

How did the Rod Message develop after the death of its Author Bro. Houteff

Victor T. Houteff :

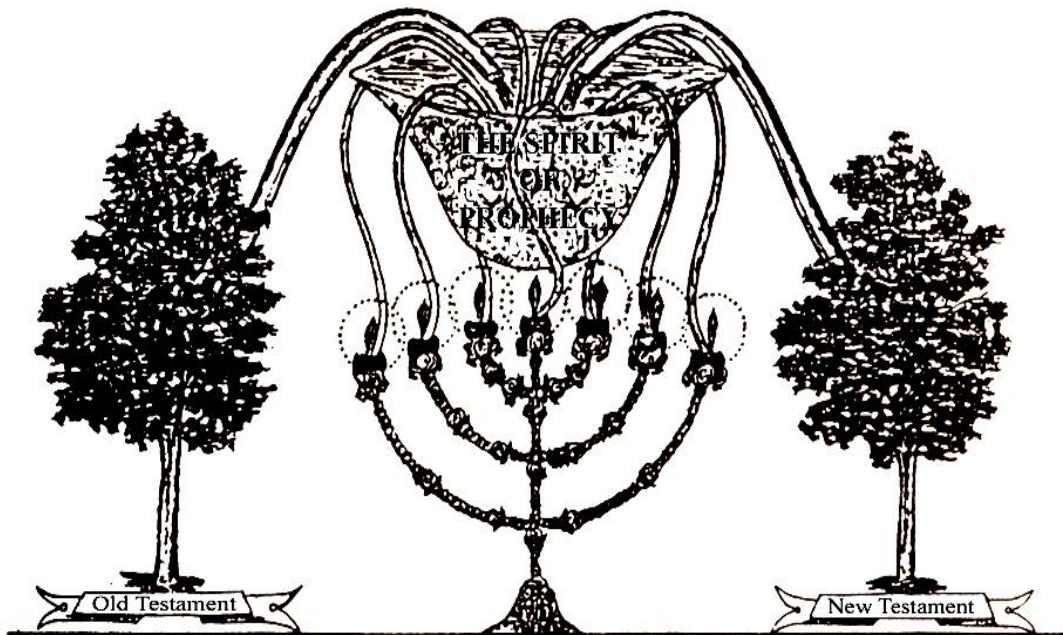
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I n t r o d u c t i o n

We need to know that after the end time prophets having accomplished their works to interpret all the mysteries of the Bible : of the prophecies of the Old Testament, of the book of Revelation, and of all the parables of Jesus in the New Testament, according to those prophesied in Amos 3 : 7, then the whole Bible should have been revealed and interpreted into the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY. Thus according to the procedure as those prophesied in the book of Zechariah chapter 4, all the end time prophets would have

accomplished their works in this time of the end. The products of all their works have now been accommodated in the golden bowl of the pictorial prophecy of Zechariah chapter 4 here below.



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“READ AND STUDY THE FOURTH CHAPTER OF ZECHARIAH !”
Testimonies to Ministers, p. 188.

And then followed by the divinely appointed teachers or ministers of the gospel. It means, that after the death of all the end time prophets, then apply the following words of Mrs. White and Bro. Houteff here below, when they said :

“Not upon the ordained minister only rests the responsibility of going forth to fulfill this commission. Everyone who has received Christ is called to work for the salvation of his fellow men.

God will send forth into His vineyard many who have not been dedicated to the ministry by the laying on of hands.”-- **The Acts of the Apostles, p. 110.**

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Houteff is a prophet and not a teacher. His statement above must inevitably apply only after he died. In fact the above statement would have applied after 1955, and so after 1955 there would have come the divinely appointed teachers of the Shepherd’s Rod, who are to teach only in the light of the Rod those passages in the golden bowl, which represents THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, which in one way or another need to be interpreted further.

