

# *Tried Stone Ministries*

*Isaiah 28:16*

*“Therefore thus saith the Lord GOD, Behold, I lay in Zion for a foundation a stone, a tried stone, a precious corner stone, a sure foundation: he that believeth shall not make haste.”*

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Monthly Newsletter!*

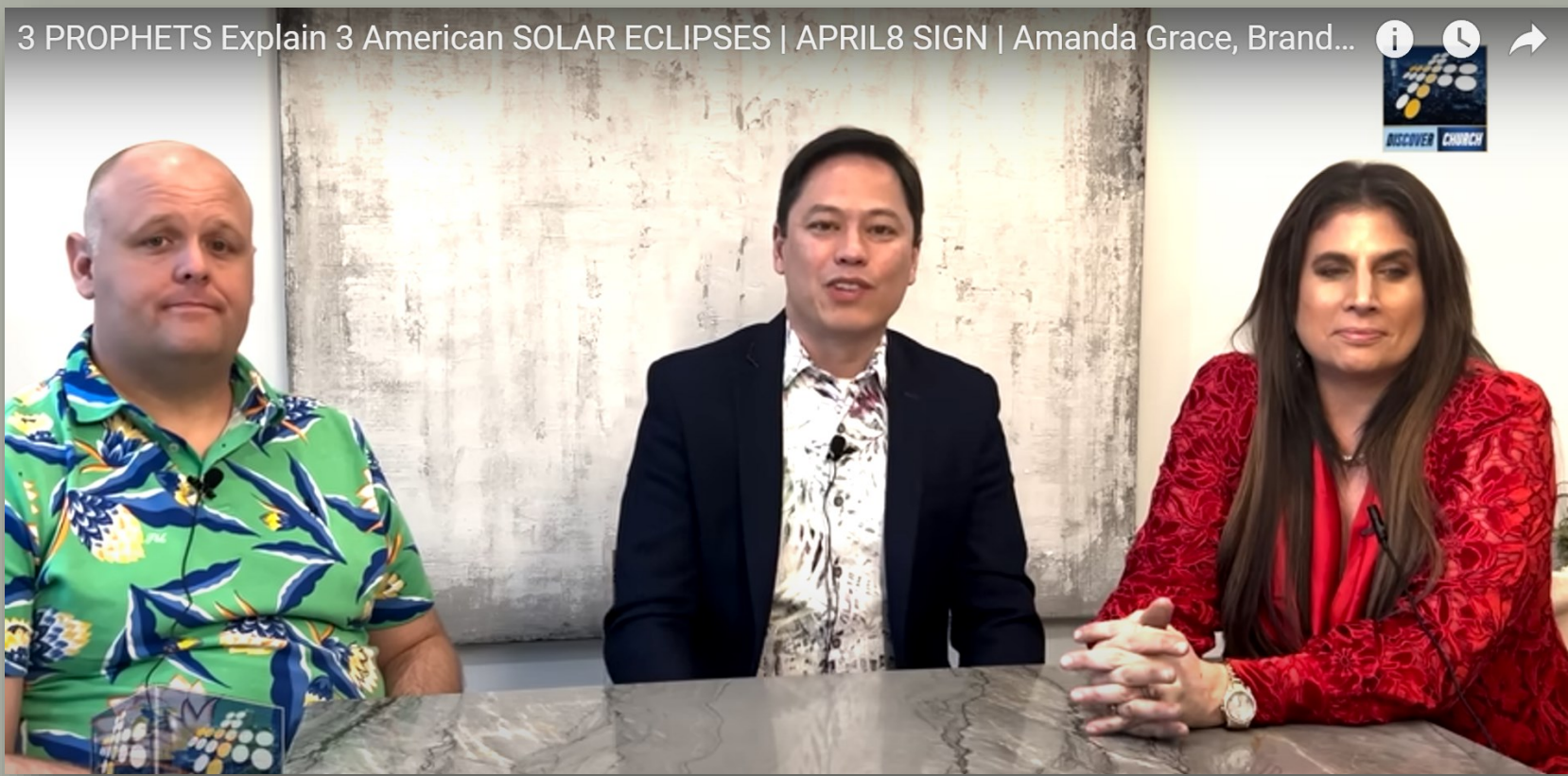
*Tried Stone Ministries is intended to  
bring light to current events, expose  
darkness, and to encourage those  
journeying to follow in the footsteps of  
the Tried Stone - **Jesus** the Rock of our  
Salvation.*





Have you ever played a carnival game? The kind of game that seems too easy to lose, but somehow you just can't seem to master it. It's almost as if a great deal of planning has gone into making the game a winner, not for you the contestant, but for the carnival owner. With prizes of all sizes hanging from the ceiling of the carnival tent the "rigged game" entices the unsuspecting victim to venture a few dollars in the hopes of valiantly solving the puzzle to take home a trinket. But despite the many attempts by all the various contestants the only true winner is the one who takes home the dollars, not the oversized stuffed giraffe.

