

# Welcome To Cerritos Seventh-day Adventist English Ministry



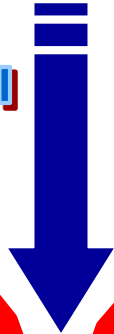
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## Rick Warren: Purpose Driven Life, page 285

- When the disciples wanted to talk about prophecy, Jesus quickly switched the conversation to evangelism. He wanted them to concentrate on their mission in the world. He said in essence, “The details of my return are none of your business. What is your business is the mission I have given you. Focus on that!”



## Matthew 24:15

- When ye therefore shall see the abomination of desolation, spoken of by Daniel the prophet, stand in the holy place, (whoso readeth, let him understand:)



# Isaiah 46:9-10

- Remember the former things of old:  
for I am God, and there is none else; I  
am God, and there is none like me,  
Declaring the end from the beginning,  
and from ancient times the things  
that are not yet done, saying, My  
counsel shall stand, and I will do all  
my pleasure:



# What does fulfilled prophecy do for us?

- “And now I have told you before it come to pass, that, when it is come to pass, ye might believe.” John 14:29.
- “We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:” 2 Peter 1:19.



# 1 Thessalonians 5:2-5

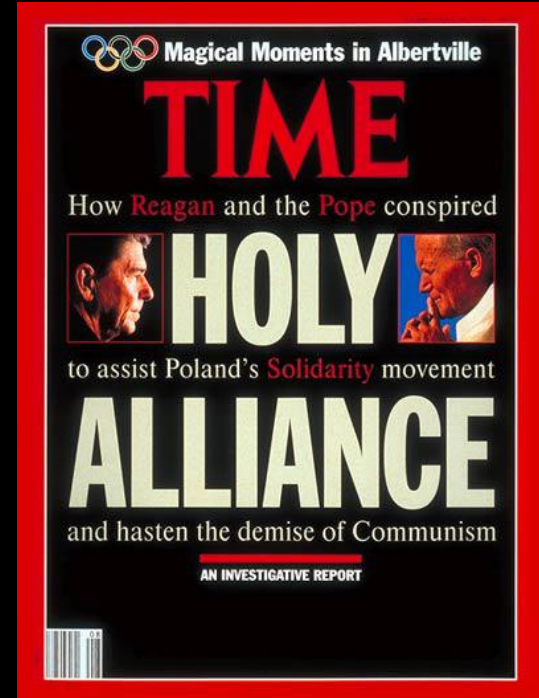
- For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.





## Daniel 11:40

- And at the time of the end shall the king of the south push at him: and the king of the north shall come against him like a whirlwind, with chariots, and with horsemen, and with many ships; and he shall enter into the countries, and shall overflow and pass over.





## Daniel 11:8-9

- “And shall also carry captives into Egypt their gods, with their princes, and with their precious vessels of silver and of gold; and he shall continue more years than the king of the north. So the king of the south shall come into his kingdom, and shall return into his own land.”



# What is Egypt known for?

- “And Pharaoh 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.” Exodus 5:2.
- “By faith Moses, when he was come to years, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; Choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season;” Hebrews 11:24-25.



## Revelation 11:8.

- “And their dead bodies shall lie in the street of the great city, which spiritually is called Sodom and Egypt, where also our Lord was crucified.”



## What is Sodom known for?

- “But before they lay down, the men of the city, even the men of Sodom, compassed the house round, both old and young, all the people from every quarter: And they called unto Lot, and said unto him, Where are the men which came in to thee this night? bring them out unto us, that we may know them.” Genesis 19:4-5.
- “Even as Sodom and Gomorrha, and the cities about them in like manner, giving themselves over to fornication, and going after strange flesh, are set forth for an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.” Jude 1:7

