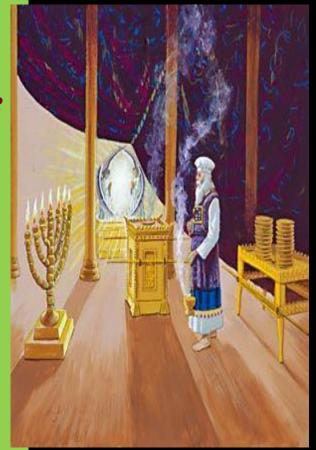
When does the iniquity and sin be purged? During the final atonement ministry of Jesus. It does not happen in the holy place it can only happen on the day of atonement in the most holy place.

Leviticus 16:30 For on that day shall the priest make an atonement for you, to cleanse you, that ye may be clean from all your sins before the LORD.



### Jews in vain were doing sacrifices after Jesus Sacrifice

{GC88 430.2} It is those who by faith follow Jesus in the great work of the atonement, who receive the benefits of his mediation in their behalf; while those who reject the light which brings to view this work of ministration, are not benefited thereby. The Jews who rejected the light given at Christ's first advent, and refused to believe on him as the Saviour of the world, could not receive pardon through him. When Jesus at his ascension entered by his own blood into the heavenly sanctuary to shed upon his disciples the blessings of his mediation, (what mediation is this? In the holy place) the Jews were left in total darkness, to continue their useless sacrifices and offerings. The ministration of types and shadows had ceased. That door by which men had formerly found access to God, was no longer open. (What door was this? The door to the courtyard was closed and so the sacrifices that were offered in the courtyard no longer were effective. What door was open now? The door to the holy place) The Jews had refused to seek him in the only way whereby he could then be found, through the ministration in the sanctuary in Heaven. Therefore they found no communion with God. To them the door was shut. They had no knowledge of Christ as the true sacrifice and the only mediator before God; hence they could not receive the benefits of his mediation.





### Most Christians are like the Jews not following Jesus

The condition of the unbelieving Jews illustrates the condition of the careless and unbelieving among professed Christians, who are willingly ignorant of the work of our merciful High Priest.

Are you careless and indifferent to the work of Jesus as our Great High Priest.

Do you know where he is and what he is doing.? – Most HP: Judgement!

The Jews who were indifferent and rejected the light and did not follow Jesus into the holy place in AD 31 and wanted to remain where they were doing their sacrifices closed the door of salvation and were left in darkness.



### Most Christians are like the Jews not following Jesus

CCh 349.1} Solemn are the scenes connected with the closing work of the atonement. Momentous are the interests involved therein. The judgment is now passing in the sanctuary above. For many years this work has been in progress. Soon none know how soon—it will pass to the cases of the living. In the awful presence of God our lives are to come up in review. At this time above all others it behooves every soul to heed the Saviour's admonition:

"Watch and pray: for ye know not when the time is." Mark 13:33.



## The protestant world that rejected the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Angel's message in 1840's: Past

"Those who rejected and opposed the light of the first angel's message, lost the light of the second, and could not be benefited by the power and glory which attended the message, "Behold, the Bridegroom cometh." Jesus turned from them with a frown; for they had slighted and rejected Him. Those who received the message were wrapped in a cloud of glory. They greatly feared to offend God, and waited and watched and prayed to know His will."— Early writings, 249.1



# The protestant world that rejected the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Angel's message in 1840's : Past

"Those who rejected the first message could not be benefited by the second; neither were they benefited by the midnight cry, which was to prepare them to enter with Jesus by faith into the most holy place of the heavenly sanctuary. And by rejecting the two former messages, they have so darkened their understanding that they can see no light in the third angel's message, which shows the way into the most holy place. I saw that as the Jews crucified Jesus, so the nominal churches had crucified these messages, and therefore they have no knowledge of the way into the most holy, and they cannot be benefited by the intercession of Jesus there.



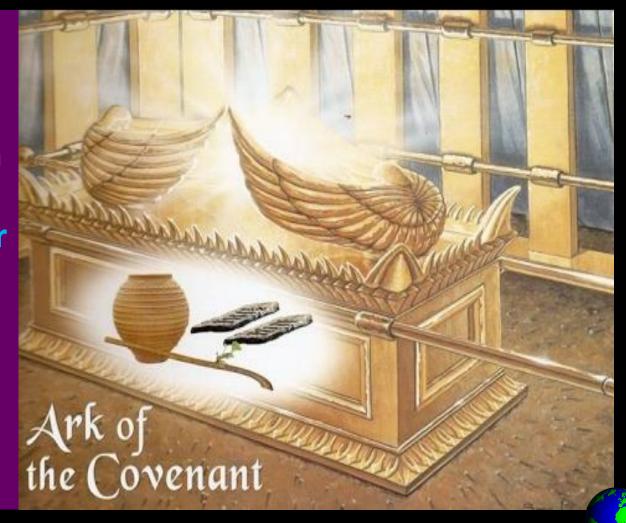
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Like the Jews, who offered their useless sacrifices, they offer up their useless prayers to the apartment which Jesus has left; and Satan, pleased with the deception, assumes a religious character, and leads the minds of these professed Christians to himself, working with his power, his signs and lying wonders, to fasten them in his snare. Some he deceives in one way, and some in another. He has different delusions prepared to affect different minds. Some look with horror upon one deception, while they readily receive another. Satan deceives some with Spiritualism. He also comes as an angel of light and spreads his influence over the land by means of false reformations. The churches are elated, and consider that God is working marvellously for them, when it is the work of another spirit. The excitement will die away and leave the world and the church in a worse condition than before. {EW 260.1}



