

## LATTER RAIN and LOUD CRY, part 3 quotes

### 1) #4 – When Is This Message to be Proclaimed?

Are we to wait until some future time, such as the Sunday law, for the Latter Rain to come upon us?

**“We must not wait for the latter rain. It is coming upon all who will recognize and appropriate the dew and showers of grace that fall upon us.”** Bible Commentary, vol 7, p 984 (Letter 151, 1897).

God has plainly stated that we are no longer to wait for the Latter Rain. Why?

“Only those who are living up to the light they have will receive greater light. Unless we are daily advancing in the exemplification of the active Christian virtues, **we shall not recognize the manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the latter rain. It may be falling on hearts all around us, but we shall not discern or receive it.**” Testimonies to Ministers, p 507 (Review and Herald, March 2, 1897).

So the Holy Spirit in Latter Rain power could be falling on hearts all around, but many would not discern or receive it. But now why does it take discernment before you can receive the Latter Rain? Because we were told that it was to fall with a message – the message of the Righteousness of Christ! And since the message of the Righteousness of Christ began to be preached about the year 1888, then that means that the Holy Spirit could fall with this precious message at any time since 1888! Since it was already time for the Latter Rain to fall back then, then it is still time for it to fall now!

**“The descent of the Holy Spirit upon the church is looked forward to as being in the future, but it is the privilege of the church to have it now.”** Last Day Events from the Letters and Manuscripts of E.G. White, p 61 (Letter 15, June 25, 1892).

God even declared that there were some who were already enjoying the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in the refreshing!

**“...the very time when that church was receiving the outpouring of the Spirit of God...is enjoying a season of refreshing...”** Testimonies to Ministers, p 23 (Review and Herald, October 17, 1893).

This means that we can have the Holy Spirit in Latter Rain power NOW!

“Let us, with contrite hearts, pray most earnestly **that now, in the time of the latter rain, the showers of spiritual grace may fall upon us....It is the time of the latter rain, when the Lord will give largely of His Holy Spirit.**” Testimonies to Ministers, p 509, 512 (Review and Herald, March 2, 1897).

2) Since the Latter Rain had already begun to fall, then surely the beginning of, and the swelling of, the Loud Cry must have already begun!

**“The third angel’s message is swelling into a loud cry...”** Review and Herald, March 22, 1892.

**“The time of test is just upon us, for the loud cry of the third angel has already begun in the revelation of the righteousness of Christ, the sin pardoning Redeemer. This is the beginning of the light of the angel whose glory shall fill the whole earth.”** Review and Herald, November 22, 1892.

Please do not believe that the fullest extent of the Loud Cry took place at that time over 120 years ago, because it did not occur then, and its fullness has still not yet happened. But inspiration positively declared that the Loud Cry had already begun, and it was indeed lightening some of the earth with its glory!

“The work to be done **NOW** is that of sounding this last message of mercy to a fallen world....The work will grow deeper and become more earnest to the very close of time. And all who are laborers together with God will contend most earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. **They (God’s servants) will not be turned from the present message, which is already lightening the world with its glory.**” Selected Messages, book 2, p 114.

So even though the Loud Cry was not at its loudest point, or had not yet reached its greatest intensity, or was not yet at its fullest swelling, does not mean that the Loud Cry had not yet begun to swell and was not yet lightening some of the world with its glory! And since the Loud Cry had already started, it clearly shows to all of God’s followers today that when these precious messages of the third and fourth angel are combined together, coupled with the mighty power of the Holy Spirit in the Latter Rain, then you still have the Loud Cry going forth – which would include today!

3) But the question arises that if the Latter Rain was already falling over 120 years ago, then why are we still here? The only reason why we are still here today is because God’s people at that time, or the SDA church, turned her back on this realization, mocked at the idea that the Latter Rain could already be falling, and instead ridiculed, criticized, slighted, and rejected the message of Christ’s righteousness!