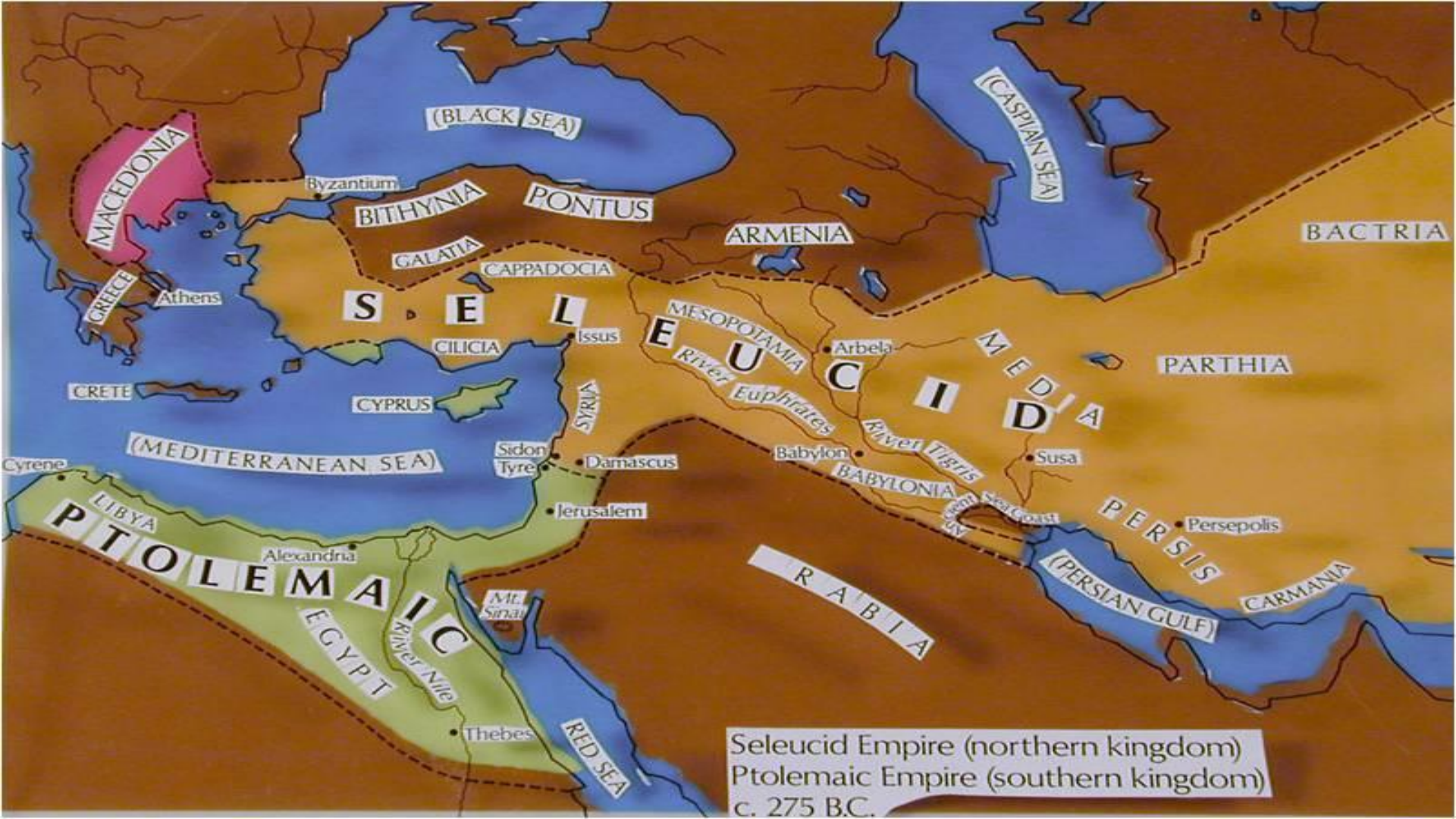


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Seleucid Empire (northern kingdom)  
Ptolemaic Empire (southern kingdom)  
c. 275 B.C.

## Supreme Court rules in favor of same-sex marriage nationwide

- Washington (CNN) (June 26, 2015)
- In a landmark opinion, a divided Supreme Court on Friday ruled that same-sex couples can marry nationwide, establishing a new civil right and handing gay rights advocates a historic victory. In the 5-4 ruling, Justice Anthony Kennedy wrote for the majority with the four liberal justices. Each of the four conservative justices wrote their own dissent.