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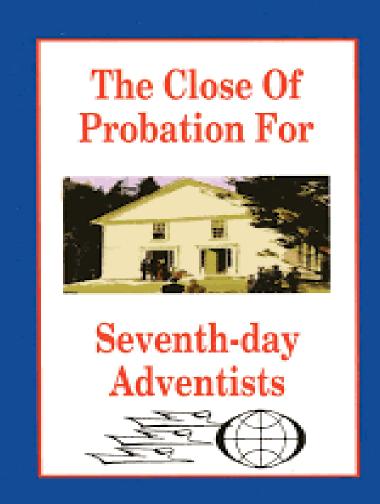
"I saw that Jesus had shut the door of the holy place, and no man can open it; and that He had opened the door into the most holy, and no man can shut it (Revelation 3:7,8); and that since Jesus has opened the door into the most holy place, which contains the ark, the commandments have been shining out to God's people, and they are being tested on the Sabbath question. {EW 42.2}



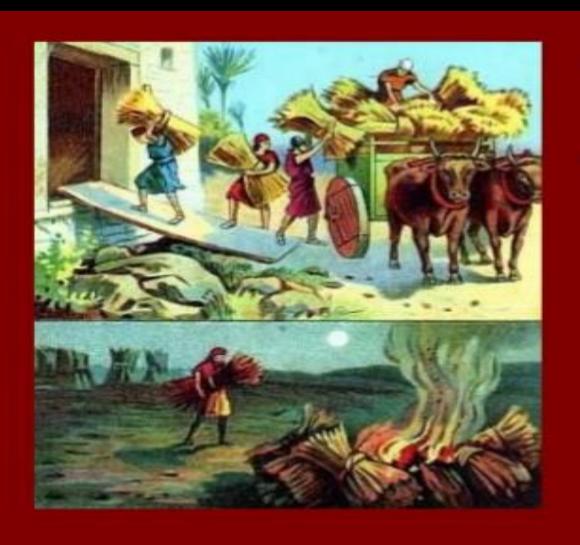
### Could God ever close the probation of His church?

"Of those who boast of their light and yet fail to walk in it Christ says, "But I say unto you, It shall be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon at the day of judgment than for you. And thou, Capernaum [Seventh-day Adventists, who have had great light], which art exalted unto heaven [in point of privilege], shalt be brought down to hell: for if the mighty works which have been done in thee had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day."-RH Aug. 1, 1893. {LDE 48.2}

• "The church is in the Laodicean state. The presence of God is not in her midst."—1NL 99 (1898). {LDE 48.3}

