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John also was a witness of the terrible scenes that will take place as signs of Christ's coming. He saw armies mustering for battle, and people's hearts failing them for fear. He saw the earth moved out of its place, the mountains carried into the midst of the sea, the waves thereof roaring and troubled. He saw the vials of wrath opened, and pestilence, famine, and death come upon the inhabitants of the earth. Already the restraining Spirit of God is being withdrawn from the world. Hurricanes, storms, tempests, fire and flood, disasters by sea and land, follow each other in quick succession. Science seeks to explain all these. The signs thickening around us, telling of the near approach of the Son of God, are attributed to any other than the true cause. People cannot discern the sentinel angels restraining the four winds, that they shall not blow until the servants of God are sealed. But when God shall bid His angels loose the winds, there will be such a scene of strife as no pen can picture. We are standing on the threshold of great and solemn events. Prophecy is fast fulfilling. The Lord is at the door. There is soon to open before us a period of overwhelming interest to all who are living. The controversies of the past are to be revived. New controversies will arise. The scenes to be enacted in our world are not even dreamed of. Satan is at work through human agencies. But God's servants are not to trust to themselves in this great emergency. The program of coming events is in the hands of the Lord. The world is not without a ruler; the Majesty of heaven has the destiny of nations, as well as the concerns of His church, in His own hands. . . . {CTr 316}



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Kisii Prophecy School Report.

The ten day prophecy school was an overall success. The daily attendance was 70 - 80 each week day. On Sabbath the attendance was about a hundred people.

The speakers were drawn from the Kenya School of the Prophets:

1. Br. Robert Kariuki shared on the Last president.
2. Br. Rodgers shared on Ezra 7:9 and the concepts of calendation in Millerite history.
3. Br. Boaz Obure shared on the nature of man and health.

The presentations were a blessing and many new thoughts and concepts in the areas covered were discovered. It was realised that the events leading up to the last crisis are happening round us in a rapid pace, and we stand the danger of being overtaken unaware if we do not watch and pray.

The videos will soon be uploaded on YouTube.

The work in Kisii has experienced exponential growth over the last one year. They have over five groups that meet on a weekly basis. There are two of our brothers who labor with the groups. Kisii is an area of interest, because it is an area with a large concentration of Adventists. As such, this message can be expected to produce the greatest effect there, both in reception and opposition. The work there has dynamic challenges, let us keep it and the workers there in prayers.

All praises to Christ who both plants and gives increase.

Let us pray for the work in all the parts of the country, and that the Lord will be with all those who have accepted to put their hands on the plough.

*Revelation 7:1 And after these things I saw four angels standing on the **four corners of the earth**, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the **earth**, nor on the sea, nor on **any tree**.*

The Setting

Rule one of William Millers 14 rules of Bible Interpretation gives us the instruction that as we study, every word in the subject being considered must be allowed to have its proper prophetic bearing. This means that the influence of every word must be considered carefully. This becomes the first thing to consider in our study. Revelation 7 starts with the words “and after these things”. This statement means that there must have been some “things” previous to Revelation 7:1 that John had been shown which have a strong influence on how we understand the events that will follow in the rest of the chapter. To understand this, we must draw our minds back to chapter 6 of the Revelation.

Revelation 6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

The last thing brought out in Revelation 6 is a question which, in consideration to the fact that “the day of his wrath” had come, asks, “who shall be able to stand?”. The day of wrath as especially used in Revelation, and in agreement with the context of Revelation 6:17 refers to the period of the seven last plagues.

*Revelation 15:1 And I saw another sign in heaven, great and marvellous, seven angels having **the seven last plagues; for in them is filled up the wrath of God**.*

The seven last plagues will begin to be poured when human probation closes.

*Mercy's sweet call is now sounding; but it will soon die away. **Probation's hour will soon be ended. The seven last plagues will fall**, and then those who have chosen the pleasures of the world and rebelled against God, will cry for mercy when there will be none to answer their prayers. {YI, January 1, 1854 par. 5}*

When Christ ceases his intercession in the sanctu-

ary, the unmingled wrath threatened against those who worship the beast and his image and receive his mark, [Revelation 14:9, 10.] will be poured out. The plagues upon Egypt when God was about to deliver Israel, were similar in character to those more terrible and extensive judgments which are to fall upon the world just before the final deliverance of God's people. {GC88 627.2}

So John is taken to the close of probation when the seven plagues will fall, and he has a burden as to whether there will be one” able to stand”. This allows us to see that people will be required to stand in the time when mercy no longer pleads and the arsenals of God against the transgressors of His law are unleashed. With the question as to whether there is one able to stand at the close of probation, Revelation 7:1 comes in. It shows us angels of God holding the four winds from blowing upon the earth, the sea and the trees. It can therefore be safely concluded based on the flow of the sentences that the wrath of God is brought by the loosening and blowing and the four winds. Thus the restraining of the four winds is also the restrain of the wrath of God.

Revelation 6:17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand? 7:1 And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree. 2. And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, 3. Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads. 4. And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.

What this allows us to see is that there is a point in prophetic history where the wrath of God as contained in the seven plagues was ready to fall upon the earth, but was restrained by the four angels. This restrain was to allow for the sealing of the 144000. Thus the four winds are restrained in history at the same time when the sealing of the 144000 commences.

Four Winds, Earth, Sea and Trees.

The four winds blow upon the earth, sea, and trees. It is

important to understand these entities upon which the winds blow, and what they represent. The sea which are waters, in Bible prophecy represents the nations, multitudes and peoples of the world.

15 And he saith unto me, The waters which thou sawest, where the whore sitteth, are peoples, and multitudes, and nations, and tongues.

The sea represents the nations of the world with its rulers and governors. In Revelation 17, the whore is seen to be riding upon many waters. This symbolizes the union of the papacy and the “ten” European kings. At the end of the world, the papacy will again ride on many waters, this time the waters being the ten kings – a union of the nations of the world. (See Revelation 17:17, SpM 1).

The earth in Bible Prophecy represents the United States of America. GC 440, 441, Revelation 13:11.

The trees can symbolize people or kingdoms and is used mostly to represent Gods covenant people. In Daniel 4, Nebuchadnezzar and his kingdom Babylon is represented as a tree. In Ezekiel 15, the Lord uses a tree to symbolize his church. So a tree is a symbol of God’s people. Due to the fact that the symbol of seas represents peoples, multitudes and nations of the world, the symbol of trees cannot be applying to people in generality, it applies to Gods people.

The Four Winds.

Location in History.

The four winds of Revelation 7 are connected to the four winds in Ezekiel 37 by Sr White in the following passages;

Angels are holding the four winds, represented as an angry horse seeking to break loose and rush over the face of the whole earth, bearing destruction and death in its path. {20MR 216.6}

Shall we sleep on the very verge of the eternal world? Shall we be dull and cold and dead? Oh, that we might have in our churches the Spirit and breath of God breathed into His people, that they might stand upon their feet and live. We need to see that the way is narrow, and the gate strait. But as we pass through the strait gate, its wideness is without limit. {20MR 217.1}

Ezekiel 37: 1 The hand of the LORD was upon me, and carried me out in the spirit of the LORD, and set me down in the midst of the valley which was full of bones, 2. And caused me to pass by them round about: and, behold, there were very many in the open valley; and, lo, they were very dry..... 11 **Then he said unto me, Son of man, these bones are the whole house of Israel: behold, they say, Our bones are dried, and our hope is lost: we are cut off for our parts.**

In Ezekiel 37, we see a valley full of dead dry bones – a symbol of the whole house of Israel. Israel is a symbol of the Seventh Day Adventist Church.

In order to be purified and to remain pure, Seventh-day Adventists must have the Holy Spirit in their hearts and in their homes. The Lord has given me light that when the Israel of today humble themselves before Him, and cleanse the soul-temple from all defilement, He will hear their prayers in behalf of the sick and will bless in the use of His remedies for disease. When in faith the human agent does all he can to combat disease, using the simple methods of treatment that God has provided, his efforts will be blessed of God. {CCh 238.4}

Ezekiel 37 takes us to a point in history when the whole church is represented as being dead – without flesh and very dry. In an effort to save it, the Lord through Ezekiel commands breath to come from the four winds vivifying the dead dry bones.

*Ezekiel 37:9 Then said he unto me, Prophecy unto the wind, prophecy, son of man, and say to the wind, Thus saith the Lord GOD; **Come from the four winds, O breath, and breathe upon these slain, that they may live** 0 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and the breath came into them, and they lived, **and stood up upon their feet, an exceeding great army.***

The breath that comes from the four winds represents the Holy Spirit that is given to the church to give it life, through the ministration of the latter rain. Through the reception of the messages that come through the agency of the latter rain, a sealing process among God's people is initiated.

*Not one of us will ever receive the **seal of God** while our characters have one spot or stain upon them. It is*

*left with us to remedy the defects in our characters, to cleanse the soul temple of every defilement. **Then the latter rain** will fall upon us as the early rain fell upon the disciples on the Day of Pentecost. {5T 214.2}*

This makes a strong connection between Ezekiel 37 and Revelation 7. Both of them are talking about the same thing in different ways. Thus to know where to locate the restraining of the four winds which allow the sealing to take place, we need to understand when in history the latter rain begins to sprinkle. The latter rain comes under the angel of Revelation 18.

*Revelation 18:1 ¶ And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven, having great power; **and the earth was lightened with his glory.***

***The latter rain is to fall upon the people of God. A mighty angel is to come down from heaven, and the whole earth is to be lighted with His glory.** Are we ready to take part in the glorious work of the third angel? Are our vessels ready to receive the heavenly dew? Have we defilement and sin in the heart? **If so, let us cleanse the soul temple, and prepare for the showers of the latter rain.** The refreshing from the presence of the Lord will never come to hearts filled with impurity. May God help us to die to self, that Christ, the hope of glory, may be formed within! {YRP 295.3}*

The arrival of the angel of Revelation 18:1 – 3 is located in history by inspiration.

