Study for the Month of May-June 2019 Whole Gospel Ministries

The Seer/Prophet/Messenger and the Remnant Church of Prophecy

Preceding His appointed offices of (High) Priest after the order of Melchizedek, not the Aaronic (Heb. 7: 2-4; 8:1; Ps. 110: 4; Gen. 14: 18-20), and only then King of kings and Lord of lord at His second coming, following that order of offices in the plan of redemption, Jesus *first* occupied the **Prophetic office**, as in Prophet of prophets, God of gods, King of kings, and Lord of Lords.

Moses first revealed by prophecy of Christ in the Prophet in Deuteronomy. 18: 15-18, subtitled in the N.K.J.V. as "A New Prophet Like Moses." Thus the Bible says:

'The Lord your God will raise up for you a Prophet like me from your midst, from your brethren. Him you shall hear, according to all you desired of the Lord your God in Horeb [Sinai] in the day of the assembly, saying, 'Let me not hear again the voice of the Lord my God, nor let me see this great fire anymore, lest I die. And the Lord said to me [Moses]: 'What they have spoken is good. *I will raise up for them a Prophet like you from among their brethren*, and I will put My words in His mouth, and He shall speak to them all that I command Him." Deut. 18: 15-18.

Before God the Father spoke to His people and the world in the New Testament dispensation through Christ, followed by His apostles, then His messenger/prophet in the last days, He first spoke to ancient Israel through the patriarchs, who also prophesied, prominent of which were Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, and Moses, etc. To ancient Israel, Moses stood as God's spokesman and representative. Hence, the ancient Israelites and all Christians today should understand why God would say to them that He would "raise up a Prophet [Christ] *like Moses* for them, from *among* their brethren." Christ was not like Moses in nature or "another Moses" nor "Moses resurrected" but like Moses in the office and its authority He would occupy.

In the same chapter, God immediately identifies who "false prophets" are and why, and what divine judgment is pronounced upon them, also, how to know them and react to their so-called prophecies and "warnings."

"But the prophet who presumes to speak a word in My name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or who speaks in the name of other gods, that prophet shall *die*. And if you say in your heart, How shall we know the word which the Lord has *not* spoken?—when a prophet speaks in the name of the Lord, if the thing does not happen or come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord has not spoken; the prophet has spoken it presumptuously; you shall not be afraid of him." Deut. 18: 19-22.

God's true prophet/messengers of the last days, starting from Christ's time

First and foremost, examine closely the *nature* of the work that is to be performed and accomplished at the time specified and demanded by the end-time prophecies in preparation for Christ's second coming in His glory—the sacred keynote of the

Scriptures. If genuine, it is not a new and different work and message but a continuum of the former in its final, expanded, worldwide antitypical combined works and messages performed by Elijah, followed by John the Baptist:

"And now also,' said **the prophet John**, 'the ax is laid to the root of the trees; therefore, every tree which bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire.' Matt. 3: 10. *Not by its name, but by its fruit, is the value of a [fruit] tree determined.* If the fruit is worthless, the name cannot save the tree from destruction. **John declared to the Jews that their standing before God was to be decided by their character and life. Profession was worthless.** *If their life and character were not in harmony with God's law, they were not His people.*" E. G. White, *Desire of Ages*, p. 107.

Was Ellen G. White a Prophet? What Kind?

Following the hoary-old tactic (yet still devastatingly effective) of mischaracterization, misrepresentation, false accusations, character assassination, blackening motives, fearmongering, conspiracy theories, etc., employed in the past ages by the enemies of Christ and the truth, against God's true prophets, messengers and faithful followers, perhaps r few of those rabidly attacking (and those repeating after them) the person and writings of E.G. White--in their articles and books, and now on websites (that have become especially malignant and wide-spread due to the unprecedented reach and power of the internet and social media to influence and shape public opinion, good or bad)---are aware of what Ellen G. White declared regarding herself and what her writings are in reference to the Bible.

Did she ever profess to be or claim the title of prophet? First of all, in contradiction (and more accurately, as a clarification of her greater work and role) to what many say she was, including saying she claimed to be one, Ellen G. White did *not* claim to be a prophet. More specifically, she did not claim the title and office of prophet. In her own words she succinctly explains the reasons why (all emphasis mine):

"Some have stumbled over the fact that *I did not claim to be a prophet*; and they have asked, Why is this? I have *no claims to* make, only that I am instructed that **I am the Lord's messenger**; that He called me in my youth to be **His messenger**, to receive His word, and to give a clear and decided message in the name of the Lord.

