

WHAT ARE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTS AFRAID OF MOST?

ALL INVITED TO READ THIS STUDY

If you are a non-Seventh-day Adventist reader, you are invited to read this study-article, if you are curious to know what is the **great fear** they have.

If, however, you are a Seventh-day Adventist reader, but you are **afraid** to read this study to learn what you are **afraid** of the most, then you should consider this fact: Not all Seventh-day Adventists are **afraid** as you are, and they will read this study. So if you don't read it, then you won't know what they know, and you will always be **afraid** to know what Seventh-day Adventists **fear** the most!

To learn the **great fear** of most Seventh-day Adventists, approach a laymember of the church on the Sabbath day (Saturday) and ask him to **study** the Bible with you. And he will, as it were, draw back in wide-eyed horror, pull out his sharp two-edged sword of the Word of God (Heb 4:12) to strike at you, and quotes what Jesus said: "**beware of false prophets**" (Mt 7:15)! His **odd behavior** is motivated, of course, by his ignorance of what ever you teach.

SOME SAY BEWARE OF ALL PROPHETS

Whether it is right or wrong doesn't matter to him; because he has been taught that anybody who asks to **study** with him can only be teaching the errors of a false prophet. But there is no need to fear his dull and flimsy sword, since it is defective and will fall "as powerless as a straw" (EW 34:1), because he is **misquoting** the verse by implication! He thinks, like most Christians, that Jesus said to "beware of **all** prophets!"

This, of course, is **blasphemy**, because it is accusing Jesus of saying that Christians should beware of both false and true prophets:

1. Beware of **all** the **false** prophets of Satan!
2. Beware of **all** the **true** prophets of Jesus!

Now since "The Father has given the world into the hands of Christ" (pp 366:1), then **all true** prophets must come from the "hands" of Jesus—the "mighty God" (Isa 9:6); while **all false** prophets must come from the hands of the devil—the "god of this world" (2Cor 4:4). Thus, it is blasphemy to misquote Jesus' words and say that He said by implication to "beware of **all** prophets" (Mt 7:15); for this would include His own true prophets, such as John the Baptist (Lk 7:28), and Himself as well, since He was also a prophet (Lk 24:19)!

Those Seventh-day Adventists who would manifest **odd behavior**, whether it be their sneers, glaring stares, raising eyebrows, curt answers, name calling, ignoring you, reporting you to the pastor, calling the police, or any other kind of unChristian conduct, do so because they do not see that the words of Christ never said to beware of "**all** prophets" but to beware only of "**false** prophets"? After all, if Jesus said "all prophets," then He would expect Christians to beware of the prophet John who wrote the most important book of the Bible—the Revelation!

Do they quote these words because they are trying to **run away** from false prophets? Oh, no! They do not say to run away only from false prophets; instead, they say by implication to run away from "**all** prophets"! That is not what the saints would do; instead, they would quote Christ's words correctly and obey his command to "**beware** of false prophets" and **run away** from them; but they would **never** run away from true prophets!

That is, they would never say to run away from "**all** prophets"! Neither would they manifest any kind of odd behavior to anyone who may ask them to attend a Bible study. Instead, they would welcome the opportunity to **study** the Bible with others.

Thus, it is obvious to these saints that when a Seventh-day Adventist misquotes Christ's words and says that it means by implication, as seen by his odd behaviour, to beware of **all prophets**," then the saints would know that he is trying to **run away** from **all** prophets, especially **true prophets**. And that is why he uses his misapplied version of Christ's words to excuse himself, so that he is not obligated to **study** the Bible with other members to find a true prophet; because it is a **true prophet** that he is **running away** from!



This fact proves irrefutably that there are two kinds of members (saints and sinners) in the Seventh-day Adventist church:

1. The few true saints—those who **run away** from **all** false prophets and only follow the true prophets.
2. And the great majority of tares—those who **run away** from **all** prophets—both true and false! This is not an assumption, but an irrefutable fact! To prove it, just ask yourself why so many Seventh-day Adventists do not believe, read, and teach the writings of Sis. E. G. White! You know why. They **run away** from her because she is a **prophetess**, whose first vision (EW 13:3) in Dec. 1844 (AWLF 22:5) founded the Seventh-day Adventist church. Yet, they hypocritically profess to be members of the SDA church!