*"Now comes the word that I have declared that **New York** is to be swept away by a tidal wave. This I have never said. I have said, **as I looked at the great buildings going up there, story after story: 'What terrible scenes will take place when the Lord shall arise to shake terribly the earth! Then the words of Revelation 18:1-3 will be fulfilled.'** {LS 411.5}*

The event upon which the buildings in New York came down points to the attack on the Twin Towers that took place in September 11, 2001. This attack was carried out by Radical Islam through the Al Qaeda terror group. Thus the four winds were held in September 11, 2001, colloquially called 911.

So what specifically are the four winds that were held

at 911 from blowing in the United States, the nations of the world and the Seventh Day Adventist Church?

Angry Horse.

Angels are holding the four winds, represented as an angry horse seeking to break loose and rush over the face of the whole earth, bearing destruction and death in its path. {20MR 216.6}

The horse is part of the equine family, that also includes the “wild ass” and in the Bible is associated with Islam. Ishmael who illustrates the religion of Islam is called a wild man. The Hebrew word “wild” is the same one translated as the “wild ass”.

*Genesis 16:11 And the angel of the LORD said unto her, Behold, thou art with child, and shalt bear a son, and shalt call his name **Ishmael**; because the LORD hath heard thy affliction. 12 **And he will be a wild man**; his hand will be against every man, and every man's hand against him; and he shall dwell in the presence of all his brethren.*

Wild

6501. arp pere', peh'-reh
Search for 06501 in KJV or pereh (Jeremiah 2:24) {peh'-reh}; from 6500 in the secondary sense of running wild; the onager:--wild (ass).

The wild ass is associated with elevated abilities to snuff up the wind.

*Jeremiah 2:24 A **wild ass** used to the wilderness, that **snuffeth up the wind** at her pleasure; in her occasion who can turn her away? all they that seek her will not weary themselves; in her month they shall find her.*

The wild ass is always held in a restrained manner and is only loosed at the command of the Lord.

Job 39:5 Who hath sent out the wild ass free? or who hath loosed the bands of the wild ass?

At 911, Islam was “seeking to break loose” and bring “destruction on its path” throughout the world, but it was restrained to allow the outpouring the Holy Spirit and the sealing of the 144000.

Earlier in the document, we had shown that the story of

Revelation 7 begins in the last verses of Revelation 6. The setting is at a time that the “wrath of the Lord” which is contained in the seven last plagues is about to be outpoured. The solemn question is asked “who shall be able to stand?” If we put the story of Ezekiel 37 on top of Revelation 7, it allows us to see that no one within God’s church could stand since God’s church was a “valley full of dry bones lying waste”. Thus in His infinite mercy, instead of the destruction that the four winds threatened to bring, the Lord called for the “life giving showers” to come from the four winds, enabling God’s people “to stand upon their feet as a mighty army”.

On September 11, 2001, the crisis that is to precede the second coming was ready to unfold before us. Some of these events are outlined in Inspiration and include the passage of a Sunday law, both in the United States and in all the countries of the world progressively and also the seven last plagues which come as a result of the passage of the universal Sunday law illustrated in Daniel 11:45, 12:1.

*Here was a work to be done **before the angels should let go the four winds**; and if we shall awake to what is transpiring right around us, **we must admit that we are not ready for the contest and the perplexities which are to be brought upon us, after the decree shall go forth.** {RH, December 18, 1888 par. 16}*

*I saw that the four angels would **hold the four winds until Jesus' work was done in the sanctuary, and then will come the seven last plagues.** These plagues enraged the wicked against the righteous; they thought that we had brought the judgments of God upon them, and that if they could rid the earth of us, the plagues would then be stayed. A decree went forth to slay the saints, which caused the cry day and night for deliverance. This was the time of Jacob's trouble. [See Genesis 32... {CET 100.3}*

But all these fearful scenes were prevented from commencing because we were as “dead dry bones”. To be dead means that we were in a hopeless, sinful, worldly and lost condition. Ecclesiastes 9:4, 5, Luke 15:24. Had probation really closed, Gods church would have been lost in its entirety.

I asked my accompanying angel the meaning of what

I heard, and what the four angels were about to do. He said to me that it was God that restrained the powers, and that He gave His angels charge over things on the earth; that the four angels had power from God to hold the four winds, and that they were about to let them go; but while their hands were loosening, and the four winds were about to blow, the merciful eye of Jesus gazed on the remnant that were not sealed, and He raised His hands to the Father and pleaded with Him that He had spilled His blood for them. Then another angel was commissioned to fly swiftly to the four angels and bid them hold, until the servants of God were sealed with the seal of the living God in their foreheads. EW 38.2

I saw four angels who had a work to do on the earth, and were on their way to accomplish it. Jesus was clothed with priestly garments. He gazed in pity on the remnant, then raised His hands, and with a voice of deep pity cried, "My blood, Father, My blood, My blood, My blood!" Then I saw an exceeding bright light come from God, who sat upon the great white throne, and was shed all about Jesus. Then I saw an angel with a commission from Jesus, swiftly flying to the four angels who had a work to do on the earth, and waving something up and down in his hand, and crying with a loud voice, "Hold! Hold! Hold! Hold! until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads." {EW 38.1}

The scenes that took place at 911 as the Lord restrained the four winds should receive careful consideration. The love and mercy of God that prevailed in our favor cannot be better explained. The "mighty argument of the cross" prevailed, giving time for all that will avail themselves, to receive the reviving showers of Ezekiel 37 and participate in the sealing of the 144000. The latter rain comes as a message. See Deuteronomy 32:2. These messages accomplish the work of sealing, which is "a settling into the truth intellectually and spiritually".

Just as soon as the people of God are sealed in their foreheads--it is not any seal or mark that can be seen, but a settling into the truth, both intellectually and spiritually, so they cannot be moved--just as soon as God's people are sealed and prepared for the shaking, it will come. Indeed, it has begun already; the

judgments of God are now upon the land, to give us warning, that we may know what is coming (MS 173, 1902). {4BC 1161.6}

All those who understand the solemn time in which we are living should treasure the prophetic messages now coming to us, as if they had Christ walking amongst us today as he did two thousand years ago. They are the greatest demonstration of love and mercy that heaven can ever appropriate to the church on earth. These truths when understood must necessarily be brought into our lives. They must be allowed to strike our hearts in humble repentance and confession, change our conduct to give glory and honor to God, and become the subject of our contemplation and conversation.

In this time when the four winds are held, there are duties that lie at our door as expressed in the following inspired statements;

Getting ready

*Four mighty angels are still holding the four winds of the earth. Terrible destruction is forbidden to come in full..... **Get ready, get ready, I beseech you, get ready before it shall be forever too late!** The ministers of vengeance will pour all the terrible judgments upon a God-forsaken people. **The way of obedience is the only path of life.** May the Lord help you to see it in time to open your ears, that you may hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches. {RH, June 7, 1887 par. 13}*

There is a getting ready that we need to have. This getting ready means that we must place our feet on "the way of obedience".

***When you are all ready, having overcome your sins, having put away all your iniquity from you, you are in a condition to receive the finishing touch of immortality.** Many are waiting and expecting that a more favorable opportunity than the present time will come when they can put away sin more easily than now; and when it will not require so great humility and sacrifice on their part, and they will not have to make the effort they are required to make at the present time to perfect holiness in the fear of God. I fear that while they are thus waiting for the better time, their probation may close and they be found in their sins. For the sentence*

is to go forth: "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." This may be spoken in Heaven in your case, and the work for you will have been done, and you lost, eternally lost. {RH, April 12, 1870 par. 5}

The above passage has a repeat and enlarge that allows us to understand that getting ready means "overcoming our sins" and "putting away all iniquity". Our hearts must be cleansed from all that is polluting, every besetting sin overcome and our lives conformed to the will of God by obedience to His law and instructions.

"Time is almost finished. Do you reflect the lovely image of Jesus as you should?" **Then I was pointed to the earth and saw that there would have to be a getting ready among those who have of late embraced the third angel's message.** Said the angel, **"Get ready, get ready, get ready. Ye will have to die a greater death to the world than ye have ever yet died."** I saw that there was a great work to do for them and but little time in which to do it. {EW 64.1}

Prayer and Missionary work

We are to cry to the God of heaven in earnest, united prayer, for the angels to hold the four winds till missionaries shall be sent to all parts of the world, till we have proclaimed the warning against disobedience to the law of Jehovah, and against worshiping the beast and his image. The claims of God's law must be made known to the inhabitants of the earth. This is our work; but every conceivable thing that the enemy can do will be done to hinder the people of God from awaking. . {RH, December 18, 1888 par. 16}

Consecration and Loyalty to God.

Four mighty angels are still holding the four winds of the earth..... **What is my duty?** What shall I do to save my children and to save many souls from the coming tempest of wrath unmixed with mercy? **God claims every power, every capability of action to be invested in the doing of his work. Talents, possessions, everything that is great and noble in man he calls to be exercised in his work. Duty admits no rival, enters into no compromise with any opposing powers. The most precious friends and relatives must not step in between your duty and**

your God. The voice of duty is the voice of God in our souls. . {RH, June 7, 1887 par. 14}

*The angels are holding the four winds that they should not blow until the world is warned, **until a people has decided for the truth, the honest of heart have been convicted and converted. Their power, their influence, and their means will then flow in the missionary channel. This is putting out the money to the exchangers, that when the Master shall come his stewards may present the talents doubled in the ingathering of souls to Jesus Christ. But the wealthy farmers are some of them acting as if in the day of God the Lord only would require of them to present to him enriched, improved farms, building added to building, and they say, "Here Lord are thy talents; behold, I have gained all this possession."*** {PH039 4.2}

Closing.

It has been seventeen years now, divine mercy is waiting for us. Shall we continue in our dead sleeping condition? May the Lord help us accomplish all that we need in time, before it is ever too late.

