

Answer to an attack on EGW

1: For one thing: EGW is NOT the 'lesser light' and the Bible the 'Greater light': this is the mistake they all start with. The Bible and all the prophets is the 'lesser light' and Jesus Christ is the Greater light!

Study it through and it is clear; The greater light; the sun; shines with it's own inherent power. The lesser light; the moon only reflects the sun. So it is with prophetic writings whether ancient or modern- they reflect the truth of Christ. Even the Bible only shines with reflected light, a 'lesser light' pointing to the Light of the World.

Jesus is the Light which lightens the earth; notice what John says about John Baptist in relation to Jesus:

John 1:7 The same came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all men through him might believe. 8 He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. 9 That was the true Light, which lighteth every man that cometh into the world.

So you see that John Baptist was the 'Lesser light' pointing to the true light.

2: When the writings of Moses comprised all the available written Word, as each new prophet came along, he added to the available Word. If he did not have something to say that wasn't already in the available Word- there would be no point in his coming and writing at all! The test of a prophet is not to make sure they don't add detail or additional facts to the available Word - the test is merely to make sure that what they are adding is in harmony with the available Word.

So the Word progressed until the OT cannon was completed.

The New Testament Cannon had to deal with the same kind of criticism as this person is spouting forth so proud of his ignorance. But what the New Testament writers had to show - was not that they had nothing additional to add or information to contribute to the available Word the OT- BUT that what they were adding did not CONTRADICT the OT. If they had nothing new and additional to add, there would have been no point in there writing at all!!

So it is with the Bereans he so boldly claims to be imitating. Was Paul adding to the OT scriptures? Yes, he most certainly was! It is interesting that this person carefully chooses only the parts of the verse that suit his aim of discrediting one of the most valuable Gifts God ever gave to mankind. He says 1 Thessalonians 5:21 the Bible tells us to "Prove all things" But the previous verse also says: 'Despise NOT prophesyings!'

If there were to be no more prophetic input from God to man, it would have been easy for the apostles to simply say; 'Don't bother with prophesying because after the last apostle dies, there won't be any more!'

What were the Bereans checking for? Was it to see if Paul was only saying exactly what was already in the OT? No! Why would they need to check that if he was and they were such good Bible scholars? They would recognize the texts.

They were checking to see if the additional information was IN HARMONY with what they already had.

So it is with the SOP writings of EGW- if she was not given any additional information to amplify the existing Word- why would she write at all? What we are to ascertain is NOT if more information is given to us by this Gift- but rather if it contributes to the existing available Word OR if it is contrary.

Rightly understood there is not a passage in the writings of EGW that has been shown to contradict the available Word.

There are some passages that contradict other people's IDEAS of what the Word is saying, but so did the teachings of Jesus contradict the ideas of the church leaders of His day!

3: We were warned that attackers like this would arise and that they would arise at the very end- just prior to the close of Probation. Everything points to that event as being very close- especially for professed Sabbath keepers, whose probation will end first. It is not the time to be found fighting against God in the person of His prophets. Just as the Jewish leaders fulfilled the very words of the prophets as they attacked and later killed the Saviour, so these attacks today are fulfilling the very words of the Spirit of Prophecy as they level their attacks.

It is a sad thing to be 'smarter than God'. To reason away the very help He has sent to take us through the most terrible time this poor sick world has ever seen, and it has seen some terrible times! In each generation, once the people had rejected the prophet sent to them, there was no other recourse open to God, but to let the wrath fall. Over and over we see the pattern in scripture: the prophet is sent; the warnings go out; those who heed are blessed and helped; those who despise them fall sooner or later into destruction.

4: In regard to the physical phenomenon that our loving heavenly Father saw fit to give us with the visions of His chosen messenger; although if her writings were contrary to the Spirit of the available Word, it would not be accepted as evidence; these evidences are not to be despised either. We have the written affidavits of many people of repute including doctors who examined Ellen in these visions. She did not breath- sometimes for hours- and this was attested to by Medical Doctors! Or does this person think that in the 1800s Medical Doctors were so stupid that they could not ascertain whether or not a person was breathing??

We are brought to remember the words of Thomas, the doubter, who refused to take the word of his brethren. Jesus rebuked Him for his unbelief. If we were like Thomas,

we would all be lost, for we have to take the Word that was written and preserved and brought down to us today.

