



And that, *knowing
the time*, that now it
is high time to awake
out of sleep: *for now
is our salvation
nearer than when
we believed.*

Rom. 13:11



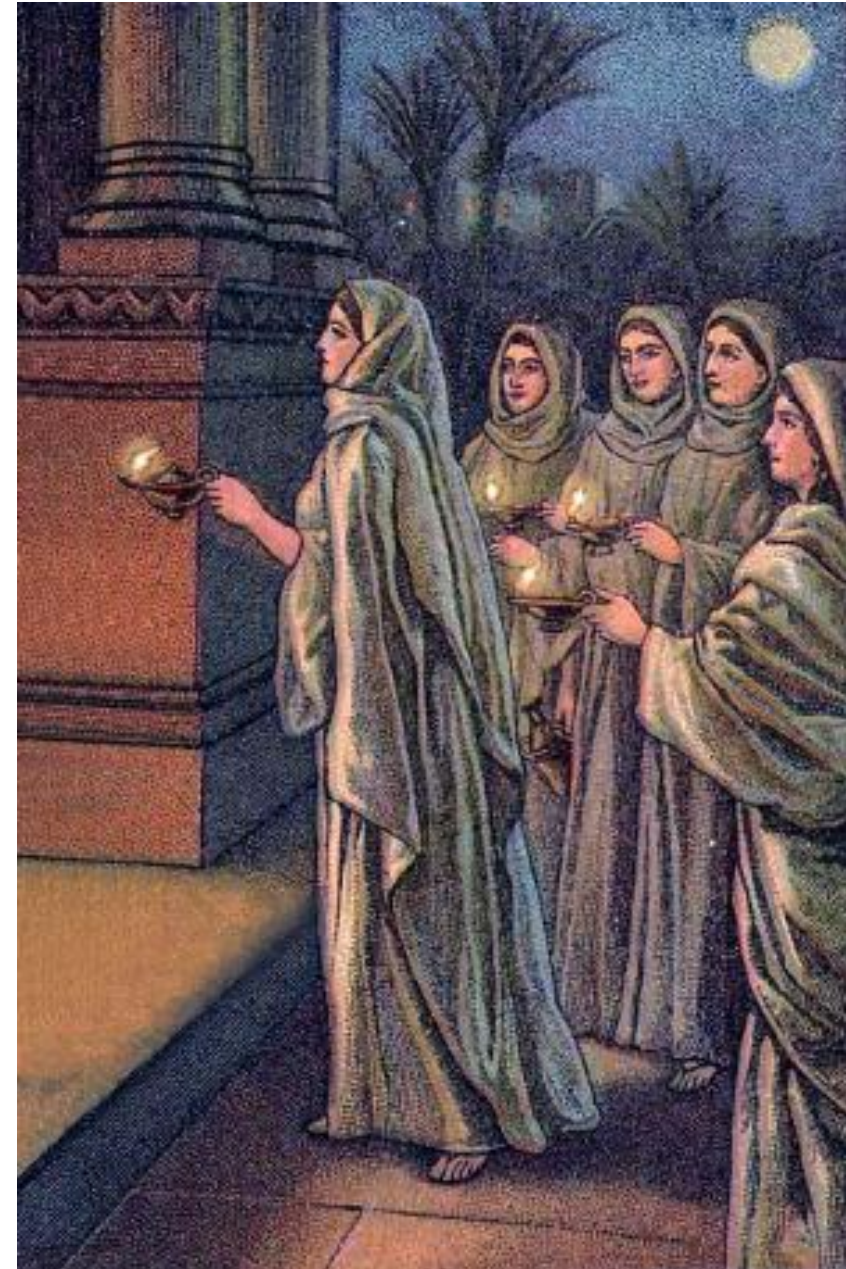
TRIM
YOUR
LAMPS

Then all those virgins arose,
and ***trimmed their lamps.***

Matt. 25:7

Trim [trim] verb (*used with object*), trimmed, trim·ming
to put into a neat or orderly condition by
clipping, paring, pruning, etc.:

Proof [proof] noun
evidence sufficient to establish a thing as
true, or to produce belief in its truth.



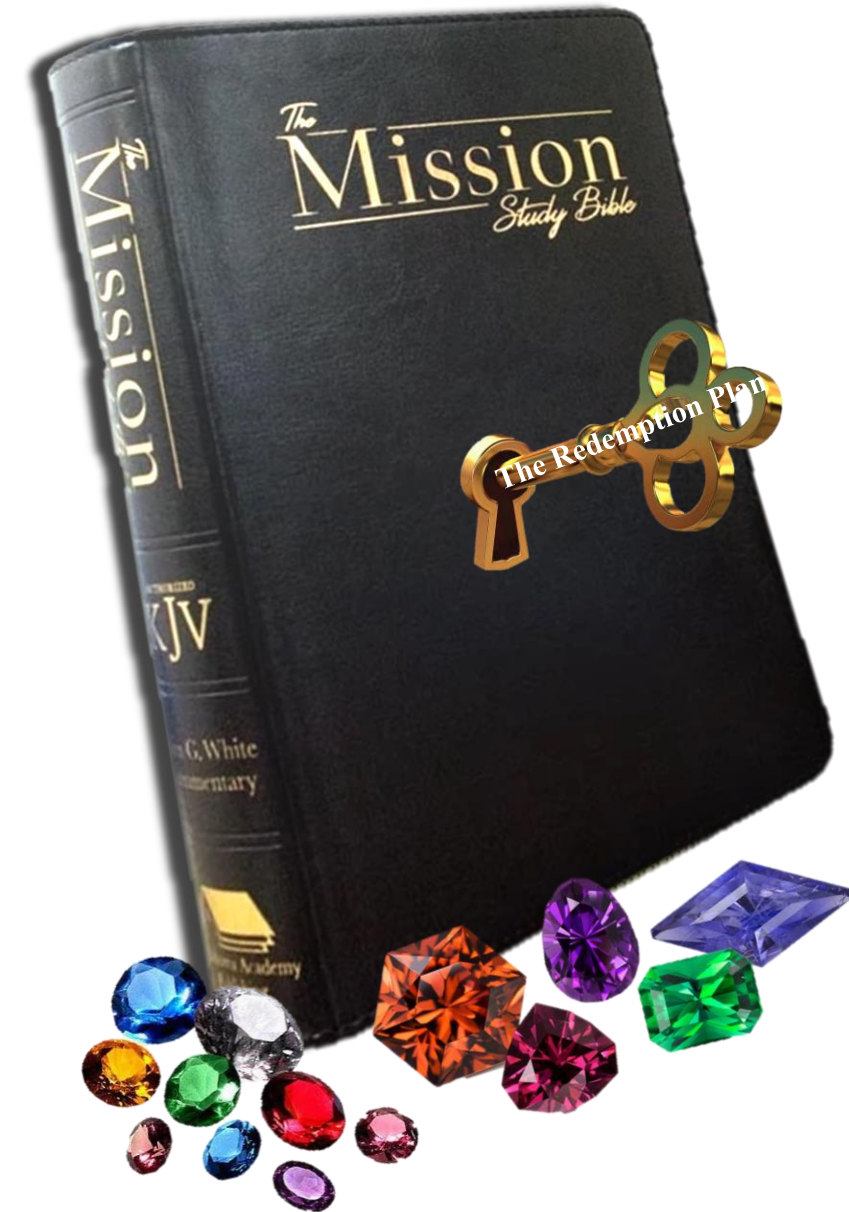
Recipe For Studying God's Word



Isa. 28:9, 10, & 13

It is too late in the day to feed with milk. If souls a month or two old in the truth, who are about to enter the time of trouble such as never was, cannot hear all the straight truth, or endure the strong meat of the straightness of the way, how will they stand in the day of battle? Truths that we have been years learning must be learned in a few months by those who now embrace the Third Angel's Message. We had to search and wait the opening of truth, receiving a ray of light here and a ray there, laboring and pleading for God to reveal truth to us. But now the truth is plain; its rays are brought together. The blazing light of truth when it is presented as it should be can be now seen and brought to bear upon the heart.