Some cases of those passages in the golden bowl, which are yet to be interpreted further by the teachers

(1). A passage from the writings of Mrs. White :

*“God will arouse His people; if other means fail, **heresies** will come in among them, which will s i f t them, separating the c h a f f (not tares) from the w h e a t. The Lord calls upon all who believe His word to awake out of sleep. Precious light has come, appropriate for this time. It is Bible truth, showing the perils that are right upon us. This light should lead us to a diligent study of the **Scriptures** and a most critical examination of the positions which we hold.” – **5 Testimonies for the Church, pp. 707 – 708. (In brackets added)***

Mark carefully the statement by Mrs. White above. During her life time Seventh-day Adventist Church had never before been divided into two

separate groups of people : the so-called wheat categorized ones on the one side and the tares or the chaff categorized ones on the other side. Although she had ever mentioned “the chaff to be sifted out”, those people categorized by “the chaff” were not as yet known to her during her life time.

Later in the time of Bro. Victor T. Houteff, although Seventh-Day Adventist Church ever since 1935 has been divided into two Organizations : those of wheat or the five wise virgins affiliated with Bro. Houteff and his General Association of Davidian SDA in Waco, Texas on the one side, and those of tares or the foolish virgins as the diehard followers of the General Conference of SDA stay on the other side. And those of “chaff” categorized people were not as yet known to Houteff up to the time he died in 1955.

Thus may it be understood, that “the precious light appropriate for this time” (at that time) was actually not as yet known, either in the life time of Mrs. White nor in the time of Bro. Victor T. Houteff.

(2) One more case from Mrs. White own statement :

“Let me tell you that the Lord will work in this last work in a manner very much out of common order of things, and in a way that will be contrary to any human planning. There will be those among us who will always want to control the work of God, to dictate even what movements shall be made when the work goes forward under the direction of the angel who joins the third angel in the message to be given to the world. God will use ways and means by which it will be seen that He is taking the reins in His own hands. The workers will be surprised by the simple means that He will use to bring about and perfect His work of righteousness.”-- Testimonies to Ministers, p. 300. –

The statement by Mrs. White above is actually not as yet clear during her life time, because “the direction of the angel (the angel of Revelation 18 : 1), who joins the third angel in the message to be given

to the world” were not as yet available in that time, and not as yet known to her in the time. This is clearly understood that THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY of Revelation 19 : 10, was not as yet available in their midst.

(3) One more case from Bro. Houteff own writing as follows :

*“Everything that can be done against God’s message of today will be done with even a greater vengeance than was manifest against Heaven’s message in the days of Christ’s first advent, for the Devil knows that if he loses now, he loses forever --- that he is to have no other chance. Unparalleled, therefore, is the urgency that every eleventh-hour church member now quickly and solidly brace himself against the Enemy’s effort to deliver a knockout blow. **We must be alert, too, to realize that the blow is to come from surprisingly unsuspected foes --- from professed friends of the gospel, who are no less pious than were the priests in Christ’s day.** It is, moreover, but to be expected that the Adversary will employ every agency possible to prevent the Lord from disclosing to view His now obscure 144.000 first fruit servants, who are to go gather in the second fruits (Revelation 7 : 9). The Enemy will try everything conceivable to confuse, becloud, and cover up the Truth, especially on the subject of the 144.000.” -- **The White House Recruiter, p. 33.***

Those passages from the Shepherd’s Rod message above were not as yet fulfilled in the time of Bro. Houteff. That is the reason why, who the first Enemy is that knocked out those survived the death of the servant of the Lord in 1955, were still in the dark up to this day. Even of the second Enemy, although their identities have been mentioned, that they are surprisingly unsuspected foes, and professed friends of the gospel, who are no less pious than were the priests of the Sanhedrin in the time of Jesus. This is still being debated among the so-called Mount Carmel leadership in Waco, Texas and their followers in the fields even up to this very moment. You know why, because all these were beyond

the knowledge of the servant of the Lord. They met their fulfillment in the history just after the death of the servant of the Lord, Bro. Victor T. Houteff.

