

Lesson 59

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In this lesson we are going to be looking at thinking like a child and thinking like an adult. We are also going to be looking at different examples of how this Movement at first prophetically thought like a child and now like an adult.

Prophetic adults vs children

The two ways to think

First Corinthians 13:9-11 says, "For we know in part, and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect is come, then that which is in part shall be done away. When I was a child, I spake as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child: but when I became a man, I put away childish things." What do these verses mean? Paul is talking about prophecy. He says that when we have partial knowledge our understanding of prophecy is partial. But when we get complete knowledge, our understanding of prophecy becomes complete and we put away our incomplete views. Paul then uses two symbols to explain what he said- those two symbols are a child and a man (or really, an adult, but this was written in a very sexist time). Speaking, understanding, and thinking like a child represents having a partial understanding of prophecy, while being an adult represents having a complete understanding of prophecy. When it comes to prophecy we can think immaturely, like a child, or like an adult (which would be maturely). Thinking like children represents looking at things literally and also just being ignorant. Thinking like adults means taking things symbolically-and this is what this Movement should be doing.

The battle of Raphia

A hot war

An example of thinking prophetically like children or adults is the battle of Raphia. In 2016, the study of the battles in Daniel 11 began to be opened up. This Movement understood that Daniel 11:11 was talking about a historic battle. This was the battle of Raphia in 217BC. We also understood that Raphia would be repeated in our time. As this movement studied the battle, we had a big problem- we were thinking prophetically like children. A child would think, 217BC was a hot war so Raphia in our time would be a hot war too. That's what we believed; some time in the future Russian submarines would surface on the border of the United States and blow the coast off the map, Russian troops would raid the country, there would be Russian air strikes on United States forts in other countries; the same would be done by the United States against Russia: there might even be nuclear weapons involved. In the midst of all this, God's people would be protected but everyone else as good as dead. So, we believed Raphia would be a hot war that would kick off the end of the world: literally.

An information war

As we have seen before, this Movement first thought there was going to be a hot war between the United States and Russia. That would have been technically impossible to live through. We said Raphia was going to be a hot war, with nuclear weapons. We also said Russia was going to strike first. If Russia actually stuck the United States with a nuclear weapon, they would have to either annihilate the United States first or be annihilated. Raphia would have destroyed the entire world, or at least the United States and Russia. We would've all gone down with a bang. There would have been no Panium, nothing. That is why there could be no hot war. That understanding of Raphia was child-like. Now we think like adults. We know it was not going to be a hot war, but an information war. We looked back into history, to the beginning of the reform line of the Priests and 144,000. In 1989, there was no hot war between the United States and Russia directly. It was an information war. In 2018, there was no hot war- it was also an information war. All throughout our history, there has been no nuclear, hot war, so why would one begin in 2019? It wouldn't. That's when we started thinking realistically like adults. There would not and could not and there was not a hot war.

Our revolution

A literal revolution

Revolutions have been going on for centuries. They are internal- they happen inside a country. We got that symbol from time periods in the United States, France, Russia, and Germany. In those times the people rose up against their leaders and overthrew them, violently. This Movement applies those histories of revolutions to our time and we know that there will be a revolution on our line. We could be tempted to think that that means a revolution in our time will look the same way as they did in the past history. According to the lines, revolution takes place in our time in the United States, but it is a childish view of prophecy to think that it will be literal fighting- just like in the past histories.

Partisanship

The revolutions aren't literal, they're figurative. As we just saw, we believed the United States would experience a literal revolution, but that was thinking prophetically like children. All the while the revolution was taking place and we didn't even know it. In 2001 our revolution began, it was in full swing in 2003 because of the Iraq war. Democrats opposed the Iraq war while Republicans supported it. The two sides became extremely polarized over the subject. The revolution ended in 2019 with the Republicans as the winner. The counter-revolution began in 2020. Counter-revolutions take place to overthrow what was set up in the revolution. Trump was set up at the end of the Revolution and that's why in 2020 people came together to protest against him, and the far-right in general. The counter-revolution will end in 2021 or the Sunday Law depending on your perspective. So, we can see that a prophetic child would think that revolutions in our time are two sides clashing in the streets and one side overthrowing the government. A prophetic adult knows that the revolutions in our time is partisanship: Democrats verses Republicans.