Gems of Truth

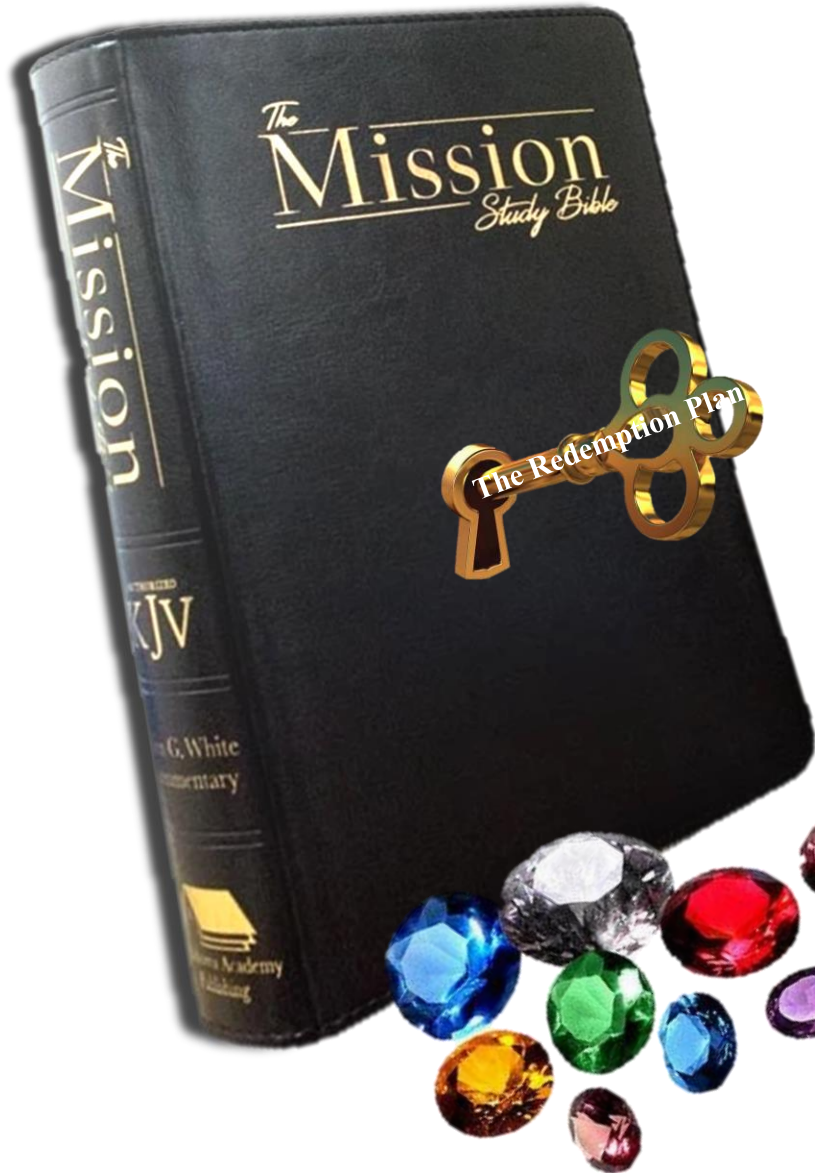


The **central theme of the Bible**, the theme about which every other in the whole book clusters, **is the redemption plan, the RESToration in the human soul of the image of God**. From the first intimation of hope in the sentence pronounced in Eden to that last glorious promise of the Revelation, “They shall see His face; and His name shall be in their foreheads” (Revelation 22:4), **the burden of every book and every passage of the Bible is the unfolding of this wondrous theme**,—man's uplifting,—the power of God, “which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” 1 Corinthians 15:57.



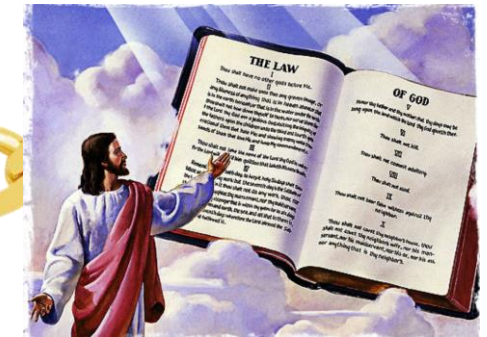
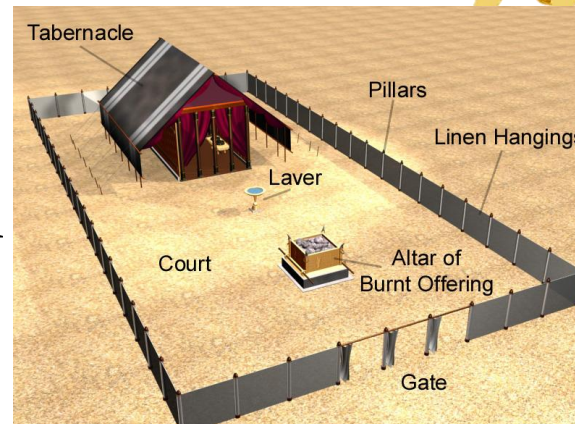
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He who grasps this thought has before him an infinite field for study. He has the key that will unlock to him the whole treasure house of God's word. {Ed, p. 126}



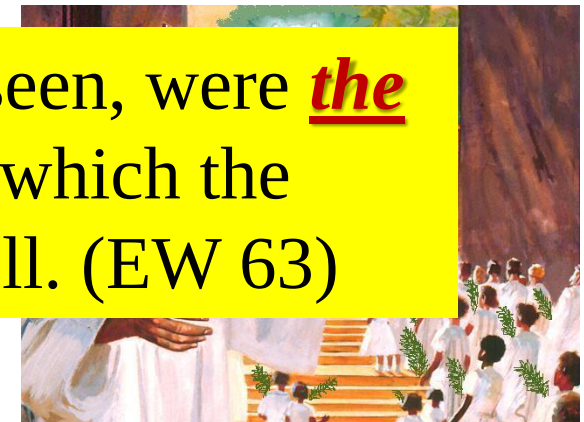
But such subjects as the sanctuary, in connection with the 2300 days, the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, are perfectly calculated to

- (1) explain the past Advent movement
- (2) show what our present position is,
- (3) establish the faith of the doubting,
- (4) give certainty to the glorious future.