My dear brethren and sisters, let the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ be in your minds continually and let them crowd out worldly thoughts and cares. When you lie down and when you rise up, let them be your meditation. Live and act wholly in reference to the coming of the Son of man. The sealing time is very short, and will soon be over. Now is the time, while the four angels are holding the four winds, to make our calling and election sure. EW

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Health

By Cynthia Mokeira.

Flesh eating

In this health article we will look at flesh eating and its effects on our spiritual experiences; how the Bible and the Spirit of prophecy presents it.

“Now these things were our examples, to the intent we should not lust after evil things, as they also lusted.”
“Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.”—1 Corinthians 10:6, 11 CD 378.2

God gave our first parents the food He designed that the race should eat. It was contrary to His plan to have the life of any creature taken. There was to be no death in Eden. The fruit of the trees in the garden, was the food man's wants required. God gave man no permission to eat animal food until after the flood... But animal food was not the most healthful article of food for man. CD 373.1

It was not the original purpose of God man to partake of flesh or take away the life of any creature.

After the flood the people ate largely of animal food. God saw that the ways of man were corrupt, and that he was disposed to exalt himself proudly against his Creator and to follow the inclinations of his own heart. And He permitted that long-lived race to eat animal food to shorten their sinful lives. Soon after the flood the race began to rapidly decrease in size, and in length of years.—Spiritual Gifts 4a:120, 121, 1864 CD 373.3

Flesh eating leads to a corrupt way of life and decreases the life span of individuals.

In choosing man's food in Eden, the Lord showed what was the best diet; in the choice made for Israel, He taught the same lesson. He brought the Israelites out of Egypt, and undertook their training, that they might be a people for His own possession. Through them He desired to bless and teach the world. He provided them with the food best adapted for this purpose, not flesh, but manna, “the bread of heaven.” It was only

because of their discontent and their murmurings for the fleshpots of Egypt that animal food was granted them, and this only for a short time. Its use brought disease and death to thousands. CD 374.2

As modern Israel, the Lord has given us a solemn duty as ancient Israel to teach and bless the World by being watchmen and light bearers of heaven sent messages. To perform this work our intellect must be clear by eating man's best diet from Eden.

Upon their settlement in Canaan, the Israelites were permitted the use of animal food, but under careful restrictions, which tended to lessen the evil results CD 373.3

By departing from the plan divinely appointed for their diet, the Israelites suffered great loss. They desired a flesh diet, and they reaped its results. They did not reach God's ideal of character or fulfill His purpose. The Lord “gave them their request, but sent leanness into their soul.” They valued the earthly above the spiritual, and the sacred preeminence which was His purpose for them they did not attain. CD 375.1

Again and again I have been shown that God is trying to lead us back, step by step, to His original design,—that man should subsist upon the natural products of the earth CD 380.1

Your family have partaken largely of flesh meats, and the animal propensities have been strengthened, while the intellectual have been weakened. We are composed of what we eat, and if we subsist largely upon the flesh of dead animals we shall partake of their nature. You have encouraged the grosser part of your organism, while the more refined has been weakened. You have repeatedly said in defense of your indulgence of meat eating: “However injurious it may be to others, it does not injure me, for I have used it all my life.” But you know not how well you might have been if you had abstained from the use of flesh meats. 2T 60.4

The liability to take disease is increased tenfold by meat eating. The intellectual, the moral, and the physical powers are depreciated by the habitual use of flesh meats. Meat eating deranges the system, beclouds the intellect, and blunts the moral sensibilities. 2T 63.3

Meat eating strengthens the animal propensities and weakens the intellect.

It increases the risk to take disease tenfold

Man becomes a partaker of the nature of the animal by eating it's flesh.

Our habits of eating and drinking show whether we are of the world or among the number whom the Lord by His mighty cleaver of truth has separated from the World CD 379.2

A diet of flesh meat tends to develop animalism. A development of animalism lessens spirituality, rendering the mind incapable of understanding truth. CD 382.3

The word of God plainly warns us that unless we abstain from fleshly lusts, the physical nature will be brought into conflict with the spiritual nature. Lustful eating wars against health and peace. Thus a warfare is instituted between the higher and the lower attributes of the man. The lower propensities, strong and active, oppress the soul. The highest interests of the being are imperiled by the indulgence of appetites unsanctioned by Heaven. CD 382.4

Animal propensities or lower passions are to be subjected to the higher power.

“The lower passions have their seat in the body and work through it...All animal propensities are to be subjected to the higher powers of the soul...Our bodies are to be regarded as His purchased possession. The members of the body are to become the instruments of righteousness.” Adventist Home, 127.

If meat eating strengthens the animal propensities, our nature that the Lord desires to be restored will not be. Our intellect will be benumbed, the higher powers.

But the intellect is important;

Just as soon as the people of God are sealed in their foreheads—it is not any seal or mark that can be seen, but a settling into the truth, both intellectually and spiritually, so they cannot be moved—just as soon as God’s

people are sealed and prepared for the shaking, it will come. Indeed, it has begun already; the judgments of God are now upon the land, to give us warning, that we may know what is coming. Mar 200.2

If the intellect is benumbed, we will not settle into truth intellectually then obviously spiritually ;we will not be sealed. But what happens if one doesn't have the seal?

The class who do not feel grieved over their own spiritual declension, nor mourn over the sins of others, will be left without the seal of God. The Lord commissions His messengers, the men with slaughtering weapons in their hands: “Go ye after him through the city, and smite: let not your eye spare, neither have ye pity: slay utterly old and young, both maids, and little children, and women: but come not near any man upon whom is the mark; and begin at My sanctuary. Then they began at the ancient men which were before the house.” Eze-kiel 9:6. 2TT 62.5

Sealing is the intellectual and spiritual advancement of the truth; the truth is the Word

*KJV John 17:17 Sanctify them through thy truth: **thy word is truth.***

The word is even the more sure Word of prophecy.

*KJV 2 Peter 1:19 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:*

No man is sealed without the intellectual advancement of the prophetic word, and if one misses the seal of God he is slaughtered by His messengers with slaughtering weapons or he receives the mark of the Beast. This means eternal ruin of the soul and if meat eating can cause intellectual benumbing, preventing this solemn work to take place; it will be safe for anyone desiring and striving to be part of the a hundred and forty four thousand to separate from its use.

The number 38.

By Lucy Kahura.

In the last newsletter I ventured to introduce a subject on the palmoni (the numberer of secrets). I will add on another number that we can learn from. Christ has at this point in time unsealed the Seventh seal and all the accumulated truths are revealed to those who search for the treasures. Our role is to die to self and use all we have to purchase the field and discover the hidden treasure.

I will tackle the number 38 in summary.

NUMBER 38

The number 38 teaches us about the events at the prediction before midnight (PBM). These can be seen from the following illustrations :

#In 1838, Josiah Litch made a prediction on the fall of ottoman empire according to the prophecy of Rev 9:15. (Gc334. 4). The prediction was to be fulfilled on 11th August, 1840.

The prediction was done in the 38 th year from 1800. From this prediction we can learn various characteristics of the prediction.

*John 5:5 And a certain man was there, which had an infirmity **thirty and eight years.** 8 Jesus saith unto him, **Rise, take up thy bed, and walk.** 10 The Jews therefore said unto him that was cured, **It is the sabbath day:** it is not lawful for thee to carry thy bed.: 15 The man departed, and told the Jews that it was Jesus, which had made him whole. 16 **And therefore did the Jews persecute Jesus, and sought to slay him, because he had done these things on the sabbath day.***

- here is revealed the story of a sick man who had been ill for 38 years. In the 38 th year Christ came and healed him. The charge to him was that he should arise and take up his mat. The arising of the virgins is marked at the midnight cry (Matthew 25 :6,7). In a fractal level the Midnight Cry in the line of the priests is marked at the prediction before midnight. This miracle happened on the Sabbath day. Thus it strengthens our understanding that the Sabbath controversy begins at the Midnight Cry. In a similar manner, the controversy that will face the priests at Midnight begins at the Prediction Before Midnight.

The healing and subsequent rising of this man is pointing forward to the lifting up of the ensign. As the ensign is lifted up, it will draw the attention of Seventh Day Adventists just as the healing of the man called forth the attention of the Jews. The complete development of the ensign will result to a persecution that emanates from Seventh Day Adventists. So the number 38 from this illustration presents a progression of events that atleast begin from PBM to Midnight.

This link between PBM and MN from the number 38 is also emphasised by the fact that the number 38 and 40 are numerously linked in Bible prophecy.

The number 40 is associated with a wilderness and is marked from 911 to Midnight. Some of these instances when a close connection between the number 38 and 40 are :

The journey of the children of Israel to Canaan. The children of Israel came from Egypt to Kadesh in 2 years. Kadesh is a land that is just at the borders of Canaan. Due to rebellion a punishment was pronounced and they wandered in the wilderness for 38 years. After 38 years they were brought to the same point Kadesh. (Deuteronomy 2:14). This is the 38 th year from the pronouncement of the curse and 40th year from Egypt.

One other thing that this line brings out about the number 38 is that of a prophetic circuit. In a circuit, one ends at the same point they began. It takes 38 years to come from Kadesh to Kadesh again. This shows us that there is a prophetic circuit between the waymarks 911 and PBM. The implications of this will be covered in future issues of this newsletter.

Another link of the number 38 and 40 is this quote from 1SM.

I am troubled in regard to Brother A, who for some years has been a worker in southern California. He has made some strange statements, and I am pained to see him denying the testimonies as a whole because of what seems to him an inconsistency—a statement made by me in regard to the number of rooms in the Paradise Valley Sanitarium. Brother A says that in a letter written to one of the brethren in southern California, the statement was made by me that the sanitarium contained forty rooms, when there were really only thirty-eight. This, Brother A gives to me as the reason why he has lost confidence in the testimonies....

So while the number 40 is emphasising about Midnight, the number 38 is emphasising about the events of the Prediction Before Midnight and the progression that marks these two events. Other lines that bring out a progression between PBM and Midnight are

The Justinian decree is given in 533 and goes into effect in 538. In 533 a decree was given that declared pope the corrector of heretics. The decree was however enforced in the year 538AD when the papacy rose to power.

