Following the Great Disappointment disappointed. Return—only to be grievously stayed up all night awaiting Christ's thousands of Adventist believers had enormous and terrible. Many that night came to be called, was "nonevent" on the Millerite movement. Ellen Harmon, a 17-year-old girl who belonged to the latter group, taught that God had shown her in a vision that probation for the people of Earth had closed on October 22 and that Christ would come in the immediate future.

When this did not materialize, Hiram Edson, a leader in the Shut-Door movement, got and impression that the October 22 experience merely marked a transfer of Christ's heavenly mission from the Holy Place to the Most Holy Place of the heavenly sanctuary, where Jesus then began the "final atonement" for sinners. This belief was adopted by the young sect, which now commenced active mission work in the world for the first time.

About this time (the later 1840s to the early 1850s) the doctrine of keeping the seventh day (Saturday) holy came into the church. Joseph Bates, an Adventist former sea captain with Seventh-day Baptist ties, convinced the believers that the Jewish Sabbath was still obligatory for Christians. When the doctrine was confirmed in a vision by Ellen Harmon White (now married to James White), it was officially adopted. This short, dynamic woman would be the pillar of fire and driving wind of Adventism for the next 65 years.

One of the twin girls born in Gorham, Maine, Ellen Harmon White, or Ellen G. White, as she is commonly known, led a normal active childhood until she was hit in the left forehead by a stone thrown by a spiteful schoolmate. The blow nearly killed her, and undoubtedly left her badly brain damaged. Unable to continue her formal schooling, she stayed home as an invalid.

In January of 1845, three months after the Great Disappointment, she had her first vision, which confirmed the Shut-Door teaching to the other believers. From this moment her career as a "Messenger" from God was born. For the rest of her life she and her husband, James, worked to establish the Adventist Church. Often she had visions concerning various questions facing the little group. Later in life her visions seemed to fade away, being replaced by 3 a.m. visits from angels, who told her what to write.

Even so, I'm convinced that Sister White never actually originated a new belief by means of a vision. Rather, after a question had been thoroughly discussed and a decision tentatively arrived at, she had a vision "confirming" what the Church leaders already began to accept.

The group was incorporated in 1861 as the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Throughout the late nineteenth century the Whites gave leadership to the sect, which had its headquarters in Battle Creek, Michigan. After James White's death in 1881, Sister White continued to be the elder stateswoman and counselor to the movement for many more years. She died in 1915 at the age of 87, highly honored by her church, but never having seen the coming of Christ she had so long predicted.

Shortly after the turn of the century the Church voted to move its headquarters to Washington D.C., where it is still based today. The
THOUGHTS FROM THE DIRECTOR

Welcome once again to another edition of our newsletter. As many of you already know, we try to provide our readers with Biblical information relevant to subjects that affect the lives of friends, neighbors, loved ones, total strangers and the readers themselves. What is the value of claiming to be a Christian if one is not dedicated to the proposition that life should be lived to the glory of God? And how is that done? It is done by the Christian conforming his life to the image of Jesus Christ on a daily basis. And how is that done? It is done by studying the Word of God (the Bible), believing the truths (doctrines) of the Word of God, living life according to the Word of God and sharing those truths of the Word of God with others as God gives opportunity.

Unfortunately, few it seems, do what I just said in the above paragraph. Why? Because that would require real effort, heaven forbid! It is so much easier to read the newspaper, read a magazine, watch soap operas or sports on TV, go to the movies, listen to music on the radio, engage in countless hours of idle chatter, or a host of other activities that does not include a conscious, systematic, organized devotion to real Bible study. Worse yet, many people, rather than carefully studying the Bible themselves rely instead on some TV or radio preacher for their Bible information, usually without discernment, and unwittingly elevate the words of that preacher to the level of an infallible pope! They never stop to think that that preacher might be wrong on key issues.