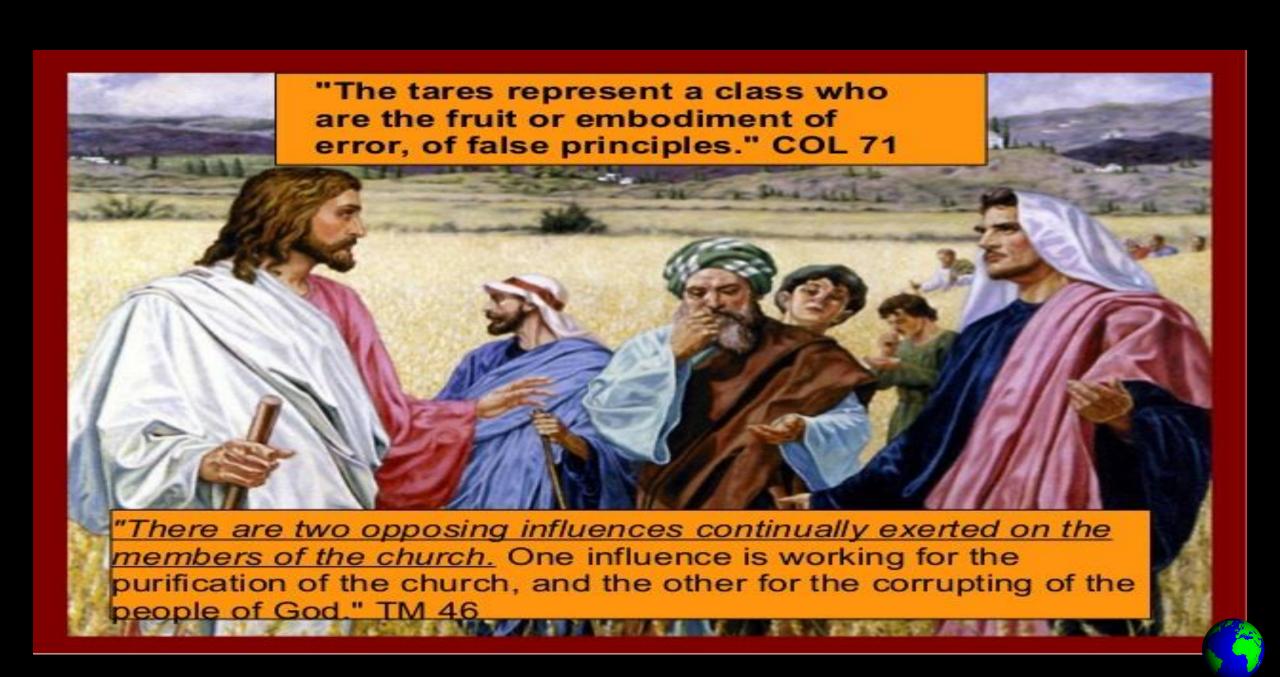


### Could God ever close the probation of His church?



- Quotation from the Spirit of Prophecy.
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"The tares and the wheat are to grow together until the harvest; and the harvest is the end of probationary time." COL 71.3



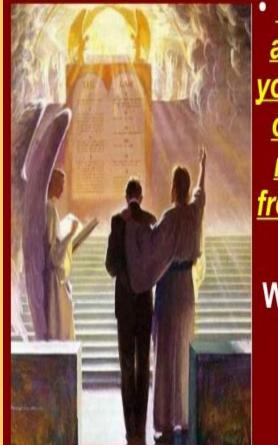
### Image of the Beast needs to Be Formed



### The National Sunday Law event

"I saw the nominal church and nominal Adventists, like Judas, would betray us to the Catholics to obtain their influence to come against the truth. The saints then will be an obscure people, little known to the Catholics; but the churches and nominal Adventists who know of our faith and customs (for they hated us on account of the Sabbath, for they could not refute it) will betray the saints and report them to the Catholics as those who disregard the institutions of the people; that is, that they keep the Sabbath and disregard Sunday." Spalding and Magan collection, 1.5

### Repent! Repent! Repent!



• "Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord." Acts 3:19

When does the times of refreshing come?

AT THE NATIONAL SUNDAY LAW!

## How could this happen? What would cause such a turning away and betrayal?

"Then that which I had seen was explained to me as follows: The multitude who were so eagerly striving for the earthly crown, were those who love this world's treasure, and are deceived and flattered with its short-lived attractions. Some, I saw, who profess to be the followers of Jesus, are so ambitious to obtain earthly treasures that they lose their love for heaven, act like the world, and are accounted of God as of the world. They profess to be seeking an immortal crown, a treasure in the heavens; but their interest and principal study is to acquire earthly treasures. Those who have their treasures in this world, and love their riches, cannot love Jesus. They may think that they are right, and, although they cling to their possessions with a miser's grasp, they cannot be made to see it, or to feel that they love money more than the cause of truth or the heavenly treasure."—Christian Experience and Teachings of Ellen White, 164.1

## Three Coordinates of Satan's Triangle 1 John 2:15-17

"the lust of the eyes,

 the desire to have all the world offers the lust of the flesh,

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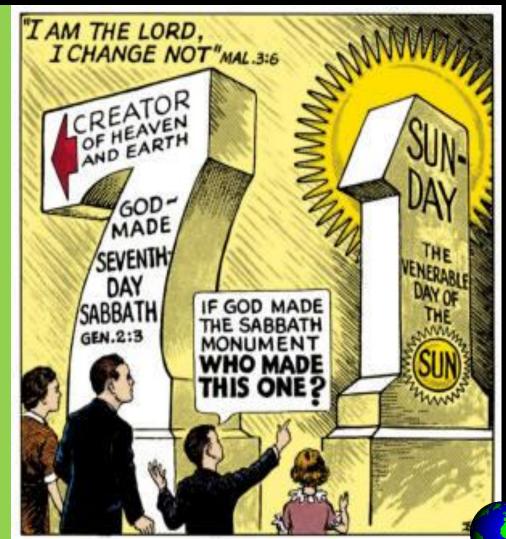


the desire for the world's approval rather than the approval of God



### The National Sunday Law separates Two Classes

"The work of the Holy Spirit is to convince the world of sin, of righteousness and of judgment. The world can only be warned by seeing those who believe the truth sanctified through the truth, acting upon high and holy principles, showing in a high, elevated sense, the line of demarcation between those who keep the commandments of God, and those who trample them under their feet. The sanctification of the Spirit signalizes the difference between those who have the seal of God, and those who keep a spurious rest-day. When the test comes, it will be clearly shown what the mark of the beast is. It is the keeping of Sunday. Those who after having heard the truth, continue to regard this day as holy, bear the signature of the man of sin, who thought to change times and laws."— {Bible Training School, December 1, 1903 par. 6}



### The National Sunday Law separate two classes

"When you obey the decree that commands you to cease from labour on Sunday and worship God, while you know that there is not a word in the Bible showing Sunday to be other than a common working-day, you consent to receive the mark of the beast, and refuse the seal of God. If we receive this mark in our foreheads or in our hands, the judgments pronounced against the disobedient must fall upon us. But the seal of the living God is placed upon those who conscientiously keep the Sabbath of the Lord."— {RH, July 13, 1897 par. 6}



### If you fail the Sunday Law test and you receive the mark of the beast, can you repent and still receive the seal of God?