On March 14, 2024, Brandon Biggs "prophetically" predicted the assassination attempt on Donald Trump. As Mr. Biggs described the scene that he was "shown", Donald Trump was at a rally and had a bullet pass so near his ear that it ruptured his eardrum. He described seeing blood running down Trump's face. He went on to say that Trump wins the election and shortly after there would be a tremendous economic collapse. Mr. Biggs also stated that Trump would have a conversion experience: *"I saw um he was he fell to his knees during this time frame and he started worshiping the Lord he got radically born again during this time frame I'm talking people say he's saved now but he becomes really on fire for Jesus for what I saw coming..."*



*"The thing that hath been, it is that which shall be; and that which is done is that which shall be done: and there is no new thing under the sun. Is there any thing whereof it may be said, See, this is new? it hath been already of old time, which was before us. There is no remembrance of former things; neither shall there be any remembrance of things that are to come with those that shall come after."* Ecclesiastes 1:9-11

We know through the Pen of Inspiration, in the varied writings of Sister White, that great changes will soon take place (9T:11,12). National apostacy comes before national ruin, (RH, May 2, 1893) and this great nation will repudiate every principle of the constitution (5T 451). Could part of Satan's strategy be then to take the unchangeable events of prophecy, twist the narrative and give a "prophetic vision" to someone else? Highly likely, since Satan cannot change the events of time perhaps, he is disguising his agenda by making it seem that it is the will of







God that these events take place, rather than God exposing the deceptions of the Luciferian World Order.

Do you remember the story of the young woman possessed with a devil who followed Paul and Silas?

Acts 16:16-18

*“And it came to pass, as we went to prayer, a certain damsel possessed with a spirit of divination met us, which brought her masters much gain by soothsaying: The same followed Paul and us, and cried, saying, These men are the servants of the most high God, which shew unto us the way of salvation. And this did she many days. But Paul, being grieved, turned and said to the spirit, I command thee in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her. And he came out the same hour.”*

Satan was not lying, those men were servants of God, but by following them and proclaiming them servants of God Satan was looking to validate his possessed agent as being of the same spirit as that of these men. We read in Acts of the Apostles:

*“This woman was a special agent of Satan and had brought to her masters much gain by soothsaying. Her influence had helped to strengthen idolatry. Satan knew that his kingdom was being invaded, and he resorted to this means of opposing the work of God, hoping to mingle his sophistry with the truths taught by those who were proclaiming the gospel message. The words of recommendation uttered by this woman were an injury to the cause of truth, distracting the minds of the people from the teachings of the apostles and bringing disrepute upon the gospel, and by them many were led to believe that the men who spoke with the Spirit and power of God were actuated by the same spirit as this emissary of Satan. For some time the apostles endured this opposition; then under the inspiration of the Holy Ghost Paul commanded the evil spirit to leave the woman. Her immediate silence testified that the apostles were the servants of God and that the demon had acknowledged them to be such and had obeyed their command.”*  
(AA 212.3-4)

I have no doubt as to the sincerity of the prediction of Mr. Biggs. But I do question the source. The Bible warns of false prophets therefore false prophecies.

2 Corinthians 11:13-15

*“For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into the apostles of Christ. And no marvel; for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore, it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.”*

Could this simply be part of the agenda to bring about the merging of Church and State? An apparent miracle in the preserving of the life of President Trump, who has already been touted as “anointed”, who opened official meetings with prayer, who is surrounded by religionists, who proclaims to give power back to the church, all compounding to give a sense of divine blessing to the façade that President Trump is God’s appointed representative who will make America great again?

Sounds like a carnival game, rigged to give the appearance of “win ability” but actually setting the stage for the real agenda, the Papal Sunday Law movement.

*“The Sunday movement is now making its way in darkness. The leaders are concealing the true issue, and many who unite in the movement do not themselves see whither the undercurrent is tending.... They are working in blindness. They do not see that if a Protestant government sacrifices the principles that have made them a free, independent nation, and through legislation brings into the Constitution principles that will propagate papal falsehood and papal delusion, they are plunging into the Roman horrors of the Dark Ages.”*—The Review and Herald Extra, December 11, 1888.