The Seventh-day Adventist Church is just another example among multitudes that demonstrate the fact that people take the easy way out of devotional Bible study by replacing that study with a pope-like Bible teacher who will do all their thinking for them. For the Jehovah’s Witnesses it is the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, for the Mormons it is Joseph Smith, Jr. and his successors, and for Seventh-day Adventists it is Ellen G. White, the “Messenger of God” or the “Spirit of Prophecy” (as she is called in Adventist circles). As our readers will see from Wallace Sattler’s lead article in this issue, Mrs. White brings a distorted and confused message to her followers, which in turn leaves them confused as to the things of God. Based on the facts in this case, more appropriate names for Mrs. White would be “Confused Messenger of God” or “Distorted Spirit of Prophecy.” “Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep’s clothing…” (Matt. 7:15).

I’ve often said, “If the root of the tree is corrupt, so is the fruit of the tree.” The fact of the matter is that the founders of the SDA were strong anti-Trinitarians, including Ellen White’s husband James White, while Ellen White herself never clearly stated if Jesus was eternally divine or not (she said, “The man Christ Jesus was not the Lord Almighty…” (Lift Him Up, page 235).

WHAT IS CHRISTIAN ANSWERS?

Our ministry name is derived in part from Peter 3:15 which states, “But in your hearts set apart Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to give an answer to everyone who asks you to give the reason for the hope that you have. (NIV). This is the goal of Christian Answers in an increasingly anti-Christian society here in America and throughout the world; giving answers and reasons why the Christian faith can be trusted and believed.

The Biblical commands to "fight the good fight of faith" (1 Tim. 6:12), to be "set for the defense of the gospel" (Phil. 1:1), to "earnestly contend for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints" (Jude 3), to "be able both to exhort in sound doctrine and to refute those who contradict" (Titus 1:9), to "put to the test those who call themselves apostles, and they are not" (Rev. 2:2), to " Beware of false prophets, who come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly are ravenous wolves” (Matt. 7:15), to examine everything carefully; hold fast to that which is good" (1 Thes. 5:21), with gentleness correcting those who are in opposition, if perhaps God may grant them repentance leading to the knowledge of the truth" (2 Tim. 2:25), to follow the example of Paul and Apollos who "vigorously refuted the Jews in public debate, proving from the Scriptures that Jesus was Christ." (Acts 18:28). These are but a few of the many marching orders for the call to ministry, discernment and evangelism.

The Inerrant Word of God (2 Tim. 3:16-17) whereby the gospel is preached, is "the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth" (Rom. 1:16), is the weapon of our evangelism. As Hebrews 4:12 states, "For the word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, it penetrates even dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart." This is the evangelical missionary methodology of Christian Answers— to bring the Biblical perspective to a culture that is almost completely ignorant of it; to bring Christian truth, Christian answers to those who, as the prophet Isaiah said, have made "lies...and falsehood" their refuge (Isa. 28:15); to smash lies and falsehoods with the “hammer” of God’s word (Jer. 23:29); see also Proverbs 30:5-6, Psalm 19:7, Isaiah 40:8, John 5:39-47, 1 Cor. 14:37, and Acts 17:11.

Christian Answers utilizes all outreach that God allows us including television, radio, audio cassettes, video tapes, speaking engagements, and the printed page. The materials we have been able to produce have been used by churches, Bible teachers, Christian apologists, laymen and others as well as those seeking life in Christ.

We are not afraid to stand up for Jesus Christ in public forums or wherever the Lord leads. Of course this type of ministry is not for the faint of heart and very often leads to the same type of suffering and persecution that we find in the book of Acts. But as the old saying goes, “one life will soon be past, only what’s done for the Lord...” (1 Thes. 5:19). Please do not depend on anyone else, your own efforts, your religion, but simply put your faith in Christ and to believe in Him. God's Spirit lives in us to sanctify us to live a more holy life, to instruct us, to convict us of our sins, and to work in us to sanctify us to live a more holy life, to please our Lord. God's children will dwell forever with God, and those who reject Jesus will be forever with God, and those who reject Jesus will be cast out.
next decades were occupied peacefully with building schools, missions, and medical works throughout the world and in preaching the Adventist message worldwide.