"The Lord has shown me clearly that the image of the beast will be formed before probation closes; for it is to be the great test for the people of God, by which their eternal destiny will be decided. . . . [Revelation 13:11-17 quoted.] . . .

This is the test that the people of God must have before they are sealed. All who proved their loyalty to God by observing His law, and refusing to accept a spurious sabbath, will rank under the banner of the Lord God Jehovah, and will receive the seal of the living God. Those who yield the truth of heavenly origin and accept the Sunday sabbath, will receive the mark of the beast. (Letter 11, 1890). {7BC 976. 2-3}



## If WE fail the Sunday Law test, and are marked with the Mark of the Beast, OUR Probation Closes!

By the very name, Seventh-day Adventists **have** been informed of the true day of worship, and we are aware that we are not to put any other gods before the true God. Adventists have had full disclosure of the Three Angels' Messages, they have had the opportunity to read the Great Controversy, and to know the truth for themselves. If they align themselves with the papacy in any way, they willingly reject God and thereby reject their salvation probation closed.



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There is no further light that can be given to Seventh-day Adventists about the Sabbath that God has not already given through the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy. We shall individually be tested as Seventh-Day Adventist, so we need to prepare what is about to break upon the Church. When we are individually tested we are either sealed with the seal of God or marked with the Mark of the Beast. We cant receive the mark of the beast and later change the mind to be loyal to God. Once we are sealed or marked we are fixed or permanent for eternity. At this point, probation or door of mercy is still opened to those who have not had any opportunity to learn what truth is.



## If WE fail the Sunday Law test, and are marked with the Mark of the Beast, OUR Probation Closes!

"The time of God's destructive judgments is the time of mercy for those who have had no opportunity to learn what is truth. Tenderly will the Lord look upon them. His heart of mercy is touched; His hand is still stretched out to save, while the door is closed to those who would not enter." {9T 97}



"Transgression has almost reached its limit. Confusion fills the world, and a great terror is soon to come upon human beings. The end is very near. God's people should be preparing for what is to break upon the world as an overwhelming surprise." {CG 555. 2}

"They will deliver you up to councils, . . . yea and before governors and kings shall ye be brought for My sake, for a testimony to them and to the Gentiles." Matthew 10:17, 18. Persecution will spread the light. The servants of Christ will be brought before the great men of the world, who, but for this, might never hear the gospel. The truth has been misrepresented to these men. They have listened to false charges concerning the faith of Christ's disciples.

IF THE LAW OF GOD IS FOREVER SABBATH = **FOREVER** COVENANT = FOREVERHIS LAW = **Forever** HIS WORD = FOREVER

...WHEN DID "FOREVER" BECOME TEMPORARY?



"An apostate church will unite with the powers of earth and hell to place upon the forehead or in the hand, the mark of the beast, and prevail upon the children of God to worship the beast and his image. They will seek to compel them to renounce their allegiance to God's law, and yield homage to the papacy. Then will come the times which will try men's souls; for the confederacy of apostasy will demand that the loyal subjects of God shall renounce the law of Jehovah, and repudiate the truth of His word.



"Those who have been self-distrustful, who have been so circumstanced that they have not dared to face stigma and reproach, will at last openly declare themselves for Christ and His law; while many who have appeared to be flourishing trees, but who have borne no fruit, will go with the multitude to do evil, and will receive the mark of apostasy in the forehead or in the hand." {Mar 204.4}

The Millerites brought attention to when the hour of the judgment began. God's last day people are going to declare the hour of his judgment is coming to its end.