**William Coupon, portrait photographer, who shot Trump in New York City for Manhattan,inc. in 1983:**

***“I shot Donald Trump twice. This is my favorite. Trump was offering his services as a ‘peace negotiator’ between the Israelis and the Palestinians. We thought: get the bird, which proceeded to leave droppings behind. Trump was amenable enough, but not at all happy. But ultimately, it was that something in his eyes. His eyes. Not the bird’s.”***





Matthew 24:5

“For many shall come in my name, saying, I am Christ; and shall deceive many.”



Running for President on the platform of “draining the swamp”, the former president has skillfully played the role of the “hero to the every-man”, the “champion of regulation/tax reform”, the “father of the vaccine”, and the “successful businessman”. Seeking only the good of the nation, he has sworn to break the hold of dirty politics in congress. But we are told that it is this very corruption that Satan is using to prop up the return to religiosity.

*“Political corruption is destroying love of justice and regard for truth, and even in free America rulers and legislators, in order to secure public favor, will yield to the popular demand for a law enforcing Sunday observance.”*  
—The Great Controversy, 578, 579, 592 (1911).

*“This very class put forth the claim that the fast-spreading corruption is largely attributable to the desecration of the so-called “Christian sabbath” and that the enforcement of Sunday observance would greatly improve the morals of society. This claim is especially urged in America, where the doctrine of the true Sabbath has been most widely preached.”*  
—The Great Controversy, 587 (1911).

Amid these counselors who would advise the president on the “safe course” could there be a Jesuit presence? If so, can we honestly trust a new religious awakening? Is this more of Problem+Reaction=Solution?

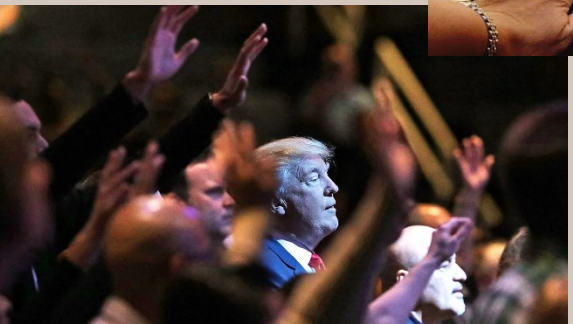
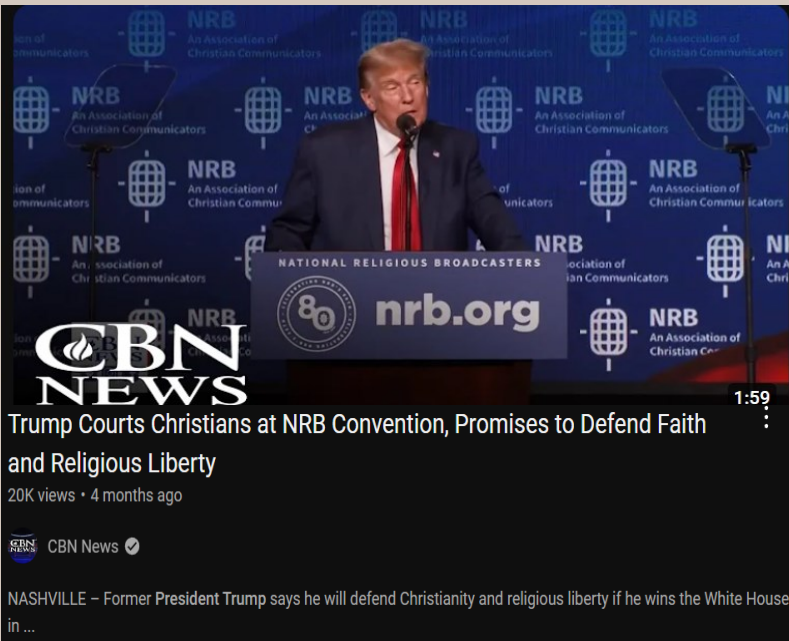
*“The first triumphs of the Reformation past, Rome summoned new forces, hoping to accomplish its destruction. At this time the order of the Jesuits was created, the most cruel, unscrupulous, and powerful of all the champions of popery.... There was no crime too great for them to commit, no deception too base for them to practice, no disguise too difficult for them to assume. Vowed to perpetual poverty and humility, it was their studied aim to secure wealth and power, to be devoted to the overthrow of Protestantism, and the re-establishment of the papal supremacy.... It was a fundamental principle of the order that the end justifies the means. By this code, lying, theft, perjury, assassination, were not only pardonable but commendable, when they served the interests of the church. Under various disguises the Jesuits worked their way into offices of state, climbing up to be the counselors of kings, and shaping the policy of nations.”*[GC 234-5]