Adventism has many doctrines that set it apart from orthodox Christianity:

1. The Sabbath. — Seventh-day Adventism grounds its membership from the cradle to the grave in the "scriptural obligation" to keep the Jewish Sabbath. Adventists believe that from Friday sundown until Saturday sundown they must do nothing more than is absolutely necessary to carry on life, with the exception of religious observances. Disallowed activities include TV watching, secular radio listening, sports, one's vocation (with exception of medical services and the ministry), and school study.

2. An emphasis on Old Testament dietary laws and on vegetarianism. Adventism teaches that the Old Testament dietary laws of Leviticus II still apply to everyone. Thus pork, scaleless fish, shellfish, birds other than fowl, reptiles, and most mammals are forbidden foods. Adventism also emphasizes vegetarianism, believing that meat is becoming more unacceptable for food as time progresses. Any intake of alcohol is forbidden, along with smoking and of course, illegal drugs. Coffee and tea are also heavily frowned upon.

3. The atonement and the sanctuary. Where Christianity has always taught that the atonement for our sins was completed at the cross, Adventism teaches that it is an ongoing event. "We dissent," Adventism says, "from the view that the atonement was made upon the cross as is generally held." This view is maintained in order to accommodate the SDA doctrine that Christ entered the Most Holy Place of the heavenly sanctuary in 1844, having ministered only in the Holy Place from the time of his ascent into heaven. This is the only unique SDA doctrine, as all other doctrines are shared by various other sects and cults.

4. Redemption. Adventism is divided into right and left wings regarding salvation. The left wing comes close to evangelical Christian theology, believing that salvation comes from acceptance of Christ alone. It does differ from evangelical Christianity in its belief that the "fruits of the Spirit" include Sabbath-keeping, dietary law observance, and so forth.

The right wing of Adventism teaches that at conversion God forgives one's sins up to that point and provides the sinner opportunity to become sinless over a period of time, through an ever-closer relationship with Christ. It also teaches that Christ was born with the same tendency to sin as every person, thus showing mankind that one can become sinless. Interestingly, both sides "prove" their respective case with Sister White's writing, because she herself vacillated between a perfectionistic stand and a more "justification by faith" position.

5. The Divine Mission of Ellen G. White as the Messenger of God. Here again Adventism seems to divide itself into right and left wings. The right wing uses Mrs. White even more heavily than does the Bible and considers her to be the equal of, if not superior to, the Bible for three reasons: (1) she is more contemporary to us than were Bible writers; (2) we have her original manuscripts and (3) she is more detailed and easier to understand than were Bible writers. Although the right wing will generally deny that its adherents hold her to be superior to the Bible, right-wing Adventist literature clearly shows a greater use of her writings than that of the Bible.

The left wing is more ambivalent concerning Mrs. White. Nowadays one of its favorite lines seems to be, "Oh, we don't need her writings to justify our stand as Adventists anyway." They recognize her mistakes and her unethical copying but justify these as being no worse than the Bible writers' use of source materials by divine inspiration. It seems that the left wing would like to see her quietly fade away and stop being an embarrassment to the Church.

6. Prophecy. Adventism, because of its origins, emphasizes an interpretation of prophecy developed during the nineteenth century. Usually its evangelistic meetings are billed as "Prophetic Seminars," which then lead into other Adventist doctrines. The evangelists are normally not introduced as Seventh-day Adventist ministers, but merely as "ministers of the gospel," and the seminars are usually held in some building other than an Adventist church for the first few meetings, a nifty little piece of deception in itself.

According to the Adventist prophetic schema, each prophetic "day" mentioned in the Bible, especially in the prophecies of Daniel and the Revelation, stands for a year of chronological time. Thus Adventism teaches that the 2,300-day prophecy of Daniel 8:14 extends from 457 B.C., when the Persian ruler Artaxerxes ordered that Jerusalem be fully rebuilt, to 1844 when Christ entered the Most Holy Place to investigate the saints and offer "final" atonement.

