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Ellen G. White (1827-1915) is considered the most widely translated American author, her works having been published in more than 160 languages. She wrote more than 100,000 pages on a wide variety of spiritual and practical topics. Guided by the Holy Spirit, she exalted Jesus and pointed to the Scriptures as the basis of one's faith.

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Pages 11-17

1. Ellen White uses several phrases on page 11:

"Something great and decisive is about to take place"

"The world is on the verge of a stupendous crisis"

"Great changes are soon to take place in our world"

"The final movements will be rapid ones"

Was the end really near in Ellen White's lifetime?

- 2. Note some of the things Ellen White predicted as yet future: "spirit of war," "lawlessness," "perplexities," "judgments of Godfire, flood, earthquake, war." How many are yet future now? (LDE 12)
- 3. Review some Bible experiences when human beings responded to God's warnings of coming judgment. Lot and Noah are examples. (LDE 13:2)
- 4. Why were Jesus' disciples unprepared for His death? What lesson is there for us at the present? (LDE 13:3)
- 5. What two Bible books should have our special attention to-day? (LDE 15:3)
- 6. What chapter in Daniel is especially important now? (LDE 15:4)

- 7. When will the end come? (LDE 16:4)
- 8. What are we counseled about dwelling on the time of trouble ahead of time? Why? (LDE 17:4)

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Pages 18-31

- 1. Read Matthew 24.
- 2. Of what is the destruction of Jerusalem a prophetic type? (LDE 18:1)
- 3. What is our safeguard against the deceptions taught by false prophets? (LDE 20:3)
- 4. In what way are the last days similar to the days of Noah? (LDE 23:2)
- 5. How are we to understand the statements that wars are a sign of Jesus' soon return when the world is now entering a period of peace, a sense of global community, and a new world order? (LDE 24:1, LDE 24:2)
- 6. Are the natural disasters taking place now a fulfillment of the predictions given on pages LDE 25:2-26:3, or are we to expect calamities that are more disastrous?
- 7. Why does God permit the several natural calamities predicted [5] by Ellen White? (LDE 28:2, LDE 28:3)
- 8. On the basis of 29:5-30:0, develop a Seventh-day Adventist philosophy of history.

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1. EGW declares unequivocally, repeatedly, that the last date
in historical time that can be established from any Bible prophecy
s: (LDE 35:3-36:2)
2. SDAs are told NOT to attempt to supply "day and date" for the
occurrence of ANY as-yet "" (LDE 35:2);
three particular events are especially singled out as examples:
a (LDE LDE 33:1, LDE LDE 33:3, LDE
LDE 33:4; LDE LDE 34:1)
c. The outpouring of the(LDE LDE 33:1) c. The close of(LDE 35:3)
c. The close of (LDE 35:3)
3. EGW bluntly characterized the time-setters of her day (LDE
as well as ours) as:
a. " " because of their "many successive
failures." (LDE 34:1)
o. " " (LDE 34:1)
e. " ones" (LDE 35:1); participants in "
and movements." (LDE
35:2)
d. "They were in "" (LDE 35:3), and were
'doing the work of of
" (LDE 35:3)
4. What is the <i>implication</i> of these two statements concerning
time-setters:
a. They "called themselves Seventh-day Adventists" (LDE 32:3)
(LDE Emphasis supplied)
Implication:
b. SDAs "who <i>claim</i> to be led of God" (LDE 35:2) (LDE Emphasis
supplied)
Implication:

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wake of time-setting?	
a. Among worldings:	
(1) "In a	state of
than before." (LDE 34:3)	
(2) They view time-setters w	vith "" (LDE
34:3)	
(3) "They turn away from the	truth" that "the
of all	is at hand. (LDE 34:3)
b. Within the remnant chu	ırch:
1) They lead into "false lines	," thus causing "
and	" (LDE 35:3)
2) They create an unhealthy	"excitement" which, in turn,
Holy Spirit. (LDE 35:0)
c. With Satan:	
Гhe enemy is	(LDE 35:2)
6. In assigning various re	asons for the delay of Christ's return,
EGW identified:	
- · · · - · · · - · · · · · · · · · · ·	
	ny of which delayed Israel's entrance
a. Specific sins (LDE ma	ny of which delayed Israel's entrance
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7. Christ coul	d have come in the 19th	century (LDE indeed,
EGW expected it i	n her own lifetime); but it	has been postponed to
our time (LDE for	reasons listed above in #6	6); but it is abundantly
clear that the delay	was not caused by a failur	e in the
of God.	(LDE 38:1)	
8. Christians a	ctively preparing for the se	cond coming of Christ
will educate themse	elves to be "	and
upo	on the scenes of the [final]	-
_" of this world. (I	LDE 41:5) The Christian wi	11 "
with God" da	ily, in an attitude of "	and
	" (LDE 42:5).	
"Jesus would h	ave us keep ever before" ou	ır minds "an awareness
of the	time," for "the	is
near." (LDE	42:6LDE 42:6)	
THOUGHT Q	UESTIONS as you reflec	t upon Chapter 3 as a
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whole:

- 1. Peter declares that Christians may actually "hasten" (LDE or, by implication, also "hinder") the return of Jesus (LDE 2 Peter 3:12); while Paul declares that God has already "appointed a day" for the final judgment of the world (LDE Acts 17:31). EGW also sets forth both motifs--which, for many, seem contradictory, mutually exclusive. Can you harmonize this seeming discrepancy? If so, how?
- 2. According to EGW, both the promises and threatenings of God are alike conditional (LDE 38:3), and the time for the 2nd Coming was conditional (LDE 36-38). What assurance do you find in Nahum 1:9 that the fact of the 2nd Coming is not conditional?

Pages 43-62

1. According to John the	Revelator, God will have a "remnant"
people in the last days who w	ill be identified by these characteristics:
a. They "keep"	(LDE Rev. 12:17; 14:12)
	of the saints and the
of Jesus.	
	(LDE Rev. 12:17),
which he subsequently defin	nes as "the Spirit." (LDE Rev. 19:10,
KJV)	
2. What two interesting	and highly significant metaphors does
EGW employ to describe th	ne function/role of the remnant in the
work of God? "	" and "
" (LDE 45:2)	
3. In addition to fulfillin	g Isa. 58:12 (LDE 43:2), their unique
task is characterized as:	
a. Vindicating the	of God. (LDE 43:3)
	and
	sent by God to man" (LDE 45:2)the
1st, 2nd, and 3rd	of Rev. 14:8-12. "There is
no o	f so great importance," and "they are to
allow	_ to absorb their attention." (LDE 46:0)
4. In addition to the doc	trine of Christ's second advent, which
Bible doctrines did EGW esp	pecially single out as significant, impor-
tant "landmark" doctrines?	
a. The heavenly	and its
·	
b. The	messages of Rev. 14.
c. The	of God, especially the
commandment.	
d. The	_ of the wicked (LDE and of all others,
as well!) (LDE 44:4; LDE 4:	5:0)

5. In the earliest days of the a	dvent movement it became increas-
ingly "evident" that "	form of
would be necessary if	they were to avoid two undesirable
consequences:	
a. "Great	_" and
b. The inability to carry forward the	he work ""
(LDE 46:1)	
6. EGW used three related ter	rms to describe how things are done
in heaven, which should also ch	naracterize God's work (LDE and
workers) on the earth:	
a. ""	
b. Thorough "	···
b. Thorough "" (LD	DE 46:2)
6. Five reasons, offered by	EGW, as to why the early SDA
church needed to organize are:	
	of the
···	
	in fields."
-	ninistry from "
	itle to ""
e. To enable them to legally own (LDE 4	and operate institutions, especially 6:1)
8. In 1875 EGW wrote "tha	t which can be said of men under
certain circumstances cannot be	said of them under other circum-
	; and concerning her own inspired
_	othing is ignored; nothing is cast
-	be considered" (LDE 1SM 57). In
	be true at one time and not true at
	d circumstances. This is well illus-
	f the General Conferencein world
	56:0)being respected by church
	ce of God" on earth, as it relates to
the work of the gospel.	
a. In 1875 she wrote:	
	with special and
which no one can be	~
tor in so doir	ng he despises the of