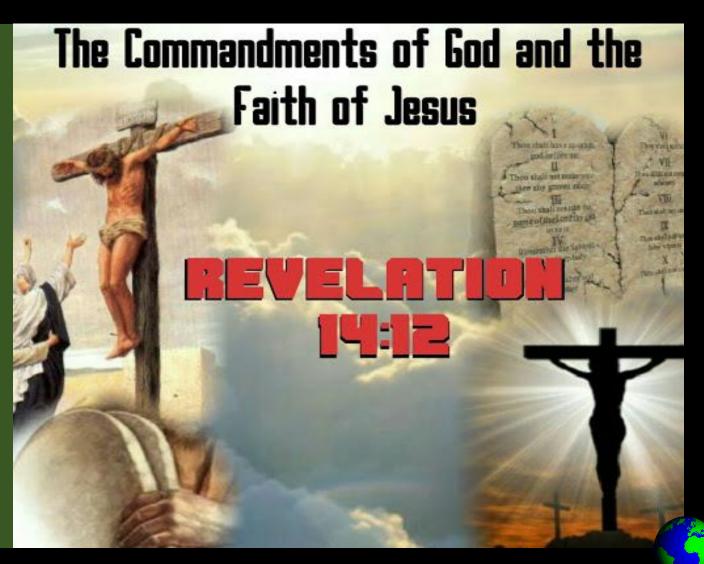
Sabbath Day



Jesus Kept the Sabbath

**Even in His death** 

"What is the condition of those who keep the commandments of God and have the faith of Jesus? If in families there are those who are refusing obedience to the Lord in keeping His Sabbath, then the seal cannot be placed upon them. The sealing is a pledge from God of perfect security to His chosen ones. Sealing indicates you are God's chosen. He has appropriated you to Himself. As the sealed of God we are Christ's purchased possession, and no one shall pluck us out of His hands.—Manuscript 59, 1895 (Manuscript Releases, vol. 15, pp. 223-225). {CTr 102.6}



#### What will the Remnant experience at the NSL?

The moment we are sealed no one can pluck us out of the Hands of God, similarly, when one is marked with the mark of the beast, no one can pluck him or her out of the hands of Satan, he is doom for destruction and no turning back.

"The seal of the living God will be placed upon those only who bear a likeness to Christ in character.—7BC 970 (1895). {LDE 221.1}

"Those who receive the seal of the living God and are protected in the time of trouble must reflect the image of Jesus fully.—EW 71 (1851). {LDE 221.2}



# What are the events connected with the close of probation that are clearly revealed?

**GC 436** "Those who had accepted the light concerning the mediation of Christ and the perpetuity of the law of God found that these were the truths presented in Revelation 14. The messages of this chapter constitute a three fold warning which is to prepare the inhabitants of the earth for the Lord's second coming. The announcement, "The hour of his judgment is come," points to the closing work of Christ's ministration for the salvation of men. It heralds a truth which must be proclaimed until the Saviour's intercession shall cease and He shall return to the earth to take His people to Himself. The work of judgment which began in 1844 must continue until the cases of all are decided, both of the living and the dead; hence it will extend to the close of human probation."

TRUTH
is not subject
to your opinion

**According to the Bible** 

SUNDAY IS NOT THE SABBATH DAY

#### The Close of Probation

**GC 88 479.1** "I Beheld," says the prophet Daniel, "till thrones were placed, and One that was ancient of days did sit. His raiment was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and the wheels thereof burning fire. A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him; thousand thousands ministered unto him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the Judgment was set, and the books were opened." [Daniel 7:9,10]

PAUL KEPT A SABBATH THAT COINCIDED WITH SATURDAY	
SCRIPTURE REFERENCE	CLAIMED NUMBER OF SABBATHS PAUL KEPT
CTS 13:14 "ON THE SABBATH DAY THEY WENT INTO THE SYNAGOGUE AND AT DOWN"	1
CTS 13:44 "AND THE NEXT SABBATH NEARLY THE WHOLE CITY SSEMBLED TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD."	1
CTS 16:13 "AND ON THE SABBATH DAY WE WENT OUTSIDE THE GATE TO A IVERSIDE, WHERE WE WERE SUPPOSING THAT THERE WOULD BE A PLACE F PRAYER; AND WE SAT DOWN AND BEGAN SPEAKING TO THE WOMEN WHO AD ASSEMBLED."	1
CTS 17:2 "AND PAUL, AS HIS MANNER WAS, WENT IN UNTO THEM, AND HREE SABBATH DAYS REASONED WITH THEM OUT OF THE SCRIPTURES."	3
CTS 18:4,11 "AND HE REASONED IN THE SYNAGOGUE EVERY SABBATH." AND HE CONTINUED THERE A YEAR AND SIX MONTHS, TEACHING THE VORD OF GOD AMONG THEM."	78
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#### The Close of Probation

GC 480 "And, behold, one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him. And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away." [Daniel 7:13,14.] The coming of Christ here described is not his second coming to the earth. He comes to the Ancient of days in Heaven to receive dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, which will be given him at the close of his work as a mediator. It is this coming, and not his second advent to the earth, that was foretold in prophecy to take place at the termination of the 2300 days, in 1844. Attended by heavenly angels, our great High Priest enters the holy of holies, and there appears in the presence of God, to engage in the last acts of his ministration in behalf of man And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away.

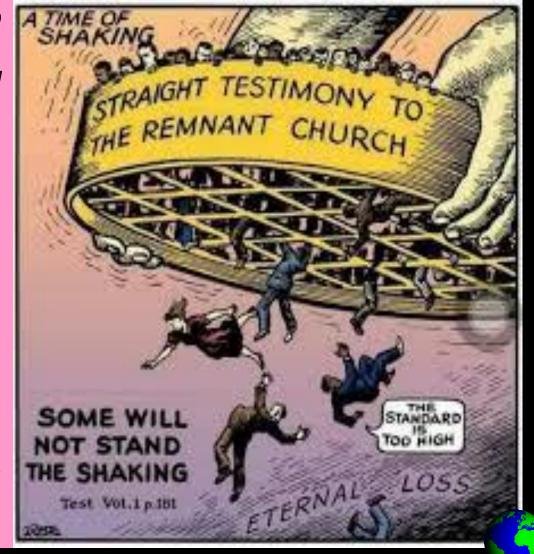


Jesus receives His kingdom at the end of his mediatorial work, which is the close of probation.