Coming down to the present, Adventism teaches that since it keeps all ten of the Commandments and has a latter-day prophetess in Sister White, who is often called the "Spirit of Prophecy," it alone meets the requisites for the remnant church of Revelation 12:17. According to this theology all other churches make up Babylon. In the end of time "apostate Protestantism" (all other Protestant churches) will join hands with Catholicism and Spiritualism to rule the world.

Was Ellen White a "Messenger of God"?

Certainly no aspect of Adventism is more widely debated today, both within and outside of Adventism, than the question of Sister White (as Ellen White preferred to be called). Even today Adventism has difficulty determining her exact role in the Church. Seventh-day Adventists often assure others that their theology is based on the Bible alone. But these same Adventists will defend her as a "Messenger of God," almost to the death, it seems, rather than admit that she did not fit the role. And the Adventist Church has gone on official record a number of times to show that it depends on the Bible plus Sister White.

To my knowledge, not once has Adventism ever taken any position on a
doctrine that contradicts her teachings. Adventism will stand or fall on her word. To prove her divine revelation to the new convert, Adventists assert that Mrs. White is in complete agreement with the Bible and then offer a number of Bible "proofs." After the convert accepts this "evidence," he is expected to follow her writings unquestioningly. But was Sister White a true prophet?

1. Did she ever make substantive mistakes in her teachings?

"I was shown the company present at the Conference. Said the angel: 'Some food for worms, some subjects of the seven last plagues, some will be alive and remain upon the earth to be translated at the coming of Jesus.'" Ellen G. White, Testimonies 1:131-132.

In 1856 Sister White taught that there were people alive who would live to see the seven last plagues. Of course Jesus did not come in the lifetime of anyone at that conference. F.D. Nichol, in his defense of her statement, claims that her prophecy was conditional, that it would come true only if people fulfilled certain conditions. He points out as an example Jonah's prophecy of Ninevah's destruction, which was not fulfilled when the city repented (Jonah 3). However there is a condition implicit in Jonah's and any such similar prophecy. There is no condition in Ellen's prophecy, as any perusal of it demonstrates.

Is it not apparent that any so-called prophet can make prophecies and later label them conditional when they do not come true? What good is prophecy if nonfulfillment can be ascribed to unspecified unfulfilled conditions?

Ellen White taught that masturbation causes cancer, small heads and busts, misshapen heads, a peculiar gait, small eyes that appear swollen at times, a sieve-like memory, spinal trouble, and weakened mental powers, among other disastrous results. Although masturbation is a spiritually and mentally unsatisfactory method of sexual gratification, there is no medical evidence that it causes any of the diseases or health problems listed by Sister White. Actually Ellen was merely following the then-established thinking of the medical profession in her pronouncements, as she did in so many of her teachings. Indeed, her writings have often impressed me as a veritable library of Victorian thinking. For example, this explains her statements that wigs overheat the brain and needlessly excite the system. (Ellen White, "Words to Christian Mothers," The Health Reformer, 6, 4 (Oct. 1871):121).

The most serious error ever taught by White was the "Shut Door" error, promulgated from 1844 to around 1851, in which she declared that God had shown her in vision that probation for the world had closed on October 22, 1844.

Finally, in the White estate's book, "One Hundred and One Questions About Ellen White and the sanctuary," the White estate admitted: "Ellen misinterpreted this vision. She correctly understood that the day of salvation for the latter two groups (those who had either rejected or eventually left the Millerites) was past. For them the door was shut....But she incorrectly concluded that no one could accept Christ after October 22, that only the little flock remaining in the household of faith would be saved, and that everyone else would be lost."

By Ellen White's reasoning millions of Christians would have been consigned to hell.

Does White fill the criterion that a prophetic statement must meet to be considered a prediction? Did She Ever Contradict the Bible?

Compare some of Sister White's more astonishing statements with what the Bible teaches.