“An unwillingness to yield up preconceived opinions, and to accept this truth, lay at the foundation of a large share of the opposition manifested at Minneapolis against the Lord’s message through Brethren {E.J.} Waggoner and {A.T.} Jones. By exciting that opposition Satan succeeded in shutting away from our people, in a great measure, the special power of the Holy Spirit that God longed to impart to them. The enemy prevented them from obtaining that efficiency which might have been theirs in carrying the truth to the world, as the apostles proclaimed it after the day of Pentecost. **The light that is to lighten the whole earth with its glory was resisted, and by the action of our own brethren has been in a great degree kept away from the world.**” Selected Messages, book 1, p 234-235.

“The religion of many among us will be the religion of apostate Israel, because they love their own way, and forsake the way of the Lord. The true religion, the only religion of the Bible, that teaches forgiveness only through the merits of a crucified and risen Saviour, **that advocates righteousness by the faith of the Son of God, has been slighted, spoken against, ridiculed, and rejected.** It has been denounced as leading to enthusiasm and fanaticism.” Testimonies to Ministers, p 467-468.

Because the SDA church leadership mocked the idea that the Latter Rain could be falling then, and ridiculed, criticized, slighted, and rejected the message of Christ’s righteousness, they in effect rejected the Latter Rain, rejected the Holy Spirit, and thereby crucified Christ afresh!

“The Lord God, who dwelleth in the holy place, sees every soul that shows contempt for the manifestations of his Holy Spirit. God has revealed himself again and again in a most marked manner in Battle Creek. He has given a large measure of his Holy Spirit to the believers there. It has come unexpectedly at times, and there have been deep movings upon hearts and minds...This blessing extended to large numbers...**Some felt annoyed at this outpouring,** and their own natural dispositions were manifested. **They said, ‘This is only excitement; it is not the Holy Spirit, not showers of the latter rain from heaven.’** There were hearts full of unbelief, who did not drink in of the Spirit, but who had bitterness in their souls.

“On many occasions the Holy Spirit did work; but those who resisted the Spirit of God at Minneapolis were waiting for a chance to travel over the same ground again, because their spirit was the same....But all the universe of heaven witnessed the disgraceful treatment of Jesus Christ, represented by the Holy Spirit. **Had Christ been before them, they would have treated him in a manner similar to that in which the Jews treated Christ...**

“The Lord is coming; but those who venture to resist the light that God gave in rich measure at Minneapolis, who have not humbled their hearts before God, will follow on in the path of resistance, saying, ‘Who is the Lord that I should obey his voice?’ **The banner all will bear who voice the message of the third angel, is being covered with another color that virtually kills it. This is being done. Will our people now hold fast to the truth?**” Series A, #6, p 19-20, 26.

**4)** The SDA church leaders also told the Holy Spirit who was being poured out to instead go away and not to come back until they called for Him!

“Had thorough work been done during the last General Conference at Battle Creek; had there been as God designed there should be, a breaking up of the fallow ground of the heart, by the men who had been bearing responsibilities; had they, in humility of souls, led out in the work of confession and consecration; had they given evidence that they received the counsels and warnings sent by the Lord to correct their mistakes, **there would have been one of the greatest revivals that there has been since the day of Pentecost.**

“What a wonderful work could have been done for the vast company gathered in Battle Creek at the General Conference of 1901, if the leaders of our work had taken themselves in hand. **But the work that all heaven was waiting to do as soon as men prepared the way, was not done; for the leaders closed and bolted the door against the Spirit’s entrance.** There was a stopping short of entire surrender to God. And hearts that might have been purified from all error were strengthened in wrong doing. The doors were barred against the heavenly current that would have swept away all evil. Men left their sins unconfessed. They built themselves up in wrong doing, **and said to the Spirit of God, ‘Go thy way for this time; when I have a more convenient season, I will call for thee.’**” Battle Creek Letters, p 55-56 (Letter 123, August 5, 1902).

**5)** How do we today swell the third angel’s message of the righteousness of Christ into the Loud Cry?

**“As these warnings (Revelation 18:1-5) join the third angel’s message, it swells to a loud cry.”** Spirit of Prophecy, vol 4, p 422.