We started out this topic by describing a game. A carnival game. The atmosphere is also part of the illusion. The sounds of celebratory cheers or disappointed sighs, the flashing lights and thrills of potential victory, the distracting allurements hanging on every post and ceiling. All designed to distract the participants from reality. But there is a reality. Gritty. Real. Involving all mankind. Satan designs that we should be distracted as he skillfully organizes his plans.

*“The truth of God obeyed, the living by every word of God, is alone sufficient to make any of us stand in these evil times. Satan is playing the game of life for the soul.... the devil stands by and laughs to see human effort wrestling so perseveringly for an object that it will never gain, which eludes its grasp....*

*Schemes and projects which Satan invents ensnare the soul, and poor, deceived human beings go on blindfolded to their own ruin.... There is one safeguard against Satan's deceptions and snares, that is the truth as it is in Jesus. The truth planted in the heart, nourished by watchfulness and prayer, nourished by the grace of Christ, will give us discernment... The enemy is on the track of every one of us, and if we would resist temptations which assail us from without and from within, we need to make sure we are on the Lord's side, that His truth is in our hearts, that it keeps watch in our souls, ready to sound an alarm and summon us to action against every enemy. Without this defense amid unseen foes we shall be like the willow bending to the blast, driven of the wind and tossed. But if Christ abides in the soul we may be strong in the Lord and in the power of His might.”* (Letter 17, 1886).

There is no worldly solution for what is coming upon this earth. No one man can right the course that has been laid out. We are coming to the climax of earth’s history. Do not be deceived, many will come in Christ’s name (Matthew 24:5). ▀



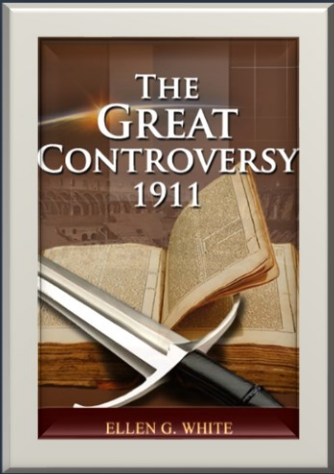


Put not your trust in princes, nor in  
the son of man, in whom there is  
no help.  
Psalm 146:3



“The mainspring of the whole organization of the Society [of Jesus a.k.a. *The Jesuits*] is a spirit of entire obedience: ‘Let each one,’ writes St. Ignatius, ‘persuade himself that those who live under obedience ought to allow themselves to be moved and directed by divine Providence through their superiors, just as though they were a dead body, which allows itself to be carried anywhere and to be treated in any manner whatever, or as an old man's staff, which serves him who holds it in his hand in whatsoever way he will.’ “This absolute submission is ennobled by its motive, and should be, continues the ... founder, ‘prompt, joyous and persevering; ... The obedient religious accomplishes joyfully that which his superiors have confided to him for the general good, assured that thereby he corresponds truly with the divine will.’”—The Comtesse R. de Courson, in *Concerning Jesuits*, page 6.

(GC Appendix 686.3-4)



The enemy has succeeded in perverting justice and in filling men's hearts with the desire for selfish gain. “Justice standeth afar off: for truth is fallen in the street, and equity cannot enter.” Isaiah 59:14. In the great cities there are multitudes living in poverty and wretchedness, well-nigh destitute of food, shelter, and clothing; while in the same cities are those who have more than heart could wish, who live luxuriously, spending their money on richly furnished houses, on personal adornment, or worse still, upon the gratification of sensual appetites, upon liquor, tobacco, and other things that destroy the powers of the brain, unbalance the mind, and debase the soul. The cries of starving humanity are coming up before God, while by every species of oppression and extortion men are piling up colossal fortunes. {9T 11.4}

The businessman may conduct his business in a way that will glorify his Master because of his fidelity. If he is a true follower of Christ he will carry his religion into everything that is done and reveal to men the spirit of Christ.