**EW 55** I saw the Father rise from the throne, and in a flaming chariot go into the holy of holies within the veil, and sit down. Thén Jesus rose up from the throne, and the most of those who were bowed down arose with Him. I did not see one ray of light pass from Jesus to the careless multitude after He arose, and they were left in perfect darkness. Those who arose when Jesus did, kept their eyes fixed on Him as He left the throne and led them out a little way. Then He raised His right arm, and we heard His lovely voice saying, "Wait here; I am going to My Father to receive the kingdom; keep your garments spotless, and in a little while I will return from the wedding and receive you to Myself.



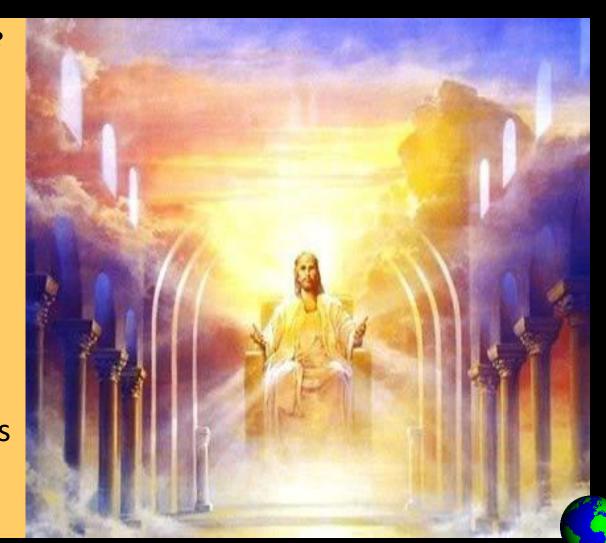
**{EW 280.2}** It was impossible for the plagues to be poured out while Jesus officiated in the sanctuary; but as His work there is finished, and His intercession closes, there is nothing to stay the wrath of God, and it breaks with fury upon the shelterless head of the guilty sinner, who has slighted salvation and hated reproof. In that fearful time, after the close of Jesus' mediation, the saints were living in the sight of a holy God without an intercessor. Every case was decided, every jewel numbered. Jesus tarried a moment in the outer apartment of the heavenly sanctuary, and the sins which had been confessed while He was in the most holy place were placed upon Satan, the originator of sin, who must suffer their punishment.



Then I saw Jesus lay off His priestly attire and clothe Himself with His most kingly robes. Upon His head were many crowns, a crown within a crown. Surrounded by the angelic host, He left heaven. The plagues were falling upon the inhabitants of the earth.

So when does Christ receive his kingdom and change his office to that of king and reign? When he takes off his priestly garments as high priest.

This occurs at the close of probation. Does the Bible tell us when Jesus receives his kingdom and dominion? Yes it does!



Rev 22:11 He that is unjust, let him be unjust still: and he which is filthy, let him be filthy still: and he that is righteous, let him be righteous still: and he that is holy, let him be holy still.

## When the mystery of God is finished probation closes.

There is something interesting to note in Revelation 10:7 about the phrase "when he shall begin to sound."



#### **Conclusion:**

- Adventists are tested first while the door of mercy is opened to others who are not of this fold.
- The seal of God or Mark of the Beast determines who will receive the wrath of God.
- This not determined when Michael stands.
- When you are sealed your character is permanent forever and you can't make a reversal. You will remain perfect or remain lost forever.
- Those sealed are those that will give the Loud Cry when they receive the full outpouring of the Latter rain at the National Sunday Law time period.
- The seal and the full outpouring of the latter rain cannot be placed upon those who have one stain of sin upon them.

God's holy people must endure
PERSECUTION
PATIENTLY

obeying His commands and maintaining their faith

> in Jesus Revelation 14:12



#### **Conclusion:**

"The seal of God will never be placed upon the forehead of an impure man or woman. It will never be placed upon the forehead of the ambitious, world-loving man or woman. It will never be placed upon the forehead of men or women of false tongues or deceitful hearts. All who receive the seal must be without spot before God—candidates for heaven.—5T 216 (1882). {LDE 221.3}

"Love is expressed in obedience, and perfect love casteth out all fear. Those who love God, have the seal of God in their foreheads, and work the works of God.—SD 51 (1894). {LDE 221.4}

"Those that overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil, will be the favoured ones who shall receive the seal of the living God.—TM 445 (c. 1886). {LDE 221.5}