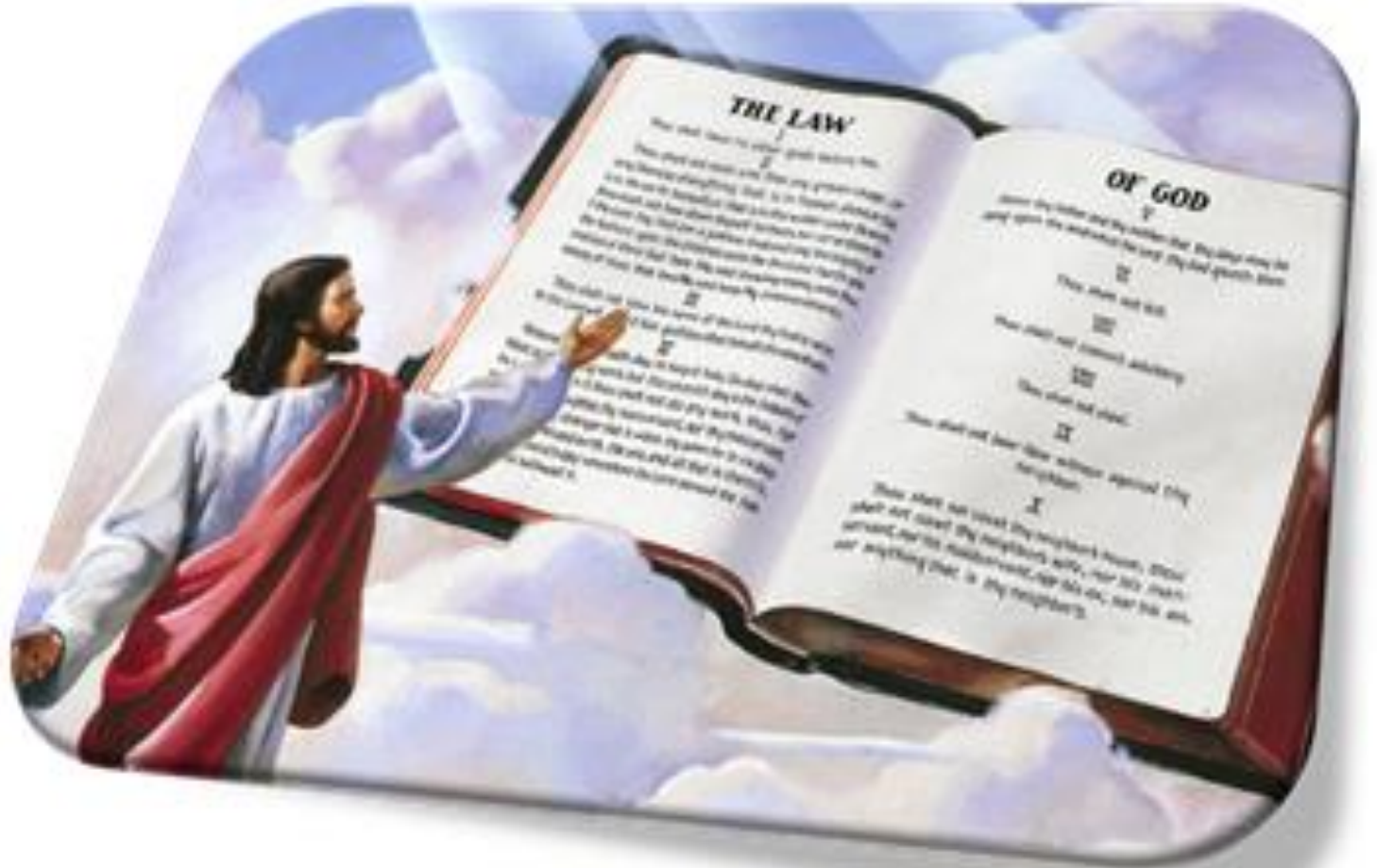


These, I have frequently seen, were the principal subjects on which the messengers should dwell. (EW 63)

principal: first in order of importance; main



The Precepts of the Decalogue

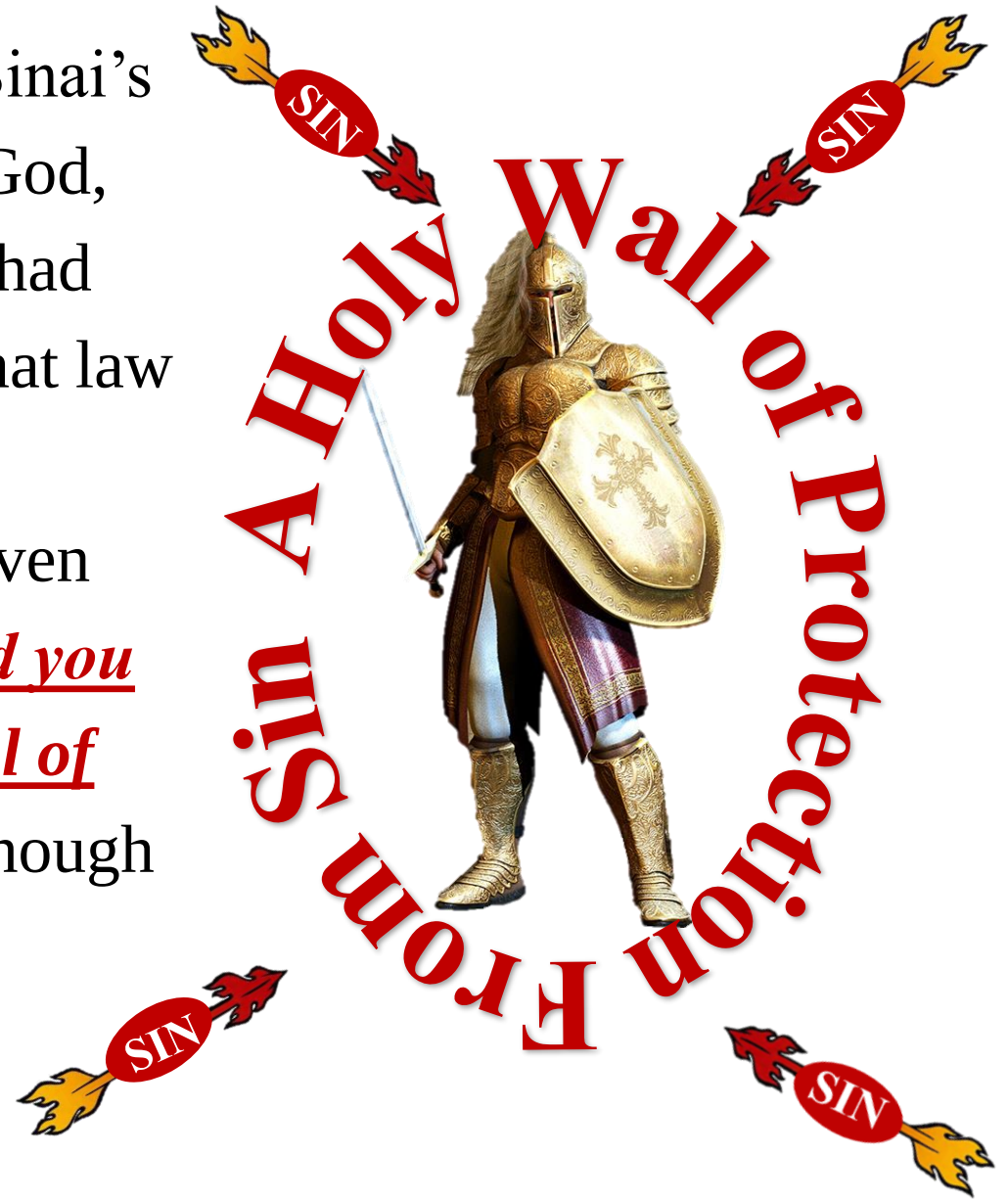




The ten commandments, Thou shalt, and Thou shalt not, are ten promises, assured to us if we render obedience to the law governing the universe. “If ye love me, keep my commandments.” Here is the sum and substance of the law of God. The terms of salvation for every son and daughter of Adam are here outlined (Manuscript 41, 1896).

The Lord has given His holy commandments to be a wall of protection around His created beings, and those who will keep themselves from the defilement of appetite and passion may become partakers of the divine nature.

The ten holy precepts spoken by Christ upon Sinai's mount were the revelation of the character of God, and made known to the world the fact that He had jurisdiction over the whole human heritage. That law of ten precepts of the greatest love that can be presented to man is the voice of God from heaven speaking to the soul in promise, *"This do, and you will not come under the dominion and control of Satan."* There is not a negative in that law, although it may appear thus. *It is DO, and Live.* (Letter 89, 1898).



The first four are pertaining to man's
relationship to God



and the last six are pertaining to man's relationship
with each other. (John 14:15 & 21; John 15:14)

The precepts of the Decalogue
are adapted to all mankind,
and they were given for the
instruction and government of
all. Ten precepts, brief,
comprehensive, and
authoritative, cover the duty of
man to God and to his
fellowman; and all [are] based
upon the great fundamental
principle of love. {1MCP 248}



1st

Commandment

Thou shalt have no other gods before Me.
(Ex. 20:3)

This command promises to protect us from “false god worship/Idolatry” in our hearts. God vows to be our God as long as we are obedient to His commands, statutes, and judgments.





Commandment # 2

Thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: Thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting the iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me; And showing mercy unto thousands of them that love me, and keep my commandments.
(Ex. 20:4-6)



This command promises to protect us from “false god worship/Idolatry” outwardly. God vows to be our God as long as we are obedient to His commands, statues, and judgments.