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" (LDE 47:4)
(2) "God has bestowed the power under heaven upon His church.
It is the of God in His united people in church
capacity which is to be" (LDE 47:5; LDE
48:0)
b. But in the 1890s a change came which caused her no longer to
consider the actions and decisions of the General Conference as "the
voice of God" (LDE 50, 51). Two problems in particular surfaced
among top GC leaders:
(1) "Altogether too many were given to a
; and
(2) "Some" of these leaders were unconverted and did "not make
God their" (LDE 49:5)
c. But a change came at the 1901 GC Session (LDE 54, 55).
and even though some leaders still did not change their ways and
remained unconverted (LDE 57, 58), probably the majority of those
elected and re-elected were consecrated, and EGW again reverted to
her prior 1875 position.
(1) In 1909 she wrote, "God has ordained that the representatives
of His church from all parts of the earth, when assembled in a
General Conference [session], shall have (LDE
56:1)
(2) And in 1911 the words she chose (LDE in M 164, cited in
56:2) are almost <i>identical</i> to her original words in 1875 (LDE in 3T
417, cited in 47:4)!
9. EGW predicted that as we near the end of time, "more and
more" SDAs will be led "astray" by men and women arising and
claiming they had the same gift she had and were receiving visions
from God as she did. This will happen not only in North America
but also in other countries. And she gave a two-word test that must
be applied before such are accepted as authentic and genuine:
"When God gives you that the vision
is from Him, you may accept it, but do not accept it on any other
evidence" (LDE 44:3)

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Pages 63-74

1. What twofold life should every Christian live	(LDE 63:2)
2. You should "pray as though the	
were all due to God, and as	hough
were all your own." (LDE 63:3)	
3. What is suggested as the topic of a "thoug day"? (LDE 64:4)	tful hour each
4. How might we keep the Spirit from abiding 65:4)	with us? (LDE
5. How only will we be able to stand throug conflict? (LDE 66:3)	the last great
6. What are some of the values of committing So ory? (LDE 66-68)	ripture to mem-
7. The three angels' messages are a "chain of," and "anto the people of God." (LDE 68:2) 8. What are the dangers of doubting "where the to be disbelieving"? (LDE 68:3-64:0)	-

	9. The servants of Christ "are to prepare no set speech" for future trials. What are they to do instead? (LDE 69:2)
	10. What is often a consequence of controversy? (LDE 70:1)
	11. Is it enough to be able to give a reason for our faith? Explain. (LDE 70:2)
	12. If we don'preoccupy our minds with sacred and eternal things, what will they likely cherish? (LDE 70:3)
[13]	13. How did Enoch walk with God? (LDE 71:1, 2)
	14. Who is Enoch a representative of? (LDE 71:3)
	15. For what reasons might we have "fear for the future"? (LDE 72:1)
	16. "Every one of us should be in reference to the which is soon to come upon us." (LDE 73:2)

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Pages 75-93

- 1. Develop a philosophy of life that will meet the challenges of everyday life yet allow for a state of preparedness for Jesus' soon return. (LDE 75:1-77:3)
- 2. How does true Sabbath observance preserve a knowledge of God among men? (LDE 77:4-78:2)
- 3. What is the relationship between paying tithe and offerings and a fitness for heaven? (LDE 78:3-79:3)
 - 4. Define true temperance. (LDE 81:2)
 - 5. Why is temperance important? (LDE 81:4; 82:1)
- 6. On the basis of the instruction given on page 82:2, 3, what [15] menu would you plan for a day set aside for fasting and prayer?
- 7. What are the extremes to be avoided in our association with the world? (LDE 84:3-85:0)
- 8. What is to be done with new doctrines and interpretations of Scripture? Why? (LDE 91:3)