Now if you want to know what is the **great fear** of Seventh-day Adventists, then you must read on to learn what it is. You may think you know that it is a **false prophet** which they are afraid of most. But that is **not** their great fear, because they all profess to believe (either honestly or hypocritically) that Sis. White is their acknowledged prophetess. Yet, they have **no great fear** of being a member of the Seventh-day Adventist church!

So a prophet or a prophetess is not their great fear, though they do **run away** from them. Their great fear has something to do with their **rejection** of her prediction in 1890 that God would send Elijah the prophet to the Seventh-day Adventist church. But why **1890**? because of what happened in **1888**.

LOUD CRY OF THIRD ANGEL REJECTED IN 1888

"The Lord in His great mercy sent a most precious **message** to His {SDA} people through Elders Waggoner and Jones {in 1888}....It is the third angel's message (Rev 14:9), which is to be proclaimed with a **loud voice**, and attended with the outpouring of His Spirit in a large measure."—Testimonies to Ministers, pg. 91:2 (bold emphasis, braces added).

And what did most members of the Seventh-day Adventist church do with that 1888 message? The historical answer is that the wicked among them had totally **rejected** it (1SM 234,235)! Yet, in spite of it's being rejected, Sis. White wrote that Jesus would send this message **again** to Seventh-day Adventists:

ELIJAH BRINGS LOUD CRY MESSAGE AGAIN

"And when the message He brings **again**, swells into a loud cry, it will again be ridiculed, spoken against and be **rejected** by the majority."—Taking Up A Reproach." by E. G. White (bold emphasis added).

Thus the 1888 message must come **again** (2TG 39:19:2) with more light added for this reason: The Lord did not throw up His hands (as disgusted humans would do) and say, "Oh well, the 1888 message for Seventh-day Adventists wasn't that important; besides, they didn't want it anyway." The fact is, it was **very important**, since the Lord never sends unimportant messages to His church. Thus, He must send that same 1888 message **again** through His prophet **Elijah**, as Sis. White predicted:

"Prophecy must be fulfilled. The Lord says: 'Behold, I will send you **Elijah the prophet** before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the Lord' {Mal 4:5}. Somebody **is to come** {future tense—some time after 1890} in the spirit and power of Elijah, and when **he** {a male person (Mal 4:6)} appears, men may say: 'You are too earnest, you do not **interpret** the Scriptures in the proper way. Let me tell you how to teach your **message**'."—Testimonies to Ministers, pg. 475:3 (bold emphasis, braces added).

Why did she begin with these four words "Prophecy must be fulfilled"? because the prophecy (Mal 4:5) had not been fulfilled in its second application when she wrote about it in 1890. The Bible says the first application was to John (Mt 17:11), who came in his spirit and power before Christ's first advent. But she says there must be a second application of the spirit of Elijah (Mal 4:5) **after** 1890 before Christ's second advent. That is why she predicted His coming!

SIS. WHITE WAS NOT THE PROPHET ELIJAH



E. G. WHITE
A PROPHETESS
NOT A PROPHET

This irrefutable fact proves that she was **not** that prophet Elijah which she said is yet to come, because her ministry began in 1844; so none could say she fulfilled the prophecy. If she had fulfilled it, she could not say in 1890 that it must yet be fulfilled in her! It is their great fear that causes some SDA to misapply Sis. White's 1890 prediction to herself (a **prophetess**), and teach the error that she is the prophet Elijah.

There is nothing in the Bible to confuse the saints about a prophet or a prophetess. Read where it proves that Elijah the prophet is not the prophetess Sis. White: "And Deborah, a **prophetess**, the wife of Lapidoth, **she** judged Israel as that time." (Jud 4:4). Deborah was not a "**prophet**," a "**husband**" and a "**he**"? The Lord always refers to a male person as a "**he**" and a "**prophet**;" and He always refers to a female person as a "**she**" and a "**prophetess**"!