## Here are the key excerpts on religious liberty from the Supreme Court's decision on gay marriage: June 26, 2015 (*Washington Post*)

- The case has raised questions over how legalizing gay marriage would affect religious institutions. During oral arguments in March, Justice Samuel Alito compared the case to that of Bob Jones University, a fundamentalist Christian university in South Carolina. The Supreme Court ruled in 1983 the school was not entitled to a tax-exempt status if it barred interracial marriage.
- Solicitor General Donald B. Verrilli Jr., arguing for the same-sex couples on behalf of the Obama administration, said, "You know, I don't think I can answer that question without knowing more specifics, but it's certainly going to be an issue. I don't deny that. I don't deny that, Justice Alito. It is –it is going to be an issue."



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- “Hard questions arise when people of faith exercise religion in ways that may be seen to conflict with the new right to same-sex marriage—when, for example, a religious college provides married student housing only to opposite-sex married couples, or a religious adoption agency declines to place children with same-sex married couples. Indeed, the Solicitor General candidly acknowledged that the tax exemptions of some religious institutions would be in question if they opposed same-sex marriage. See Tr. of Oral Arg. on Question 1, at 36–38. There is little doubt that these and similar questions will soon be before this Court. Unfortunately, people of faith can take no comfort in the treatment they receive from the majority today.” Chief Justice John Roberts.



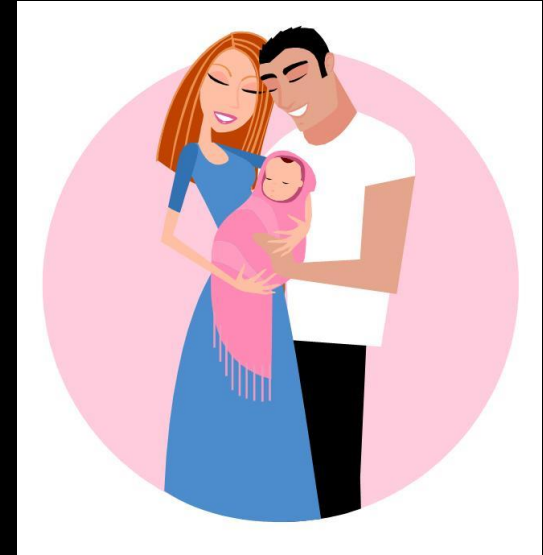
## Matthew 19:4-6

- And he answered and said unto them, Have ye not read, that he which made them at the beginning made them male and female, And said, For this cause shall a man leave father and mother, and shall cleave to his wife: and they twain shall be one flesh? Wherefore they are no more twain, but one flesh. What therefore God hath joined together, let not man put asunder.



## Purpose of Marriage:

- God is love (1 John 4:8)
- God is life (John 1:4, John 5:26)
- God created man and woman in the image of God (Genesis 1:27)
- The purpose of marriage is to express love and create life (Genesis 1:28, Ephesians 5:25-33, Hebrews 13:4)



## ***Adventist Home: page 340.4***

- Then marriage and the Sabbath had their origin, twin institutions for the glory of God in the benefit of humanity. Then, as the Creator joined the hands of the holy pair in wedlock, saying, A man shall "leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall be one," He enunciated the law of marriage for all the children of Adam to the close of time. That which the eternal Father Himself had pronounced good was the law of highest blessing and development for man.



# Obama's LGBT Executive Order endangers religious liberty. July 21, 2014. FoxNews.com

- President Obama signed an executive order Monday barring federal contractors from discriminating on the basis of sexual orientation and gender identity – ignoring the pleas of Christian and other faith leaders to include an exemption for religious organizations.
- The executive order would prevent Christian and other religious organizations with federal contracts from requiring workers to adhere to the tenets of their religious beliefs. Christianity Today reports the order could impact religious non-profits such as World Vision, World Relief and Catholic Charities.
- Last month, National Security Adviser Susan Rice told a gathering at the White House Forum on Global LGBT Human Rights that it was their responsibility to sway theological thinking on the LGBT issue. “For the faith community, how can we reinforce to religious groups that God loves all the children of his creation equally?” she asked the crowd. “Change will come,” she went on to say. “It’s already coming.”