9. What experience is to be avoid in our worship services? (LDE 93:1-3)

Pages 94-108

1. EGW's message "for this time" (LDE 190:1) was "			
" (LDE 95:2); and get out "as			
as" (LDE 95:1; cf. also 97:1; 100:0;			
106:2)			
2. Which two chapters of the Bible did EGW especially single			
out as detailing the potential dangers posed for those who remain			
living in the cities in the last days?			
a			
b (LDE 95:4)			
3. Even though vacated by the righteous, the cities are not to be			
neglected, left unworked, and abandoned:			
a. "As did Enoch, we must in the cities but			
not in them." (LDE 96:2)			
b. "The cities are to be worked from" (LDE			
96:3)			
c. "For the present, will be obliged to labor			
in Chicago [and other large cities], but these should be preparing			
in rural districts from which to work the			
city." (LDE 96:3LDE 96:6-97:0)			
4. When was the "now" when SDAs should "begin to heed"			
EGW's repeated counsels to leave the cities in favor of "rural dis-			
tricts"? (LDE 100:0)			
5. In relocating SDA institutions in more rural areas, care must			
be taken not to go too far out and away from the cities, lest:			
a. "They cannot be with them [city-			
a. They cannot be with them lefty-			
dwellers], to them good, [and] to let light shine." (LDE 101:1)			
dwellers], to them good, [and] to let light shine." (LDE 101:1)			

6. EGW approved of the train	nsfer of our publishing house from	
Battle Creek, Mich., to Takoma Park, MD, at the turn of the century;		
	ging conditions, she also recognized	
	l area might be necessary: "If, after	
greater Washington area. (LDE		
7. DISADVANTAGES to liv	ing in the cities:	
a. Personal/Physical Safety:		
	and	
" upon these citie		
-	and	
	ons brought about by the	
	would prove a great	
hindrance to our work." (LDE 90		
(3) In the cities there would more	•	
_ of enemies." (LDE 100:0)		
b. Conditions Particularly Un	nfavorable to Youth:	
_	y phase of	
	and	
	ing harder	
for both parents and children. (L	•	
2) After school hours: Children, with nothing to do, "obtain a		
	"they acquire habits of	
	." (LDE 97:3; cf. also LDE	
98:2, LDE 98:3; LDE 106:2)	<u> </u>	
c. Health Considerations:		
	by the	
	, and,	
	rly by the "	
	noise created by public and private	
transportation. (LDE 98:4)		
`	any evils to be met" from city-living	
_	liability to contact with	
	ence of air,	
	food, the	
crowded, dark, unhealthful	"(LDE 99:2;	
cf. also 100:0; 103:0; 104:1; 106 8. ADVANTAGES of Count	5:0; 108:2)	

a. Financial:				
(1) Availability of land/houses, "without a				
of" (I	f" (LDE 101:4; cf. also 105:3)			
(2) Often one may "also find	" (LDE 10	1:4),		
as well as a lower cost of living	ng and lower institutional opera	iting		
expense. (LDE 106:0)				
(3) A garden enables one to pa	provide food, especially in the fu	ıture		
time of trouble when "the probl	lem of ar	nd		
will be a	a very serious one." (LDE 99:4-10	00:0;		
cf. also 95:1; 99:3)				
b. Health Concerns:				
Apart from a rural enviro	onment aiding the achievement	and		
maintenance of good health, we	e find here "the most favorable co	ondi-		
tions for	of" (I	LDE		
103:2)				
c. Educational Benefits:				
	eebeing "			
cated in the	of the			
(LDE 103:0) "and the	of			
" (LDE 102:2)				
(2) Equally important is "	" (LDE 102:2)	and		
the learning of building constru	uction techniques "in a			
manner." (LDE 108	:1)			
d. Spiritual Benefits:				
	to seek for			
" (LDE 97:2); a rural setting	enables us to "be alone with C	God,		
to learn His	and			
(LDE 97:1) in "lessons of	and			
." (LDE 95:1)				

Pages 109-122

- 1. The Bible notes that the first builders of cities were people who chose to live in rebellion against God. What is a possible reason for this? (LDE 109:1, LDE 109:2)
- 2. What is to be the condition of cities just prior to Jesus' return? Have they reached this condition yet? (LDE 110:3)
- 3. Draw a mental picture of the judgments coming upon the cities of earth. (LDE 110:5-111:5)
- 4. What will determine the extent of the judgment for each city? (LDE 111:3)
 - 5. What is in store for:

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- a. New York City (LDE 112:3-113:2)
- b. Chicago and Los Angeles (LDE 113:3-114:0)
- c. San Francisco and Oakland (LDE 114:1-3)
- d. Other great cities (LDE 115:2)
- [20] 6. What will be the impact of labor unions upon Adventists at the end of time? (LDE 116:3-117:3)
 - 7. What does God require from us on behalf of the cities? (LDE 117:4-118:3)

- 8. What plan has God presented for the work in cities and the work of the church in general? (LDE 120:1)
- 9. What is the signal to move out of the large cities? (LDE 121:1)

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Chapter 9

Pages 123-142

- 1. What is the "fornication" of Babylon? (LDE 123:2)
- 2. Why does Satan make the fourth commandment the object of his special attack? (LDE 123:3)
- 3. How does the fourth commandment identify God, the Law-giver? (LDE 124:1)
- 4. In the 1880s, the time had not "fully come" for liberties to be restricted. Why would the winds of strife be held back? (LDE 125:1, 2)
- 5. Did the leaders in the Sunday movement of the 1880s all understand what they were doing? Will later leaders all understand? (LDE 125:3)
- 6. What are we to do with the few more years of grace we have? (LDE 126:3)
- [22] 7. If we make no effort to do the work God has given us, what will be the result? (LDE 127:3)

- 8. What are two arguments that will be made by Sunday law advocates for these laws? (LDE 129:4, 5)
- 9. Who will change when there is a union between Protestants and Catholics? (LDE 130:2)
 - 10. Upon what will the leading churches unite? (LDE 131:1)
 - 11. What threefold union of powers can we expect? (LDE 131:4)
- 12. What door are Protestants opening for the papacy in America? (LDE 132:3)
- 13. What was the sign of the impending destruction of Jerusalem? What is the sign that God's forbearance is reached in the last days? (LDE 133:1)
 - 14. How widespread will Sunday legislation be? (LDE 135:1)
- 15. What will be the theater of the last great and decisive actions? (LDE 136:4)
- 16. Into what two classes will all Christendom be divided? (LDE 137:2)
- 17. What cautions are given for those who expect Sunday restrictions? (LDE 138:2)

[24]	18. For what reasons should we try to avoid Sunday work? (LDE 138, 139)		
	19. "Whenever it isservices be held on	, let" (LDE	
	140:2)	. (
	20. "It is better to; better to		
	, better to" (LDE 142:2)	than to	

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1. List two things that will occur during the short time of trouble that immediately precedes the close of probation:

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a. (LDE 143:1)b. (LDE 143:2)
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- 2. In the crisis awaiting Seventh-day Adventists, what is at the center of the battle they will have to fight? (LDE 144:2, LDE 144:3)
- 3. When brought before judges because of the conflict over God's Sabbath and Sunday legislation, what is to be our attitude toward our personal civil rights? (LDE 146:1)
- 4. What can God's people anticipate as they stand firm for His law? (LDE 147:1)

a.

b.

c.

d.

- 5. How intense will be the persecution of Sabbathkeepers in the last days? (LDE 147:2)
 - 6. What will you do when 148:4 becomes a reality?
- 7. What are the odds that some of our brothers and sisters will be martyrs? (LDE 149:5-150:5)

- 8. Why does God permit His people to suffer persecution?
- a. (LDE 152:3-153:1)
- b. (LDE 153:3-154:1)

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Pages 155-171

- 1. Why does Satan practice last-day deceptions under the garb of Christianity? (LDE 155:1)
- 2. What is the strongest bulwark of vice in our world? (LDE 156:1)
- 3. Why are the greatest hindrances for the church found WITHIN it rather than outside? Discuss. (LDE 156:2)
- 4. Why is it especially important for us to understand the state of the dead as portrayed in Scripture? (LDE 157:0)
- 5. Through what two great errors will Satan bring people under his deceptions in the last days? (LDE 157:2)
- 6. Who are the "nominal Adventists" Ellen White speaks about? (LDE 158:1)
 - 7. How would you define "primitive godliness"? (LDE 158:2)
- 8. How might we avoid the emotional excitement and the min- [28] gling of true and false in false revivals? (LDE 158:2)