And that is the obvious reason why Malachi said that "Elijah the **prophet**" (Mal 4:5) is to be a male person "**he**" (Mal 4:6), as the first Elijah—John the baptist was a "**he**" (Mt 3:1-3). The Lord proved, then, that Sis. White was not referring to herself as this Elijah, but to a "somebody" who "is to come" **after** her day.

APPENDIX SAYS TO BEWARE OF ALL PROPHETS

The General Conference leaders of the Seventh-day Adventist church have **rejected** this prophet Elijah, and they want the laity to **beware** of him. This is evident by what they wrote in the back of the book in the "APPENDIX NOTES" for Testimonies to Ministers, pg. 475:3. Their objective is to try to make it appear that the prophetess Sis. E. White spoke of her own ministry as being that of the prophet Elijah:

"Page 475. 'Somebody is to come in the spirit and power of Elijah': These words have been mistakenly applied by some to some individual who it was thought would appear with a prophetic message subsequent to Mrs. White's life and work."—Testimonies to Ministers, pg. 543:1.

It is obvious that Sis. White's words "Somebody is to come" is **future** tense, could not refer to herself. Those leaders and laity who believe what the appendix notation says, is proof that they are trying to **run away** from Elijah the prophet. And that is why they would say "beware of **all** prophets"!



"Hold on (you may be thinking), how does Sis. White's 1890 prediction about the prophet Elijah show what Seventh-day Adventists **fear** the most? You can understand by reading what she told all Seventh-day Adventists to do to find the message of Elijah:

STUDY WITH LAYMEMBERS TO FIND ELIJAH

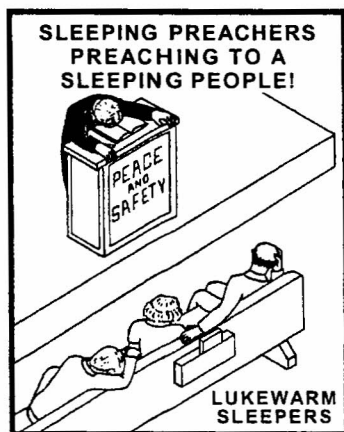
"We {Seventh-day Adventists} should **never refuse** to examine the Scriptures with those {of the laity} who, we have reason to believe desire to know what is truth. Suppose a brother held a view that differed from yours, and he should come to you, proposing that you sit down with him and make an investigation of that point in the Scriptures; should you rise up, filled with **prejudice**, and condemn his ideas, while refusing to give him a candid hearing? The only right way would be to **sit down** as Christians and **investigate** {in a Bible study} the position presented in the light of God's Word, which will reveal **truth** and unmask error."—Testimonies to Ministers, pg. 107:2—by EGW (bold emphasis, braces added).

"If a message comes {from Elijah} that you {SDA} do not understand, take **pains** that you may hear the reasons the messenger may give {at laity Bible studies}, comparing scripture with scripture, that you may know whether or not it is sustained by the Word of God."—Counsels on Sabbath School Work, pg. 29:0—by EGW (bold emphasis, braces added).

Note that in the above quotation the **prophetess** of God (Sis. Ellen G. White) is telling all people in the Seventh-day Adventist church to "sit down" and study with other laymembers, but not with the ministers; because they say there is no more truth or a prophet to come. Instead, the saints are to listen to other laymembers in private Bible studies, and compare what they teach with the Bible. Then they would find the message of **Elijah** whom Sis. E. G. White said would come to the SDA church, because he has more **light** for them to understand:

MORE TRUTH IS TO COME TO THE SDA CHURCH

"We {General Conference leaders and laity} must **not** for a moment **think** that there is no more light, **no more truth**, to be given us. We are in danger of becoming careless, by our indifference losing the sanctifying power of truth, and composing ourselves with the thought, 'I am rich, and increased with goods {old light}, and have need of nothing {need no more truth}.' While we must hold fast to the truths which we have already received {the old light}, we must not look with suspicion upon any **new light** that God may send {by his prophet Elijah}."—Gospel Workers, pg. 310:4—by EGW (bold emphasis, braces added).