(4) One more case from Bro. Houteff own writings :

“The Bible and the books of the Spirit of Prophecy being the sole source of the Shepherd’s Rod message, therefore when the Rod is taught, the Bible and the Spirit of Prophecy are taught. And since none but the Spirit of Truth, who transmitted the mysteries of Inspiration, can interpret them, then those who attempt to teach them without this inspired interpretational Authority, inevitably fall into the forbidden practice of private interpretation (2 Peter 1 : 20) ---- the great evil which has brought Christendom into its present almost boundless state of schism and consequent confusion, strife, and impotency.

As we dare not follow in such a path, **w e** must therefore, **as teachers** of the Shepherd’s Rod (the official publications of the Davidian SDA, teach only in the light of the Rod those passages which in one way or another need to be interpreted. Thus only will all Present Truth believers ever become of the same mind, seeing eye to eye and speaking the same things. (1 Cor. 1 : 10; 1 Peter 3 : 8; Isa. 52 : 8)” – **Fundamental Beliefs of DAVIDIAN SDA, p. 27.**

Please mark carefully that the above statement by Bro. Houteff would have applied positively after his death, which is after 1955. It means that just after 1955 the divinely appointed teachers would have come up before us to teach in the light of the Rod those passages in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, which in one way or another need to be interpreted further. Then will be fulfilled the statement by Mrs. White when she said :

“God will send forth into His vineyard (the Laodicean Church) many who have not been dedicated to the ministry by the laying on of hands.” -- **The Acts of the Apostles, p. 110. (In brackets are added).**

Since the divinely appointed teachers were not dedicated to their work by the laying on of hands, they could not be the Organizational appointed ones of the Davidian SDA Headquarters in America.

The four cases presented above have been informed to us by Mrs. White and Bro. Houteff long before their fulfillment in history. And since both of them have died long before those cases came to pass, that is the reason why the whole information of those cases must be anticipated to come from the divinely appointed teachers who are to succeed them after they died.

Let us always remember, however, that the divinely appointed teachers who are to succeed Mrs. White and Bro. Houteff will no more be those ministers and teachers who are now affiliated with any of the Organizations of the Mount Carmel Centers in America nor elsewhere, because they are not the Organizational appointed teachers or ministers.

And even very clearly to be seen, that after the servant of the Lord Bro. Houteff died in 1955, the following statement by Mrs. White would have been fulfilled, when she said :

*“God will arouse His people; if other means fail, **heresies** will come in among them, which will sift them, separating the c h a f f (not tares) from the w h e a t. The Lord calls upon all who believe His word to awake out of sleep. Precious light has come, appropriate for this time. It is Bible truth, showing the perils that are right upon us. This light should lead us to a diligent study of the Scriptures and a most critical*

examination of the positions which we hold.” – **5 Testimonies for the Church, pp. 707 – 708. (In brackets added)**

We have to understand that just as soon as after the death of Bro. Houteff in 1955, there have been established in America several more Headquarters of Davidian SDA to succeed Houteff and his Headquarters of Davidian SDA in Waco, Texas, USA. This is to prove that just at that time the heresies began to be found rampant in among the present truth believers. And then ever since is the so-called “chaff” qualified Davidians began to dominate most of our people up to this very moment. And at the same time came also THE PRECIOUS LIGHT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS TIME to have all the chaff qualified Davidians to be sifted out.

**The precious light appropriate for this time
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As well as the so-called “c h a f f “ was never before known to Houteff during his life time, then THE PRECIOUS LIGHT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS TIME, would also not be known up to the time he died in 1955. Therefore, when those passages in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY of the golden bowl of Zechariah chapter 4, were then interpreted and revealed in among us, let us then understand that those who do all the work of interpretation of the passages would be the only divinely appointed teachers of the Shepherd’s Rod. And the result of their interpretations will become THE PRFECIOUS LIGHT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS TIME.