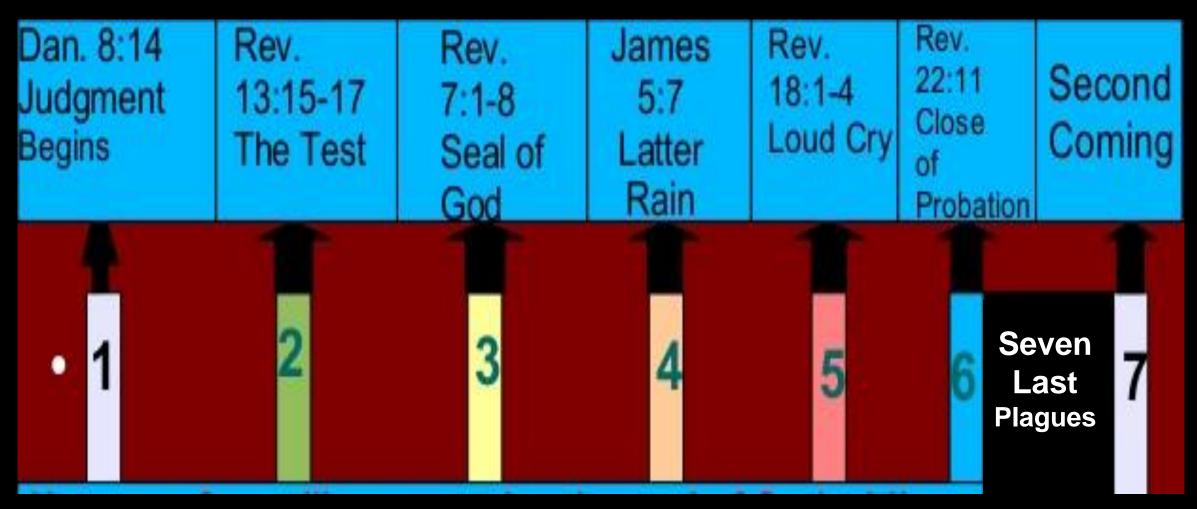


#### Summary of the close of probation

The Blotting Out of Sin NSL COP **Harvest Time** Mark of the Beast Sealing **Latter Rain Loud Cry** Other Sheep **Martyrs** "The tares and the wheat are to grow together until the harvest; and the harvest is the end of probationary time." COL 71.3



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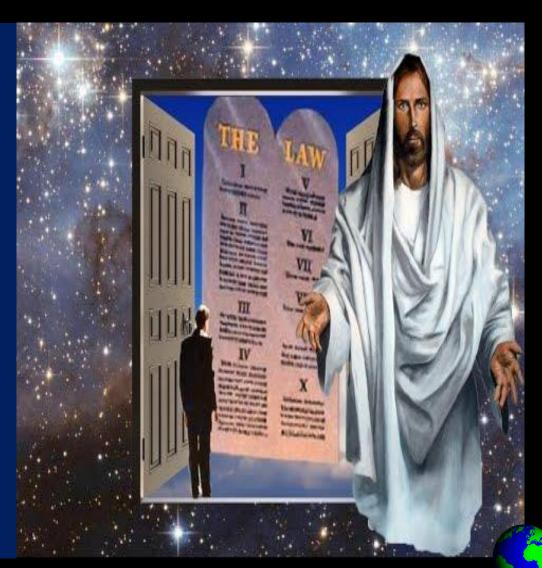


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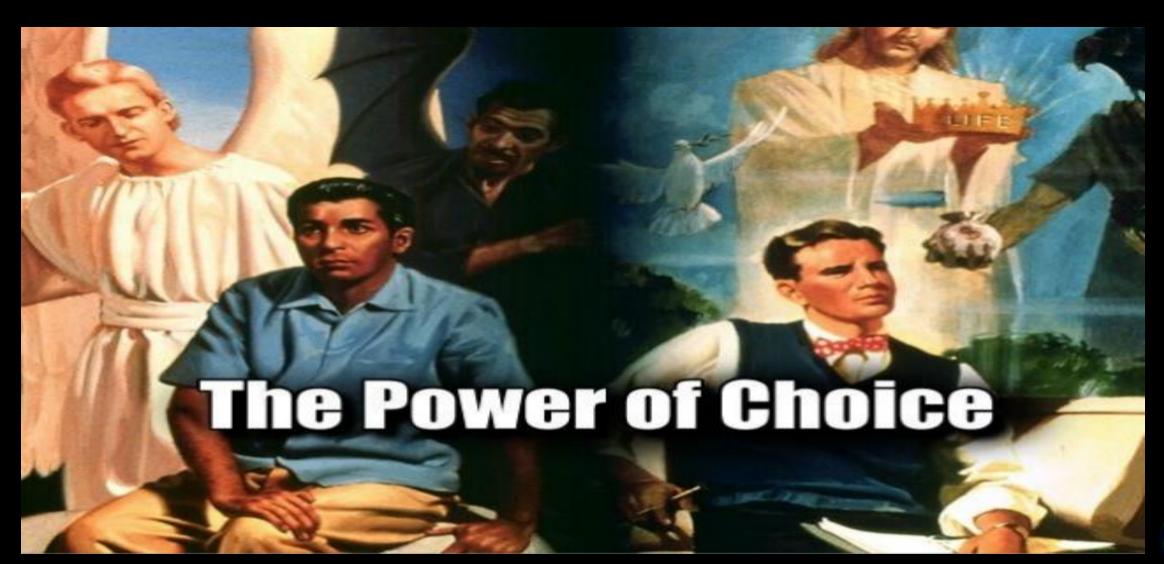
- 1. There was a shut door in Noah's day. (1SM p. 63)
- 2. There was a shut door in the days of Abraham. ...(1SM p. 63)
- 3. There was a shut door in Christ's day. (1SM 63)
- 4. There was a shut door in **1844**. (1SM p. 63)
- There will be a shut door soon for all humanity before Jesus comes.