Jesus said the great majority of Seventh-day Adventists—the people of the "Laodiceans" (Rev 3:14) are "lukewarm" (Rev 3:16), and **spiritually asleep!** They are "Sleeping preachers preaching to a sleeping people" (2T 337:2)! Unless they wake up, they will never find Elijah's message. They must **study** with other laymembers to find him, because the ministers do not want them to find Elijah.

Those who study with others, however, must not expect to find Elijah so easy; because there are false prophets in the Seventh-day Adventist church, which the Lord has allowed to exist to test His people:

"God will arouse His {**sleeping**} people; if other means fail, **heresies** will come in among them {by false prophets}, which will sift them, separating the chaff from the wheat. The Lord calls upon all who believe His word to **awake** out of **sleep** {and study with others to find the prophet Elijah}."—Gospel Workers, pg. 299:1 (bold emphasis, braces added).

God's people in the Seventh-day Adventist church will be sifted by both true and false prophets. The few saints are separated by the prophet Elijah from the sinners who follow false prophets. A few will "awake out of sleep" and **study** with others, but

most will not. If they **study** with others, and find that it is the doctrine of a false prophet, they need not fear. Their "position will **not** be **shaken** by coming in contact with **error**" (C5SW 29:0), because it is **not** "possible...to **deceive** the very elect" (Mt 24:24). After all, the saints see the errors of the devil wherever they go, in the world, in churches, everywhere!

These saints, therefore, will not be discouraged if they should study with a false prophet, because they can prove from the Bible that he is wrong. If they continue to ask the Lord to guide them into "**all truth**" (Jn 16:13), He will lead them to find His prophet Elijah as they continue to **study** with other laymembers. But most Seventh-day Adventists cannot find Elijah and his message of truth, because they refuse to believe the words of their own prophetess.

SDA TOLD NOT TO BELIEVE THEIR PROPHETESS

"The {Seventh-day Adventist} church has turned back from following Christ her leader and is steadily retreating toward Egypt {in worldliness}. Yet few are alarmed or astonished at their want of spiritual power. **Doubt** and even **disbelief** of the **testimonies** of the Spirit of God, is leavening our churches everywhere. Satan would have it thus. **Ministers** who preach self instead of Christ would have it thus {that the laity **doubt** the **testimonies** of Sis. White}."—5 Testimonies, pg. 217:2—by EGW (bold emphasis and braces added).



"Those {ministers} who seek to lessen the faith of God's people in these **testimonies** {to make them appear **doubtful**}, which have been in the {Seventh-day Adventist} church for the last thirty-six years, are **fighting** against God."—5 Testimonies, pg. 234:3—by EGW (bold emphasis, braces added).

What! Ministers in the Seventh-day Adventist church **fight** God by causing the laity to "**doubt** the testimonies" of Sis. White! But why? If the laity believed the testimonies, they would read where she said Elijah is coming to the church, and they would look for him. But the ministers do not believe what she said; so they cause the laity to **doubt** them. So why do most of the laity listen to the **doubts** of their ministers against Sis. White? for this reason:

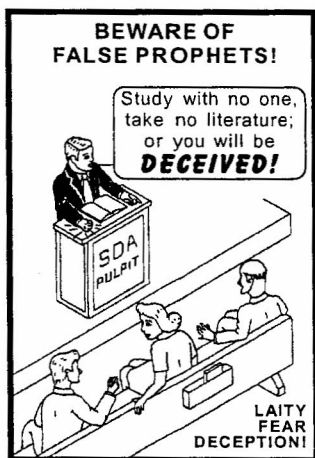
DARK-AGE PRINCIPLES IN SDA CHURCH TODAY

Do you know that Protestant Christians in America are supposed to be **protesting** against the principles of the church-state confederacy of the Dark Ages? During that time the laymembers had **no freedom of religion**, and could **not own a Bible and study** it for themselves. Only the priests or ministers had access to the Bible, and only they were allowed to interpret it for the laity, and tell them what they could and could not believe.