We don't even have affidavits on that except the written accounts of the apostles. We actually have more evidence available to us that Ellen White was a Messenger of God, than we have that the Bible Prophets were Messengers of God!

5: Why is it that people who attack the SOP and Ellen White, put forth the idea that the Bible prophets were of an entirely different class? What does the Bible say? 'Holy men of old spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.' 2 Pe 1:21

What did Paul say of himself? Was he some different kind of creature?

Ac 14:15 And saying, Sirs, why do ye these things? We also are men of like passions with you, and preach unto you that ye should turn from these vanities unto the living God, which made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and all things that are therein:

Remember that the church leaders despised Jesus, and at the same time they exalted Moses as if he were a god. The real God was before them and they said to Him, 'How dare you compare yourself to Moses?'

6: So many attackers also seek to find some error or weakness in the human life of Ellen White—and then say she was not a prophet! I tell you, if most of us had our lives as searchingly examined with a critical eye as hers has been; we would not come up smelling as rosy as she has— I am sure of that!

Look at David - he sinned big time, but we don't see many people so foolish as to say that he was not a prophet and we should reject his writings. In fact the Bible NT is clear he was a prophet! Ac 1:16 "Men and brethren, this scripture must needs have been fulfilled, which the Holy Ghost by the mouth of David spake before concerning Judas, which was guide to them that took Jesus"

The weakness of the human instrument is no evidence of fallacy of the writings.

Then some say, "Well she probably didn't understand everything."

What prophet did? Notice that Peter said that the very prophets studied their own writings to learn. Even the prophets knew the difference between the human and the Holy Spirit.

1Pe 1:10, 11 Of "which salvation the prophets have enquired and searched diligently, who prophesied of the grace that should come unto you: Searching what, or what manner of time the Spirit of Christ which was in them did signify, when it testified beforehand the sufferings of Christ, and the glory that should follow."

When Jesus came, He didn't suit the ideas of most of the people; so they rejected Him and are lost forever. There is not one of the prophets that was not despised and rejected in his lifetime, at least by many. But those who despised the prophets suffered the consequences, even if it were only in lost blessings and loss of eternal life.

We don't get to pick and choose how we are to be saved; we accept it on God's terms or we are lost, no matter how smart we think we are.

We don't get to pick and choose who God chooses to communicate with us. But if we are smart, we will not despise what He sees are essential guidelines and information that we must have to stand in the final crisis.

It is not smart to try and dissect the Gifts of God, we can end up so smart that God has no way to reach us, no resource left to save us! What a terrible account many of this day will have to settle with God, 1st for despising counsel that clearly bears the Divine stamp; and 2nd for influencing others to cast away their God-given life-ropes and lifejackets only to perish miserably in the overwhelming flood!

Mt 18:6 But whoso shall offend one of these little ones which believe in me, it were better for him that a millstone were hanged about his neck, and that he were drowned in the depth of the sea.

2Ch 20:20 ... Believe in the LORD your God, so shall ye be established; believe his prophets, so shall ye prosper.

Attacking EGW for her letters to her children:

"So how do you excuse her writing--to her own children--that God doesn't love bad children?"

God will not be able to save bad children; unless they repent and allow Jesus to remove sin from their lives. God Hates Sin! Because it destroys and devastates His children.

There is no 'nice' way to tell the truth about sin to children or adults --the FACT is:

Lu 13:3 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Lu 13:5 I tell you, Nay: but, except ye repent, ye shall all likewise perish.

Even Jesus says it reputedly!

I have read the letters in their entirety and it is made very clear in them that Jesus stands as a refuge to the child and as a source of all needed power to overcome sin-- in no way was the statement left as a hopeless rejection to the child.

My heart thrilled for my own soul as I read those original letters-- it spoke to me about things I needed to bring to Jesus and how much I need my Savior! The sad and hateful

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thing is that today, people are so caught up with being 'nicey nicey' that children and adults are left to perish without even a warning as to their need to change!

It is MOST important to notice that EGW had 4 boys, 1 Died in infancy, 1 died as a very godly young man at 16. She was assured that they would be in Heaven. The other two grew up and lived godly lives, and we have every reason to believe that they will be saved also. 4 out of 4! If that is the fruit of such 'harsh' letters to children--I say we need more such letters!!