"Early in my youth I was asked several times, 'Are you a prophet?' I have ever responded, I am the Lord's messenger. I know that many have called me a prophet, but I have made no claims to this title....

"Why have I not claimed to be a prophet—because in these days *many who* boldly claim that they are prophets are a reproach to the cause of Christ; and because my work includes much more than the word 'prophet' signifies." – Selected Messages, Vol. 1, pp. 32-36.

There are at least 42 male prophets named or identified as prophet in the Bible, seven of them in the New Testament, namely, Zechariah, Malachi John the Baptist, Agabus, Paul, Peter and John the beloved. True prophets, or *Holy-Spirit inspired messengers of God*, are described as: (1) God's servants- Zech. 1: 6 (2) God's messengers – 2 Chron. 36: 15;

(3) holy prophets - Luke 1: 70; (4) holy men - 2 Pet. 1: 21; (5) watchmen - Eze. 36: 17; (6) prophets of God - Ezra 5: 2.

There were some 6 female true prophetesses named in the Bible as follows: Miriam (Aaron and Moses's elder sister) – Exo. 15: 201, 21 (2) Deborah -Judges 4: 4, 5 (3) Huldah – 2 Kings 22: 12-20 (4) Isaiah's wife – (Isa. 8: 1-3) (5) Anna – Luke 2: 36 (6) Daughters of Philip – Acts 21: 8, 9. Joel prophesied of women prophesying in the last days, beginning at Pentecost. A few of the false and evil prophetesses mentioned in the Bible are: (1) women of Judah – Eze. 13: 15 (2) Noadiah – Neh. 6: 14 (3) Jezebel – see 1 Kings 18, 18, 21; 2 Kings 9, and Rev. 2: 20. The apostate, wicked, idolatrous and murderous, false prophetess, heathen wife of apostate Israelite king Ahab in the Old Testament is the type of the antitypical spiritual Jezebel revealed to John in Revelation —"the Mother or Harlots and Abominations of the Earth" the "whore or harlot that sits of many waters," the "woman drunk with the blood of the saints" (Rev. 17), none other than the Church of Rome or the Papacy, as the godly Protestant Reformers clearly and jointly pointed out. And so did Ellen G. White.

From the prophets in the Old Testament times to Christ Himself, *the* Prophet of prophets, to the apostles and writers of the New Testament, all included in their special pointed messages the common warning to God's people first, and the world-at-large next of the "many false prophets" that would arise in their respective generations.

Was Ellen G. White the Founder and Leader of the SDA Church?

While Ellen G. White is widely-known and referred to as the "founder" and "leader" of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, she herself corrected certain unfortunate myopic ideas created by confining (either intentionally or inadvertently) *the title prophet* (in its popular limited sense as well) merely to the church institution alone (understandably in an effort to help identify who the remnant church of prophecy is, i.e., that they "have the spirit of prophecy which is the testimony of Jesus Christ," Rev. 19: 10). Referring to the latter, this is not a deception *per se* but it is inaccurate in that it is inadequate because it is self-limiting.

A Dual Application Prophecy. The message and work of Elijah immediately addressed and applicable to literal, ancient apostate Israel during the reign of Ahab and Jezebel. It was the same core message and nature of work that applied to the time of Christ as given to John the Baptist in his special message and work "to prepare the way" for Christ's *first appearing* or coming, as the promised Messiah. It immediately applied to the Jewish nation, headed by their religious leaders to whom the nation at large had surrendered their spiritual convictions/consciences to, but now applies in its fullest, world-wide sense and application to all of earth's inhabitants today—"to very nation, kindred, tongue and people," but more specifically the Christian mainstream, "the professed followers of Christ" in these closing hours of earth's history.