Thus, the Christian laity were at the mercy of the priests who would lie to them; and having no

Bibles they would not know if he told the truth or not. Some Protestant Christians today know about that Dark-Age period of Catholicism when the papal hierarchy ruled by force. And they see it is as a time of spiritual darkness; and say this cannot happen to us, because we have our own Bibles to study.

But is the spirituality of these Protestant Christians any different today? Who issues doctrines for the laity to believe?—the ministers. Who preaches them from the pulpit?—the ministers. Who publishes these doctrines in books and tells them what they must read?—the ministers. Who tells them not to **study** with Seventh-day Adventists?—the ministers. Who would **cast** them **out** of the church if they **dare study** with others?—the ministers (EW 13:1). Since these irrefutable facts cannot be denied, then the Catholics and Protestant Christians today do not really have freedom of religion; and their spirituality is not much better than it was during the Dark Ages!



The words above also apply even more so to Seventh-day Adventists, for they have no spiritual freedom either! Besides this, ministers lead them to "**doubt**" the testimonies, so they will not read and know Elijah is to come with more light. And to **scare** them from finding Elijah's message, they are told to beware of all prophets! This **frightful** warning **deceives** them so much that they will not study with others, because they are **fearful** of being **deceived**!

ADVENTIST'S GREAT FEAR IS BEING DECEIVED!

There it is; now you readers know what it is that Seventh-day Adventists are afraid of most—being **deceived**! That is the reason why a Seventh-day Adventist is **terrified** when he is asked to **study** the Bible with someone other than his minister; and also the reason why he pulls out, as it were, his dull and flimsy sword to strike at him with these words, "beware of false prophets," because he is so afraid that he will be **deceived**! Elijah the prophet came in 1929, and many SDA members received his literature by mail, or were given literature by his workers. Read what one SDA wrote back to Elijah:

"Now let me tell you of another class of {Seventh-day Adventist} individuals from whom I often hear. Listen to what they say: 'Please keep your 'Rod' to yourself, take my name from your mailing list. I am not in the least interested in what you are doing. Your booklets go into the fire just as soon as they come. I never read them and I never will—no, not a line. I am satisfied [lukewarm] with my religion. I belong to the true remnant church and I expect to go with it. How **dare** you try to **deceive** me?'"—1 Timely Greetings, No. 8, pg. 19, 20 (bold emphasis, braces added).



Did you read his words? "How **dare** you try to **deceive** me?" Such words are typical of what the laity think, and proves what most are **afraid** of, which is instigated by their ministers. They purposely **frighten** them by crying out their dire warnings—"beware of false prophets"! Instead of encouraging the laity to "**study** to show thyself approved" (2Tim 2:15), they deny them the freedom to **study** the Bible with others. Yet, their ministers **study** with other Christians, and meet false doctrines by false prophets. And that, they say, is alright for them to do, but not the laity!

Now why? Is it because the ministers make the laity believe they are too ignorant and uneducated to **study** with others, lest they be **deceived** by false prophets? Isn't that what happened during the Dark-Age period of spiritual depravity, when the priests denied religious freedom and Bibles to the laity, because they were ignorant and uneducated peons?

It is obvious, then, that their cry to **scare** the laity about being **deceived** by false prophets, is in itself a cruel **deception**! It is to **deceive** them into believing that they are weak, helpless, ignorant, uneducated peons who must depend upon their minister (not Jesus) for their spiritual needs, which is man worship. This is the exact same type of idol worship the priests employed to **deceive** the laity and make them totally dependent upon them (not Jesus) during the Dark Ages of spiritual depravity!

Thus, the purpose of their **deceptive cry** about being **deceived** is a clever **deception** that closes the laity's minds against Elijah's message. If such a **deceived** one is asked to study the Bible, he is immediately suspicious that someone is trying to **deceive** him. The ministers rely heavily upon their **deceptive** technique (**fear** of being **deceived**), because it keeps the laity from studying with others. If any one is asked to study the Bible, he will in horror cry out, "How **dare** you try to **deceive** me!" But there is no need for any member being deceived.