# Current Events:

City of Houston demands pastors turn over sermons

By [Todd Starnes](#) Published October 14, 2014  
[FoxNews.com](#)

“The city of Houston has issued subpoenas demanding a group of pastors turn over any sermons dealing with homosexuality, gender identity or Annise Parker, the city’s first openly lesbian mayor. And those ministers who fail to comply could be held in contempt of court.”





- The New York based Catholic League for Religious and Civil Rights issued a statement Tuesday saying Pasadena Public Health Director Dr. Eric Walsh should not keep his post at the city. League President and CEO Bill Donohue said after learning of Walsh's sermons, many of which express discriminatory views toward homosexuals, Muslims, Catholics, popular culture icons, and others, he thinks Walsh is not qualified for the position in public health. He states, "Dr. Walsh is not fit to be the head of Pasadena's Public Health Department. It is not worth attempting to rebut the man's bigotry, so outlandish is it. Anyone whose judgment is that impaired has no legitimate role to play in public life." *Pasadena Star News*. May 6, 2014



## *The Oregonian: July 2, 2015*

- Oregon Labor Commissioner Brad Avakian on Thursday ordered the owners of a former Gresham bakery to pay \$135,000 in damages to a lesbian couple for refusing to make them a wedding cake.
- Bakery owners Melissa and Aaron Klein cited their Christian beliefs against same-sex marriage in denying service. The case ignited a long-running skirmish in the nation's culture wars, pitting civil rights advocates against religious freedom proponents who argued business owners should have the right to refuse services for gay and lesbian weddings.



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- "This has been a terrible ordeal for our entire family. We never imagined finding ourselves caught up in a fight for social justice," they said. "We endured daily, hateful attacks on social media, received death threats and feared for our family's safety, yet our goal remained steadfast. We were determined to ensure that this kind of blatant discrimination never happened to another couple, another family, another Oregonian."
- The Sweet Cakes by Melissa car was vandalized and broken into twice. Photographers and florists severed ties with the company, eventually forcing Sweet Cakes to close the Gresham shop in September 2013. The business now operates out of the couple's home in Sandy.



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## Daniel 11:36-37

- And the king (refers to North till verse 15) shall do according to his will; and he shall exalt himself, and magnify himself above every god, and shall speak marvellous things against the God of gods, and shall prosper till the indignation be accomplished: for that that is determined shall be done. Neither shall he regard the God of his fathers, nor the desire of women, nor regard any god: for he shall magnify himself above all.



# Who is the King of the North?

- “And he shall speak great words against the most High, and shall wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.” Daniel 7:25
- Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God. 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4.



# Speak Words Against the Most High:

- "The Pope and God are the same, so he has all power in Heaven and earth." Pope Pius V, quoted in Barclay, Chapter XXVII, p. 218, "Cities Petrus Bertanous".
- "The Pope takes the place of Jesus Christ on earth...by divine right the Pope has supreme and full power in faith, in morals over each and every pastor and his flock. He is the true vicar, the head of the entire church, the father and teacher of all Christians. He is the infallible ruler, the founder of dogmas, the author of and the judge of councils; the universal ruler of truth, the arbiter of the world, the supreme judge of heaven and earth, the judge of all, being judged by no one, God himself on earth." Quoted in the New York Catechism.
- "The Pope has power to change times, to abrogate laws, and to dispense with all things, even the precepts of Christ." Decretal, de Tranlatic Episcop.





## “The next battle over gay rights:” June 29, 2015 CNN.COM

- While polls show that a majority of religious Americans now support same-sex marriage, many prominent groups -- such as the Catholic Church, the Southern Baptist Convention and the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints -- do not. Leaders from those groups pledged on Friday to seek legal means to shield their beliefs from state interference.



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- One of the statement's signees, Russell Moore, president of the Southern Baptist Convention's Ethics & Religious Liberty Commission, called "religious liberty" the "next front in the skirmish in American life."
- The skirmish will likely endure for years, Moore said at a press conference on Friday, with casualties on both sides.
- "One of the most tragic results we could possibly see is an unrelenting cultural war from progressives toward those who dissent because of deeply held religious convictions."