The image of the beast is first formed then enforced later as the mark of the beast. The image of the beast is marked at the MC which is PBM and later enforced as the mark of the beast at Sunday Law which is at Midnight for the priests.

The third world War begins at PBM but escalates to the battle of Raphia at MD.

Levites begin to be awakened at PBM by the ensign from the priesthood, but begin joining the movement in earnest at Midnight.

League of the Jews is formed from 161 - 158 BC. 158 is marked at midnight, but the league begins progressively from PBM which corresponds to 161BC.

These reasons explain why the Bible has linked the two prophetic numbers together.

My appeal

This is just presented in summary may be search the Scriptures diligently that we may be nourished.

Whatever may be man's intellectual advancement, let him not for a moment think that there is no need of thorough and continuous searching of the Scriptures for greater light. As a people we are called individually to be students of prophecy. We must watch with earnestness that we may discern any ray of light which God shall present to us. We are to catch the first gleamings of truth; and through prayerful study clearer light may be obtained, which can be brought before others. 5T 708.2

THE YEAR 1838

By Robert Kariuki

The number 38 has a number of applications and deep spiritual import. In Millerite history, 1838 was a significant year. In this year, Josiah Litch through the use of the methodology adopted by Miller in his study of Revelation 9, came to a conclusion that the Ottoman Empire would fall in 1840. He made this prediction public, and its fulfilment "convinced many" of the correctness of the principles of interpretation adopted by the Millerites.

At this level therefore, the number 38 becomes a symbol of a prediction. Our reform line has a waymark where we mark a prediction primarily, which is the waymark Prediction Before Midnight.

But the Millerites also mark 1838 as the "troubling of nations". We had two Islamic factions warring against each other, Turkey and Egypt. This brought problems to the European powers. In 1840, four of these powers united in an effort to silence this Islamic trouble, and they were successful. This event, which happened on August 11, 1840, was so important in that history. The four European powers were "Christian nations". The agreement that they entered into was an agreement that forced Turkey to concede to Christian powers for survival. This marked the end of an illustrious career for the Ottoman empire which had previously existed as a strong and formidable power in the world.

1838 was therefore the troubling of the world by Islam, then 1840 the restraint. This restraint was accomplished by four Christian powers. Four is a symbol of "worldwide" or universality. Thus we see the Christian world in 1840 uniting to fight radical Islam.

These two waymarks in our history can be applied in a multiple number of ways in our history. They

represent both the troubling caused by Islam and the restraint that thereby follows. These two things are combined and blended in one waymark in our history, September 11, 2001. Islam troubled the nations by attacking the twin towers in the USA causing an economic shock in the world. This was followed by a declaration by the United Nations, led by the USA, to deal with radical Islam. The resolve for this is voiced in the PATRIOT ACT which was passed in the USA 45 days after the 9/11 attack. Thus at 9/11 we can see both a "troubling" by Islam which in Millerite history is 1838, and also the restraint, which is 1840 in Millerite history. 9/11 is therefore both 1838 and 1840, in that sense.

But as earlier mentioned, 1838 can be placed on our line at the Prediction before Midnight. The history of what happened between 1838 - 1840 therefore becomes a very significant one for us to explore.

It has already been taught publicly that the prediction before midnight in our history answers to August 15th, 1844. But the message of Aug 15th 1844 had been first given in July 21, 1844, which we line up with 2014 in the history of the priests. Just as the midnight cry history was progressive in Millerite history and marked at two points, so the Prediction Before Midnight is progressive from 2014 through to PBM. So the history of 1838 is something that can be seen repeating in the history from 2014.

In 1838, we have an Islamic caliphate waning in power. Two Islamic factions were fighting against each other. What is not mentioned often is that the Ottoman Egyptian war was a proxy between Britain, supporting the Turks and France, supporting the Egyptians, radical Islam. One of the ways Britain supported Turkey was by opening up its economic market to Turkey. Through their economy, they forced Turkey into submission through

what is called the Treaty of Balta Liman.

Thus in the history of the PBM, which begins progressively in 2014, we need to see this turn of events taking place. In 2014 we see two Islamic factions fighting to gain control of the Levant. This war has been taking place in Syria between government forces and rebel opposition groups. This war has also been a proxy, with the United States supporting the rebel groups and Russia supporting the government, which notably is a radical faction.

This war between Islamic factions has also been taking place at a global stage in the Islamic world. Two ideologies and versions of Islam are clear. The United States supports liberal Islamic states while Russia seems to be supporting radical factions, ones that have a more religious undertone like Iran, Syria and Turkey.

Just as Britain used trade treaties to buy the submission of Turkey, so in a similar manner, the US is using trade treaties to buy submission of its allied Islamic powers.

In the 1838 history, we see a caliphate coming down. The trade treaties by Britain is what forced the Turks to submit leading to their downfall as a caliphate in Bible prophecy. In our history, the caliphate is supposed to be coming up and increasing in power. It can therefore be expected that the trade terms and treaties being put in place by the United States is part of what will ultimately lead to the rise of a caliphate.

Question and Answer.

By William Onono.

Of late you have been emphasizing on parables. How are parables prophecies? What do you mean that from 2014 parables started being harder?

This is a question that I have been meeting in the recent past. I want to agree with you that we do use parables regularly though I'm not sure why you said off late we do use parables. I'll give the answer to the best of my knowledge nonetheless.

I hope you are familiar that parables are prophecies see (Mathew 13:34, Romans 16:25,26). Miller in his rule number 6 and 8 gives important rules on how we should study parables. Parables aren't any newer because they were given by Christ himself and he is our pattern man, so we have every right to use them.

Mathew 13 Therefore speak I to them in parables: because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand. 14 And in them is fulfilled the prophecy of Esaias, which saith, by hearing ye shall hear, and shall not understand; and seeing ye shall see, and shall not perceive

Isaiah says that they shall "be called trees of righteousness, the planting of the Lord, that He might be glorified." Isaiah 61:3. **So from natural life, illustrations are drawn, to help us better to understand the mysterious truths of spiritual life.** {SC67.1}

In steps to Christ 67.1 we see that from natural life, illustrations are drawn, to help us better understand the mysterious truths of spiritual life.

In Christ's parable teaching the same principle is seen as in His own mission to the world. That we might become acquainted with His divine character and life, Christ took our nature and dwelt among us. **Divinity was revealed in humanity; the invisible glory in the visible human form.** Men could learn of the unknown through the known; heavenly things were revealed through the earthly; God was made manifest in the likeness of men. **So, it was in Christ's teaching: the unknown was illustrated by the known; divine truths by earthly things with which the people were**

most familiar. {COL 17.1}

In Christ's parable teaching the same principle is seen as in His own mission to the world. This is the same concept in 1 Corinthians 15:

15:45 *And so it is written, **the first man Adam** was made a living soul; **the last Adam** was made a quickening spirit. 46 **Howbeit that was not first which is spiritual, but that which is natural; and afterward that which is spiritual.** 47 **The first man is of the earth, earthy: the second man is the Lord from heaven.** 48 **As is the earthy, such are they also that are earthy: and as is the heavenly, such are they also that are heavenly.***

49 *And as we have borne the image of the earthy, we shall also bear the image of the heavenly.*

44 Natural body to Spiritual body

45 First Adam to Last Adam

45 Living soul to Quickenning spirit

47 First man to Second man

47 Earth to Heaven

48 Earthly to Heavenly

49 Image of the earthly Image of the heavenly

*The Scripture says, "All these things spake Jesus unto the multitude in parables; ... **that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by the prophet, saying, I will open My mouth in parables; I will utter things which have been kept secret from the foundation of the world.**" Matthew 13:34, 35. **Natural things were the medium for the spiritual; the things of nature and the life-experience of His hearers were connected with the truths of the written word.** Leading thus from the natural to the spiritual kingdom, **Christ's parables are links in the chain of truth that unites man with God, and earth with heaven.** {COL17.2}*

Parables are called links in the chain of truth. Sr White uses the same phrase in talking of prophecies:

*God sent His angel to move upon the heart of a farmer who had not believed the Bible, to lead him to **search the prophecies.** Angels of God repeatedly visited that chosen one, to guide his mind and open to his understanding prophecies which had ever been dark to God's people. **The commencement of the chain of truth was given to him, and he was led on to search***

for link after link, until he looked with wonder and admiration upon the Word of God. He saw there a perfect chain of truth. That Word which he had regarded as uninspired now opened before his vision in its beauty and glory. He saw that one portion of Scripture explains another, and when one passage was closed to his understanding, he found in another part of the Word that which explained it. He regarded the sacred Word of God with joy and with the deepest respect and awe. EW 229.

The angel is sent to open prophecies to miller. Sister white says parables are links to the chain of truth we can therefore concluded that parables are prophesies too.

With this understanding that parables are prophecies in place, why 2014?

*In the earlier part of His ministry, **Christ had spoken to the people in words so plain** that all His hearers might have grasped truths which would make them **wise unto salvation**. But in many hearts the truth had taken no root, and it had **been quickly caught away**. "Therefore, speak I to them in parables." He said; "because they seeing see not; and hearing they hear not, neither do they understand.... For this people's heart is waxed gross, and their ears are dull of hearing, and their eyes they have closed." Matthew 13:13-15. – {COL 20.2}*

Christ was baptized in the Autumn of 27AD. That is when he starts ministering. Its important to note that in the early ministry (27AD) Christ was speaking in a plainer language he didn't use parables. So, when did he start speaking in parables?

*It had been an eventful day in the life of Jesus. **Beside the Sea of Galilee, He had spoken His first parables, by familiar illustrations again explaining to the people the nature of His kingdom and the manner in which it was to be established**. He had likened His own work to that of the sower; the development of His kingdom to the growth of the mustard seed and the effect of leaven in the measure of meal. The great final separation of the righteous and the wicked He had pictured in the parables of the wheat and tares and the fishing net. The exceeding preciousness of the truths He taught had been illustrated by the hidden treasure and the pearl of great price, while in the parable of the*

householder He taught His disciples how they were to labor as His representatives. {DA 333}

27AD parallels 9/11 using the reform lines. Christ ministers in Judea for a year after then around 29AD he goes to Galilee.