TESTIMONIES SAVE FROM STRONG DELUSION

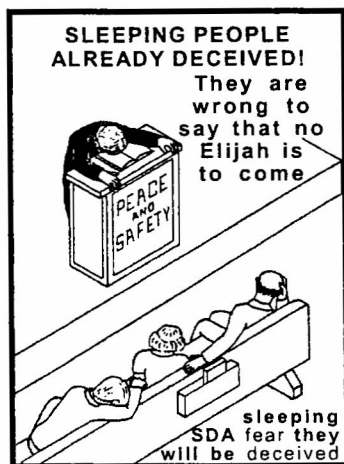
"We must follow the directions given through the Spirit of prophecy {in the testimonies}. We must **love** and **obey** the truth for this time {not **doubt** the testimonies}. This will **save** us from accepting **strong delusions**."—Gospel Workers, pg. 308:1—by EGW (bold emphasis, braces added).

True Seventh-day Adventists follow the "directions given through the Spirit of prophecy" because they do **not** "**doubt**" the writings of Sis. E. G. White, which is the "testimonies of Jesus" (Rev 19:10). And this will save them from the **deceptive delusions** of their ministers!

And though they know that they are to beware of false prophets, they also know that Jesus stated in His testimonies (Rev 19:10) to "**love** and **obey** the truth" (GW 308:1). This will keep them secure from the "**strong delusions**" of false prophets; and especially the deception of false ministers who will not tell them about Elijah the prophet! When they learn what Sis. E. G. White predicted in 1890 about someone coming to the church, they will search and **study** with others (TM 107:2) and find the message of Elijah.

The majority of Seventh-day Adventists, however, who are not the saints will be led by their ministers to **"doubt"** the testimonies of Sis. White. They will tell these laymembers that there is no Elijah to come with more truth; and to keep them from finding this Elijah they tell them not to study with other people. They will be told to "beware of false prophets" to **frighten** them into believing that if they study with other laymembers they will be **deceived**. By this **"strong delusion"** the ministers lead them away from Elijah's message! And because the laity do not see the deception, they think they are safe from being deceived. But Jesus told His prophetess, Sis. E. G. White, that they are already **deceived!**

"What greater **deception** can come upon human minds than a confidence that they are right when they are **all wrong!** The message of the True Witness {Jesus (27:36:2)} finds the people of God {in the SDA church} in a sad **deception**, yet **honest** in that **deception**. They know **not** that their condition is deplorable in the sight of God."—3 Testimonies, pgs. 252, 253 (bold emphasis, braces added).



Those Seventh-day Adventists who reject Jesus' testimony in Sis. White's writings, do not know He said above that they are in a state of "deception" —**already deceived!** And yet, they are always **afraid** they will be **deceived!**

"We {SDA} see that if we do not fall in **love** with the Truth {GW 308:1}, **deception** is inevitable. No, none are **deceived** by coming in contact with **error** (for we are in contact with it anyway

from the time we are born to the time we die), but everyone {especially SDA} who does **not love** the Truth is sure to be **deceived**, regardless what he may do to avoid It."—1 Timely Greetings, No. 50, pg. 25:1. (bold emphasis, braces added).

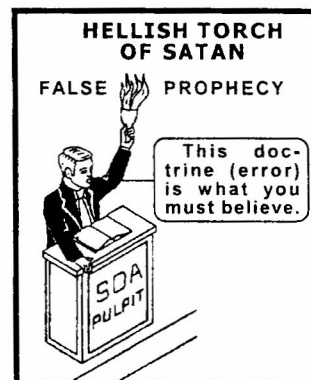
"The mind that depends upon the judgment of others {their ministers} is certain, sooner or later, to be **misled** {**deceived**}."—Education, pg. 231:0 (bold emphasis, braces added by author).