## Protestants link with the Papacy:

- “When my wife saw that she could be Catholic, and Charismatic, and Evangelical, and Pentecostal, and it was absolutely accepted in the Catholic Church, she said that she would like to reconnect her roots with the Catholic culture. Brothers and sisters, Luther’s protest is over. Is yours?” Bishop Tony Palmer
- “We have more in common than what divides us.” Rick Warren (On the Papacy)



# Pope Francis says it's the devil who divides Protestants and Catholics. May 27, 2015. ChristianityToday.com

- "He knows that Christians are disciples of Christ, that they are one, that they are brothers! He doesn't care if they are Evangelicals or Orthodox, Lutherans, Catholics or Apostolic... he doesn't care! They are Christians." He described division between Christians as "a wound in the body of the Church of Christ", adding that "we do not want this wound to remain open."
- Fulfilled in *Great Controversy* 445.1, 565, *Testimonies to the Church* Volume 5, page 716.



## Revelation 13:3

- “And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.”



# Boehner preparing 'inauguration-like setting' for Pope Francis. July 8, 2015 CNN.COM

- House Speaker John Boehner is preparing an "inauguration-like setting" on the west front of the U.S. Capitol so members of the public can view Pope Francis's visit to Washington in September.
- “The speaker, who is Catholic, last year extended a formal invitation to the pope to address Congress and the pope officially accepted this February. The pope's visit will mark the first time the head of the Catholic Church addresses a joint meeting of Congress.”



CAMPOBASSO, Italy (AP) July 5, 2014 — Pope Francis has lamented the abandoning of the traditionally Christian practice of not working on Sundays, saying it has a negative impact on families and friendships.

He said that spending Sundays with family and friends is an "ethical choice" for faithful and non-faithful alike.

Pope: No-work Sundays good, not just for faithful

AP 11 hours ago





# December 3, 2009

- German Court Enforces Day of Rest: Germany's Highest Court Strictly Enforces Day of Rest, Bans Sunday Shopping By SIOBHÁN DOWLING. ABC News.com—
- Many visitors to Germany can find themselves standing outside a closed department store, perplexed to find that they cannot do a bit of shopping during their weekend trip. This is a result of Germany's long-held resistance to Sunday shopping even in the face of growing consumerism.... The labor unions had joined the churches in their campaign to ring-fence Sunday as a day off for the nation. However, their focus was not on protecting the right to practise religion, but rather on protecting workers in the retail sector from having to work on Sundays, sometimes the only day they might get to spend with other members of their family. The services union Verdi greeted Tuesday's ruling with "relief and joy," saying this was a boon to shopworkers and their families.



# June 18, 2015

- “On Sunday, our participation in the Eucharist has special importance. Sunday, like the Jewish Sabbath, is meant to be a day which heals our relationships with God, with ourselves, with others and with the world.... Rest opens our eyes to the larger picture and gives us renewed sensitivity to the rights of others. And so the day of rest, centered on the Eucharist, sheds it light on the whole week, and motivates us to greater concern for nature and the poor.” – (Section 237) ENCYCLICAL LETTER LAUDATO SI’ OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME



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TO ASK OURSELVES  
IF WORKING ON  
SUNDAYS IS TRUE  
FREEDOM."

-POPE FRANCIS



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FOX & Friends Weekend  
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Family first on Sundays? Pope Francis arguing that it might be time to reconsider the traditional Christian practice of taking Sundays off in order to spend more time on families and friendships. What do you think?

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**Fred Gresham** Hosea 4:6 My people are destroyed for lack of knowledge: because thou hast rejected knowledge, I will also reject thee, that thou shalt be no priest to me: seeing thou hast forgotten the law of thy God, I will also forget thy children." Daniel 7:25 - ... See More

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**Riley Whittenberger** I remember those days back in the early 70's when hardly anything was open on Sundays, maybe a gas station or two and that was it...

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4 Replies



**Michelle J. Dougherty** Growing up in the 1970's sunday was for church and going to Grandmas. It was the BEST way to grow up!

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# Exodus 20:6

- “And shewing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.”



# Exodus 20:8-11

- Remember the sabbath day, to keep it holy. Six days shalt thou labour, and do all thy work: But the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD thy God: in it thou shalt not do any work, thou, nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, nor thy maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor thy stranger that is within thy gates: For in six days the LORD made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that in them is, and rested the seventh day: wherefore the LORD blessed the sabbath day, and hallowed it.



