

## Laxness in Sabbath and Other Standards

### Comments

I just read the RN's story. I have worked for the AHS in Texas, Loma Linda, and SDA Language Institutes in South Korea. I would like to make a few comments.

I believe that whether we recognize it or not, I think we hold our denominational leaders to a much higher standard than we hold ourselves. We forget that they too are but clay and are subject to much increased temptations that the non-denominational employee does not experience. **SOP tells us that Satan works 10 times harder with our people and that his greatest targets are the SDA people. Roger Morneau wrote in one of his books on prayer that Satan assigns two evil angels to our young people and those that are gifted so as to misdirect their influences into paths of sin rather than honoring God.** I have seen this very thing amongst our people.

The AHS hires many non-SDA professional people for management positions in the hospitals and nursing homes. They have no conscience regarding the Sabbath work flow as it isn't any different than another day of the week. I noticed that on Sunday though, the work schedule was quite relaxed and there wasn't a real push to get everything done in patient care as we did during the Sabbath hours. When I mentioned to the Charge Nurse that we do minimal work from Friday sundown to Saturday sundown as it is the Sabbath, she let me know that she was running the floor and not me.

You mentioned Elder Andreason. I read his book on The Sanctuary. In the appendix section he put in SOP comments. Sr. White wrote that just before the coming of the Lord, He would allow certain heresies to come into the church. One would attack the Spirit of Prophecy and one would attack the sanctuary truth. We are seeing the fulfillment of these two heresies. The teaching that there is no sanctuary in heaven is currently being taught by one of our universities. They mix future and present but many are not wise to salvation. A survey was taken in our church some time ago and it was showing that about 40% believed in the inspiration of the Spirit of Prophecy. I am sure it is less than that now. God is allowing the heresies to come into the church to sift His people. We are being sifted at this very moment in this world's closing events. I have seen two churches sifted. It is a fearful thing to watch and go through. Many do leave, but many come in too. People who were solid in the church, left. Our constant prayer should be to plead for the Holy Spirit to prepare our minds, heart and souls to be ready to meet Jesus when He comes in the clouds.

There would be a laxness in the Sabbath truth. We have seen this slowly coming to fruition in the past 20 years.

I have read the book Prophets and Kings many times. I have been astonished and fearfully awed by the parallels as to the condition of God's people just before Christ came the first time and how He and His followers were treated and how we, as a church body, will coexist with Rome by making concessions just as the Jews did. We have made several. When you read this inspired book, Prophets and Kings, you will see our true condition.

I firmly believe that probation is about to close, the doors of the heavenly sanctuary about to be thrown open and the Sabbath message will be going in the strength of the Lord to all people and nations. Then the time of trouble will enter.

Satan has been appearing as Christ since 1985. He has been appearing to Muslims, Hindus, Buddhists, etc... He has been appearing many times with the apparition of Mary. These appearings can be found in the book, The Final Hour written by a catholic priest who just passed away not too long ago.

All religions now recognize the papal leadership in spiritual matters. The leaders of these religions have bent the knee and kissed the ring. We have seen the fulfillment of this prophecy...and all the world wondered after the beast and his image.

Thank you for publishing this lady's experience. It was very interesting. In Christ, C N.

## Part 2 Another 'colorful' Letter:

Dear Family & Friends ;

Very recently I sat with Family & Friends on a Sabbath at the B.C. Camp-meeting and once again my heart was saddened with the gist of conversation, dress, and activities which engaged many of those present.

Most, if not all, profess to be Christians, who believe in the Bible and many also will say they believe in the Spirit of Prophecy. However; "actions speak louder than words" !

Much of the conversation was on business, common workday events, and joking etc; certainly not Sabbath conversation !

The dress of many was shamefully, immodest, and rebellious against the adornment standards clearly brought forth in the Word of God, and magnified in the Spirit of Prophecy. Do we ever give thought each Sabbath to the instruction from our Dear Saviour about how we should, "Remember The Sabbath Day to keep it Holy" !

Have we forgotten Isaiah 58: 13-14 ?

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My Holy Day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the Holy of The Lord, honorable; and shalt honor Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words:...."

Only those who make an earnest and honest effort to obey this command will receive the promise of eternal life. Anything short of

complete, loving, obedience to this is eternal death ! **God will not accept 99% obedience** we must surrender ALL or **perish** in the **lake of fire** with **Satan** ! We really do have a "**heaven** to win" and "a **hell** to shun" !

Do we realize the important of **The Holy Spirits** words in 1 Peter 2:9 ?

"But ye are a chosen generation, **a royal priesthood**, an **holy nation**, a **peculiar people**; that ye should **show forth the praises** of Him who hath called you out of darkness into **His** marvellous light:.."

