

# *These Perilous Times*

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## **Prophecy, and the Prophetic Gift**

**{Remedial Study}**

### **Part II**

The closer we come to the return of Jesus, the more cynical many of God's people are becoming regarding God's Word, and the spiritual authority of "God's inspired messenger," {E. G. White and the prophetic gift} called to guide His remnant church.

Satan is doing all he can to discredit one of God's most essential "Spiritual" gifts, the "gift of prophecy," for such a time as this.

You may have noticed that it has become taboo in many Seventh-day Adventist churches to quote E. G. White, however, it is in vogue to quote Plato, Socrates, who was gay, famous celebrities, and many of the apostate Sunday-keeping preachers, i.e. Rick Warren, who recently went to Pope Francis, {the so-

called Vicar of Christ} to ask for forgiveness for his sins.

My good friends, we do not need the instruction of “Spiritual Babylon”, nor do we need to model ourselves after “Spiritual Babylon” to find out how to conduct the spiritual affairs of “Spiritual Israel.” God through His infinite love, and wisdom has given us His Holy Word, and the gift of prophecy, {spiritual eyes} to guide His church.

What does this mean for us?

## Obvious Signs Do Tell The Season

### Skepticism–Nothing New!

In the July 7, 2014 issue of TPT, {The Gift of Prophecy–Is It Relevant for Today?}, there is listed the results of an informal survey that I conducted over a period of approximately 15 years, {of church members that were over the age of 40}. Notice the answers which some Seventh-day Adventists, “*in*

*good standing*” gave concerning the prophetic gift of E. G. White!

## Q&A

Q: “Do you believe that the writings of E. G. White were inspired by the Holy Spirit?”

A: “No, I don’t believe in any of that \_\_\_\_\_”

Q: “What do you think of the Spiritual gift of E. G. White?”

A: “I have serious doubts about Ellen White, and her writings.”

Q: “Do you read any of Ellen Whites books?”

A: “No”

It’s a sad state of affairs when God’s people who are *supposedly* called by His name deny one of God’s spiritual gifts that must be present as one of the identifying characteristics of His remnant church! <sup>1</sup> According to Ephesians, Paul states that God’s church is to come behind in no spiritual gift until we reach the stature and fullness of Christ! <sup>2</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Revelation 12:17; 19:10; 22:6-10

<sup>2</sup> Ephesians 4:4-13

It appears that the pursuit of ecumenical unity, with the daughters of Babylon the Great is slowly nullifying the sanctifying power of the Word of God, and the gift of prophecy is becoming of non-effect. Why? Because the Word of God is sharper than any two-edged sword and its cutting power reveals the true character and intents of the heart. <sup>3</sup>

Who wants to be counseled and corrected – by God’s Word and the spirit of prophecy – when they are blatantly in opposition to our plans, {sarcasm intended}. So if we choose not to follow a “Thus saith the Lord,” we won’t be deemed legalist by the majority of believers – but delightful Christians, {sarcasm intended}.

Whether or not we choose to believe God’s inspired words through the prophetic office of E. G. White we will be accountable for willfully ignoring her counsel which points us to our Lord and Savior Jesus!

“Either the writings of Ellen White are true or they are not. Some authors may ride two sides of the

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<sup>3</sup> Hebrews 4:12

fence, mixing truth with error but never one who claims inspiration from God. And such a one must be tested. In this case the person must be tested against God's Words: "If they speak not according to this Word... there is NO LIGHT in them." <sup>4</sup>

Ellen White invites exactly such a test. No other modern "prophet" has been able to do this. Mrs. White insists that her writings are "the lesser light" designed "to lead men and women to the greater light" of the Scriptures. "The Word of God is sufficient," she says, "to enlighten the most beclouded mind." Her writings *were given by God to provide more detail in this time of great speed, stress, and the increase of knowledge and deception,* {emphasis provided}. <sup>5</sup>

**To be continued**



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<sup>4</sup> Isaiah 8:20

<sup>5</sup> Ronald J. Ruskjer. Ellen G. White, Prophet of the Last Days, Pacific Press Pub., Assn; 1974, pp. 48, 49.