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PERPETUAL DISCORD

"With the ungodly there will be a deceptive harmony that but partially conceals a perpetual discord. In their opposition to the will and the truth of God they are united, while on every other point they are rent with hatred, emulation, jealousy, and deadly strife." *Testimonies*, volume 5, 101.

"The agencies of evil are combining their forces and consolidating. They are strengthening for the last great crisis. Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and **the final movements** will be rapid ones." *Testimonies*, volume 9, 11.

"As God's people approach **the final crisis**, they must with increasing power proclaim the message He has given them. The warning must be given to the churches. God's requirements must be laid before those who are transgressing His law. **They must be made to understand that this is a life and death question.** God's remnant people are to fill the earth with the cry of the third angel." *Review and Herald*, July 16, 1901.

"God would have his people prepared for the soon-coming crisis. Prepared or unprepared, we must all meet it. Only those whose characters are thoroughly disciplined to meet the divine standard will be able to stand firm in that testing time. But **when** enemies shall be on every side, watching them for evil, the God of Heaven will be watching his precious jewels for good. **When secular rulers unite with the ministers of religion** to come between God and our conscience, **then** those who cherish the fear of God will be revealed. **When** the darkness is deepest, then the light of a noble, Godlike character will shine the brightest. **When** every other trust fails, **then** it will be seen who have an abiding trust in God." *Sketches from the Life of Paul*, 252.

"The work which the church has failed to do in a time of peace and prosperity she will have to do in a terrible crisis under most discouraging, forbidding circumstances. The warnings that worldly conformity has silenced or withheld must be given under the fiercest opposition from enemies of the faith. And at that time the superficial, conservative class, whose influence has steadily retarded the progress of the work, will renounce the faith and take their stand with its avowed enemies, toward whom their sympathies have long been tending." *Testimonies*, volume 5, 463.

ONE HEAD

"As we approach the last crisis, it is of vital moment that harmony and unity exist among the Lord's instrumentalities. The world is filled with storm and war and variance. Yet under one head—the papal power—the people will unite to oppose God in the person of His witnesses.

This union is cemented by the great apostate. While he seeks to unite his agents in warring against the truth he will work to divide and scatter its advocates. Jealousy, evil surmising, evilspeaking, are instigated by him to produce discord and dissension." *Testimonies*, volume 7, 182.

RESTORE THE LOST ASCENDANCY

"In this time of prevailing iniquity, the Protestant churches that have rejected a 'Thus saith the Lord,' will reach a strange pass. They will be converted to the world. In their separation from God, they will seek to make falsehood and apostasy from God the law of the nation. They will work upon the rulers of the land to make laws to restore the lost ascendency of the man of sin, who sits in the temple of God, showing himself that he is God. The Roman Catholic principles will be taken under the protection of the state. The protest of Bible truth will no longer be tolerated by those who have not made the law of God their rule of life." *Review and Herald*, December 21, 1897.

"The Lord has shown me clearly that the image of the beast will be formed before probation closes; for it is to be the great test for the people of God, by which their eternal destiny will be decided. Your position is such a jumble of inconsistencies that but few will be deceived.

"In Revelation 13 this subject is plainly presented; [Revelation 13:11–17, quoted].

"This is **the test that the people of God must have** *before* **they are sealed**. All who proved their loyalty to God by observing His law, and refusing to accept a spurious sabbath, will rank under the banner of the Lord God Jehovah, and will receive the seal of the living God. Those who yield the truth of heavenly origin and accept the Sunday sabbath, will receive the mark of the beast." *Manuscript Releases*, volume 15, 15.

"Each of the ancient prophets spoke less for their own time than for ours, so that their prophesying is in force for us. 'Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.' 1 Corinthians 10:11. 'Not unto themselves, but unto us they did minister the things, which are now reported unto you by them that have preached the gospel unto you with the Holy Ghost sent down from heaven; which things the angels desire to look into.' 1 Peter 1:12....

"The Bible has accumulated and bound up together its treasures for this last generation. All the great events and solemn transactions of Old Testament history have been, and are, repeating themselves in the church in these last days." *Selected Messages*, book 3, 338, 339.

DANIEL TWO, NINE AND TEN

"The Protestants of the United States will be foremost in **stretching their hands** across the gulf to grasp the hand of **Spiritualism**; they will reach over the abyss to clasp hands with the **Roman power**; and under the influence of this threefold union, this country will follow in the steps of Rome in trampling on the rights of conscience." *The Great Controversy*, 588.

"The speaking of the nation is the action of its legislative and judicial authorities." *The Great Controversy*, 443.

Revelation 13:11–18