And in its last and final application and fulfillment, it is beyond doubt that E.G. White was a true seer/prophet/messenger, *following the prophetic line of Elijah and John the Baptist*. Her works have passed with flying colors *all* the Biblical tests of a true prophet, and "yea, more than a prophet" as her messages and the results they continue producing

for "the truth as it is in Jesus" abundantly testify. As always, it is by two major Biblical litmus tests that all claims regarding the gospel and all doctrines should be examined and measured by, namely: (1) "To the law and the testimony; if they speak not according to this word it is because there is no light in them" (Isa. 8: 20), and "By their fruits ye shall know them" (Matt 7: 15-20).

This she did by emphasizing the work and messages given her, not the titles. as being for the whole world and not merely for the SDA denomination alone. Countless are the testimonies of nonSDAs and nonbelievers in the past, and certainly ten times more in the coming days, who, having read her books, particularly Steps to Christ, the *Desire of Ages* and the *Great Controversy* (of the Conflict of the Ages series) have been led to Christ, accepted the three angels' messages, the 2300-day prophecy in connection with the sanctuary message, and have become obedient followers of Christ by keeping the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus. Rev. 14: 12. Earth's final warning messages still mingled with mercy has been swelling worldwide and will reach its climax in the "loud cry of the fourth angel of Revelation 18." Review this chapter for yourself.

Here's what E. G. White said whether she was the leader (and founder) of the SDA Church:

"No one has ever heard me *claim the position of* **leader of the denomination**. I have a work of great responsibility to do—*to impart by pen and voice* [written and spoken] the instruction given me, **not alone to the Seventh-day Adventists, but to the world."** – *Testimonies for the Church*, Vol. 8, p. 236.

Prophecy itself tells us what this work and messages are: the three angels' messages of Relation 14. It is the final Advent Movement that "prepares the way of the Lord—not for His first coming as the Messiah as John the Baptist's special work was, but in preparation for Christ's second coming in all His glory—which is the sacred keynote of all the Scriptures. Therefore, these last work and message sums up all the accumulated light of truth of the past dispensations and is the most complete, comprehensive, and all-embracing message of the patriarchs, prophets, and apostles proclaiming the gospel and the law combined. This is why it is said to be "the greatest light of truth shining upon this generation." This is the period and generation that the patriarchs, prophets, disciples, apostles were shown in vision, future to their time, inspiring them to be remain faithful to the end and exhort others to do the same.

As clearly taught by the sanctuary doctrine in connection with the 2300-day prophecy of Daniel 8: 14 which terminated in October 1844, mankind entered the most solemn period of earth's history. Following the type of the service conducted at the end of the year called the day of atonement (Leviticus 16), carefully observed throughout the Mosaic and Jewish dispensation, Christ, our antitypical great High Priest ended His work and forever closed the door of access to the holy place or first apartment of the heavenly sanctuary where, from His ascension in A.D. 31 up to 1844 He had pleaded to the Father the merits of his sacrifice and atoning blood for all penitent sinners as our merciful High Priest, Advocate, Mediator and Intercessor.

At the end of 1844, He moved out of the holy place, having finished His ministration

there, and transferred to the most holy of the heavenly sanctuary. Thus, closed forever the door of direct access to Him and His mediatorial work since His ascension—opening the last one to the most holy place to begin His final work of judgment in addition to His mediatorial work. John describes this action and critical transfer of Christ's ministration and work as High Priest. In Christ's own words He declared to the church starting in the sixth, short Philadelphian stage of the church: "Behold, I have closed the door which no man can open and opened a door which no man can shut." (Rev. 3: 7). While He had closed the door to the holy place, another "door" was opened for repentant souls to avail of Christ's all-powerful atoning sacrifice and mediatorial work.

Christ entered into the most holy of the heavenly sanctuary to commence the pre-advent judgment, also known as the investigative judgment. Daniel revealed the closing work of Christ as High Priest in these words: "The judgment (*court*, NKJV) was set, and the books were opened." Dan. 7: 10 (last part). solemn period of earth's history: period of time after termination of days in 1844, signaling the beginning of the pre-advent judgment, AKA as the investigative judgment in the before earth's probation closes and to prepare a people to meet the Lord in His prophesied second coming.