The news spread swiftly that by His own confession Jesus of Nazareth was not the Messiah. And thus, in Galilee the current of popular feeling was turned against Him, as, the year before, it had been in Judea. Alas for Israel! They rejected their Saviour, because they longed for a conqueror who would give them temporal power. They wanted the meat which perishes, and not that which endures unto everlasting life. {DA393.1}

The first parables Christ gave was in Galilee. At the crisis in Galilee, the test of eating "the Bread of Life" as typified by the manna in the wilderness and the understanding of the natural - literal and spiritual - symbolic came upon the disciples. This test was failed by some, and this marked the first separation within the movement of Christ. The movement of Christ typifies the disciples if 911, the movement of the 144000. The test that came upon the disciples resulting in the first separation among the disciples came upon us in 2014. An argument about what it means to eat the little book means arose. A vast majority rejected that the eating of the little book as brought out in Ezekiel 2 and 3 includes doing an exclusive internal work in Adventism as opposed to doing public evangelism. Ministries ie the Path of the Just now known as Sure Word Ministry and other allied ministries broke ties with this movement. This was the first shaking in the movement. Thus Galilee is marked in 2014.

So prophetically, the use of parables became present truth after 2014. But parables are prophesies. So the test from 2014 is particularly prophetic.

Hopes it helps.

Ndoto ya William Miller.

Na Francis Gati.

Kabla sijajishughulisha kuelezea ndoto ya pili ya Miller naliona Ni muhimu kwanza tueleze kumuelewa Miller ni nani...

Mungu alimtuma malaika wake kuugusa moyo wa mkulima mmoja ambaye alikuwa haamini Biblia, na kumwongoza kuchunguza unabii. Malaika wa Mungu walimtembelea mteule huyo mara kwa mara, ili kuongoza akili zake na kumueleweshwa unabii ambao tangu mwanzo ulikuwa fumbo kwa watu wa Mungu. Mwanzo wa mlolongo wa ukweli ulitolewa kwake, na aliongozwa kuchunguza neno kwa neno hadi akalistajabia na kulionea shauku. Neno la Mungu. Aliona ndani nyororo kamili ya ukweli. Neno alilokuwa akilidhanika kana halikuvuviwa sasa lilifunua njozi take katika uzuri na utukufu wake. Aliona kana kwamba sehemu moja ya maandiko hufafanua sehemu nyingine, ya sehemu moja ya maandiko ilipokuwa ngumu kwake kuelewa, alipata neno kutoka katika sehemu nyingine ya maandiko kufafanua maana yake. Alizingatia neno takatifu la Mungu kwa Furaha, na heshima ya juu na kicho. {EW 229.1}

Kama vile Yohana mbatizaji alivyotangaza kuja kwa Kristo mara ya kwanza na kuandaa njia kwa ajili ya kuja kwake, **hivi ndivyo pia William Miller na wenzake** walivyotangaza marejeo ya Mwana wa Mungu. {EW 229.2}

Dada White analinganisha Yohana mbatizaji na William Miller..

Yohana mbatizaji alikuwa mwanamatengenezo.

Kwake alikabidhiwa kazi kubwa kwa watu wa wakati wake. Na kwa matayarisho ya kazi hii, tabia zake zote alikuwa akizichunga tangu kuzaliwa kwake. Malaika Gabrieli alitumwa kutoka mbinguni kuwaagiza wazazi wa Yohana kanuni za matengenezo ya kiafya. "Asiunywe mvinyo au kinywaji kikali," mtumwa kutoka mbinguni akanena, "na atajazwa na Roho Mtakatifu. [Luka 1:15] {CTBH 38.4}.

Jinsi ambavyo tumeelezwa kuwa Yohana Mbatizaji alikuwa mwanamatengenezo basi ni Dhahiri kuelewa kuwa pia William Miller alikuwa mwanamatengenezo, awali tuliona Dada White akifananisha kazi ya

Miller na ya Yohana.

*Wahubiri na watu wamekitazama kitabu cha ufunuo kama fumbo na chenye umuhimu mdogo kuliko sehemu nyingine ya maandiko matakatifu. Lakini niliona kuwa kitabu hiki kwa hakika ni ufunuo ulitolewa kwa ajili ya faida maalumu ya wale watakaoishi katika siku za mwisho, kuwaongoza katika kuhakikisha msimamo wao halisi na wajibu wao. **Mungu aliongoza akili ya William Miller kwenye unabii na kumpatia nuru kubwa juu ya kitabu cha ufunuo.** EW 231.1*

Malaika wa Mungu waliambatana na William Miller katika utume wake. Alikuwa thabiti bila hofu, alitangaza ujumbe aliokabidhiwa bila woga. Dunia iliyozama katika uovu na ubaridi, na kanisa lilolozama katika ulimwengu vilitosha kumfanya afanye kazi kwa nguvu zake zote na kumwezesha astahili adha, taabu na mateso. Ingawa alipingwa na wakristo bandia na ulimwengu, na kufanyiwa ukatili na shetani na malaika zake, hakuona kuhubiri injili ya milele kwenye mikutano popote alipoalikwa, akapaza sauti mbali na karibu, akisema kwamba, "mcheni Mungu na kumtukua kwa maana saa ya hukumu take imekuja." {EW 232.1}

"Nilipokuwa nimeshawishika," asema Miller; "kila andiko lenye pumzi ya Mungu, lafaa kwa mafundisho (2 Timotheo 3:16); kwamba halikuja kwa wakati wowote kwa mapenzi ya Mwanadamu, lakini yaliandikwa jinsi watu watakatifu walivyoongozwa na Roho Mtakatifu (2 Peter 1:21), na yaliandikwa ili kutufundisha sisi, ili kwa saburi na faraja ya maandiko kuwate kuwa na tumaini' (Warumi 15:4), ningeweza kutambua vipande vya kronolojia ya Biblia kama kipande cha neno la Mungu, na kama tulivyokabidhiwa mtazamo halisi, kama kipande chochote cha maandiko. Basi nilihisi kwamba kujatahidi kuelewa Yale ambayo Mungu alikuwa nayo kwa huruma yake atufunulie kwetu sisi, sikuwa na haki ya kupita juu ya vipindi vya unabii" (GC 324.2)

Wale ambao walihubiri onyo hili walipatiana ujumbe wa kweli kwa wakati wa kweli. Lakini jinsi wanafunzi wa kwanza walivyotangaza 'wakati umetimia na ufalme wa Mungu u mkononi, kulingana na unabii wa Danieli 9, huku wakikosa kutambua kuwa kifo cha Masihi kilitabiliwa katika maandiko hayo, vivyo Miller na wenzake walihubiri ujumbe kulingana na

Danieli 8:14 na Ufunuo 14:7, na wakakosa kuona kulikuwa na ujumbe zaidi uliowakilisha katika Ufunuo 14, ambao pia ulifaa kupeanwa kabla ya Ujio wa Bwana. Jinsi wafuasi walivyokosea ni ufalme gani ulifaa kuwekwa mwisho wa majuma sabini, pia Waadventista walikosea ni tukio gani lilifaa kutendeka mwisho wa siku 2300. Katika hali zote mbili kulikuwa na kukubaliwa, au tuseme kuzingatia, makosa ambayo yaliziba akili za watu kuona ukweli. Makundi yote miwili yalitimiza mapenzi ya Mungu kwa kupeana ujumbe ambao alikusudia kuwa upeanwe, na wote, kupitia kwa kutoelewa ujumbe wao, walipata tamauko. {GC 352.3}

Miller, William (1782-1849). Mkulima, Mhubiri na mtunzi. Miller alizaliwa Pittsfield, Massachusetts. Elimu yake ya msingi ilikuwa ya miezi 18 pekee, lakini alipata maarifa kupitia kwa tabia yake ya kupenda kusoma. Alianza pia kuandika, akitunga mashairi na kutunza rekondi za kila siku. Kusoma kwake kulimpa fahamu ya watunzi maarufu waliomshawishi katika kubuni. Alikuwa mwenye haki wa amani katika mwisho wa miaka yake ya ishirini, na akapigana katika vita vya 1812. Uzoefu tofauti katika mgogoro huu ulielekeza fahamu zake kwa Mungu kibinafsi. 1816 aliongoka, na akaanza kujifunza Biblia kwa bidii. Akaandika, “maandiko... yakawa furaha kwangu, na ndani ya Kristo nikampata rafiki.”

Kufikia 1818 katika mafunzo yake ya unabii (Dan. 8:14 na mengine) alihitimisha kwamba Yesu angerudi “katika 1843.” 1831 alianza kushirikisha mafunzo yake katika hadhara ndogo, baada ya ushawishi mkubwa na uongozi mkuu kufanya hivyo. Baada ya kumkutana J. V. Himes, mhariri mkuu, 1839, njia ilifunguka ya kuhubiria makundi makubwa katika miji mikuu. Akiwa anapingwa na wengi, mafundisho yake na yale ya wengine walioupata ujumbe wa Ujio wa pili, ulileta athari kubwa, watu karibu 100,000 wakakubali kurejea kwa Kristo karibuni. Ellen Harmon alimskia Uingereza, Maine, Machi ya 1840 akiwa miaka 12. Alinena, “Bwana Miller aliufuatilia unabii kwa uhakika, ambao ulishawishi wasikilizaji wake. Alizum=numzia katika nyakati za unabii, na ukaleta ushawishi mwingi kutia nguvu msimamo wake. Kisha mapendekezo yake, na ushauri kwa wale ambao hawakuwa wamejitayarisha, ulishika hadhara kama walio fungamana.” (LS 20.2)

Zaidi kumhusu Miller soma sura “Mwanamaten-

genezo wa Marekani” kwa kitabu cha pambano/vita kuu na sura ya 55 ya Maandiko ya Awali.