# Nehemiah 13:15

- “In those days saw I in Judah some treading wine presses on the sabbath, and bringing in sheaves, and lading asses; as also wine, grapes, and figs, and all manner of burdens, which they brought into Jerusalem on the sabbath day: and I testified against them in the day wherein they sold victuals.”



# Matthew 24:7-9

- For nation shall rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom: and there shall be famines, and pestilences, and earthquakes, in divers places. All these are the beginning of sorrows. Then shall they deliver you up to be afflicted, and shall kill you: and ye shall be hated of all nations for my name's sake.





# *The Great Controversy, page 585.2*

- Already the doctrine that men are released from obedience to God's requirements has weakened the force of moral obligation and opened the floodgates of iniquity upon the world. Lawlessness, dissipation, and corruption are sweeping in upon us like an overwhelming tide. In the family, Satan is at work. His banner waves, even in professedly Christian households. There is envy, evil surmising, hypocrisy, estrangement, emulation, strife, betrayal of sacred trusts, indulgence of lust.... The infatuation of vice, the wanton taking of life, the terrible increase of intemperance and iniquity of every order and degree, should arouse all who fear God, to inquire what can be done to stay the tide of evil.



# *The Great Controversy, page 586*

- “The teachings of religious leaders have opened the door to infidelity, to spiritualism, and to contempt for God's holy law; and upon these leaders rests a fearful responsibility for the iniquity that exists in the Christian world. Yet this very class put forth the claim that the fast-spreading corruption is largely attributable to the desecration of the so-called "Christian sabbath," and that the enforcement of Sunday observance would greatly improve the morals of society. This claim is especially urged in America, where the doctrine of the true Sabbath has been most widely preached.”



# *The Great Controversy, page 589*

- In accidents and calamities by sea and by land, in great conflagrations, in fierce tornadoes and terrific hailstorms, in tempests, floods, cyclones, tidal waves, and earthquakes, in every place and in a thousand forms, Satan is exercising his power. He sweeps away the ripening harvest, and famine and distress follow. He imparts to the air a deadly taint, and thousands perish by the pestilence. These visitations are to become more and more frequent and disastrous....



# *The Great Controversy, page 590*

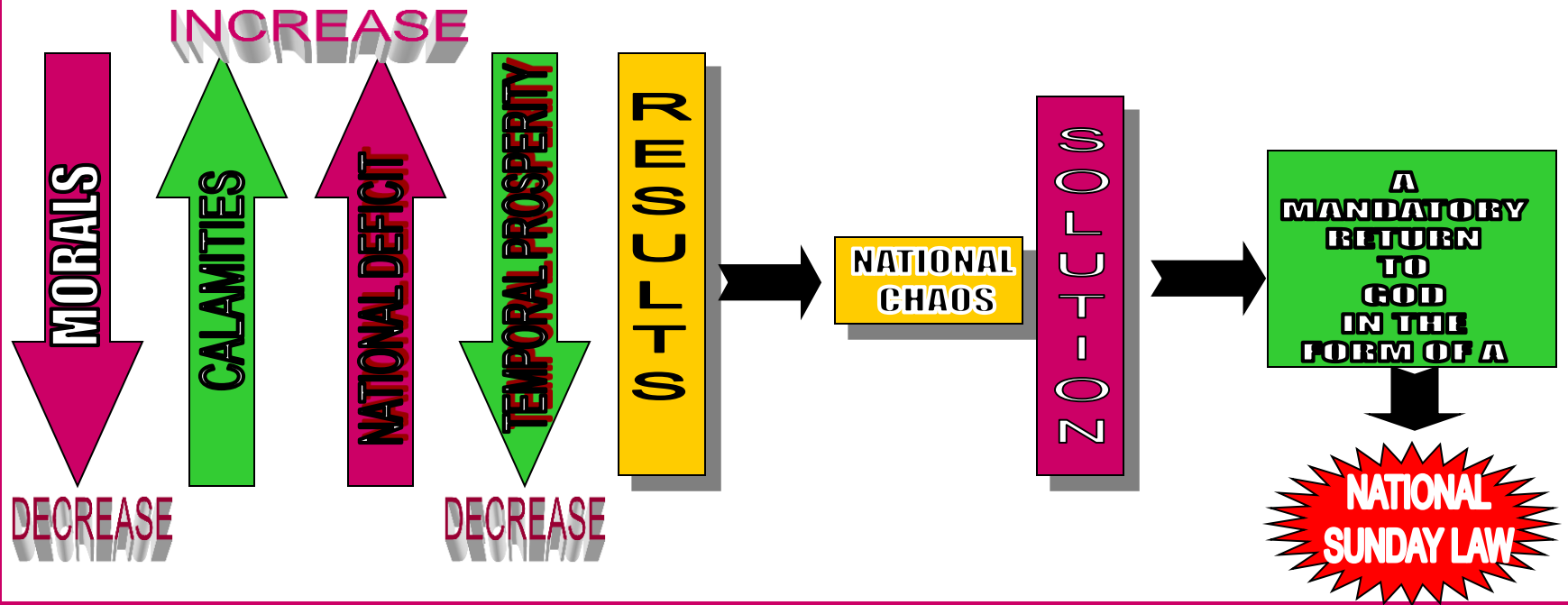
- And then the great deceiver will persuade men that those who serve God are causing these evils. The class that have provoked the displeasure of Heaven will charge all their troubles upon those whose obedience to God's commandments is a perpetual reproof to transgressors. It will be declared that men are offending God by the violation of the Sunday sabbath; that this sin has brought calamities which will not cease until Sunday observance shall be strictly enforced; and that those who present the claims of the fourth commandment, thus destroying reverence for Sunday, are troublers of the people, preventing their restoration to divine favor and temporal prosperity. {GC 590.1}