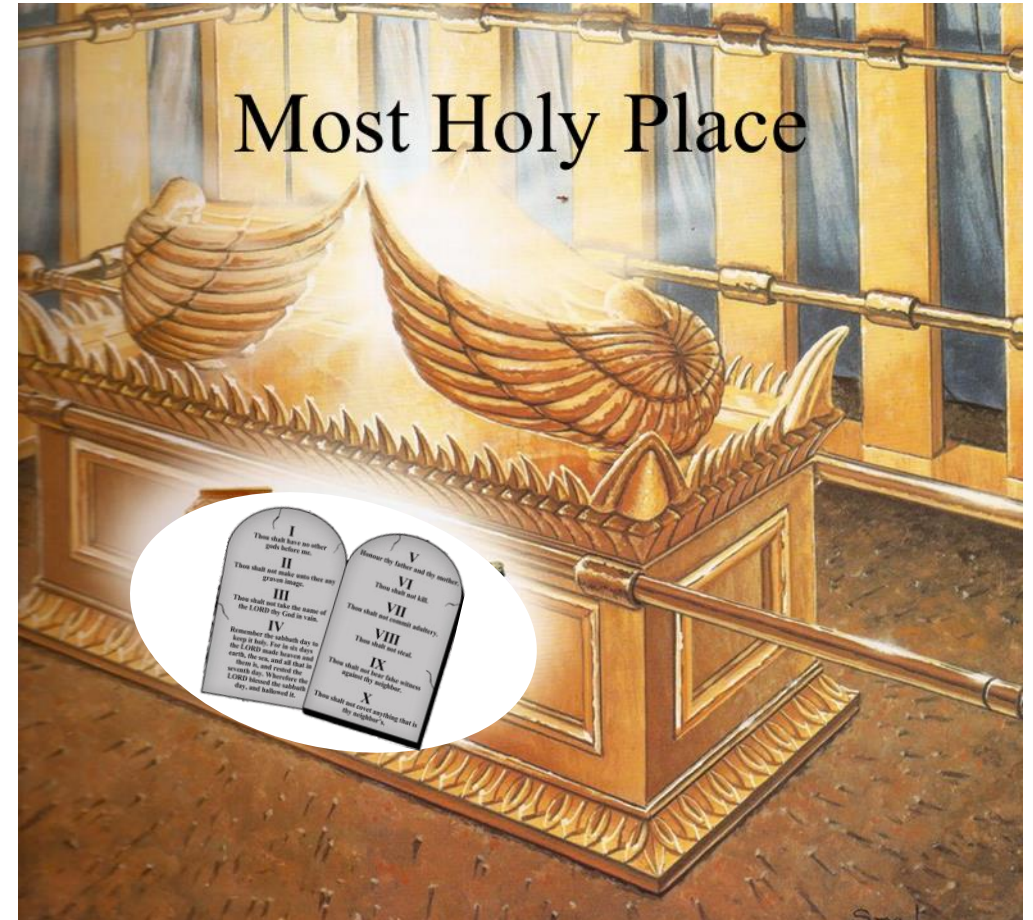
3rd

Commandment

Thou shalt not take the name of the LORD thy God in vain; for the LORD will not hold him guiltless that taketh his name in vain. Ex. 20:7

(1) This commandment forbids us to use the name of God in a light or careless manner.

By the thoughtless mention of God in common conversation, and by frequent, thoughtless repetition of His name, we dishonor Him. “Holy and reverend is His name.” Psalm 111:9. It should be uttered with reverence and solemnity. {EP 212}



reverence: honor or respect felt or shown; **solemnity**: marked by the invocation of a religious sanction



Outer Court

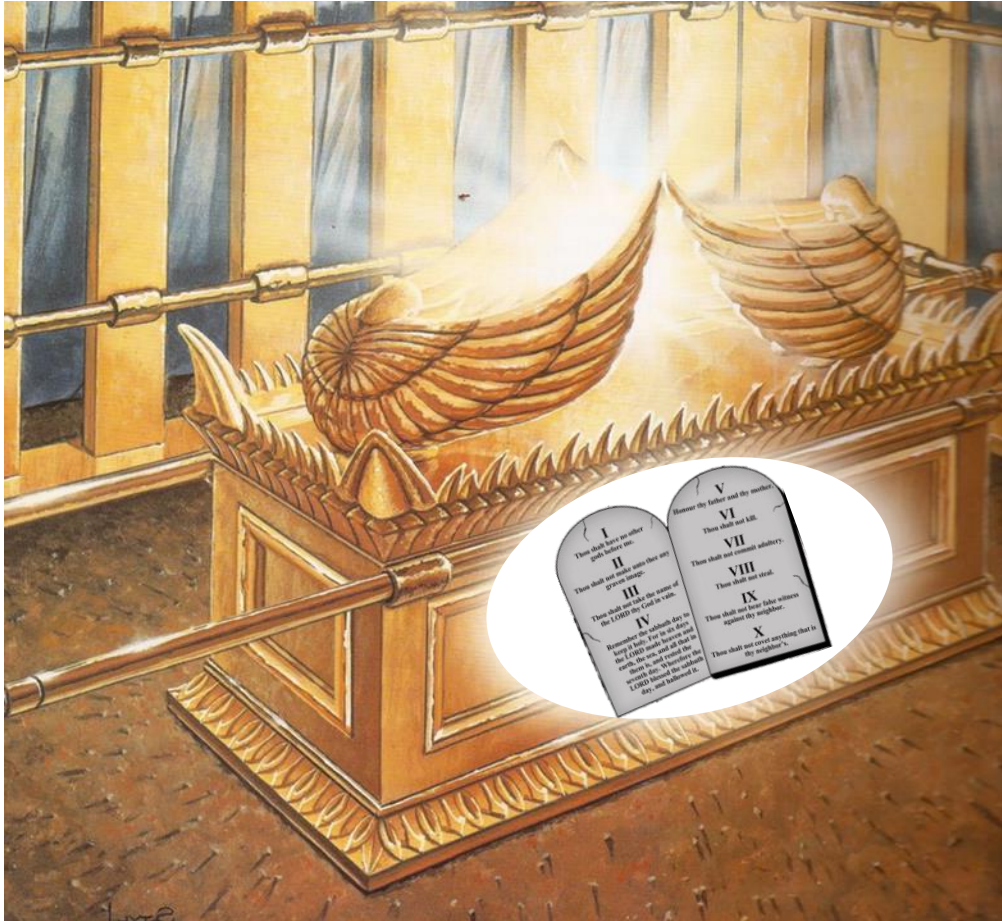
Holy Place

Most Holy
Place

And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name
JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins. Matt 1:21

The study bible says Saviour next to the name JESUS.

Most Holy Place



Read Ps. 99:1; Isa 37:16

(2) This commandment not only prohibits false oaths and common swearing, but (1) it forbids us to use the name of God in a light or careless manner, without regard to its awful significance. By the thoughtless mention of God in common conversation, by appeals to Him in trivial matters, and by the frequent and thoughtless repetition of His name, we dishonor Him. *“Holy and reverend in his name.”* All should meditate upon His majesty, His purity and holiness, that the heart may be impressed with a sense of His exalted character; and His holy name should be uttered with reverence and solemnity. It is not men whom we are to exalt and worship; it is God, the only true and living God, to whom our worship and reverence are due.

According to the teaching of the Scriptures, it dishonors God to address ministers as “reverend.”

WARNING!!!

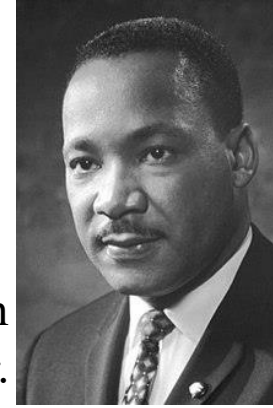
No mortal has any right to attach this to his own name, or to the name of any other human being. It belongs only to God, to distinguish Him from every other being.... “Holy and reverend is his name.” We dishonor God when we use this word where it does not belong.... The Father and the Son alone are to be exalted. {SD 58}

Coping the
look

Al Sharpton



Dr. Martin
L. King Jr.