A. Was Christ Michael the archangel?

The Bible says yes: "Then Michael, one of the chief princes, came to help me...." (Dan. 10:13). Moreover, "even the archangel Michael, when he was disputing with the devil about the body of Moses, did not dare to bring a slanderous accusation against him, but said 'The Lord rebuke you!'" (Jude 9). Notice that the Bible describes Michael as an archangel, or a chief heavenly prince, as such he in an angel, a created being, only one among other archangels, a lesser being than a member of the Godhead.

Ellen White said yes: "Michael, or Christ, with the angels that buried Moses, came down from Heaven, after he had remained in the grave a short time, and resurrected him, and took him to heaven. (E. White, "Spiritual Gifts," 4:58)." Likewise, "the words of the angel, 'I am Gabriel, that stand in the presence of God,' show that he holds a position of high honor in the heavenly courts. When he came with a message to Daniel, he said, 'There is none that holdeth with me in these things, but Michael (Christ) your prince.' (E. White, "The Desire of Ages," pg 99.)."

"The average lifelong SDA will be dumbfounded to learn that orthodox Christianity does not accept that Michael is Christ. This SDA doctrine is denied by Christianity.

B. Was the plan of salvation made before the fall of mankind?

The Bible says yes: "Resting on the hope of eternal life, which God, who does not lie, promised before the beginning of time" (Titus 1:2).

The Bible says yes: "the great controversy between Christ and Satan," pg 347.

C. Does God require trespass and sin offerings today?

The Bible says no: "But when this priest [Christ] had offered for all time one sacrifice for sins..." (Heb. 10:12); therefore, "there is no longer any sacrifice for sin" (Heb. 10:18).

Ellen White said yes: "The best you can do is to bring a trespass offering to the altar of the Lord, and he will accept and pardon you." (E. White, "Testimonies," 5:339).

D. Does Christ's blood cancel sin?

The Bible says yes: "In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins..." (Eph. 1:7). Likewise, "Jesus also suffered outside the city gate to make the people holy though his own blood" (Heb. 13:12).

Ellen White said no: "The blood of Christ, while it was to release the repentant sinner from the condemnation of the law, was not to cancel sin...It will stand in the sanctuary until the final atonement." (E. White, "Patriarchs and Prophets," pg. 357).

E. Was Christ's atonement completed at the cross?

The Bible says yes: "For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved through his life. And not only so,
but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement” (Rom. 5:10-11, KJV). 

Ellen White said no: “Now while our Great High Priest is making the final atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ” (E. White, “The Great Controversy,” pg. 623). 

F. Did Jesus die to bring us salvation? 
The Bible says yes: “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God’s wrath through him.....Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation” (Rom. 5:8,9,11). 

Ellen White said no: “Christ gave his life that man should have another trial. He did not die on the cross to abolish the law of God, but to secure for man a second probation” (E. White, “Testimony to Ministers,” pg. 134). 

G. Can we attain a sinless state in life? 
The Bible says no: “If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us...If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives” (1 John 1:8,10). “For there is no one who does not sin....” (II Chron. 6:36; cf. Rom 6:1-4). 

Ellen White said yes: “Everyone who surrenders fully to God is given the privilege of living without sin” (E. White, “Review and Herald,” Sept. 27, 1906). “We need not retain one sinful propensity.” “Those only who through faith in Christ obey all of God’s commandments will reach the condition of sinlessness in which Adam lived before his transgression” (E. White, “Bible Commentary,” 5:1128). 

“Christ died to make it possible for you to cease to sin” (Signs of the Times, Mar. 1898). 

H. Were sins blotted out at Calvary? 
The Bible says yes: “All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men’s sins against them” (II Cor. 5:18,19). Likewise, “now he has reconciled you by Christ’s physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation” (Col. 1:22). 

Ellen White said no: “The work of the investigative judgment and the blotting out of sin is to be accomplished before the second advent of our Lord” (“Review and Herald” Aug. 28, 1894). “At the time appointed for the judgment—the close of the 2300 days in 1844—began the work of investigation and blotting out of sins” (E. White, “The Great Controversy,” pg. 458). 

