

The Davidians Under the Spotlight of God

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5 Testimonies, p. 707.

The Davidians as present Truth believers should be aware, that due to the fact that we have now in possession of “the all Truth” and “the Things to come” as those mentioned by the Lord Jesus through John 16 : 13, we would have been the only main target of Satan to pour out his fury upon us with more fearful animosity. The Devil is fully convinced that if he loses now he would have lost for ever, and there is no other chance for him to regain his power to have access into our midst to deceive and mislead our people as ever before.

Jesus has ever said, that when the Spirit of Truth shall come, He will lead you into the all Truth and make known to you the Things to come. That is, that the presence of the Spirit would abide in our midst, and we would have been convinced of Its presence from the fact that our people shall now see eye to eye, to have the same mind, and to possess the capacity to speak the same things. It is the Spirit of Truth that is to empower even every one of us, to have the ability to distinguish between right and wrong.

Nevertheless, though, the harmonious atmosphere of unity among the people of God, which was very much anticipated even up to now, just for now, seem still far to reach, and no one knows for sure when and how such a situation are to be improved in the future. What is the real cause of such situation ? From the above statement the Lord Himself said, that He is yet to arouse our people. It means that the slumber of our own people that causes the Lord yet to arouse them. And since not so easy for the Lord Himself to arouse them, that He must let the heresies come in among us to sift us to separate between the pure wheat categorized Davidians on the one side, from the chaff categorized Davidians on the other side.

Present Truth believers in the spotlight of the Lord

Ever since several thousand years ago, prophet Isaiah as the servant of the Lord had prophesied unto us. And later through Bro. Victor T. Houteff, the last prophet of God in the time of the end, through one of his sermons in the TIMELY GREETINGS, vol. 1, no. 5, we are advised to have them very carefully investigated. Permit me to quote for you a portion of the sermon beginning from page 14 as follows :

Isaiah 2 : 11 --- “The lofty looks of man shall be humbled, and the haughtiness of men shall be bowed down, and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day.”

“Man has long been exalting himself; so much so, in fact, that there are perhaps only a few Christians in the world that are really following “the light of the Lord.” Most of them are following sparks of men, following uninspired interpretations of the Scriptures, -- devisings of men, men who scoff at the idea of Inspiration; they see no need of more Truth or of prophets, although they well know that the only Truth that has ever come has been through chosen servants of God. **Even present Truth believers have not as yet fully awakened to this startling revelation**, many of them are carried away with every wind of doctrine, much of which is created by impostors such as Korah, Dathan and Abiram (Number 16 : 9 – 11) coveting Moses’ office --- usurpers of Inspiration’s Throne --- taking sides, one for Paul and another for Apollos, as it were ! Inspiration’s eye focusing to this day and message, reveals that much of this self deception is the result of what the Spirit describes a double face hypocrisy, saying : “Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the Lord. And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as My people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them : for with their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness. And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument: for they hear thy words, but they do them not. And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet has been among them.” Ezekiel 33 : 30 – 33. We need to be doers of the Word not merely hearers.”

Isaiah 2 : 12, 13, 15, 16 --- “For the day of the Lord of hosts shall be upon every one that is proud and lofty, and upon every one that is lifted up; and he shall be brought low : and upon all the cedars of Lebanon, that are high and lifted up, and upon all the oaks of Bashan ,..... and upon every high tower, and upon every fenced wall, and upon all the ships of Tar shish, and upon all pleasant pictures.”

“These are of course figurative expressions, referring to proud and self-sufficient men who in the people’s eyes are as the cedars of Lebanon, and as the oaks of Bashan.

Isaiah 2 : 17 – 20 --- “And the loftiness of man shall be bowed down, and the haughtiness of men shall be made low : and the Lord alone shall be exalted in that day. And the idols He shall utterly abolish. And they shall go into the holes of the rocks, and into the caves of the earth, for fear of the Lord, and for the glory of His majesty, when He ariseth to shake terribly the earth. In that day a man shall cast his idols of silver, and his idols of gold, which they made each one for himself to worship, to the moles and to the bats.”