Though they may "beware of false prophets" to avoid **deception**, yet they are **already deceived**; and they will stay **deceived** if they do not find Elijah's message. That is why they are **"all wrong"** when they say no more light is to come; and why they are "all wrong" when they say no prophet Elijah is to come with a message of truth. And why they are "all wrong" for saying that they will be **deceived** if they study with other laymembers; because Jesus said that the saints cannot be deceived (Mt 24:24).

Finally, when they say their being **"honest** in... deception" is excusable, they are "all wrong;" because deception is deception, whether honest or dishonest. And there can be no excuse; for the result is the same—eternal death! But why is the laity deceived? Its because their **ministers** are **deceived!**

ANGEL OF LAODICEA IS SPIRITUALLY BLIND

"Many {SDA ministers} will stand in our pulpits with the torch of **false prophecy** in their hands, kindled from the **hellish torch of Satan**."—Testimonies to Ministers, pgs. 409, 410 (bold emphasis, braces added).



"The {laity of the} church {Seventh-day Adventists} will rarely take a **higher stand** than is taken by her ministers. We need a **converted ministry** and a converted people."—5 Testimonies, pg. 227:3 (bold emphasis, braces added).

Only a few of the laymembers believe the instructions in Sis. White's testimonies to find **Elijah** and his message of truth. The great majority are **afraid** they will be **deceived** by the false prophets. Instead, they will be **deceived** by their **deceived** ministers, because they do **not** "take a higher stand" than the ministers whom they follow. And neither do they recognize the **"hellish torch of Satan"** in the hands of many ministers. Jesus revealed these facts in the symbolisms of John's Revelation.

In the "midst of seven candlesticks" (Rev 1:12) John saw Jesus standing with seven stars in His hand. He told John that the seven **candlesticks** are the seven **churches**, and that the seven **stars** are the seven **angels** (Rev 1:20).



The seventh candlestick is the last, and exists in the latter days before Jesus comes.

"The names of the seven churches {candlesticks} are symbolic of the church in different periods of the **Christian era**. The number seven indicates **completeness**, and is symbolic of the fact that the messages extend to the **end of time**, while the symbols used reveal the condition of the church at different periods in the history of the world."—Acts of the Apostles, pg. 585:3 (bold emphasis, braces added).

In the last days—"end of time" the last "candlestick" (church) is named "Laodicea" (Rev 3:14), which means "people declaring judgment." Since only the people in the Seventh-day Adventist church are teaching that the **judgment** of the dead began in 1844, then only they can be identified beyond question as the "church of the Laodiceans" (Rev 3:14)—seventh **candlestick!**



As for the symbolic "seven **stars**" which are in the hand of Jesus, He said that they must symbolize the seven **"angels"** (Rev 1:20), who are the **ministers:**



"In His hand are seven **stars {angels}**, representing the **ministers** of the churches." (SL 78:0); and here is how the verse would read: "And unto the **angel {ministers}** of the {Seventh-day Adventist} church of the Laodiceans {the people who declare the **judgment** of the dead} write;..." (Rev 3:14). Now read below what John wrote about the "angel" ministers:

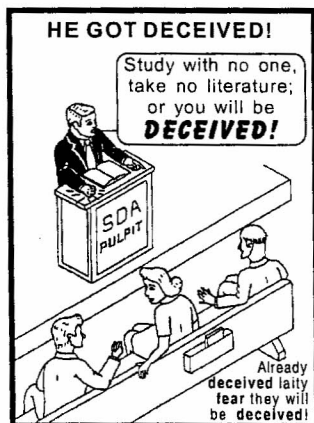
"So then because thou art **lukewarm** {satisfied}, and neither cold {for Satan} nor hot {for God}, I will spue thee out of My Mouth."—Revelation 3:16.

"Because thou sayest, I am **rich**, and increased with goods, and have **need of nothing** {do not need the message of **Elijah**}; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and {spiritually} **blind**, and naked. I counsel thee...anoint thine eyes with **eyesalve** {Elijah's message to open their spir-itual eyesight}, that thou mayest see."—Revelation 3:17, 18 (bold emphasis, braces added).