I. Can Christians say they are saved? 
The Bible says yes: “In him we have redemption through his blood, the forgiveness of sins, in accordance with the riches of God’s grace that he lavished on us” (Eph. 1:7,8). 

Furthermore, “God who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved” (Eph. 2:4,5). 

Ellen White said no: “Those who accept the Savior, however sincere, should never be taught to say or to feel that they are saved” (E. White, “Christ in His Sanctuary,” pg. 132). 

Sister White contradicts the Bible in some of the most basic doctrines and teachings. Adventists may argue that some of these contradictions are minor, but can we allow Ellen White the luxury of even minor mistakes if she is a “messenger of God”? And besides these “minor” doctrines, her major doctrines directly contradict both the letter and spirit of the Scriptures. 

J. Did Sister White display the proper ethics required of one who claims to write as a divine messenger? 

Some of the best research relating to Mrs. White has been conducted by Walter Rea, Ron Numbers, Ron Graybill, Donald MacAdams, and others. Their findings may be summarized thus: Ellen White along with her staff paraphrased vast segments of other divines’ writings to use for her own purposes. The actual amount will probably never be known, but certain facts are well documented: A. She copied over 50 percent of The Great Controversy alone. “There is no question in Ellen White’s mind about the overall inspiration of The Great Controversy, although possibly 50% or more of the material in the book was drawn from other sources,” admits Robert Olson. Dr. Donald MacAdams, who wrote his doctoral thesis on The Great Controversy, states that almost all paragraphs of the book should be footnoted to do their sources justice. She even copied many pictures and tables of contents from others’ books without credit! 

B. Ellen White was promiscuous in her copying, extrapolating from many authors on matters of health, history, doctrine, theology, and even what she “saw” in her visions. 

Walter Rea has amassed inescapable evidence that much of her work was compiled by secretaries and family members. (reference: W. Rea, The White Lie, pp. 199, 203, M&R Pub., Box 2056, Turlock, CA, 95381). 

What is Adventism’s Gospel? 

Ellen White is the chief cause of this confusion because of her extreme legalism and her contradictory writings. On the one hand she writes: “Christ gave his life that man should have another trial. He did not die on the cross to abolish the law of God, but to secure for man a second probation.” (E. White, “Testimonies to Ministers,” pg. 134). 

But on the other hand she wrote these beautiful gospel statements: “We must not trust in our own merits at all, but in the merits of Jesus of Nazareth.” (Ibid, Mar. 11, 1890). “The thought that the righteousness of Christ is imputed to us, not because of any merit on our part, but as a free gift from God, is a precious thought.” (Gospel Workers, pg 161). 

You can imagine the confusion caused among Adventists when they compare such “Spirit of Prophecy” statements! This sad state of affairs must be attributed directly to Mrs. White’s own confused statements. Is it not interesting that Adventism, which claims to have the truth of God while calling other churches “Babylon” (confusion), cannot even agree on something so basic. 

What is the Bible’s Gospel? 

First, the gospel is about Christ (Rom. 1:3); it is as simple as that! Prophecy and sabbatizing or vegetarianism and the condition of the dead are nothing in comparison. The gospel means the good news of Christ’s victory. He fought our battle with the enemies of mankind and won (Col. 2:15). In a sense the gospel is a past event; it describes Christ’s victory on the cross. 

Second, the gospel is a work God did
for mankind; it is never dependent on what a person can do for God. As Paul says in Romans 5:6-10: “You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly…God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us…if when we were God’s enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved though his life! The Bible specifically states that justification is by the grace of Christ’s sacrifice alone (Gal. 3:1-5, 10-14; Rom. 3:25). God’s law demands unconditional and total obedience (Gal. 3:10); God will destroy all lawbreakers (Rom. 4:15; 7:10); all have sinned and fall short of God’s law. Only Christ has lived up to God’s standard (Heb. 10:5-10), and thus he fulfilled the law (Matt. 5:17,18). Furthermore, Jesus became our high priest, offering atonement for us in heaven (Heb. 9:7-14, 24-28). We are thus justified in God’s sight. Adventism does not comprehend this grace.