God has not revealed to us the time when this message will close or when probation will have an end. Those things that are revealed we shall accept for ourselves and for our children, but let us not seek to know that which has been kept secret in the councils of the Almighty. - LDE 227.1

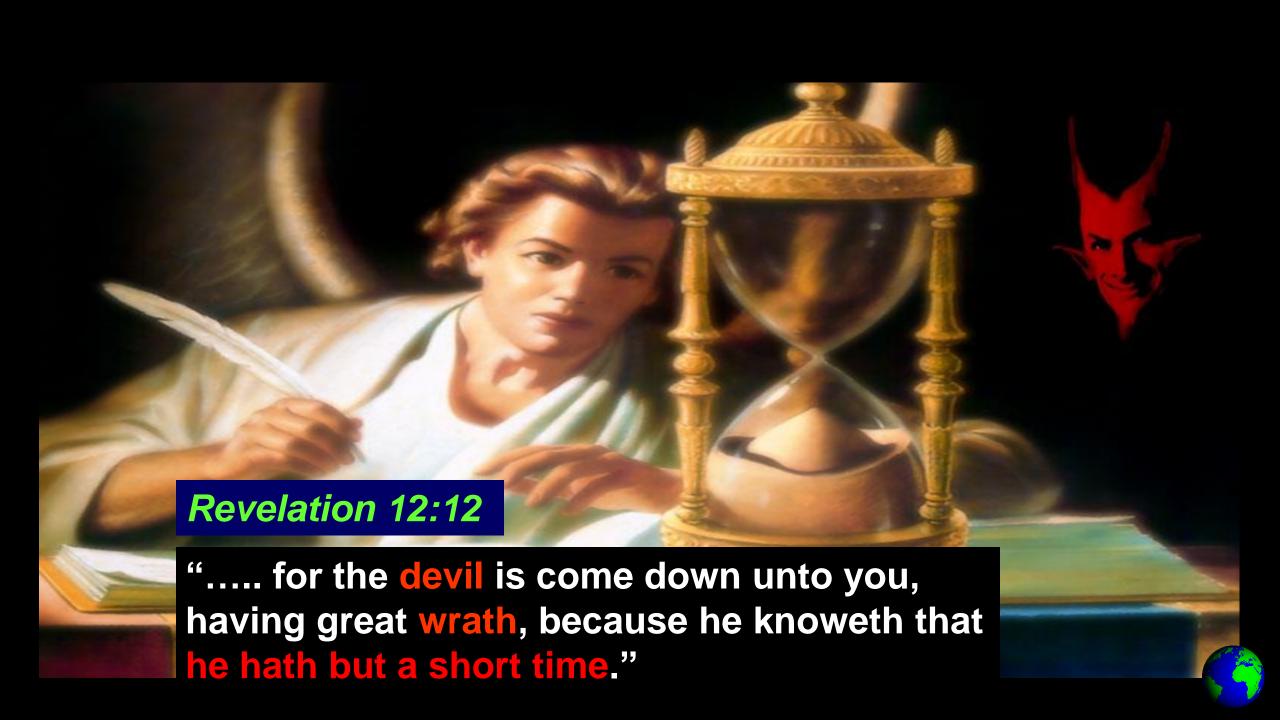
No One Knows When Probation Will Close!



### God has given all:







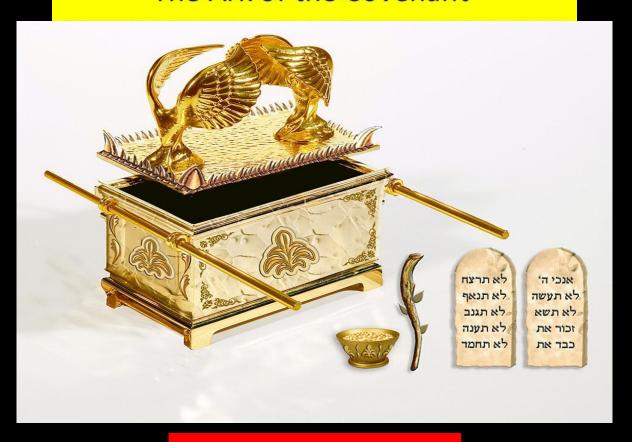
### Enter The Ark of Hope

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, and one shepherd.

- John 10:16



#### The Ark of the Covenant



**Psalms 77:13** 

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. -Revelation 3:20