It is to the seven **angels**—the **ministers** of the seven (candlestick) churches that Jesus is admonishing: To the "**angel** of...Ephesus" (Rev 2:1); to the "**angel**...in Smyrna" (Rev 2:8); to the "**angel** of... Pergamos" (Rev 2:12); to the "**angel** of...Thyatira" (Rev 2:18); to the "**angel** of...Sardis" (Rev 3:1); to the "**angel** of...Philadelphia" (Rev 3:7); and to the "**angel** of...Laodicea" (Rev 3:14)—**ministers** in the Seventh-day Adventist church!

Of this last candlestick-church of Laodicea, Jesus said that it is the "**angel**" (**ministers**) who are "**lukewarm**" (satisfied with the truth they have and want no more); and they are "**blind**" (Rev 3:17) to spiritual things and can not recognize Elijah's message.

The **blind** angel-ministers lead the laity to reject (ST 217:2) Sis. E. G. White's writings (Rev 19:10) about Elijah's coming {TM 475:3} with a message; and where she says the laity must study with others (TM 107:2).



The **blind** ministers also **scare** the laity by telling them to "beware of false prophets" to make them **afraid** to study with others. But if any one accepts Elijah's message, they will say: "Didn't I tell you not to study with others. See what happened to him, he studied with others and got **deceived!**" This is exactly what the Sunday ministers will say when any one becomes a Seventh-day Adventist—he got **deceived!**

They also intimidate them into believing that they are so weak spiritually that they will be "**deceived**" if they **study** with other members. That is why they say: "You don't need to study with others, **trust me** and I will tell you what to believe and what to read." This is idol worship of the worst kind!

HOW TO BE UNDECEIVED

As already quoted: "What greater **deception** can come upon human minds than a confidence that they {Seventh-day Adventists} are right when they are **all wrong!**"^(3T 252,253). These inspired words about SDA being "**all wrong**" in their "**deception**" proves that their great **fear** of being **deceived** should not concern them the most, because they are **already deceived**. What they should do is find the message of Elijah and get **undeceived!**

They should not only believe Sis. White's testimonies that the prophet Elijah is to come (TM 474:3) with more truth, but they should also ask God to guide them "into all truth" (Jn 16:13). And He will lead them in their efforts to **study** with other laymembers against such studies. Then they will be **undeceived** when they find the message of Elijah, who said to:

STUDY AS NEVER BEFORE

"Since the Laodiceans {Seventh-day Adventists} are **already** in the **greatest deception**, then for any one of them to decline to investigate a claimant to truth for **fear** of being **deceived** in so doing, is to stultify reason. To investigate and to **study** is one's only salvation—his only hope of getting out of his present 'sad,' 'terrible,' 'fearful' **deception** (Testimonies, Vol. 3, pp. 253, 254, 260), and his only hope of protection in keeping him from plunging into the abyss {eternal death}. So he must **study** as never before!"—1 Answerer Book, pg. 75:1 (bold emphasis, braces added).

"All {Seventh-day Adventists} who are **too lazy** to **study**, and who give the Devil a chance to sow devilish seed in their hearts, making them believe that the preacher or the minister will take them through the Pearly Gates {in his arms}, having no experience of their own, are **cheated** of **eternal life**; they instead get **eternal death**."—1 Timely Greetings, No. 21, pg. 12:4 (bold emphasis, braces added).

ARE YOU A SAINT WHO CANNOT BE DECEIVED?

If you are a non-Seventh-day Adventist reader, then why don't you **study** with a Seventh-day Adventist? Are you a **saint** who **cannot** be **deceived** (Mt 24:24)? If so, then why would you be **afraid** to **study** with him? Are you **afraid** that he will **deceive** you?

If you are a Seventh-day Adventist reader, then why don't you **study** with a Davidian? Are you a **saint** who **cannot** be **deceived** (Mt 24:24)? If so, then why would you be **afraid** to **study** with a Davidian? Are you **afraid** that he will **deceive** you? If so, then you have proven that this is what you and other members are **afraid** of most—being **deceived!**

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