“What idols are to be abolished ? --- Idols that walk. They are, therefore, men whom the people idolize. They, and those who idolize them will run into “the holes of the rocks, and unto the caves of the earth.” Only those that cast out the idols shall be spared. In these verses three kinds of idols are mentioned : (1) works of men’s hands, (2) men that are revered, (3) gold and the silver that are worshiped. These shall be abolished, there are to be idols no more.” -- **Timely Greetings, Vol. 1, No. 5, pp. 14 – 15.**”

Please read carefully the portion of the sermon above, and then follow the clarification provided for you here below :

- (1) The sermon of THE TIMELY GREETINGS, Vol. 1 No. 5 is addressed to all Seventh day Adventists of the Laodicean Church, specifically for those Present Truth Believers of Davidian Seventh day Adventists, who have embraced Victor T. Houteff and his additional message of the Shepherd’s Rod.
- (2) Beginning from the sentence : ‘**Even present Truth believers have not as yet fully awakened to this startling revelation**’ and so on, this is more fittingly applied to the Davidians SDA after the death of Houteff in 1955.
- (3) The impostors Korah, Dathan, and Abiram symbolize the manipulators of Present Truth doctrinal points of view embraced by the Association of Davidian SDA ever since the beginning in the time of Victor T. Houteff. They are the people who were ever the staunch followers of Bro. Houteff and his new message. But later after the death of Bro. Houteff, and after the Devil sent his first “knockout blow” through Mrs. Houteff and her falsehood that led to the dissolving the Association in 1962, then emerged the Korahs, Dathans, and Abirams, each promoting their new invented Mount Carmel Centers in several places in the USA. They are the ones who are now blowing several contradictive winds of doctrines that mislead many un-awakened present Truth believers in the world.
- (4) The office of Moses symbolizes the official position of Houteff, even after his death, which was succeeded by the other divinely appointed ministry of evangelists, pastors, and teachers, who are to teach the message fully under the same Spirit of Truth.
- (5) The usurpers of Inspiration Throne – taking sides, one for Paul (such as for an antitypical Paul in Waco, Texas Headquarters of Davidian SDA) and the others for Apollo that symbolizes the other leaders of the Headquarters, such

as in Mountain Dale, New York, or in Salem, south Caroline, USA., or in Elk, Texas, USA, etc. Inspiration's eye focusing to this day and message, reveals that much of this self deception is the result of what the Spirit describes, a double face hypocrisy,

- (6) "And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet has been among them." Ezekiel 33 : 30 – 33.

The prophetic words did not come to pass in the time of Isaiah, but it will come later in the time of the end. So all things predicted above will come to pass beginning in the time of Bro. Houteff., even up to the time of the purification of the church.

- (7) The Davidian impostors and their followers mentioned above were deemed by the Spirit of Truth to be the double face hypocrisy.

Present Truth Believers are not as yet fully awakened, whereas heresies among them abound

Present Truth believers should have been fully awakened, that after the death of Bro. Houteff in 1955, the leadership of Davidian SDA should be succeeded by the rest of the divinely appointed ministry : the evangelists, pastors, and teachers. And they are to be burdened with the task to proclaim the message as fully as ever before he died. And though, for several years later, the people of God should have been paralyzed, due to the "knockout blow" befalling them, when the Organization and its Headquarters in Waco, Texas were dissolved in 1962, they should have been fully awakened to the fact that the knockout blow will ever again strike the second time, even after the reestablishment of the Headquarters in 1991. If they would ever remember what Bro. Houteff has warned them beforehand :

*"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.***

Are you still doubting, Brothers and Sisters, to deem those now leading at the Headquarters to be the antitypical Sanhedrin of today, who are the professed friends of the gospel, whose piety is no less than those of the priests in Christ's day? Brother Houteff is again to remind us as follows :

“The world has never seen a more religious group, nor a more praying and pious people than were the priests, scribes, and Pharisees in Christ's day. Yet they were the very ones who protested against Christ's teachings, who spread prejudices and confusion among the people and who kept them in darkness! Yes, they deceived a whole nation. Finally, if the Jewish Sanhedrin was not to be trusted at Christ's first advent, then how do we know that the Christian's Sanhedrin at Christ's second coming is to be unquestionable correct? It was the Sanhedrin of the middle ages and down to this day that have fought against any Divinely led Reformation.” – **2 Timely Greetings, No. 41, pp. 8, 9.**

“But the churches generally did not accept the warning. Their ministers, who as ‘watchmen unto the house of Israel,’ should have been the first to discern the tokens of Jesus' coming, had failed to learn the truth, either from the testimony of the prophets or from the signs of the times. As worldly hopes and ambitions filled the heart, love for God and faith in His word had grown cold; and when the advent doctrine was presented, it only aroused their prejudice and unbelief. The fact that the message was, to a great extent, preached by laymen (those standing idle in the marketplaces), was urged as an argument against it. As of old, the plain testimony of God's word was met with the inquiry, ‘Have any of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed ?’ And finding how difficult a task it was to refute the arguments drawn from the prophetic periods, many discouraged the study of the prophecies, teaching that the prophetic books were sealed, and were not to be understood. Multitudes, trusting implicitly to their pastors refused to listen to the warning; and others, though convinced of the truth, dared not confess it, lest they should be ‘put out of the synagogue.’ The message which God had sent for the testing and purification of the church, revealed all too surely how great was the number who had set their affections on this world rather than upon Christ. The ties which bound them to earth were stronger than the attractions heavenward. They chose to listen to the voice of worldly wisdom, and turned away from the heart-searching message of truth.” – **The Great Controversy, p. 380.** (In brackets is added)

We need to be doers of the Words !

