These Perilous Times

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**“It’s Time To Make Up Our Minds”**

**Part II**

 **“**At the present time, when the end of all things earthly is rapidly approaching, Satan is putting forth desperate efforts to ensnare the world. *He is devising many plans to occupy minds and to divert attention* *from the truths essential to salvation*. In every city his agencies are busily organizing into parties those who are opposed to the law of God. *The archdeceiver is at work to introduce elements of confusion and rebellion*, and men and women are being fired with a zeal that is not according to knowledge” [[1]](#footnote-1) (Italics supplied).

**What does this mean for us?**

**Obvious Signs Do Tell the Season**

“Thou wilt keep Him in perfect peace, ***whose mind is stayed on thee***:”

 Isaiah 26:3 (Emphasis supplied)

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“It is *the law of the mind that gradually adapts itself to the subjects upon which it is trained to dwell*. If occupied *with commonplace matters only*, *it will become dwarfed and enfeebled*. If never required to grapple with difficult problems, it will after a time almost lose the power of growth. As an educating power, *the Bible is without rival*.

In the Word of God, the mind finds subject for the deepest thought, the loftiest aspiration. The Bible is the most instructive history that men possess. It came fresh from the fountain of eternal truth, and a divine hand has preserved its purity through all ages” [[2]](#footnote-2) (Italics supplied).

“For to be *carnally minded is death, but to be spiritually minded is life and peace*. For the carnal mind is enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.” Romans 8:6, 7 NKJV

 (See also Gen. 3:15)

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“When we submit our wills to Christ, the heart is united with his heart, the will is merged in His will, the mind becomes one with his mind, the thoughts are brought into captivity to Him; we live his life…” [[3]](#footnote-3)

**A familiar and favorite text to contemplate**

“Finally, brethern, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and there be any praise,

 think on these things.” Philippians 4:8 KJV



1. E. G. White. Acts of the Apostles, p. 219. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. White. Mind, Character, and Personality, Vol. 2, p. 418. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
3. White. Mind, Character, and Personality, Vol. 1, p.186. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)