Jesse Jackson



Run DMC



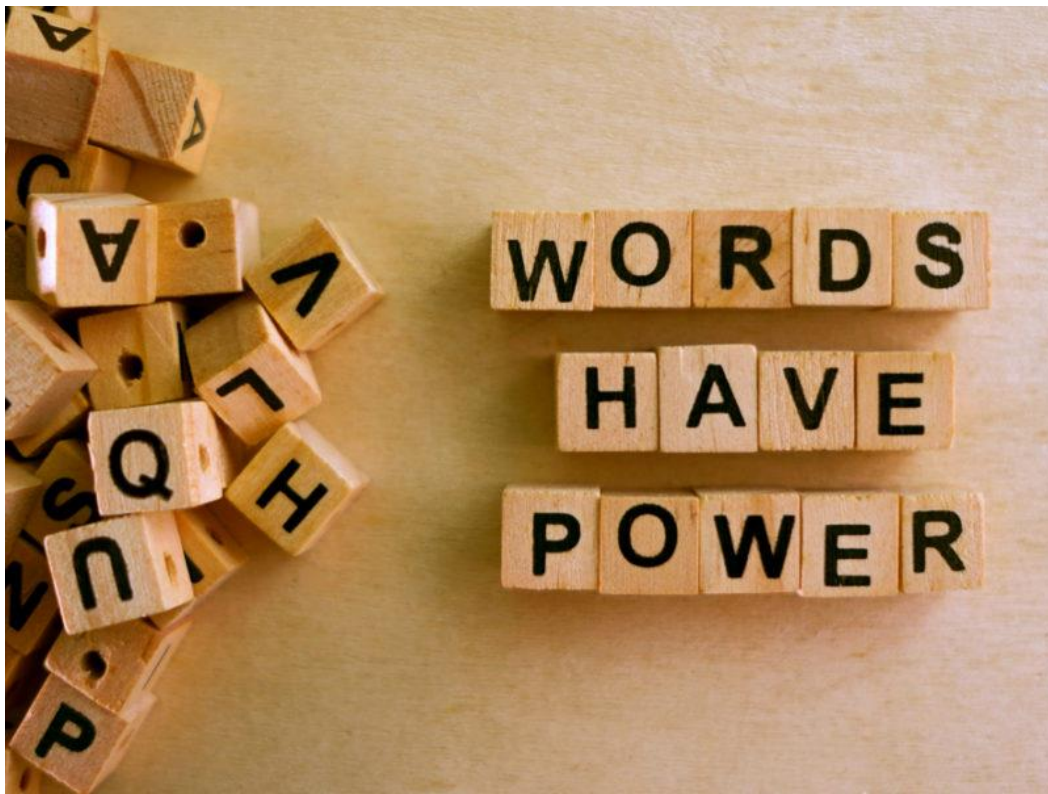
**Prominent Seventh-day
Adventist Pastor
Routinely Dresses Up
Like a Roman Catholic
Priest**

Veggie Cursing

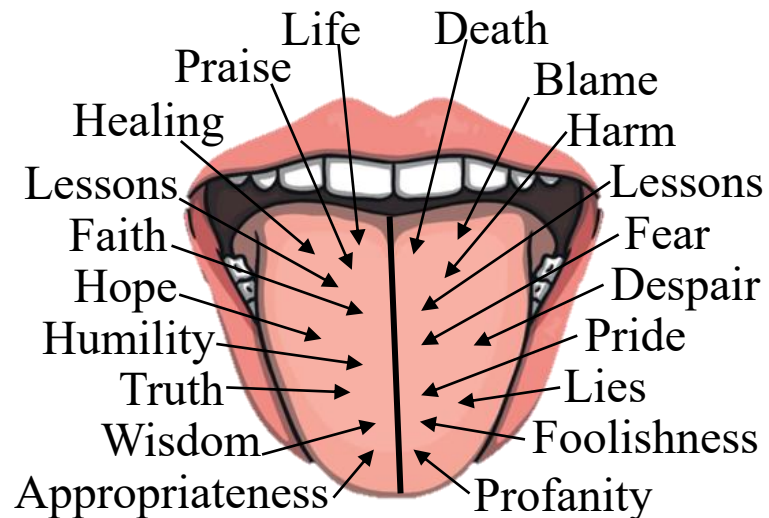


These words condemn all those meaningless phrases and expletives that border on profanity. They condemn the deceptive compliments, the evasion of truth, the flattering phrases, the exaggerations, the misrepresentations in trade, that are current in society and in the business world. They teach that no one who tries to appear what he is not, or whose words do not convey the real sentiment of his heart, can be called truthful.





This command promises to protect us from misrepresenting Christ with our words. Our words are to be simple, straightforward, and true. Death and life are in the power of the tongue: and they that love it shall eat the fruit thereof. (Pro. 18:21)



**It's More Than Just
For Tasting!!!**

Devil May Use Christians' Tongues to Ruin—

Do not allow the devil to use your tongue and your voice to ruin those weak in the faith; for at the day of final reckoning God will call upon you to give an account of your work. (3BC 1161.4)

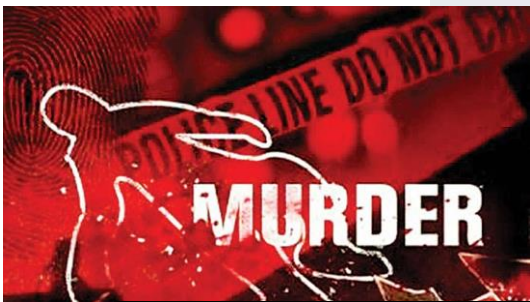


Go to Eph. 4:29



No Corrupt Communication—

We are counseled to let no corrupt communication proceed out of our mouth; but a corrupt communication is not simply something that is vile and vulgar. It is any communication that will eclipse from the mind the view of Christ, that will blot from the soul true sympathy and love. It is a communication in which the love of Christ is not expressed, but rather sentiments of an un-Christlike character. (6BC 1117.16)



implacable

adjective | im-PLAK-uh-bul

not capable of being appeased or changed



In Scripture, backbiters are classed with “haters of God,” with “inventors of evil things,” with those who are “without natural affection, implacable, unmerciful,” “full of envy, murder, debate, deceit, malignity.” It is “the judgment of God, that they which commit such things are worthy of death.” Romans 1:30, 31, 29, 32. {Ed 235}

“As a madman who casteth firebrands, arrows, and death, so is the man that deceiveth his neighbor, and saith, Am not I in sport?” Proverbs 26:18-24

Closely allied to **gossip** is the **covert insinuation**, the **sly innuendo**, by which the unclean in heart seek to insinuate the evil they dare not openly express. Every approach to these practices the youth should be taught to shun as they would shun the leprosy.



In the use of language there is perhaps no error that old and young are more ready to pass over lightly in themselves than hasty, impatient speech. They think it a sufficient excuse to plead, “I was off my guard, and did not really mean what I said.”



But God's word does not treat it lightly. The Scripture says: "Seest thou a man that is hasty in his words? there is more hope of a fool than of him." Proverbs 29:20.

"He that hath no rule over his own spirit is like a city that is broken down, and without walls."

Proverbs 25:28.

In one moment, by the hasty, passionate, careless tongue, may be wrought evil that a whole lifetime's repentance cannot undo.

Oh, the hearts that are broken, the friends estranged, the lives wrecked, by the harsh, hasty words of those who might have brought help and healing! {Ed 236}