The Close of Probation

Michael stands up

The Close of Probation for the Priests was on November 9, 2019. The Priests' line is only a fractal of the 144,000, however. On the 144,000's line, the close of probation is when Michael stands up at the Close of Probation. That closes the probationary time for all mankind. There will be no more interceding and no more forgiveness of sin. November 9th is a fractal of that. This Movement thought it was an exact self-similar fractal, meaning everything from the 144,000's Close of Probation can line up with November 9, 2019. That would mean that November 9th is the Daniel 12:1 for the Priests. It would mean that the Priests have to stand before God without an intercessor starting that day. It would mean that on November 9, 2019 Michael stood up for the Priests and their probation was forever closed. That's what it would mean, and that's what this Movement believed...at first.

A fractal shut door

Michael did not stand up on November 9th. We now have a mature understanding of fractals and we know that a fractal of something, while similar to the original, is not the same as the original, in this case. That rule applies to the COP just like it does to everything else. November 9, 2019 was the Close of Probation on the fractal of the Priests. Because it was a fractal it was not the literal Close of Probation where Jesus stopped mediating for us. It was the end of the latter rain dispensation; it was the end of the test of that dispensation. Thinking that November 9th was a literal Close of Probation is thinking prophetically like a child; thinking prophetically like an adult is understanding fractals and knowing that November 9th was the end of a test.

Impeachment is removal

In 2019, we can see a group thinking prophetically like children. In 2018 the Midnight Cry message was given. One of the studies of the Midnight Cry was the study of the time periods. Several important time periods were presented; one of those was the 151. The 151 began in 1868 and ended in 2019. In 1868 the first president was impeached; his name was Andrew Johnson. Andrew Johnson was impeached, but he was not removed from office. Since the end is the beginning, if there was an impeachment at the beginning of the 151, there must be one at the end. So the conclusion was that according to the 151, in 2019 Trump would be impeached. On December 18, 2019 the House impeached Trump over two things: abuse of power and obstruction of Congress. Afterwards Future for America (who had split from this Movement in August) began teasing this Movement. They claimed that the 151 (that they had previously claimed to accept by the way) was not fulfilled because Trump wasn't removed from office. They also said it wasn't fulfilled because Trump wasn't impeached on November 9th. But Future for America was thinking prophetically like children.

What impeachment actually is

Some people in this Movement believed that when Trump was going to be impeached, it meant he was going to be removed from office. The impeachment came from the study of the time spans. One hundred and fifty-one years before 2019 takes you to the year 1868. In 1868, Andrew Johnson was impeached. That was the first US presidential impeachment ever. That pointed to the impeachment of the president in office in 2019- Donald John Trump. That's how we knew he was going to get impeached. What some people thought was that that meant he was going to get removed from office. Future for America claimed Elder Tess was a false prophet because she predicted that Trump would be impeached on November 9th but after November 9th he was still in office. There are two things wrong with that claim. First- No one, including Elder Tess, said that Trump was going to be impeached on November 9th. The study of the time spans only points to the year 2019, not November 9th specifically. Second- impeachment doesn't even mean removal from office. Removal from office means removal from office. Impeachment means the House of Representatives says he needs to be removed from office. You would think that Future for America, being as nationalist and pro-America as they are, would at least know how impeachment and removal from office in the United States works. That childish understanding that impeachment means removal from office is now gone and has given place to the adult thinking that impeachment doesn't mean that.

The Sunday Law

A law from Obama

The event called the Sunday Law has been around Adventism since the time of Ellen White. The Seventh-day Adventist church believes that a law (or something like that) will be passed in the United States forcing everyone to go to church on Sunday. Therefore, Seventh-day Adventists will be persecuted. That was also the understanding of the Movement for most of its existence, starting back in 1989. We did not pay much attention to the government of the United States back then: we really only thought about the president. We were ignorant so we had a childish understanding of the Sunday Law. We believed that the president of the United States must be the main person behind the Sunday Law. That's why we thought that things President Obama did in his presidency had something to do with the Sunday Law: like Obamacare and legalizing gay marriage. We will soon see that believing the Sunday Law comes primarily from the president is childish thinking.