Ndoto ya Pili ya William Miller.

Niliota kwamba Mungu kwa mkono usioonekana, alinitumia **sanduku la ajabu lililotengenezwa, lilikuwa la urefu wa inchi kumi na mraba sita, lililofanywa na Ebony na lulu zenye kupambwa kwa kushangaza. Kulikuwa na ufunguo uliokuwa umeunganishwa kwenye sanduku hilo.** Kwa mara moja nilichukua ufunguo na kulifungua sanduku, ndipo, kwa ajabu na mshangao, nikapata limejazwa na kila aina na vipimo ya **vyombo, almasi, mawe ya thamani, na dhahabu na fedha za kila kipimo na thamani, zimepangwa vizuri katika maeneo kadhaa kwenye sanduku; namna vivyopangwa vilionyesha mwanga na utukufu sawa tu na jua. EW 81.2**

Sanduku -- Biblia

Biblia ni ya manufaa kubwa kwa kuwa ni neno la Mungu aliye hai. Kwa vitabu vyote duniani ndicho kitabu kinachohitaji kujifunza na kuzingatiwa zaidi, kwa kuwa ni hekima ya milele. **Biblia ni historia inayotujulisha uumbaji wa dunia na kutufunulia karne zilizopita.** Bila Biblia tungeachwa katika kuto-gundua au uongo juu ya matukio ya kale. Hutufunulia Muumbaji wa mbingu na dunia, pamoja na ulimwengu Aliyouleta kuwepo, na hufunua nuru tukufu juu ya yale yajayo. {CT 421.1}

Biblia ni shamba ambalo linafichwa hazina za mbinguni, na zitabaki siri hadi, kwa kuchunguza kwa bidii, hupatikana na kuwekwa wazi. Biblia ni sanduku lililo na vyombo vya thamani kubwa, ambavyo vinapaswa kuwasilishwa kuonekana katika undani wake. Lakini uzuri na ubora wa almasi hautambuliwi kwa jicho la asili. Mambo mazuri ya dunia hayaonekani mpaka jua likifukuza giza, huizunguka kwa nuru yake. Na vivyo kwa hazina ya neno la Mungu; wao hazithaminiwi mpaka zinapoangazwa na Jua la Haki. {CT 421.2}

Biblia ina mfumo halisi rahisi wa teolojia na falsafa. Ni kitabu kinachotufanya wenye hekima kwa wokovu. Hutuambia kuhusu upendo wa Mungu unavyoonyeshwa katika mpango wa ukombozi, kuwapa ujuzi muhimu kwa wanafunzi wote—ujuzi wa Kristo... {CT 422.1}

Sanduku lilikuwa la mraba sita kwa nchi kumi.

Mraba sita kwa kumi ni 360, hivyo kanuni ya siku moja kuwakilisha mwaka moja – kanuni ya msingi ya Miller na wenzake.

Sanduku limeunganishwa ufunguo

“Kuunganishwa na neno la Mungu kuna ufunguo unaofungua sanduku la thamani, kwa kuridhika na furaha yetu.” 17MR 261.

Uchunguzi wa kufikiri na utafiti wa bidii, mafunzo ya kutoza yanahitajika ili neno hili lieleweke. Kuna ukweli katika neno ambalo, kama mishipa ya madini ya thamani, imefichwa chini ya ardhi. Hazina iliyofichwa inagunduliwa inapotafutwa, kama utafutaji wa madini ya dhahabu na fedha. Uthibitisho wa ukweli wa neno la Mungu ni katika neno peke yake. **Maandiko ni ufunguo ambao hufunguwa maandiko.** Maana ya kina ya kweli ya neno la Mungu yamefunuliwa kwa akili zetu kwa Roho Wake. {8T 157.1}

Ufunguo ni sheria zilizopitishwa na Miller na wenzake.

Vyombo, almasi....

“Vyombo, almasi, mawe ya thamani,’, ni mafundisho ya Biblia, ambayo, kila vito ving’avyo na vinavyopendeza, viliangaza kwa sanduku vilipofunuliwa kuonekana. {1853 SB, MWM}

“Ilionekana kwangu kwamba ningeweza kuona baadhi ya maelezo ya ndoto hii; kwa mfano, "sanduku la kushangaza lililotengenezwa, lililojaa kila aina na ukubwa wa vyombo, almasi, mawe ya thamani, na sarafu ya dhahabu na fedha ya kila kipimo na thamani, vilivyopangwa vizuri katika maeneo yao kadhaa katika kanda." Hizi, nadhani, waziwazi zinawakilisha hazina ya pekee, vyombo vya Bwana wa majeshi, ambavyo sasa vinaekwa katika siku hii ya majaribio, kama Malaki asema; kuletwa nje na kufanywa wazi kwa mafundisho ya ujio wa pili, ambayo ulianza kutoa kwa dunia miaka michache iliyopita. Wengi wao, wakati huo, walifungwa chini na imani na mafundisho ya kidini ya Babeli, waliamshwa na kuyakiri mafundisho yenye kuchochea Ujio wa Kristo, mwaka wa 1843 na '44. Haishangazi kwamba marafiki zako, ambao walikusanyika karibu nawe, walipiga kelele kwa furaha wakati walianza kwa makini na kwa bidii kuchunguza sanduku la kushangaza lililotengenezwa, (neni la Mungu,) na kuona, zaidi ya kuchunguza na kueleza, almasi na vyombo viliongezeka kwa utukufu, mng'aro na idadi, (walioongoka kutoka

makanisa na ulimwengu) na kuenea duniani kote, (meza ya kati,) na katika miaka michache duniani kote, kila taifa, jamaa, lugha na watu, (juu ya sakafu na samani.)

Kwa wakati huu wajumbe wanaoruka katika Ufunuo 14, walianza kuweka vyombo hivi kwenye mahali wazi, (hali ya Philadelphia ya kaniisa), wakisema, Tazama, Bwana Arusi anakuja, endeni mkakutane naye! Mara tamauko lilikuja Oktoba 18, basi sarafu ya bandia na kiasi kikubwa cha vyombo vya uongo (wanafiki na wasioamini) walionekana kama ulivyoona, kutawanyika kati ya kweli. Hapa ulihisi jukumu kubwa la mafundisho uliyokuwa ukienyeza, na kutangaza kwamba kazi yetu ya ulimwengu ilikuwa imeisha, na ukahuzunika kuona kwamba wachache wa kundi kubwa ambalo walionekana wamefurahi na mafundisho yako, kweli waliyaamini. Kwa hiyo ukawa na "mshtuko katika nafsi yako, na kuanza kutumia nguvu za kimwili kuwafukuza nje." Hapa, nadhani ni pale ulibadilisha maoni yako bila shaka, 1845, na kuunganishwa na wale ambao waliongezeka watatu ulipotoa mmoja, kama ulivyoona, kuleta udongo, na mchanga, na takataka na kila aina ya takataka na kufunikwa vyombo vya kweli na uongo na almasi, nk Hizi nadhani zinawakilisha mafundisho ya uwongo, tangu 1844, yamechanganyika na karibu kila kitu, na kutoka kila mahali, kuwaita watoto waaminifu na wa siri wa Mungu karibu kila kitu, lakini majina yao ya kweli; Kwa hivyo wakafunikwa na, kama ulivyoona, uchafu, mchanga, takataka, na takataka za kila aina; wakati huo huo kufunika pia sarafu ya uongo, (walimu wa uongo) kwamba hakuna chochote chao, au cha uzuri na utukufu ulioonekana kwa muda mfupi uliopita, kinaweza kuonekana sasa, kuvunja vipande vipande sanduku lako (neni la Mungu) na kulikanyagia chini ya miguu. Angalia mgogoro wa Sabato, kwa kipengele kimoja, na kuchuja kwa udongo usio na mafanikio, hii yote imekabili kuja kwa Kristo kwa Hukumu, na kuifananisha na sura ya Ezek.34, hasa mistari 21,22 na 31, na hakika itakuwa kukiri kwamba "Ndoto ni hakika na tafsiri yake ya uhakika."

Vyombo na almasi huwakilisha kweli za Neno la Mungu ilivyoelezwa hapo juu. Lakini ni kweli gani alizofunuliwa Miller wakati wa kuyachunguza maandiko?

"Kutokana na mafunzo zaidi ya Maandiko, nilihitimisha kwamba nyakati saba za Ufalme wa kidunia lazima uanze wakati Wayahudi waliacha kuwa taifa la kujitegemea, wakati wa uhamisho wa

Manase, ambao wanakronolojia maarufu walisema ni 677 K.K, kwamba siku 2300 zilianza pamoja na wiki sabini, ambazo wanakronolojia maarufu walisema ni 457 K.K, na kwamba siku 1335, zilianzia na kuondolewa kwa udaima, na kuanzishwa kwa chukizo linalo haribu, Dan.12:11, ilipaswa kuhesabiwa tangu kuanzishwa kwa ukuu wa Kipapa, baada ya kuondolewa kwa machukizo ya Washenzi, na ambayo, kwa mujibu wa wanahistoria bora ambao ningeweza kushauriana, inapaswa kuwa 508 B.K. Kuzingatia vipindi vyote vya unabii kutoka kwa tarehe kadhaa zilizowekwa na wanakronolojia bora kwa ajili ya matukio ambayo yanapaswa kuhesabiwa kuwa wazi, yangeweza kukamilika pamoja, kuhusu 1843 B.K. Kwa hivyo nilileta, mnamo 1818, mwishoni mwa uchunguzi wa maandiko kwa miaka miwili, katika hatima, kwamba katika kipindi cha miaka ishirini na mitano tangu wakati huo masuala yote ya hali yetu ya sasa yangejeruhiwa; kwamba kiburi na uwezo wake wote, utukufu na ubatili, uovu na ukandamizaji, ungefikia mwisho; na kwamba, badala ya falme za dunia hii, ufalme wa Masihi ulio na amani uliosubiriwa kwa muda mrefu utanzishwa chini ya mbingu yote; kwamba, katika miaka ishirini na mitano, utukufu wa Bwana utafunuliwa, na menye mwili wote watauona kwa pamoja ... laana iondolewe duniani, kifo kiangamizwe, watumishi wa Mungu wapewe tunu, manabii na watakatifu, na wale wanaoogopa jina lake, na wao waangamizwe ambao huharibu dunia. {1853 SB, MWM 76.1}.