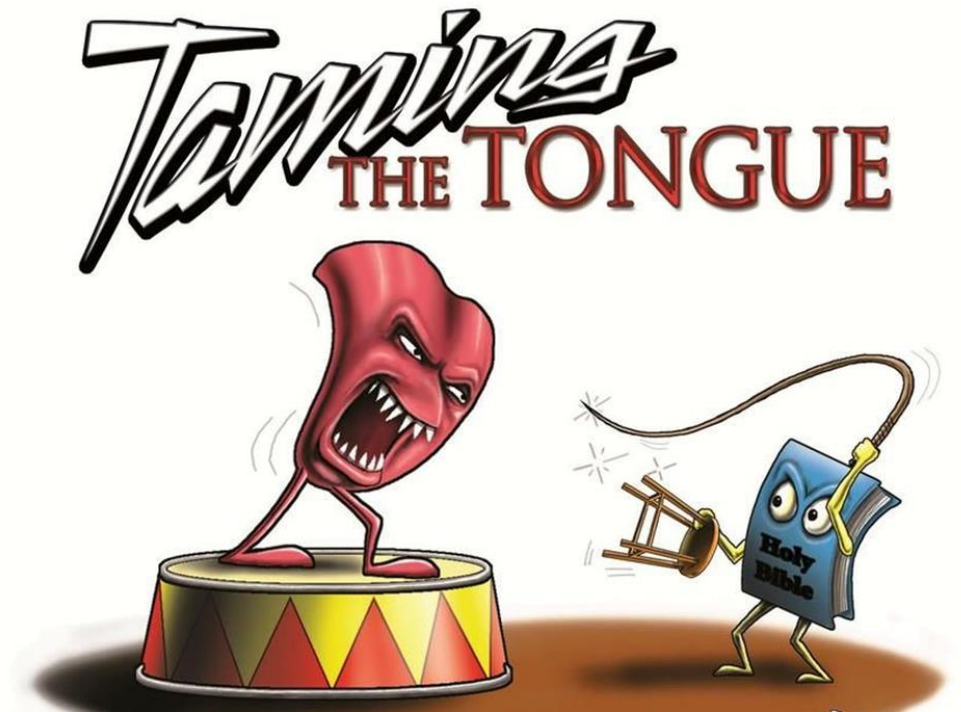


Floating rumors are frequently the destroyers of unity among brethren. There are some who watch with open mind and ears to catch flying scandal. They gather up little incidents which may be trifling in themselves, but which are repeated and exaggerated until a man is made an offender for a word. Their motto seems to be, "Report, and we will report it." These tale bearers are doing the devil's work with surprising fidelity, little knowing how offensive their course is to God. If they would spend half the energy and zeal that is given to this unholy work in examining their own hearts, they would find so much to do to cleanse their souls from impurity that they would have no time or disposition to criticize their brethren, and they would not fall under the power of this temptation.



The door of the mind should be closed against “they say” or “I have heard.” Why should we not, instead of allowing jealousy or evil-surmising to come into our hearts, go to our brethren, and, after frankly but kindly setting before them the things we have heard detrimental to their character and influence, pray with and for them? While we cannot love and fellowship those who are the bitter enemies of Christ, we should cultivate that spirit of meekness and love that characterized our Master,—*a love that thinketh no evil and is not easily provoked.* (3BC 1163.4)

Is Christ using cutting words, stern criticism and unkind suspicion toward His people who commit faults? No. He takes every infirmity into account; He acts with discernment. He knows every one of our failings; but He uses patience; for otherwise we would have perished long ago on account of our bad treatment of Him. The greatest insult we can inflict upon Him, is to pretend to be His disciples while manifesting the spirit of Satan in our words, our dispositions and our actions.



It does not behoove those from whom Jesus has so much to bear, in their failings and perversity, to be ever mindful of slights and real or imaginary offense. And yet there are those who are ever suspecting the motives of others about them. They see offense and slights where no such thing was intended. All this is Satan's work in the human heart. The heart filled with that love which thinketh no evil will not be on the watch to notice discourtesies and grievances of which he may be the object.



Taming the Tongue

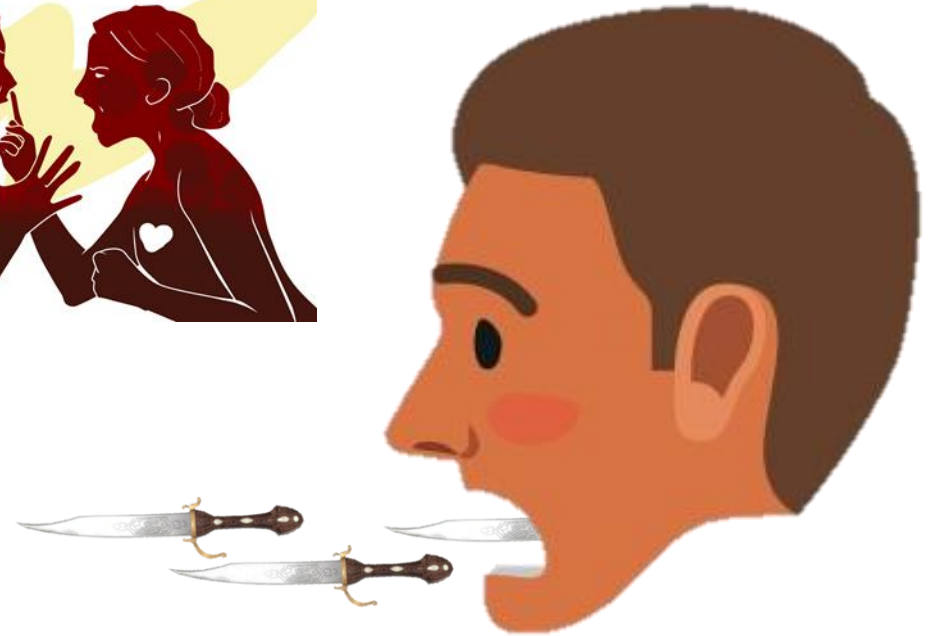
The will of God is that His love shall close the eyes, the ears and the heart to all such provocations and to all the suggestions with which Satan would fill them. There is a noble majesty in the silence of the one exposed to evil-surmising or outrage. To be master of one's spirit is to be stronger than kings or conquerors.

A Christian leads one to think of Christ. He will be affable, kind, patient, humble and yet courageous and firm in vindicating the truth and the name of Christ. (3BC 1160.9)



“There is that speaketh like the piercings of a sword: but the tongue of the wise is health.” Proverbs 12:18.

Were self kept under control, serious errors in home and business life would be avoided. Among the members of many families there is practised the habit of saying loose, careless things, and the habit of tantalizing, of speaking harsh words, becomes stronger and stronger as it is indulged, and thus many objectionable words are spoken that are after Satan’s order, and not after the order of God.