- 9. How will Satan make music a snare for us? (LDE 159:2)
- 10. What effect will false happiness in meetings have on us? Why? (LDE 160:0)
- 11. Both Satan's angels and God's angels will appear as _____ during the last days. Why? (LDE 160:3, 4; 161:1)
- 12. What is Satan's most successful and fascinating delusion? (LDE 161:3)
 - 13. Why will Satan personate Christ in the last days? (LDE 162)
- 14. The personation of Christ will be Satan's ______deception. (LDE 163:2)
- [29] 15. What will Satan claim when he personates Christ? (LDE 164:0)
 - 16. What will Satan NOT be able to counterfeit? Discuss. (LDE 165:2)
 - 17. When Satan imitates Christ, on what point will there be a marked distinction? (LDE 166:1)
 - 18. Why will Satan work miracles? (LDE 166:2-4; 167:1)
 - 19. Can Satan REALLY work miracles, or do they just seem so? (LDE 168:1)
 - 20. Why are we not now to work miracles as Christ did? (LDE 169:2)

21. Do miracles supersede the Bible? Discuss (LDE 170:1)

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A. The Reason for Being Sha	
	ifestyle: Those who "possess no
	d than do
the nominal churches." (LDE 172	
2. Related to the extremes: "_	on the one
hand and	on the other." (LDE 175:0)
	e who "will give heed to
and	of
will depart from the faith." (I	LDE 177:2)
4. Related to the Testimonic	es: "When the Testimonies
are and	, Satan .
	, which becomes
incurable." (LDE 178:2)	
B. The Extent of the Shaking	
5. "A	_ than we now anticipate." (LDE
174:2)	
6. "The	of those who now appear to be
genuine and true." (LDE 180:3)	
7. "As the storm approaches	s, a who
have professed faith abandon	n their position and join the ranks
of the opposition." (LDE 180:6; 1	181:0)
8. Among Church leaders:	" be the
apostasies of men who have occu	pied responsible positions." (LDE
179:1)	
C. Good News in the Midst o	f Trouble
9. The Church will not fall. (LDE 180:5)
10. The true Christian "wil	ll stand firm as a rock, his faith
stronger, his hope brighter" (
11 Large numbers will enter	to the Church (LDE 182:2)

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Pages 183-196

- 1. What is accomplished by:
- a. Early rain (LDE 183:1, 2)
- b. Latter rain (LDE 183:1, 2)
- 2. At what point in the disciples' personal experience did the early rain come upon them? (LDE 184:3)
- 3. What was the results of the early rain given on the Day of Pentecost? (LDE 185:4)
 - 4. Historically when will the latter rain come? (LDE 186:1)
 - 5. What will be the results of the latter rain? (LDE 186:4-187:0)
- 6. At what point does the early rain come to us today as individuals? (LDE 187:1)
- 7. What are the conditions upon which God has promised His blessings under the power of His Spirit? (LDE 189:1)
- 8. How do 184:3 and your answer to question #2 relate to 190:1, 190:2?

9. Who will fail to receive the latter rain? (LDE 195:1-196:1)

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Pages 197-214

- 1. In light of the fact that there are good people in all churches, what caution should be observed? (LDE 197, LDE 198)
 - 2. When will the fall of Babylon be complete? (LDE 198:2-4)
- 3. What is the last message that will be given to the world? (LDE 199:1)
- 5. How are the children of God to give the last message of mercy to the world? (LDE 200:4-201:0)
- 6. According to Ellen White, what is the "loud voice" giving the third angel's message? (LDE 201:3)
- 7. Compare the power and strength of the last message to that of the midnight cry in 1844. (LDE 202:2)
- 8. What are some of the comparisons between the time of the Day of Pentecost and the final preaching of the truth? (LDE 202:3-203:2)
- 9. What are some of the agencies that God will use to finish the work that will surprise us? (LDE 203:3-204:2)