Ellen G. White, the last-day seer/prophet/messenger emphasizes that her writings are not in addition to, much less supersede or replace, in any way, fashion or manner the greater light contained and given in the inerrant Holy Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments. Rather, her writings (as I can personally witness to) *magnify* and in so doing, glorifies the Bible's teachings and doctrines, especially the truths that have been trodden underfoot by the morally and doctrinally-fallen churches led by their mother "Babylon the Great, the Mother of Harlots and the Abominations of the Earth, emphasizing what the present, testing, sealing truths of the Third Angel's messages are —all for the enlightenment, protection and deliverance of those ensnared and blindsided by Satan's wiles and numberless schemes done through his special agencies, both human and fallen angels.

The book of Revelation resumes the prophetic thread from where the four parallel prophecies of Daniel end, and which records and reveals the birth, development, stages, periods, experiences and over-all journey of **the generic church** through the centuries from its founding by Christ through His first Twelve apostles, after the Pentecostal outpouring and empowerment by the Holy Spirit. The last book of the Bible reveals at the each end of the seven churches, the seven seals, and the seven trumpets, the ultimate victory of (1) "the truth as it is in Jesus," and (2) the complete victory of the *generic* church in and through the *specific* remnant church of prophecy made up of individuals who remain "faithful unto death" in the prophesied "fiery trial and terrible ordeal of the sifting" final test of mankind's choice of loyalty to God or to man.

This final test revealed in Revelation chapter 13, is the antitype of Daniel chapter 2. It will come--as it first did in the prototypical tests first administered to Cain and Abel, then by Joshua in the challenge, "Choose ye this day whom ye will serve" then centuries later, by Elijah to apostate Israel, then onwards--in the form of worship via the anti-constitutional and anti-biblical legislation and enforcement of the "mark of the beast," signifying the counterfeit/false sabbath by the "image of the beast" signifying the politically-empowered apostate Protestantism in America, signifying the nation

described as "the beast with lamb-like horns," in confederacy with the "beast" and also end-time "Babylon," signifying the papal or Romish church, and the "dragon," signifying all the secular and civil powers--political, economic, and military superpowers of the world—also referred as the "great men of the earth" and/or the "kings of the earth."

This is the prophesied end-time, three-fold union of apostasy arrayed against God's authority, His law of Ten Commandments centered on His appointed day of worship memorializing creation, and His faithful and few remnant people, whom He calls His "saints." Who are they? Those "that overcome the world, the flesh, and the devil" by the empowering grace of God in Christ, as promised and imparted by the Holy Spirit to every striving believer. The N.K.J.V uses these words in describing the "remnant."

The Remnant Church of Prophecy: the "Seer of Patmos, the "Seer to the Remnant Church" and the "Holy See of the Church of Rome"

John is called the "**seer of Patmos**." He wrote down Revelation that was dictated to him by Jesus. Based on what I have long studied and continue to do so, I conclude that Ellen G. White is the '**seer of the remnant church**." Their works and messages stand in contrast to the "**Holy See" of Rome**." How do we know? "Unto the law and the testimony" and "by their fruits ye shall know them."

John clearly reveals who and what the last-day remnant church is---"they that keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus;" and "have the testimony of Jesus Christ, which is the spirit of prophecy." The context of this revelation of the emergence of the remnant church is during the time period following the termination of the 2300-day prophecy of Daniel 8: 14 in 1844. It gave birth to the general Advent Movement bearing the three angels' messages of Rev. 14: 6-12 to "every nation, kindred, tongue, and people."

Indeed, when viewed from any and all angles of mortal wisdom, the remnant church, which is first "shaken" by its members "rising up against the straight testimony to the Laodiceans," and then finally "sifted" in the fiery yet necessary final ordeal in its confrontation with the last forms of (1) spiritualism (2) "the beast" and (3) "his image" will appear to fall. Vastly outnumbered by the global confederacy of the church/religious, the state/secular powers and the world- at-large, they will appear forsaken of God and left to be the mercy of her enemies—those who hate the law of God, particularly the Sabbath of the fourth commandment and who unmistakably reveal their true characters in "worshipping (obeying) the beast and his image" by "receiving the mark of the beast in their foreheads or in their hands." Rev. 13.

The Mark of the Beast. Mark this point carefully. After finally gaining full control of both the Western and Eastern churches in the Roman empire by totally "uprooting" the three Arian nations in Italy vehemently opposed to the Bishop of Rome namely, the Vandals, Visigoths and finally the Ostrogoths in 538 A.D., the first "mild" Sunday law decreed by the "pliant son of the church," Emperor Constantine in 321 A.D. over the yet divided Roman Empire, was now unconditionally enforced with a death decree on third offense by the secular powers of the Roman Empire as the official day of worship for all Christendom. At that point Sunday worship became the mark of the beast, meaning, the

obvious and visible mark of the usurped authority and power of the Roman Catholic Church "to transfer the sanctity of the Sabbath to the first day of the week."