The Mighty Creator God, in the Three Persons of The Father, The Son, and The Holy Spirit; invite us to a **special audience** with Them on Sabbath. We come into the very **Presence** of these Three Mighty Powers of Heaven, though they are unseen by our **sinful eyes**. **How dare we** come before God with the common clothes of the week, shorts, jeans, bathing suits, much of which gives **shameful exposure** of the body form ! What happened to the man who came before the King without a "**wedding garment**" ? Would you come before an earthly monarch if given a "**special invitation**" to meet with him in his throne room ? I dare say we would all have more respect than that ? But here we come before The Mighty God who created us out of dust, in **common** and **immodest apparel**, how utterly **shameful** and **disrespectful** indeed ! **Disrespect** for God and the Sabbath , **a violation** of the **Word of God** and therefore **a terrible sin** , which the Bible says, **"the wages of sin is death !**

"Ye are a Royal Priesthood" 2 Peter 2: 9

**Dear Ones**, do you realize our "**High Calling**" as **Christians** ? The **very strict requirements** of the **priests** who officiated in the **Ancient Hebrew Sanctuary**", the instructions which were given to Moses by **Christ Himself**, is required of **all** who **profess** the Name of Christ today ! As a "**Royal Priesthood**" we are called to "**minister**" with Christ our **Great High Priest** in The Heavenly Sanctuary. We must set an example in **conversation**, in our **apparel** and in **ALL** our daily living !

Will we obey **the warning** of God's Spirit who says to everyone of us >

" When **The Sabbath** begins, we should **place a guard upon ourselves**, upon **our acts** and **our words**, **lest we rob God** by appropriating to our own use that time which is **strictly** the **Lord's**. We should **not do** ourselves, **nor suffer** our children to do any manner of our own work for a livelihood, or **anything** which could have been done on the six working days. **Friday** is **the day of preparation**. Time can then be devoted to making the necessary preparation for **The Sabbath**, and to thinking and conversing about it. **Nothing which** will in the sight of **Heaven** be regarded as **a violation** of **The Holy Sabbath** should be left **unsaid** or **undone**, to be **said** or **done** upon **The Sabbath**. **God requires** **not only that we refrain from physical labor** upon the **Sabbath**, but that **the mind be disciplined** to dwell upon **sacred themes**. By conversing upon

worldly things, or by engaging in light and trifling conversation, we virtually transgress the fourth commandment. Talking upon anything or everything which may come into the mind, is speaking our own words. Every deviation from right brings us into bondage and condemnation."

From: Child Guidance, page 529-530

"All who meet upon The Sabbath to worship God should, if possible, have a neat, well-fitting, comely suit to wear in the house of worship. It is a dishonor to The Sabbath, and to God and His House, for those who profess that The Sabbath is the holy of The Lord, and honorable, to wear the same clothing upon The Sabbath that they have worn through the week while laboring upon their farms,((( Or other work ))) when they can obtain other." 2 SM page 474

And yet, most of those who say they are "Christians" and believe in The Scriptures and The Spirit of Prophecy, as soon as "church" is over, change into some "common weekly garment" and allow their children to do the same ! This is a great dishonor to God and His Holy Sabbath Day ! It removes from the mind of both parents and children the "sanctity" of The Sabbath, and soon they are engaged in conversation and actions that are a transgression of The Sabbath Day !

I have yet to meet with "professing" Seventh Day Adventists on Sabbath and experience the reality of obedience to the Sabbath Command as God fully instructed His people and expects them to strictly obey ! Not one soul, who, knowing what God has said, and yet , willing violates one moment of God's Holy Time of The Seventh Day, will enter the Heavenly City, not one !

For those of My Family & Friends who are guilty of this transgression of God's Holy Day, I plead with You to repent, and begin at once to obey Your Saviour, The Mighty Creator God ! You only have life a moment at a time, the next moment may be:

**TOO LATE !**

Note: Lets be realistic; of course a farmer must put on his work clothes to do his morning chores, etc; but then having dressed for the worship of God, he remains in those Sabbath clothes until he must do chores in the evening. But for most of us that is not the case; we can dress respectfully to come into the Presence of our Most Holy God and show that we truly reverence The Holy Sabbath as He has commanded.

It would be well to read every Sabbath, for your self and for your children Isaiah 58: 13-14 and also the repeated warnings of Exodus 31: 14 - 15 and Exodus 35: 2

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"Ye shall keep **The Sabbath** therefore; for **It is Holy** unto you: every one that **defileth It** shall surely be **put to death**: for whosoever **doeth any work** therein, **that soul** shall be **cut off** from among his people."

"Six days may work be done; but in **the seventh** is **The Sabbath** of rest, **Holy to The Lord**: **whosoever doeth any work** in **The Sabbath Day**, **he** shall surely **be put to death**."

"Six days shall work be done, but on **the seventh day** there shall be to you an **holy day**, a **Sabbath** of rest to **The Lord**: **whosoever** doeth work therein **shall be put to death**."

**Eternal Death**; will also be the portion of those who; "**speaking their own words**" and "**do their own pleasure**" ! For **Christ** said >

"For **whosoever** shall keep the whole **Law**, and **yet offend in one point**, he is **guilty of all**." **James 2: 10**

**Dear Ones**; I pray that you will take heed to these **Word's** from your **Father in Heaven** which we have shared with you, for **we**, like **you** are but **filthy sinners**, saved by the **precious blood** and **righteousness** of **Jesus**. **Strict obedience** is required of **ALL** who would enter **Eternal Life** !

For some who may feel **we speak to plainly**, we would ask you to consider **The Holy Spirit's Words** when **He** said >

"**In this fearful time**, just before **Christ** is to come the second time, **God's faithful preachers** will have **to bear a still more pointed testimony** than was borne by **John the Baptist**. A responsible, important work is before them; and **those who speak smooth things**, **God will not acknowledge** as **His shepherds**. A **fearful woe** is upon them."

Whether men will "**hear and obey**" or "**close their ears unto death**", by **His** grace **we will obey His command** !

In His Love and Service,

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