10. In the last solemn work God will manifest that "He is not
dependent on, mor-
tals." (LDE 204:3)
11. What are more important to God's work than brilliant talent,
tact, or knowledge? (LDE 205:1)
12. "When divine is combined with
human, the work will spread like fire in the
" (LDE 207:3)
13. For what special reason should we study the Word of God
now? (LDE 209:2)
14. Will the great majority of those who hear the last message
accept it? What are some reasons? (LDE 210:2-211:0)
15. Name some of the groups that will answer the call out of the
world. (LDE 211:1:212:0)
world. (LDE 211.1.212.0)
16. In the final gospel call how many will be converted in a day?
(LDE 212:1-3)
17. At what time will the larger number of readers of The Great
Controversy take their position with the church? (LDE 214:1)
18. To a large degree the work of the angel of Revelation 18:1

will be done through what agency? (LDE 214:2)

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Pages 215-226

- 1. On whose side of the great controversy is the person sitting on the fence? (LDE 215:2)
- 2. What principle forms the basis for judging each individual? (LDE 216:3-217:2)
- 3. How is it possible for someone to be saved who knows very little about God's law? (LDE 218:4-219:1)
- 4. How are God's people sealed? (LDE 219:4-220:0) Is this different from the Sabbath being the seal of God?
- 5. Who from among God's people will be sealed? (LDE 221:2, 4, 5)
 - 6. What is the mark of the beast? (LDE 224:1, 2)
- 7. When is the mark of the beast received? (LDE 224:6-225:0; 225:4-226:0)
- 8. What constitutes the worship of the beast and his image? (LDE 226:1)

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Pages 227-237

A. Events Preceding the Close of Probation
1. The "image to the beast" is formed. "The Lord has shown me
clearly that the image of the beast will be formed
probation closes." (LDE 227:3)
2. The sealing of the righteous is completed. "An angel
. reported to Jesus that his work was done, and the saints were and" (LDE 229:1)
3. Jesus' intercession ceases in the sanctuary. After the saints are
sealed, "Then Jesus ceases His intercession in the sanctuary above.
He lift His hands, and with a loud voice says, 'It is done.'" (LDE
229:3)
B. The Time For the Close of Probation
4. Not revealed by God. "God has not revealed to us the time
when this message will close or when probation will have an end."
(LDE 227:1)
5. Unknown for everybody. "The righteous and wicked will still
be living upon the earth all that the
final, irrevocable decision has been pronounced" (LDE 231:1)
6. Unexpected even for God's people. "When probation ends,
it will come
time when we are least expecting it." (LDE 230:1)
7. God's people will be still doing business as usual. (LDE
231:4)
8. The wicked and the professed people of God will be still
looking forward to forbidden pleasures. (LDE 232:3)
C. Now is the Time To Be Ready
9. We can have the assurance of salvation today: "When proba-
tion ends, it will come suddenly, unexpectedly But we can have
ain heaven today, and
that God accepts us." (LDE 230:1)

10. Now is the time for character's transformation and fitness for heaven. (LDE 236:2, 3)

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last	plagues	and	their	effect,	first on	the v	vicked,	then	the 1	ight	eous.

1. Note the actions of God's angels in holding events back:	
They hold back(LDE 238:3)	
They restrain (LDE 239:1)	
They hold in check(LDE 239:3)	
2. The glory of God is shown in His and	
His (LDE 240:1)	
3. At the present time Jesus is our, but	
when the judgment is complete He will become (LDE 240:3)	
4. In no government can lawbreakers determine their own (LDE 241:1)	
5. "Law that has no is of no" (LDE 241:1)	
6. What actions would God NOT allow Noah or Lot to take? (LDE 241:2)	
7. Under what circumstances does God remove His protection from us? (LDE 242:1)	
8. Give some examples from the Bible of the destructive power of God's angels. (LDE 243)	[42
9. "The same destructive exercised by angels when God commands will be exer-	

cised by _____ angels when He _____." (LDE 244:0)

- 10. Consider the cumulative effect of the seven last plagues if they were to be universal.
- 1. Grievous sores
- 2. The seas turned to blood
- 3. Rivers and fountains of waters turned to blood
- 4. Scorching sun
- 5. Darkness
- 6. Gathering for the battle of God Almighty
- 7. The battle of Armageddon and great hail
- 11. What saves the wicked world from total destruction by the plagues? (LDE 246:1)
- 12. What special class do those who are lost condemn? (LDE 247:3)
- 13. Is the battle of Armageddon a literal or spiritual conflict? (LDE 250:2; 251:4)

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Pages 253-270

This chapter deals with the plagues and their effect on the righteous.