No one *as of this time*, year 2019, has **received** this mark of the beast for the time of the final destiny-determining *test for all mankind* is yet in the very near future. To be sure, Sunday-worship **is the mark of the beast** even now, and is, in fact one of most visible hallmark identifiers of who the beast and antichrist of prophecy is.

But for anyone *today* who continues to worship on Sunday, previously believing it to be the day of worship and a holy day in spite of being convinced and convicted now of its falsehood by the light revealed to him in the third angels' message proclaiming the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus, is, even now, in open disobedience and rebellion against God's law and authority. For the revelation that Sunday is the false day of worship likewise reveals that Saturday, the seventh day, is God's only appointed Sabbath day, the sanctified and holy day of worship and rest as clearly defined in the fourth commandment of the Decalogue. Such persons are not true worshippers of God though they may call themselves Christian and espouse much of the gospel.

Moreover, the Sunday-worship mark of the beast becomes more fully the "counterfeit sabbath" only after the "image of the beast"— then the fully apostate Protestant churches of America, the latter nation identified in Revelation 13 as "the beast with lamb-like horns that will speak like a dragon," thus imaging the persecuting power represented by the composite "leopard-like beast" before it, which is the papacy, will initiate the law-making process to make Sunday the man-made sabbath.

When this is finally legislated into a law by Congress, the law-making body of the United States of America, and enforced as the law of the land by the once republican-democratic government but has then mutated into the last, ultra-briefly modern-day theocracy, then the prophecy is fulfilled that image of the beast, which is formed *in* the beast with lamb-like horns that will speak like a dragon," would have handed that particular church-state power back to the beast, the papacy.

But it is during this extremely intense but brief, darkest hour of earth's and the church's history that a faithful, character-perfected and sealed, living, and triumphant peoplethe final "Israel of God" made up of twelve thousand of each of the twelve *spiritual* tribes recited in Revelation 7:1; 14: 1-6 as the 144,000 will be formed and revealed to the world and the whole universe. They are the ultimate trophy of Christ's work on earth. They are the final *living* witnesses and evidences that sinners can fully withstand and fully overcome the greatest trial, tribulation, and temptations that Satan will be allowed to employ against them as he did to the patriarch Job---when God granted, and therefore was in full control under all the circumstances, unseen. The same is true today, and in the very near future.

The Church Triumphant of the Ages

Jesus is the Rock of ages. He declared that He is the Husband of His one bride. This bride is the church—*elkklesia*, "the called out ones" whom He has called out from the world of sin and has been purifying from the beginning till she emerges "without spot or

wrinkle or any such thing." If we believe the former then it follows that **the true church is also** *the* **church of the ages**.

The great quandary and challenge facing the churches and the world even more so today is same one that began forming in the "falling away" of the young church as early as Paul's time (see on 2 Thess. 2: 1-12). It is this: How to distinguish the true church from its counterfeits—which became increasingly difficult as time wore on and the spiritual darkness progressively grew deeper through the centuries, as prophesied. This is part of the greater problem arc of distinguishing truth from error; righteousness from unrighteousness.

One of the two vital diagnostic tools Jesus provided His disciples and apostles is, "By their fruits ye shall know them." Then, which of them are "bearing fruits unto righteousness"? In addition to righteousness the other fruits that complete the list are the evidences that the Holy Spirit is truly abiding in the heart and mind. They are known as the fruits of the Spirit."

"During ages of spiritual darkness, the <u>church of God</u> has been [as a] city set on a hill [Matt. 5: 14-16] From age to age, through successive generations, the pure doctrines of heaven have been unfolding within its borders. Enfeebled and defective as it may appear, the church is the one object upon which God bestows in a special sense His supreme regard. It is the theater of His grace, in which He delights to reveal His power to transform hearts."- *Ellen G. White*, "Acts of the Apostles," p. 12.