# FINAL ACT IN THE DRAMA!

## WHAT IS THE FINAL TEST???

REV. 13:11-15, JOHN 16:1-3, ROM. 6:16, GC.589-692 & 605-608



THE FINAL ACT IN THE DRAMA: 7T 141 & 5T 451-452

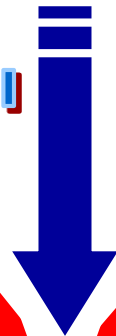
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## Final Arguments: Force Versus Love

- “And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.” Revelation 13:15.
- “And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.” Revelation 13:17



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- “Here is the patience of the saints: here are they that keep the commandments of God, and the faith of Jesus.” Revelation 14:12.
- “Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.” 1 Corinthians 13:7 (ESV)
- By this we know that we love the children of God, when we love God, and keep his commandments. For this is the love of God, that we keep his commandments: and his commandments are not grievous. 1 John 5:2-3.



## Love Versus Force

- But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life. Romans 5:8-10.



## Love Versus Force

- “In whom we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of his grace;”  
Ephesians 1:7.



# 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

- Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God. And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.



## Jesus know that a crisis was near

- “And while they abode in Galilee, Jesus said unto them, The Son of man shall be betrayed into the hands of men: And they shall kill him, and the third day he shall be raised again. And they were exceeding sorry.” Matthew 17:22-23
- “Behold, we go up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man shall be betrayed unto the chief priests and unto the scribes, and they shall condemn him to death, And shall deliver him to the Gentiles to mock, and to scourge, and to crucify him: and the third day he shall rise again.” Matthew 20:18-19.



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- And he said, Abba, Father, all things are possible unto thee; take away this cup from me: nevertheless not what I will, but what thou wilt. Mark 14:36





## Jesus Understands:

- “For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham. Wherefore in all things it behoved him to be made like unto his brethren, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest in things pertaining to God, to make reconciliation for the sins of the people. For in that he himself hath suffered being tempted, he is able to succour them that are tempted.” Hebrews 2:16-18



## Jesus gives us the power to overcome:

- “Looking unto Jesus the author and finisher of our faith; who for the joy that was set before him endured the cross, despising the shame, and is set down at the right hand of the throne of God.” Hebrews 12:2.
- “These things I have spoken unto you, that in me ye might have peace. In the world ye shall have tribulation: but be of good cheer; I have overcome the world.” John 16:33.
- “To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne.” Revelation 3:21.



○ “Its time to go home.  
Cross the Jordan, don't  
retreat”