Vyombo na almasi ni kweli alizofunuliwa Miller zilivyowakilishwa kwenye chati ya 1843 na 1850.

Nilidhani sio wajibu wangu kufurahia maono haya ya ajabu pekee, ingawa moyo wangu ulifurahia sana uzuri huo, urembo na thamani ya vilivyomo. Kwa hiyo nikaweka sanduku hilo kwenye meza iliyo kuwa katikati ya nyumba yangu na nikatoa mwito kwamba wote ambao walikuwa na nia wanaweza kuja na kujionea picha ya utukufu na ya kipaji ambayo milele imewahi onekana na mwanadamu katika maisha haya. EW 81.3

Miller kama anavyotambuliwa na dada White ni mteule wa kutambuliwa, alikusanya na kuwasilisha ukweli wa kinabii unaowakilishwa kama malaika wa kwanza wa Ufunuo 14. William Miller alitoa mafunzo yake kwa hadhara mwaka wa 1831. Alianza kuwasili-

sha katika eneo lake kisha ujumbe ukaenea. 1840 baada ya kuthibitishwa kwa kanuni ya siku kuwakilisha mwaka iliyopitishwa na Miller umati mkubwa ulianza kuja ili kuona kuthibitisha ujumbe wa Miller.

Miller kwa bidii aliwasilisha ukweli kwa wote ambao wangeusikia, ukweli huu hatimaye uliwekwa juu ya vibao vya Habakuki, ramani(chart) ya 1843.

"Katika mwaka wa 1840 unabii mwingine wa ajabu ulivutia msisimko mkubwa. Miaka miwili kabla; Yosia Litch, mmoja wa mawaziri wakuu akihubiri Ujio wa pili, alichapisha 'ufafanuzi wa Ufunuo 9, akifafanua kuanguka kwa Ufalme wa Ottoman (OTTOMAN EMPIRE). Kwa mujibu wa hesabu zake, ufalme huu ulifaa kupinduliwa 'mnamo A.D. 1840, wakati wa mwezi wa Agosti; na siku chache tu kabla ya kukamilika kwake aliandika: 'Kuruhusu kipindi cha kwanza, miaka 150, ilitimizwa kabla Deacozes kupanda kiti cha enzi kwa ruhusa ya Waturuki, na kwamba miaka 391 na siku kumi na tano, ilianza mwishoni mwa kipindi cha kwanza, itaisha tarehe 11 Agosti, 1840, wakati ufalme wa Ottoman huko Constantinople unaweza kutarajiwa kuvunjika. Na hii, naamini, itakuwa ndivyo.

"Wakati uo huo uliwekwa, Uturuki, kwa njia ya wajumbe wake, ulikubali ulinzi wa mamlaka ya Umoja wa Ulaya, na hivyo akajiweka chini ya udhibiti wa mataifa ya Kikristo. Tukio hili lilitimiza utabiri ulivyokuwa. Ilipojulikana umati ulishawishika na usahihi wa kanuni za ufafanuzi wa kinabii zilizopitishwa na Miller na washirika wake, na vuguvugu la Ujio wa Pili lilipata msukumo wa ajabu. Watu wa kujifunza na wenye misimamo waliungana na Miller; wote katika kuhubiri na kuchapisha maoni yake, na kutoka 1840 hadi 1844 kazi hiyo iliongezeka kwa haraka." GC, 334-335.

Watu walianza kuja ndani, kwanza wachache, lakini wakaongezeka na kuwa umati. Walipotazama kwenye sanduku mara ya kwanza, waliweza kushangaa na kupiga kelele kwa furaha. Lakini watazamaji walipokuwa wakiongezeka, kila mtu alianza kuvuruga vyombo, wakiviondoa nje ya sanduku na kuvitawanya kwenye meza. EW 82.1

Nilianza kufikiri kwamba mmiliki angehitaji sanduku na vyombo tena mkononi mwangu; na ikiwa nimeviacha kutawanyishwa, singeweza kuviweka kwenye sanduku tena kama hapo awali; na nil-

iona sitaweza kamwe kuufikia uwezo wa uwajibikaji, kwa kuwa utakuwa mkubwa. Nilianza kuwasihi wasivitawanye, wala kuviondoa nje ya sanduku; lakini kadiri nilivyowasihi, kadiri walivyoendelea; na sasa walionekana kuvitawanya chumba chote, sakafu na kila samani katika chumba. EW 82.2

Kazi ya kuutawanya ukweli ilianza miaka michache baada ya ukweli kuwekwa kwenye vibao. Ukweli wa kwanza uliotawanywa ni 2520 na James White mwenyewe mwaka wa 1863. Uzushi wa Upantheistiki uliletwa na Kellogg mnamo 1897, kukataa kazi ya waliopeana kilio cha saa ya hukumu. Kutawanya kuliendelea taratibu hadi kuletwa kwa maoni ya uongo kuhusu udaima katika Danieli kwa Uadventista mwaka wa 1905. Hili limeendelea hadi kweli ambazo zilipeanwa Mwanzo wa vuguvugu hili zimekataliwa na zinapigwa vita na kanisa.

Niliona kwamba kati ya vyombo halisi na fedha walikuwa wamevitawanya idadi isiyo na hesabu ya vyombo bandia na sarafu ya bandia. Nilikuwa na hasira kali kati ka mwenendo wao wa msingi na kutokuwa na shukrani, na kuwakemea na kuwadhihaki kwa ajili yake; lakini zaidi nilivyokemea, zaidi walivigawanya vyombo bandia na fedha za uongo kati ya kweli. EW 82.3

Nilikasirika katika roho yangu na kuanza kutumia nguvu kuwafukuza nje ya chumba; lakini nilipokuwa nikifukuza mmoja, wengine watatu wangeingia na kuleta uchafu na takataka, mchanga na kila aina ya takataka, hadi walipofunika kila chombo cha kweli, almasi, na sarafu, ambazo zote hazingeonekana. Pia walivunja sanduku langu vipande vipande na wakalitawanya kati ya takataka. Nilidhani hakuna mtu aliyeona huzuni au hasira yangu. Nilivunjika moyo na kukata tamaa, na kukaa chini na kulia. EW 82.4

“Kutawanywa kwa hazina hizo ndilo lilokuwa chukizo baya sana, lisilodhirika, na walio wasogezwa na kila upepo wa mafundisho, uliofanywa na pande fulani za ukweli uliofunuliwa; wakihubiri maandiko kwa fikara za mioyo yao, na kuweka mafundisho ya neema na ukuu wa Mungu miongoni mwa uchafu, vumbi, takataka, mchanga, wa uasi mkuu; wa kiimarisha uharibifu wao wenyewe. {1853 SB, MWM 364.3}

Neno tawanya linatumika katika nyakati saba za Mambo ya Walawi 26, Miller analitumia neno hilo kuzingatia kweli za kimsingi, kabla akae chini na alie. Miller anawakilisha usawia kati ya Historia ya 144,000 na Wanamiller. Historia ya wanamiller ilianza kinabii na mwisho

wa utawanyo wa kwanza wa 2520 dhidi ya Israeli ya Kaskazini (723-1798). Na wakati huu Yohana alilia kwa kuwa hakuna aliye na uwezo wa kukifungua kitabu kilichotolewa muhuri.

Kulia kwa Miller kunawakilisha wakati usoni ambapo simba wa kabila la Yuda ataanza kutoa mila na desturi ambazo zimeletwa katika Uadventista tangu Mwanzo wake 1863. Kulia kwa Miller 1989 kunawakilisha kilio cha Yohana 1798.

Vyombo za kweli zimetawanywa katika ufunuo; lakini vimezikwa chini ya desturi za wanadamu, chini na misemo na amri za wanadamu, na hekima kutoka mbinguni imekataliwa; kwa kuwa Shetani amefaulu kuufanya ulimwengu kuamini kwamba maneno ya kufaulu kwa wanadamu ni kwa ushawishi mkubwa. Bwana Mungu, muumba wa dunia, kwa bei isiyokadhirika amepeana injili kwa ulimwengu... {CE 86.1}

Taka chafu zinawakilisha desturi na ufafanuzi wa kibinadamu, misemo na amri za wanadamu zimetukuzwa kwa kutumia mfumo wa kihistoria (historical critical) na mbinu zingine tofauti na mbinu ya hakika ya kuhakiki maandiko (proof text).

Kristo alipokuja katika ulimwengu huu, desturi ambazo zilikuwa zimerithiwa kutoka kwa kizazi hadi kingine, na maelezo ya wanadamu ya maandiko, yalificha kweli kutoka kwa wanadamu kuliko jinsi ilivyo katika Kristo. Ukweli ulizikwa chini ya desturi nyingi. Manufaa ya kiroho ya maandiko yalipotewa; kwa kutoamini kwao watu walifunga mlango wa hazina ya mbinguni. Giza ilifunika dunia, na watu giza kubwa. Ukweli uliangalia kutoka mbinguni hadi duniani; lakini hapana popote ambapo uungu wa hakika ulithibitika... {SpM 58.4}

Lakini simba wa kabila la Yuda alidumu. Alifungua muhuri uliofunga kitabu cha maagizo ya Mungu. Dunia iliruhusiwa kuuona ukweli safi ambao haujanajisiwa. Ukweli ulishuka ili kukabiliiana na giza na uongo. Mwalimu alitumwa kutoka mbinguni na mwanaga ambao ulikuwa uangaze dunia kila mtu ambaye angekuja duniani. Kulikuwa na wake kwa waume ambao kwa bidii walitafuta maarifa, neno hakika la unabii, na yalipokuja, yalikuwa mwanga unaong'aa kwenye giza. {SpM 58.5}

“Walirarua sanduku langu na kulitawanya katika takataka. Nilidhani hakuna mtu aliyejali hasira yangu”

Kufuatia kutawanya kwa vyombo, sanduku lenyewe (Biblia) limeraruliwa na kutawanywa katika taka. Biblia iliwekwa katika uharifu na makala ya G.I Butler raisi wa general confedrnce wakati huo, kwa review na Herald 18884. Butler alihimiza kuwa kuna kiwango tofauti cha uungu kwa roho ya unabii na Biblia. Zingine za juu na zingine hazina, japo biblia yasema kuwa maandiko yote ni sawa na umuhimu sawa.