Adventism has inherent problems with the gospel. The liberalism and freedom of Paul’s epistles conflict strongly with the restrictive legality of Adventism. I challenge my SDA reader to study Paul’s epistles in themselves, apart from the context of Ellen White’s writings— the two cannot be reconciled.

Adventism teaches the Trinity (at least after 1890), the all-sufficiency of the atonement of Christ (in its own way), and the power of the Golden Rule. It is to be commended for that. Adventism also burdens its followers with needless restrictions and rules, just as the ancient Hebrew Christians sought to burden the Galatians. Paul’s inspired denunciation of those Hebrews applies equally to Adventists today. Adventism shouts “Come out of Babylon!” to members of other churches, Adventism itself is utterly confused as to what constitutes the basis of the Christian message—the gospel. Thus Adventism itself is part of Babylon!

Adventists need to come into the sunshine of the pure gospel, and experience new life given freely in Christ.

Are Seventh-day Adventists False Prophets?
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LETTERS FROM THE FRONTLINE

Dear Webmaster,

I’m truly impressed with what I’ve just had a chance to read on your site. Myself a Middle Eastern Studies student, I could say I share every single idea contained in the Source Materials section. Your writing is very insightful and opinionated, the latter probably being the one prominent thing my department at the university totally lacks. Your article on the ‘Alawites is going to be immensely helpful for the report I have to make.

 Faithfully Yours,
Nikita (from the web)

Dear Brethren in the Lord,

I am sending to you today $50.00 –Australian as a gift. There is no need to send to me free cassettes or other reading material. We are quite happy with the Christian Answers Newsletter. My wife and I myself have been most of our lives Jehovah’s Witnesses. Twenty-four years ago the living Christ set us free from this demonic cult who are masquerading as angels of light (II Corinthians 11:13-15).

Yours In Christ,
S. S. (Tasmania, Australia)

Dear Christian Answers,

Excellent! I have a better understanding of spiritual warfare. I have learned so much from Dr. Ice’s article. I thank God for allowing me to be exposed to sound Biblical teachers. I too was caught up in some of these teachings. I prayed and asked God to deliver me and give me His wisdom and give me understanding of His word. He answered my prayers in Jesus’ name. I wanted so much to be close to God, to know my Savior and Lord Jesus –most times we Christians try too hard and yet I have found it is only difficult when we try though our spirit and not by the Holy Spirit. I am, as they say, a work-in-progress. I pray daily for God to help me overcome my flesh, the world, and Satan.

May God Bless You Continually,
M.W. (Silver Spring, Maryland)

Dear Brother Larry,

Greetings and salutations to you. You have done a great teaching on Catholicism and Islam, and also on Hell, and the TV Evangelists on Austin Cable Access Television.

E.M. (Austin, Texas)

Dear Larry,

Many thanks for kindly sending me materials on a whole range of issues.

May God Bless and Guide You,
J.W. (West York, England)

Dear Christian Answers,

I lost my latest Christian Answers Newsletter the one on spiritual warfare. Would you be so kind as to send me a replacement? I would appreciate that very much. Enclosed is a $50 contribution. Keep up the great work!

Sincerely,
H.D.R. (Roseville, Mn)

Dear Biblequery.org,

Hi there....I think your site is great!

Sincerely,
Dejan (from the web)

Dear Christian Answers,

Thank you for putting me on your mailing list.

In Christ,
W.E.G. (Taylors, SC)

Dear Larry and Friends,

The “Spurgeon Country” DVD/video arrived the other day and has already been enjoyed! Much thanks! Please accept this $10 as payment. May God richly bless your ministry and service for Christ!

Yours By Divine Mercy,
Pastor D.B. (Clifton Park, NY)

Dear Steve Morrison,

Your site was sent to our staff members who are interested in Islam and I have to say that I think this is wonderful! Thank you for putting it all together. I’m sure it will be very useful.

God bless.
Marj (from the web)

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