Our people are very willing to preach the third angel’s message of the Righteousness of Christ, but there is great reluctance, if not outright refusal to preach the Loud Cry message of Babylon fallen. So instead of God seeing the Loud Cry swell, He is forced to watch it become smothered and have to struggle to exist because not enough of His supposed followers are willing to publicly give the Revelation 18 message! God has been waiting for over 120 years now for the Loud Cry to fill this earth and finish His work! Are you going to force God to wait many more months or years?

God distinctly declares to all of His people about the timing of when the message of Revelation 18 is to be given.

“All are to hear the last message of warning. The prophecies in the book of Revelation, chapters 12 to 18, are being fulfilled. **In the eighteenth chapter is recorded the very last call to the churches. This call is now to be given.**” Last Day Events from the Letters and Manuscripts of E.G. White, p 83 (Manuscript 75, September 20, 1906) (see also Upward Look, p 277).

**6)** “The time has come” to sound the loud cry, and “the cry is sounding” – Signs of the Times, vol 3, p 165 (**November 19, 1894**).

The last call of mercy and warning is “now” to be given--Fundamentals of Christian Education, p 362; Special Testimonies on Education, p 141 (**March 21, 1895**).

“The time has come” to give this message, which is the “special work” of “His church”--Review and Herald, vol 3, p 593 (**July 26, 1898**).

“The time has come” to give this message of Revelation 18--Manuscript Release #311, p 47 (Manuscript 177, **May 10, 1899**).

The message of Revelation 18 is “the message for this time”--Manuscript Releases, vol 9, p 290 (Letter 28, **February 17, 1900**).

“(Revelation 18) is now to be given to all parts of the world”--Manuscript Releases, vol 9, p 290 (Letter 86, **June 18, 1900**.)

“Today” we are to be “announcing” the message of the third and fourth angel--Manuscript Releases, vol 10, p 315 (Letter 121, **August 13, 1900**).

“The time has come” to give this last message of warning--Review and Herald, vol 4, p 251 (**January 1, 1901**).

We are to “advance the proclamation of” this message--Review and Herald, vol 5, p 61 (**July 28, 1904**).

“The time has come” to give this last warning message--Manuscript Releases, vol 10, p 219 (**September 17, 1909**).

“The message for today” is Revelation 18--Prophets and Kings, p 187; Lift Him Up, p 164; Review and Herald, vol 6, p 382 (**November 20, 1913**).

**7)** “Ask ye of the Lord rain in the time of the latter rain; so the Lord will make bright clouds, and send them showers of rain, to everyone grass in the field.” Zechariah 10:1.

Please do not allow the Devil to hold you into a position of inaction, believing in a futuristic doctrine that it's not yet time for the Latter Rain to fall; or that it's not yet time to give this last message of mercy; or that it's not yet time for the probation of all the churches to be closed; or that it's not yet time to separate from all the churches that make up Babylon the great; or that the beginning of the Loud Cry is not yet here, or has not yet begun to swell – because all of the above is not true! God clearly states to all who have ears to hear:

**“The work to be done now is that of sounding this last message of mercy to a fallen world....**The work will grow deeper and become more earnest to the very close of time. And all who are laborers together with God will contend most earnestly for the faith once delivered to the saints. **They will not be turned from the present message, which is already lightening the earth with its glory.** Nothing is worth contending for but the glory of God. The only rock that will stand is the Rock of Ages. The truth as it is in Jesus is the refuge in these days of error.” Selected Messages, book 2, p 114.

“The messenger turned to the congregation and said, ‘Do you believe the prophecies? **Do you who know the truth, understand that the last message of warning is now being given to the world,--the last call of mercy is now being heard.** Do you believe that Satan has come down with great power, working with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in every place? Do you believe that great Babylon has come up in remembrance before God, and that soon she will receive from God’s hand double for all her sins and iniquities?’...**If the enemy can keep workers out of the field on any pretext, he will do so.**” Fundamentals of Christian Education, p 362-363.