“Thus only will all Present Truth believers ever become of the same mind, seeing eye to eye and speaking the same things. (1 Cor. 1 : 10; 1 Peter 3 : 8; Isa. 52. 52 : 8)” – **Fundamental Beliefs of DAVIDIAN SDA, p. 27.** And then all the categorized c h a f f Present Truth Believers would have been sifted out.

That is, under the precious light appropriate for this time all the people of God will be made firmly united into the company of the 144.000 elected saints of God in the future, whereas those of the so-called “chaff” categorized Davidian SDA shall be sifted out for then later to be slain or slaughtered in the great and dreadful day of the Lord in the future.

Due to the fact that the Lord GOD has no more recognized whichever ORGANIZATION OF DAVIDIAN SDA to succeed Bro. Houteff and his Mount Carmel Center in Waco, Texas, after he died in 1955. Then the divinely appointed teachers would no more come from among the Organizational appointed ones, who have been dedicated to the work through the laying on of hands before their congregations. The divinely appointed teachers, therefore, could be recognized only when we are willing to investigate their message, which has been THE PRECIOUS LIGHT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS TIME. The precious light appropriate for this time is the result of painstaking efforts on the part of the divinely appointed teachers themselves, who teach in the light of the Rod those passages in the golden bowl (The SPIRIT OF PROPHECY) which in one way or another need to be interpreted further. Please read carefully those four cases presented above !

ATTENTION : To be sifted out does not mean to be driven out of the Organization of the Mount Carmel Center in America. Even to have those passages of the message in THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY interpreted further in the light of the Rod, could not be deemed as the ACTS OF ADDING TO NOR SUBTRACTING FROM THE MESSAGE as those stipulated in Revelation 22 : 18, 19. That is absolutely impossible, because they are just the acts to make the message becoming THE PRECIOUS LIGHT APPROPRIATE FOR THIS TIME.

C o n c l u s i o n

When the pictorial prophecy of Zechariah chapter 4 above could be further examined, it is then undeniable to conclude, that after the Bible which was represented by the two olive trees, having been fully interpreted into the golden bowl that represents THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY (the combination of the messages of the Shepherd's Rod and the Spirit of Prophecy), the next turn is for the divinely appointed teachers, to teach in the light of the Rod those passages in the golden bowl, which in one way or another need to be interpreted further for us in the candlestick.

Thus after the servant of the Lord, Bro. Victor T. Houteff, died in 1955, then ever since the statement by Mrs. White in the Testimonies, vol. 5, pp. 707, 708 would be completely fulfilled as follows :

- (1) The Organization of Mount Carmel Center in Waco, Texas, broke into several Mount Carmel Centers of Davidian SDA in USA.
- (2) The heresies began to be found in their midst represented by the so-called "c h a f" (not t a r e s).
- (3) In the meantime the precious light appropriate for this time would have also come in the midst of all, to be presented to all our people.
- (4) Whereas in the meantime all our people would have been in the condition of sleepy and slumbering.

Since the divinely appointed teachers could no more come out of the Organizations of the Mount Carmel Centers, who are now competing against each other for to succeed Houteff and his Mount Carmel Center in Waco, Texas, then according to the prophecy of Zechariah 13 : 7, the Lord God would have lifted up His hand upon "the little ones", who would have been scattered after the death of their shepherd, Bro. Victor T. Houteff. Whereas those the greater ones of the Organizations of the Mount Carmel Centers of Davidian SDA would no more be mentioned in the prophecy.

Thus it is, that under the precious light appropriate for this time coming from the divinely appointed teachers, in this critical time of the end, all the so-called “chaff” categorized Davidian Seventh-day Adventists should have been sifted out. And then we all as residue of all present truth believers, in this time of the end, shall be made to see eye to eye, to have the same mind, and to speak the same things. Thus is here how the 144.000 elected saints of God in the near future would have to stand on the surface.

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