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“What Do God’s Remnant People Believe?

Part I

Seventh-day Adventists have confidence in the Holy Scriptures which the Lord has given to us. These were formerly written on ancient scrolls, but now contained in a Book, we call the Bible.

The Inspired Words within its covers, through the prompting of the Holy Spirit teach us how to respond to friends, and adversaries alike, concerning our Christian beliefs!

We need not worry about what to say, the Holy Spirit will bring those teachings to our remembrance-**However we must put Scripture into our hearts and minds to guide us**, {please see John 14:26; Matthew 10:18-20: Luke 12:11&12; I Peter 3:14-16}.

Counsel from God’s inspired messenger

“... We may not in this life, be able to explain the meaning of Scripture; but there are no vital

points to practical truth that will be clouded in mystery. When the time shall come, in the providence of God, for the world to be tested upon that truth for that time, minds will be exercised by His Spirit to search the Scriptures, even with fasting and prayer, until link after link is searched out, and united in a perfect chain.

Every fact which immediately concerns the Salvation of souls will be made clear that none need err, or walk in darkness." {Emphasis supplied}.¹

What does this mean for us?

Obvious Signs Do Tell The Season

With the passing of time it's possible that some of God's people may have become complacent, contented with the status quo in regard to what we know concerning the authority of God's Written Word, and what we believe as a people.

¹ E. G. White. Testimonies for the Church, pp. 650, 651.

For this reason the next several issues of TPT will be devoted to presenting a cohesive “summary of our fundamental beliefs.” These presentations, when studied with prayer and fasting, will instill in our hearts and minds Our Church’s Biblical Teachings, {doctrines} reviving our trust in God’s Holy Word.

Seventh-day Adventists Believe...

1. The Word of God

“The Holy Scriptures, Old and New Testament are the written Word of God given by inspiration through holy men of God who spoke and wrote as they were moved by the Holy Spirit. In this Word, God has committed to man the knowledge necessary for *salvation*.

The Holy Scriptures are the *infallible revelation* of His will. They are the *standard of character*, the test of experience, *the authoritative revealer of doctrines*, and the *trustworthy record of God’s acts in history*, {II Pet. 1:20, 21; II Tim. 3:16, 17; Ps. 119:105; Prov. 30:5, 6; Isa. 8:20; John 17:17; I Thess. 2:13; Heb. 4:12, {Emphasis supplied}. ²

² Seventh-day Adventist Believe, “A Biblical Exposition of Fundamental Beliefs,” Boise ID, Pacific Press Pub. Assn., General Conference of Seventh-day Adventist, 12501 Old Columbia Pike Silver Spring, Md. 2005, pp. 11-21.

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“...The Bible's uniqueness does not come from its unparalleled cultural political, and social influence but from its source and subject matter. It is God's revelation of the unique God-man: the Son of God, Jesus Christ-the Savior of the world,”³ {emphasis supplied}.

Remember my Good Friends, *whenever our own personal opinions, beliefs, cultures, customs, and/or traditions conflict with the Holy Bible, they must be surrendered and succumb to the authority of God's Word!*



³ Ibid. p. 11