"The church is God's appointed agency for the salvation of men. It was organized for service, and its mission is to carry the gospel to the world. From the beginning it has been God's plan that through His church, shall be reflected to the world His fullness and sufficiency. The members of the church—those whom He has called out of darkness into His marvelous light, are to show forth His glory. The church is the repository of the riches of the grace of Christ; and through the church will be *eventually* made manifest, even to 'the principalities and powers in heavenly places,' the final and full display of the love of God." – *Ibid*, p. 9.

Thus, the all-inclusive, *concluding* "church triumphant" is composed of both the righteous dead and the righteous living from the beginning of the great controversy to its culmination. The righteous dead are all those who died in the faith, measured to maximum degree of the light of the gospel revealed in their generation, and progressively and cumulatively to each generation following, till the final generation—our generation. These include those who died in the faith of natural causes, and especially the unnumbered martyrs, beginning with Abel and down through the Old and New Testament dispensations to close of probation. After probation closes, there will be no more need for martyrdom to witness to and for the truth, for "the die is cast" for eternity for only two classes of people as expressed in these sobering words at that fateful hour: "He who is unjust, let him be unjust still; he who is filthy let him be filthy still; he who is righteous, let him be righteous still; he who is holy, let him be holy still."

Rev. 22: 22, N.K.J.V. There will be no saints straddling both sides of the fence.

The righteous *dead* will experience resurrection while the righteous who *live* through the seven last plagues, will experience translation. Before their feet leave fallen earth and ascend "to meet Christ *in the air*," on their way to heaven, both classes are *first* "changed in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump." The last trump or the last trumpet after the seven trumpets, announces and accompanies this amazing change that is witnessed by the enraptured human beneficiaries, the joyful angels, the sinless beings of the unfallen worlds, and yes, Satan and his evil angels.

This *change* is not the change of moral character which was perfected by empowering grace and their due diligence and faithful obedience to God's law before their death and/ or the close of probation, but the instantaneous "twinkling of an eye" replacement of their still-corruptible flesh and blood nature with incorruptible flesh and blood nature or "glorified flesh" (not spirit or soul!), and the yet-mortal nature replaced by the immortal one. This is the git of immortality also called the "crown of life" or more accurately "the crown that is life eternal."

The Kingdom of Glory in Miniature. - Then and only then are both classes of the redeemed ready to leave fallen earth and ascend in their wings of "cloudy" angelchariots, fully fit to travel through space for seven days and then finally make that grand entrance "into the gates into the city" of the New Jerusalem. This is the precious truth immortalized in the Mount of Transfiguration with the personal and literal appearance, not apparition, of Moses, the first mortal resurrected and Elijah, the second man translated, with Christ in His luminous, glorified form. This stupendous event was witnessed by and attested to Peter, James, and John before Christ's crucifixion, thus fulfilling the critical Biblical requirement that "in the mouth of two or three witnesses the truth is established."

"Moses passed under the dominion of death, but he was not to remain in the tomb. Christ Himself called him to life. Satan the tempter had claimed the body of Moses because of sin; but Christ the Savior brought him forth from the grave. (see on Jude 9). Moses upon the Mount of Transfiguration was a witness to Christ's victory over sin and death. He *represented* those who shall come forth from the grave at *the resurrection of the just*.

Elijah, who had been translated to heaven without seeing death, represented those who would be living upon the earth at Christ's second coming, and who will be 'changed, in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump,' when 'this mortal must put on immortality,' and 'this corruptibility must put on incorruption.' 2 Cor. 15; 51-53. Jesus was clothed with the light of heaven, as He will appear when He shall come 'in the glory of His Father with the holy angels' [described because of their vast numbers and appearance from a distance like "the clouds of heaven"] the Savior's promise to His disciples was now fulfilled. Upon the mount the future kingdom of glory was represented in miniature,---Christ, the King, Moses a representative of the risen [resurrected] saints, and Elijah of the translated ones." – Ellen G. White, "The Desire of Ages," pp. 421, 422.

These, and countless more, are mere samples of the astounding Biblical truths brought

forth from the inspired pen of the "seer to the remnant" church, which are in perfect accord with the testimonies of the seer from Patmos, and both by that which the Holy Scriptures declares, not the traditions or the commandments of man that the false apostles, prophets and teachers of the fallen churches keep and teach their followers.

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