Congress and the Courts

The Sunday Law comes from Congress and the Courts. Previously we looked at the Sunday Law in 2014. We saw that a prophetic child would say the Sunday Law comes from the government, and the President represents the government, therefore Obama passed the Sunday Law in 2014. But that was all thinking prophetically like children. Revelation 13:11 says, "And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon." It is commonly understood in this Movement that the lamb represents the United States and it's speaking like a dragon is the United States passing the Sunday Law. So the Sunday Law is spoken by the United States. *The Great Controversy* 442.1 says, "the 'speaking' of the nation is the action of its Legislative and Judicial authorities." So if the United States speaks the Sunday Law, then it is the Legislative and Judicial branches of government that speak/pass it. The Legislative and Judicial branches are Congress and the Courts (respectively). In 2014 Mitch McConnell, a Senator, began blocking President Obama from appointing judges to federal courts. It was the action of the legislative branch, and the judicial branch was involved. So to think prophetically like children would be to say President Obama passed the Sunday Law but to think prophetically like adults would be to say the Sunday Law came from the Legislative and Judicial branches.

Trump the last President

Daniel 11:2 says, "And now will I shew thee the truth. Behold, there shall stand up yet three kings in Persia; and the fourth shall be far richer than they all: and by his strength through his riches he shall stir up all against the realm of Grecia." From verse one we know that Cyrus king of Persia was reigning at the time. Verse two says three kings will "yet" stand up, meaning after Cyrus. The three kings after Cyrus were Cambyses, false Smerdis, and Darius. Then verse two mentions a fourth king. That king was Xerxes. He was far richer than the previous three kings. He is also that last Persian king Daniel mentions. Daniel then begins talking about the rise of Greece and Alexander the Great in the following verses. We said that Greece represented the United Nations and Persia represented the United States. The reason Persia represented the United States is because Persia was part of Medo-Persia - a two horned power like the United States. Therefore, the rulers of Persia can represent the rulers of the United States- the presidents. We line up Cyrus with the time of the end- 1989, therefore the kings that come after him must be the presidents that come after 1989. The president who was coming into office in 1989 was George H. W. Bush. So the three kings represent the three presidents after him: Bill J. Clinton, George W. Bush, and Barack H. Obama. Then there's the fourth king- Xerxes. The president he represented had to come after Obama. That would mean he represented Donald John Trump. Xerxes was far richer than his predecessors and Trump was known to be a very rich man. After Xerxes, Daniel moved on to the history of Greece. That must mean that after Trump will be the history of the United Nations, which would mean that he is the last president. That is how we came to understand that Trump would be the final president of the United States.

Trump a very important president

Donald Trump is not the last president of the United States- with the election of Joe Biden that is an obvious fact. But we used to think that Trump would have been the last president who would enact the Sunday Law. That was a childish understanding. And we got it, as we saw, from Daniel 11:1,2; but we can look at those verses and see that Donald Trump is not the last president. Daniel mentions four kings of Medo-Persia that would reign after Cyrus in those verses; in verse three he switches to the first king of the Grecian empire (Alexander the Great). But if we look at history, after the fourth "far richer" king there were other kings of Medo-Persia; the fourth king was not the last king. A mature understanding of the presidents is that Donald Trump was a very important president- who really helped set up the United States more for its fall- but he is not the last president (and when we think like adults on the subject of the Sunday Law, we know that the US does not need him in order for it to come to its end anyway).

Why we have to think like prophetically adults

The Priest's harvest

So we have seen the examples of thinking prophetically like adults and children. We have to switch from thinking prophetically like children, to thinking prophetically like adults. The reason we have to switch now is because we are out of our latter rain. The latter rain ripens the harvest. We are currently in our harvest and we have to be ready for use. God can't use us to take the message to the Levites and Nethinims if we don't understand it ourselves. It's all about methodology- we can't take things literally like prophetic children. We must use correct methodology if we want to think prophetically like adults.

In Summary:

The are 2 ways to think prophetically

We can think prophetically like a child

Or we can think prophetically like an adult

A Prophetic Child

Takes things literally

A Prophetic Adult

Takes things symbolically

A Prophetic Child

Believed Raphia would be a hot war

A Prophetic Adult

Believed Raphia would be an information war

A Prophetic Child

Believes the revolution in our time would be literal

A Prophetic Adult

Believes the revolution in our time is partisanship

A Prophetic Child

Believes all shut doors are Michael standing up

A Prophetic Adult

Believes November 9th was the end of the test, not Daniel 12:1

A Prophetic Child

Thinks when a President is

A Prophetic Adult

Knows that impeachment doesn't

A Prophetic Child

Believes the Sunday Law comes from the President

A Prophetic Adult

Believes the Sunday Law comes from Congress and the Courts

A Prophetic Child

Believed Trump was the last President

A Prophetic Adult

Believes Trump is not the last president but still very significant

We have to think Prophetically like Adults because we are in our harvest and we must be ready for use

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