2 Timotheo 3:16 Kila andiko, lenye pumzi ya Mungu, lafaa kwa mafundisho, na kwa kuwaonya watu makossa yao, na kwa kuwaongoza, na kwa kuwaadibisha katika haki;

Mithali 30:5 Kila neno la Mungu limehakikishwa; Yeye ni ngao yao wamwanio.

“Nilidhani hakuna mtu aliyeona huzuni au hasira yangu. Nilivunjika moyo na kukata tamaa, na kukaa chini na kulia”

Kilio cha Miller kinafanana na kile kinachotokea wakati ambapo muhuri inafunguliwa, na Yohana aka-lia...

Ufunuo 5:1-6;

1. Kisha nikaona katika mkono wa kuume wake yeye aliyeketi juu ya kile kiti cha enzi kitabu kilichoandikwa ndani na nyuma, kimetiwa muhuri saba.

*2. Nikaona malaika mweye nguvu akihubiri kwa sauti kuu, **N’nani astahiliye kukifugua kitabu, na kuzifunja muhuri zake?***

3. Wala hapakuwa a mtu mbinguni, wala juu ya nchi, wala chini ya nchim aliyeweza kukifungua hicho kitabu, wala kukitazama.

*4. Nami **nikalia** sana kwa kuwa hapakuonekana mtu astahiliye kukifungua hicho kitabu, wala kukitazama.*

*5. Na mmojawapo wa wale wazee akaniambia, **Usilie:** tazama, Simba aliye wa kanila la Yuda, Shina la Daudi, yeye ameshinda apate kukifungua kile kitabu, na zile muhuri zake saba.*

6. Nikaona katikati ya kile kiti cha enzi na wale wenye uhai wane, na katikati ya wale wazee, Mwana-Kondoo amesimama, alikuwa kana kwamba amechinjwa, mwenye pembe saba na macho saba, ambazo ni Roho

saba za Mungu zilizotumiwa katika dunia yote.

Nilipokuwa nikilia na kuomboleza kwa hasara yangu kubwa na wajibu, nilikumbuka Mungu, na nikamwomba kwa haki anipe msaada. EW 83.1

Mara moja mlango ulifunguliwa, na mtu akaingia ndani ya chumba, wakati watu wote wameliacha; na yeye, akiwa na fagio la uchafu mkononi mwake, alifungua madirisha, na akaanza kuondoa uchafu na takataka kutoka kwenye chumba. EW 83.2

Nililia kwa kumsihi, kwa sababu kulikuwa na vyombo vyenye thamani vilivyotawanywa katika takataka. EW 83.3

Aliniambia "usiogope," kwa kuwa ataweza "kuvijali". EW 83.4

Nakusihi msomaji uweze kusoma Ufunuo 1:10-17, Yohana na Kristo wanapokutana katika roho, mtu mwenye fagio la uchafu ni Yesu;

12. Nikageuka niione ile sauti iliyosema name. Na nilipogea, niliona vinara vya taa saba vya dhahabu;

13. na katikati ya vile vinara nikaona mtu mfano wa Mwanadamu, amevaa vazi lililofika miguuni, na kufungwa mshipi wa dhahabu matitini.

14. Kichwa chake na nywele zake zilikuwa nyeupe kama sufu nyeupe, kama theluji; na maji yake kama mwali wa moto;

15. na miguu yake kama shaba iliyosuguliwa sana, kana kwamba imesafishwa katika tanuru; na sauti yake kama sauti ya maji mengi.

16. Naye alikuwa na nyota saba katika mkono wake wa kuume; na upanga mkali, wenye makala kuwili, ukitoka katika kinywa chake; na uso wake kama jua liking’aa kwa nguvu zake.

*17. **Nami nilipomwona, nalianguka miguuni pake kama mtu aliyekufa. Akaweka mkono wake wa kuume juu yangu, akisema, Usiogope, mimi ni wa kwanza na wa mwisho.***

*Luka 12:32 “**Msiogope**, enyi kundi dogo; kwa kuwa Baba yenu ameona vema kuwapa kuwapa ule ufalme.”*

Kisha, wakati alipokwisha kufagia uchafu na takataka, vyombo vya uwongo na sarafu ya bandia, zote ziliondoka na kutoka nje ya dirisha kama wingu, na upepo uliviondoa. Katika uzuri nilifunga macho yangu kwa muda; nilipoyafungua, takataka zote zilikuwa

zimekwenda. Vyombo vya thamani, almasi, sarafu za dhahabu na fedha zikabaki zimeenea bila mpangilio kila mahali. EW 83.5

Hii inawakilisha kusafishwa na kurejeshwa kwa vyombo vilivyovichwa, imewakilishwa kwa Yeremia 6:16 kama “yarudieni mapito ya zamani”. Kurudi kwa mapito ya zamani ni kurejea katika misingi ya baba zetu ambayo ni mafunzo kwenye ramani(chart) ya 1843 na 1850.

Kisha akaweka juu ya meza sanduku, kubwa na nzuri zaidi kuliko la awali, na kukusanya vyombo, almasi, sarafu, kwa mkono, na kuvitia ndani ya sanduku, hadi hakuna kilichosalia, ingawa baadhi ya almasi hazikuwa kubwa zaidi kuliko kiwango cha ncha ya sindano. EW 83.6

Kurejeshwa tena kwa ujumbe wa kweli unajumuisha kurejesha sanduku lenyewe lakini mwisho wa historia sio Biblia yenyewe bali pia Roho ya Unabii.

*Jinsi mwisho unapokaribia kazi ya kupeana onyo la mwisho inaongezeka, inakua muhimu zaidi kwa wale wanaokubali ukweli wa sasa ili kuwa na kuelewa halisi juu ya asili a ushawishi wa Ushuhuda, ambao Mungu kwa uongozi wake ameuunganisha na ujumbe wa malaika wa tatu kutoka Mwanzo wake. Katika kurasa zifuatazo kuna dondoo kutoka kwa yale nimeandika katika miaka arobaini iliyopita, kuhusiana na uzoefu wangu katika kazi hii muhimu, **na pia kuwakilisha ambayo Mungu amenionyesha kuhusu asili na umuhimu wa Ushuhuda, namna unavyopeanwa, na jinsi unafaa kuchukuliwa.** {5T 654.2}*

Kisha akaniita "njoo na ukaone" EW 83.7

Njoo na ukaone inahusishwa na kufunuliwa kwa nuru ya unabii. Nuru inayofunuliwa Mungu anaporudisha tena misingi ni nuru ya malaika wa nne. Malaika wa nne anakuja kuimarisha ujumbe wa malaika wa tatu, ambao hufanya vyombo kuangaza na utukufu mkuu kuliko wa awali.

Ufunuo 6:1-7

*1. Kisha nikaona hapo Mwana-kondoo alipodungua moja ya zile muhuri saba, nikasikia mmoja wa wale wenye uhai wane akisema kama kwa sauti ya ngurumo, **njoo na ukaone!***

2. Nikaona, na tazama, farasi mweupe, na yeye aliyempanda ana uta, akapewa taji, naye akatoka, ili akishinda tena apate kushinda.

*3. Na alipofungua muhuri wa pili, nikamsikia yule mwenye uhai wa pili akisema, **njoo na ukaone!***

4. Akatoka farasi mwingine, mwekundu sana, na yeye aliyempanda alipewa kuiondoa amani katika nchi, ili watu wauane, naye akapewa upanga mkubwa.

*5. Na alipofungua muhuri wa tatu, nikamsikia yule wa tatu mwenye uhai akisema, **njoo na ukaone!** Nikaona na tazama, farasi mweusi, na yeye aliyepanda ana mizani mkononi mwake.*

6. Nikasikia kama sauti katikati ya hao wenye uhai wane, ikisema Kibaba cha ngano kwa nusu rupia, na vibaba vitatu vya shayiri kwa nusu rupia, wala usiyadhuru mafuta wala divai.

*7. Na alipoufungua muhuri wa nne, nikasikia sauti ya yulemwenye uhai wa nne akisema. **Njoo na ukaone!***

Nikaangalia ndani ya sanduku, lakini macho yangu yalishangazwa nilipoona. Viliangaza mara kumi kuliko utukufu wa awali. Nilifikiri vilikuwa vimechafuliwa katika mchanga na miguu ya watu waovu waliokuwa wamevitawanya na kuvitupa katika vumbi. Vilipangwa kwa utaratibu mzuri katika sanduku, kila moja mahali pake, bila maumivu yoyote yanayoonekana ya mtu aliyeviingiza. Nilipiga kelele kwa furaha kubwa, na sauti hiyo ikaniamsha. EW 83.8

Ukweli wa malaika wa tatu utakua kilio kikuu na kulingana na Dada White utakuwa mara kumi zaidi ya kilio cha usiku wa manane, kitakuwa kuhusu jumbe za kimsingi zilizo kwenye kibao cha 1843 ambazo Miller alizihubiri.

Wakati wa kurudiwa kwa kilio cha usiku wa manane wanawali wote wa Kiadventista wataamka.

***Unaueka ujio wa Bwana mbali sana. Niliona mvua ya masika ilikuwa inakuja ghafla kama kilio cha usiku wa manane, na kwa nguvu mara kumi.** {SpM 4}*