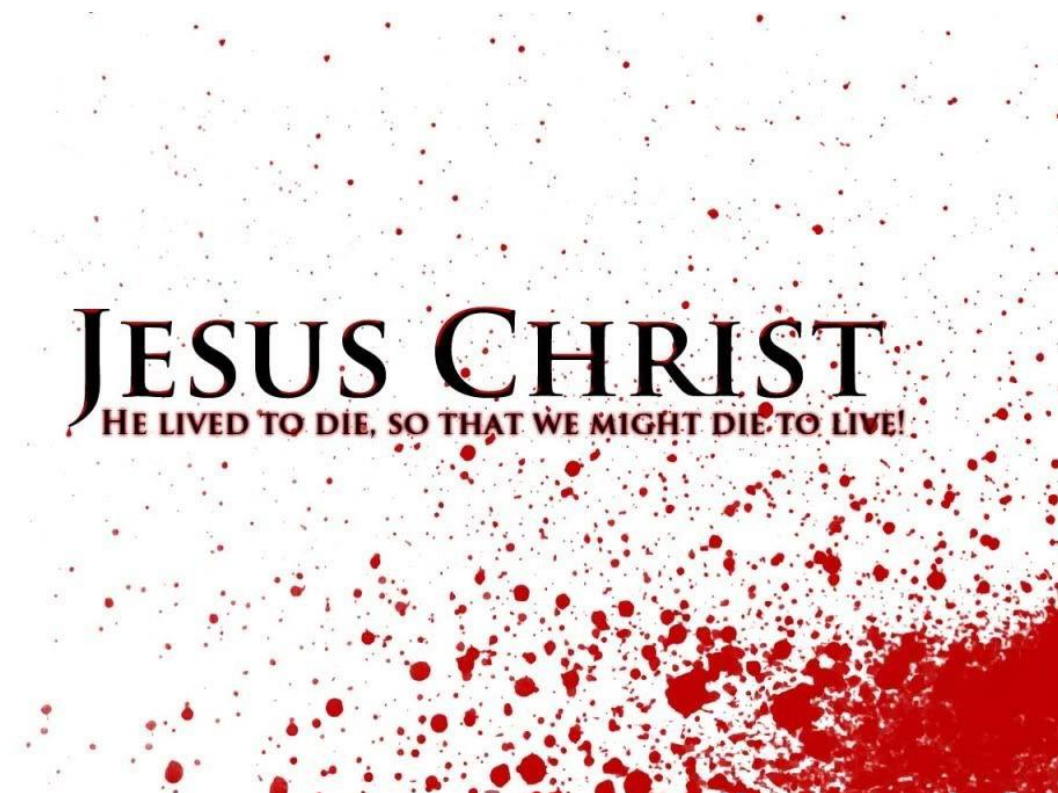




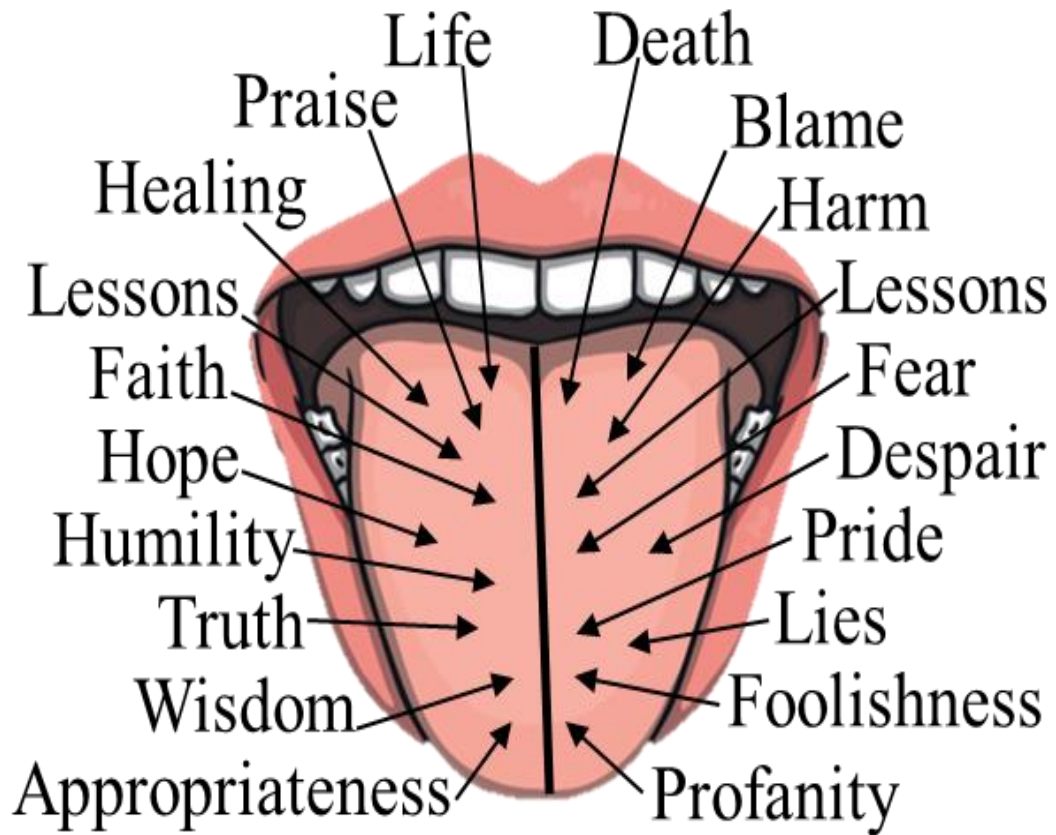
Should those who indulge in speaking words of passion, study the Guide Book, and with a serious mind seek to know its requirements, and to do them,—should they make practical its injunctions,—what a transformation would there be in the conduct and conversation! Burning words of passion should never be spoken; for in the sight of God and holy angels they are as a species of swearing. The directions of God's word are to be implicitly obeyed.

{YI September 20, 1894, par. 2}

The third commandment condemns the profane swearer, but the spirit of the precept reaches farther still, and forbids that the name of God be introduced into the conversation in a careless or irreverent manner. Many, even of the professed followers of Christ, are in the habit of using lightly the name of God, and, even in their prayers and exhortations, do not use the Supreme name with a proper solemnity. {The Spirit of Prophecy Volume Two, p. 222}

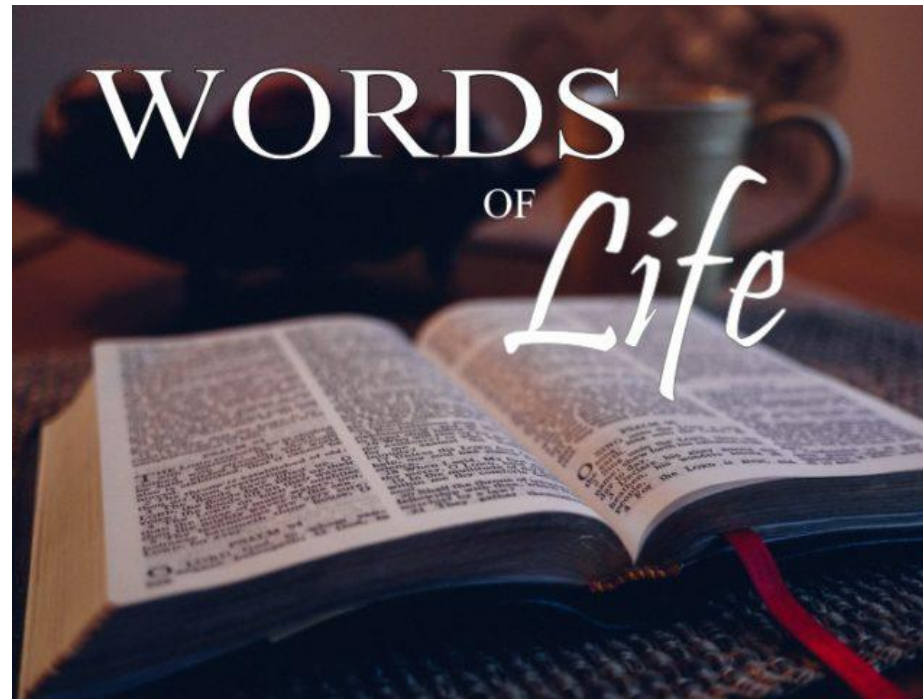


BLESSINGS & CURSING



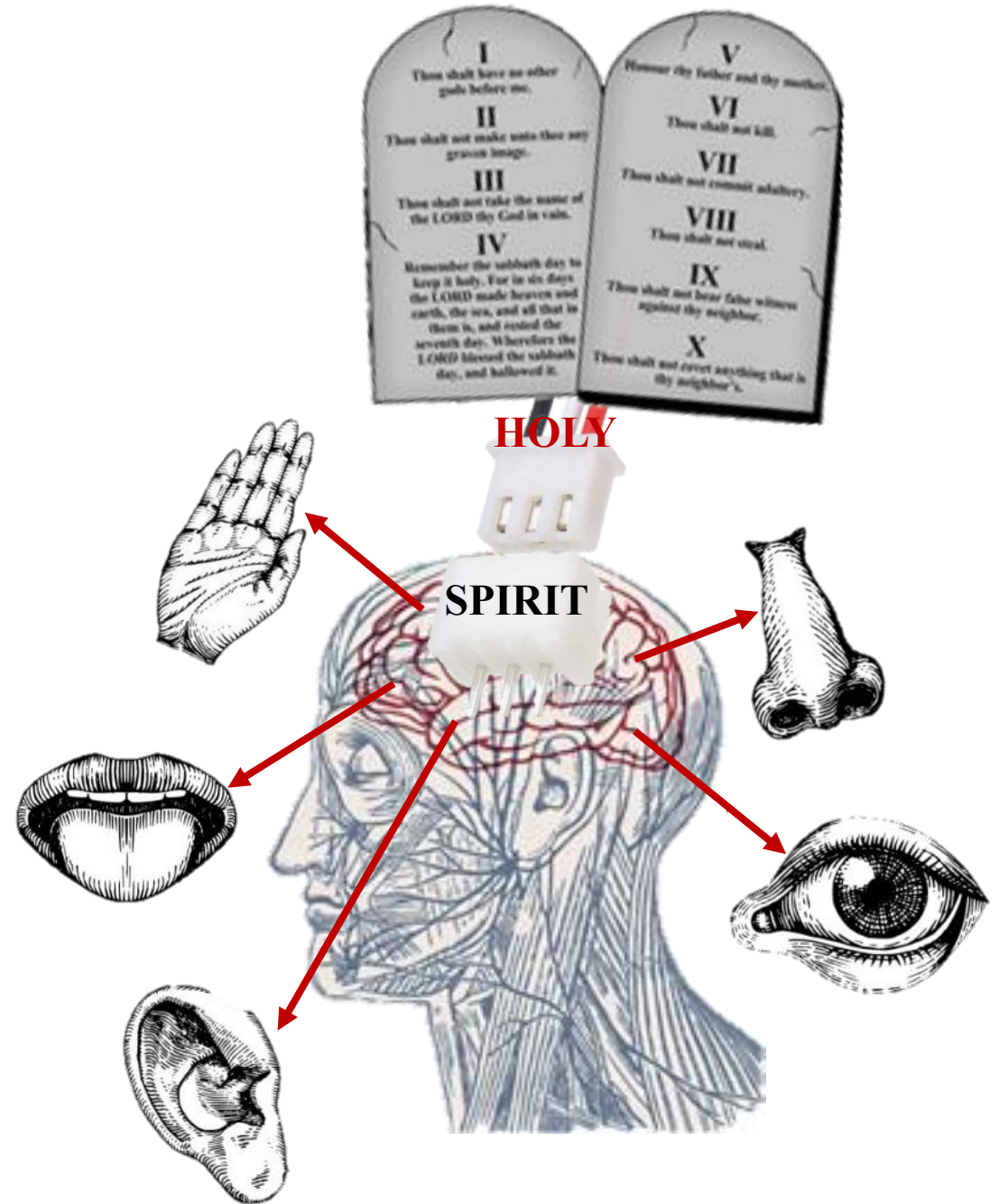
Out of the same mouth proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not so to be. Doth a fountain send forth at the same place sweet water and bitter? James 3:10 & 11