Steps to Christ p.82.1

There are largehearted men and women who are anxiously considering the condition of the poor and what means can be found for their relief. How the unemployed and the homeless can be helped to secure the common blessings of God's providence and to live the life He intended man to live, is a question to which many are earnestly endeavoring to find an answer. But there are not many, even among educators and statesmen, who comprehend the causes that underlie the present state of society. Those who hold the reins of government are unable to solve the problem of poverty, pauperism, and increasing crime. They are struggling in vain to place business operations on a more secure basis. {MH 183.1}

In India, China, Russia, and the cities of America, thousands of men and women are dying of starvation. The monied men, because they have the power, control the market. They purchase at low rates all they can obtain, and then sell at greatly increased prices. This means starvation to the poorer classes, and will result in a civil war. {5MR 305.4}







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### Excitement Concerning Politics

“Those who teach the Bible in our churches and our schools are not at liberty to unite in making apparent their prejudices for or against political men or measures, because by so doing they stir up the minds of others, leading each to advocate his favorite theory. There are among those professing to believe present truth, some who will thus be stirred up to express their sentiments and political preferences, so that division will be brought into the church.

The Lord would have His people bury political questions. On these themes silence is eloquence. Christ calls upon His followers to come into unity on the pure gospel principles which are plainly revealed in the word of God. We cannot with safety vote for political parties; for we do not know whom we are voting for. We cannot with safety take part in any political scheme.

Those who are Christians indeed will be branches of the true vine, and will bear the same fruit as the vine. They will act in harmony, in Christian fellowship. They will not wear political badges, but the badge of Christ.

What are we to do, then?—Let political questions alone.

There is a large vineyard to be cultivated; but while Christians are to work among unbelievers, they are not to appear like worldlings. They are not to spend their time talking politics or acting politics; for by so doing they give the enemy opportunity to come in and cause variance and discord.

God's children are to separate themselves from politics, from any alliance with unbelievers. Do not take part in political strife. Separate from the world, and refrain from bringing into the church or school ideas that will lead to contention and disorder. Dissension is the moral poison taken into the system by human beings who are selfish.” {CCh 316.1-6}

# Build THIS Wall

## *The First Amendment of the Constitution*

*Congress shall make no law  
respecting an establishment of  
religion, or prohibiting the free  
exercise thereof; or abridging the  
freedom of speech, or of the press; or  
the right of the people peaceably to  
assemble, and to petition the  
Government for a redress of  
grievances.*





# A Note from the Editor

The stage is set, the players are in position, and we are approaching another presidential selection show. Here at Tried Stone Ministries we accept no party affiliation, we strive to see all things through the lens of the great controversy between Christ and Satan. We have placed no trust in man but seek only to witness of the nearness of Christ’s soon coming. We are at the footsteps of great upheaval in our world. Satan wishes to sweep away any remnant of the Christian life, founded on the word of God and the testimony of Jesus. There is no time like the present to prepare both physically and spiritually. Do not get caught up in the left-right paradigm. The game of life is always to Satan’s advantage when we take our eyes off Christ. May we behold the true Saviour and be changed into His likeness.

We have begun free bread making classes for the community. We plan on offering additional classes, such as, crochet, soap making and health. May the Lord bless as we seek to make connections with those in our community!

We are including a “Coming Events” section to the newsletter to show where we will be both in preaching and in outreach. You can always log on to our website and click the “Events” section for updates!

God bless you as we prepare to welcome the soon return of the King of Kings!

Your brother in Christ,  
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# Coming Events

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| 07/20/2024 | Bread Making Class-Sunsites Community Center<br><small>We invite you to join us for a bread making workshop!</small>  | 12pm - 3pm<br><small>Sunsites Community Center</small>                       |
| 07/27/2024 | Bread Making Class-Sunsites Community Center<br><small>We invite you to join us for a bread making workshop!</small>  | 12pm - 3pm<br><small>Sunsites Community Center</small>                       |
| 08/17/2024 | Giving the Message at the Flagstaff SDA Church<br><small>We invite you to join us for worship at the Flagstaff SDA Church!</small>                                    | 9:30am - 12:30pm<br><small>Flagstaff SDA Church</small>                      |
| 08/24/2024 | Giving the Message at the Stronghold International SDA Group<br><small>We invite you to join us for worship at the Stronghold International SDA Group Church!</small> | 9:30am - 12:30pm<br><small>Stronghold International SDA Group Church</small> |
| 09/07/2024 | Giving the Message at the Show Low SDA Church<br><small>We invite you to join us for worship at the Show Low SDA Church!</small>                                      | 9:30am - 12:30pm<br><small>Show Low SDA Church</small>                       |