

Book of Revelation – Epilogue (Conclusion to Revelation)

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Addendum

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Addendum EGW Statements

Revelation 21:7 – Behold, I come quickly: blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book.

And from Patmos, Christ speaks to us by the beloved John: [Rev 1:3; quoted] "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand" (Revelation 1:3). "The Lord God of the holy prophets sent his angel to shew unto his servants the things which must shortly be done. Behold, I come quickly; blessed is he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book" (Revelation 22:6, 7).

*The angels of God in their messages to men represent time as very short. Thus it has always been presented to me. It is true that time has continued longer than we expected in the early days of this message. Our Saviour did not appear as soon as we hoped. **But has the word of the Lord failed? Never!** It should be remembered that the promises and threatenings of God are alike conditional.*

God had committed to His people a work to be accomplished on earth. The third angel's message was to be given, the minds of believers were to be directed to the heavenly sanctuary, where Christ had entered to make atonement for His people. The Sabbath reform was to be carried forward. The breach in the law of God must be made up. The message must be proclaimed with a loud voice, that all the inhabitants of earth might receive the warning. The people of God must purify their souls through obedience to the truth, and be prepared to stand without fault before Him at His coming. {1SM 67-68}

Revelation 22:10 –And he saith unto me, Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

*Brethren, to whom the truths of God's word have been opened, what part will you act in the closing scenes of this world's history? Are you awake to these solemn realities? **Do you realize the grand work of preparation that is going on in heaven and on earth? Let all who have received the light, who have had the opportunity of reading and hearing the prophecy, take heed to those things that are written therein: "for the time is at hand."** Let none now tamper with **sin**, the source of every misery in our world. No longer remain in lethargy and stupid indifference. Let not the destiny of your soul hang upon an uncertainty. **Know that you are fully on the Lord's side.** Let the inquiry go forth from sincere hearts and trembling lips, "Who shall be able to stand?" **Have you, in these last precious hours of probation, been putting the very best material into your character building? Have you been purifying your souls from every **stain**? Have you followed the light? Have you works corresponding to your profession of faith?** {6T 404.3}*

...the revelation made by Christ to John is to come to all the inhabitants of the earth. By the increase of knowledge a people is to be prepared to stand in the latter days. {2 SM 105}

Do not let the teaching be done in a dry, abstract way,...but present the truths of God's Word in a fresh, impressive way...

*The book of Revelation must be opened to the people. Many have been taught that it is a sealed book; but it is sealed only to those who **reject light and truth.***
{Evangelism 195-196}

Revelation 22:10 – He that is unjust, let him be unjust still...

The gospel dispensation is the last period of probation that will ever be granted to men. Those who live under this dispensation of test and trial and yet are not led to repent and obey will perish with the disloyal. {7BC 971}

*All heaven had united with Jesus, as they heard the fearful words, "It is done. It is finished." The **plan of salvation** had been accomplished, but few had **chosen** to accept it. And as mercy's sweet voice died away, **fear and horror seized the wicked.** With terrible distinctness they heard the words, "Too late! too late!"*
{EW 281.1}

*We have no time to lose. We know not how soon our probation may close... and we know not how soon the arrow of death may strike our hearts. We know not how soon we may be called to give up the world and all its interests. Eternity stretches before us. **The curtain is about to be lifted. But a few short years, and for everyone now numbered with the living the mandate will go forth: 'He that is unjust...filthy...righteous...and holy, let him be still.*** {MH 454.2}

Revelation 22:12 – And My reward is with Me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

*What an amount of **evil works** is accumulating for the final judgment! When Christ shall come, "His reward is with Him, and His work before Him," to render to every man according as his works have been. What a revelation will then be made! What **confusion of face** to some as the acts of their lives are revealed upon the pages of history!*
{2T 160}

Angels of God have kept a faithful record of every act, however secret you may have thought you were in its committal. God discerns the purposes of man and all his works. Every man will be rewarded according as his works have been, whether good or evil. That which a man sows will he also reap. There will be no failure in the crop. The harvest is sure and plentiful. {2T 300-301}

Revelation 22:14 – Blessed are they that do his commandments, that they may have right to the tree of life, and may enter in through the gates into the city.

*The gifts of His grace through Christ are free to all. **There is no election but one's own by which any may perish.** God has set forth in His word the conditions upon which every soul will be elected to eternal life—obedience to His commandments, through faith in Christ.*

It is the white robe of Christ's righteousness that gives the sinner admittance into the presence of the heavenly angels...his perfect obedience to all God's commandments, opens to him the gates of the Holy City. {7BC 920}

*They are to be filled with the Holy Spirit. They are to repeat Heaven's offers of **peace and pardon.** They are to point to the gates of the city of God, saying: 'Blessed are they that do His commandments...'* {9T 130}

Revelation 22:16 – I Jesus have sent mine angel...

When the period comes in the Southern States to do as did the three worthies who refused to bow to Nebuchadnezzar's image, that time will present decisions for or against the commandments of God... Our policy is, Do not make prominent the objectionable features of our faith, which strike most decidedly against the practices and customs of the people, until the Lord shall give the people a fair chance to know that we are believers in Christ, that we do believe in the divinity of Christ and in His preexistence. Let the testimony of the world's Redeemer be dwelt upon. "I Jesus have sent Mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches." There is need of strictly guarding the word that the pen traces upon paper. The Lord help us to learn in the school of Christ His meekness and lowliness.

If the Majesty of heaven guarded His every word lest He should stir up the spirit of Satan and the fallen angels, how much more careful should we be in all things! {TM 252.4,5}

Revelation 22:16 –I am the Root and the Offspring of David...

He is to be revealed as the first and the last, as the I am, the Root and the Offspring of David, and the bright and morning star. Through this message the character of God in Christ is to be manifested to the world. {6T 20}

Revelation 22:17 – The Spirit and the Bride say, Come...and whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely.

The yearning desire of the Saviour for the salvation of sinners is to mark all their efforts. The gracious invitation, first given by Christ, is to be taken up by human voices and sounded throughout the world: "Whosoever will, let him take the water of life freely." Revelation 22:17. The church is to say: "Come." Every power in the church is to be actively engaged on the side of Christ. The followers of Christ are to combine in a strong effort to call the attention of the world to the fast-fulfilling prophecies of the word of God. {9T 43}

Many will not heed the call of mercy; nevertheless it is to be given to all, that whosoever will may come to the water of life and drink. {CH 448}

Revelation 22:18, 19 – If any man shall add unto these things...or take away from the words of this prophecy...

I saw a company who stood well guarded and firm, and would give no countenance to those who would unsettle the established faith of the body. God looked upon them with approbation. I was shown three steps--one, two and three--the first, second and third angels' messages. Said the angel, Woe to him who shall move a block, or stir a pin in these messages. The true understanding of these messages is of vital importance. The destiny of souls hangs upon the manner in which they are received. {1SG 168-169}

EVEN SO, COME, LORD JESUS