- 1. When will the atoning blood of Christ be of no more value? (LDE 253:1)
- 2. Will the trouble ahead be worse, less, or about the same as expected? (LDE 254:3)
- 3. Why will some of the righteous be laid in their graves before the time of trouble? (LDE 255:2, 3)
- 4. Why will Satan especially stir up the wicked powers of earth to destroy the people of God? (LDE 256:1)
- 5. When calamities come, what charge will be made against Sabbathkeepers? (LDE 256:3)
- 6. What argument will be used to convince the people that God's people should be destroyed? (LDE 257:1)
- 7. What universal decree will finally be made against Sabbath-keepers? (LDE 258:1)

- [44] 8. What will be our responsibility regarding our property before probation closes? (LDE 261:1, 2)
 - 9. If we have unconfessed sins, what effect will this have on us in the time of trouble? (LDE 263:1)
 - 10. Why will no righteous be killed after probation closes? (LDE 264:2)
 - 11. Why should we not make provision for our temporal wants in the time of trouble?
 - 12. What is promised to the remnant in the time of trouble? (LDE 265:3)
 - 13. When the righteous have no Intercessor during the time of trouble, how will they be sustained? (LDE 266:0)
- [45] 14. Is there any stopping place in the process of sanctification? (LDE 267:3)
 - 15. Do we know who the 144,000 are? (LDE 268:4)
 - 16. Review the experience of the righteous when threatened with death during the time of trouble. (LDE 269, LDE 270)

Pages 271-282

1. Who are brought up in a special resurrection to witness the second advent of Jesus? (LDE 271:2-272:0)
a.
b.
c. d.
2. As God speaks from heaven before Jesus appears in the
clouds, what will His people hear?
a. (LDE 272:2)
b. (LDE 272:3)3. When the wicked see Jesus, what do they regret? (LDE 274:0)
4. In the description of Jesus' return to earth (LDE 274:1-3), which event impresses you the most?
5. How does the resurrection of God's faithful people affect you? (LDE 276-278)
6. Why does God not take the sinner to heaven? (LDE 279:3)
7. Who fixes the destiny of the wicked? (LDE 279:3)
8. Why will everyone who is saved have at least one star in

his/her crown? (LDE 282:3)

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Pages 283-306

1. Where are both our title and fitness for heaven to be found? (LDE 283:2) 2. What thoughts will be a shield against Satan, our enemy? (LDE 284:2)	
3. List several "mighty incentives" for giving loving service to our Creator. (LDE 285:1)	
4. Heaven will be our home where the wicked cease from and the weary are at 5. Why did heaven cease to be indefinite space to the disciples? (LDE 286:1)	
6. If we could see heaven's city just once, what would we never want to do again? (LDE 287:4)	
7. How is the tree of life described? (LDE 288:0)	
8. How are the following to be different from what they are now? (LDE 288:1-3) Streams Beasts Woods	[48]
9. How will the righteous be different from each other at the resurrection? How will this change later? (LDE 289:3)	

	10. At his creation Adam hadtimes as much
	vital force as we have today. How has this affected us all? (LDE 289:4)
	11. In heaven, "we shall ever feel the of the morning, and shall be far from its" (LDE 290:1) 12. When we are tempted to speculate about the conditions in heaven we are assured that God "has made every
	14. What special recognition will be given to mothers? (LDE 294:2, 3)
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	16. What will we learn from a special angel? (LDE 298:2)
	17. What testimony will only the redeemed be able to give? (LDE 299:2)
	18. What song will the ransomed sing? (LDE 300:2)
	19. What eternal reminder will we have of the cruel work of sin? (LDE 302:3)
	20. Review some of the activities of heaven as presented in this chapter.