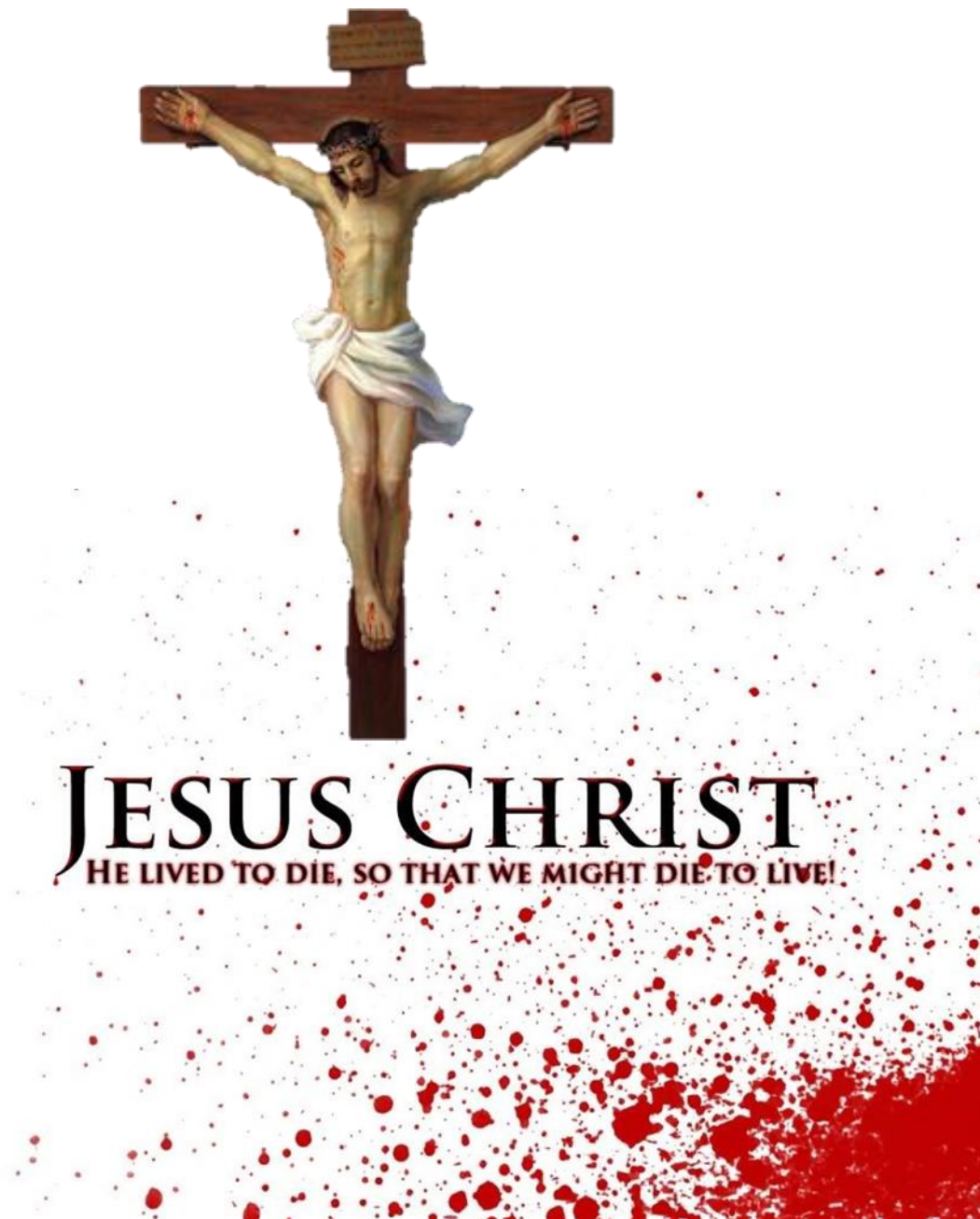
But let your communication be, Yea, yea; Nay, nay: for whatsoever is more than these cometh of evil. (Matt. 5:37) Jesus lays down a principle that would make oath taking needless. He teaches that the exact truth should be the law of speech.



If these words of Christ were heeded, they would check the utterance of evil surmising and unkind criticism; for in commenting upon the actions and motives of another, who can be certain of speaking the exact truth? How often pride, passion, personal resentment, color the impression given! A glance, a word, even an intonation of the voice, may be vital with falsehood. Even facts may be so stated as to convey a false impression. And “whatsoever is more than” truth, “is of the evil one.” (MB 68)

Every relation in life, every position of responsibility, every affection and habit, every emotion of the mind, is to be brought to the great standard of righteousness, *the commandments of God*, which are exceeding broad. We must have simplicity of heart that we may understand, and willingness of mind to practise, all the teachings of God's word.





Another reason for this command, we are not to swear "by the heaven, for it is the throne of God; nor by the earth, for it is the footstool of his feet; nor by Jerusalem, for it is the city of the great King. Neither shalt thou swear by thy head, for thou canst not make one hair white or black." All things come of God. We have nothing that we have not received; and, more than this, we have nothing that has not been purchased for us by the blood of Christ.

{Sons and Daughters of God, p. 58}



But the hour cometh, and now is, when the true worshippers shall worship the Father in spirit and in truth: for the Father seeketh such to worship him. God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.

John 4:23 & 24; Deut. 4:14-25

High Priest
Anti-Type



Rev 20:12

Most Holy Place

Most Holy Place

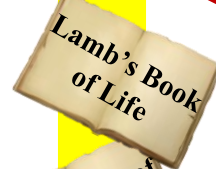
Righteous Dead being Judged



Probationary Time For God's Remnant Church

God's purpose in giving the third angel's message to the world is to prepare a people to stand true to Him during the investigative judgment.

Rev. 20:12



Mal. 3:16



Rev 14:7 & 12

- ***Identifies*** the Law of God
- ***Identifies*** the Judgment
- ***Identifies*** True Worship (Victory Over Sin)
- ***Identifies*** True Worshipers (the Remnant)
- ***Identifies*** God's Prophet (Spirit of Prophecy written by Ellen G. White)



Early Rain



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Dan. 7:10

“militant Remnant church”

TWO CLASSES

Wheat & Tares Growing Together – Matt. 13:24-30

5 Wise & 5 Foolish Virgins – Matt. 25:2



**National
Sunday Law**

High Priest
Type



Homework

Read the
Exodus 20:8-11