Every rational being would have asked himself, why did the Lord permit the Top of Carmel to fall so soon into the hands of the impostors and their followers after the death of His servant ? To find out the answer let us return to the prophecy :

*“Inspiration’s eye focusing to this day and message, reveals that much of this self deception is the result of what the Spirit describes, **a double face hypocrisy**, saying: “Also, thou son of man, the children of thy people still are talking against thee by the walls and in the doors of the houses, and speak one to another, every one to his brother, saying, Come, I pray you, and hear what is the word that cometh forth from the Lord. And they come unto thee as the people cometh, and they sit before thee as My people, and they hear thy words, but they will not do them : for with their mouth they shew much love, but their heart goeth after their covetousness. And, lo, thou art unto them as a very lovely song of one that hath a pleasant voice, and can play well on an instrument : for they hear thy words, but they do them not. And when this cometh to pass, (lo, it will come,) then shall they know that a prophet has been among them.” Ezekiel 33 : 30 – 33. We need to be doers of the Word not merely hearers.”*

We have to know that the prophetic words were fulfilled ever since the life time of Bro. Houteff himself, and even up to this day. This is proven from the fact that though as the mouth-piece of God Bro. Houteff has ever said :

Example I

*“The Jews wanted a kingdom of their own, a kingdom of this world (saint and sinner in it). Yes, they wanted a kingdom on earth, but none in Heaven. What is more, they wanted it two thousand years ahead of schedule. Now, ironically, in the time of the restoration of the Kingdom, the Denomination takes an opposite attitude : It wants a kingdom in Heaven, but none on earth. Indeed, it wants to board the “chariot” from Takoma Park. And besides while the Lord says He is to save nations, the Denomination says “He is to save only 144.000 living sons of Jacob,” and consequently none of the sons of other nations !” -- **Timely Greetings, vol. 1, No. 15, p. 20.***

As soon as after the servant of the Lord died in 1955, Mrs. Houteff, in her capacity as President of the General Association of Davidian SDA in Waco, Texas, then proclaimed to the public that the Kingdom was to be established in Palestine in 1959.

Example II

Sister White said :

“Let me tell you that the Lord will work in this last work in a manner very much out of the 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 (of The Shepherd Rod and The Spirit of Prophecy) 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 (who are still affiliated with the Waco Headquarters in Texas) 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. (In the brackets is added)

The Lord will work in this last work (of proclaiming the message of the Eleventh-hour Call) to those standing idle in the marketplaces (the laymen in the churches) in a manner very much out of the common order of things. What does it mean ? Is it not that the Lord will no more work in this last work through His ex divinely appointed agency in Waco, Texas ? Certainly yes, the Lord will no more now work, neither through His ex divinely appointed agency in the General Conference of SDA, nor through His ex divinely appointed agency at the Top of Carmel in Waco, Texas, USA.

However, it does not mean, though, that He will have lost all of His divinely appointed agencies in the Associations of Davidian SDA scattered in many places in the world. Despite He should have shunned all the so-called General Associations of Davidian SDA Headquarters, He will yet to keep on working with the Associations of Davidian SDA wherever they are, as long as they also will be doers of the words of the message presented to them through His appointed agency. The Lord will continue to work with all of us as long as we also are willing to stop worshipping the idols that walk with the Top of Carmel in Waco, Texas, USA.

Beware of “the double face hypocrisy”

The antitypical Korahs, Dathans, and Abirams, who are now leading at several Headquarters of Davidian SDA in America, have been condemned by the Lord, not only because they coveted the antitypical office of Moses in Waco, Texas, but also due to their unlawful usurping the Kingly Throne on the Top of Carmel. So instead of being the practical doers of the message as presented to them by the servant of the Lord (Bro. Victor T. Houteff), they later have been found to mislead the people to follow their own way of manipulating the message to sustain their position before the people.

Now you can testify for yourselves how they manipulated the message of the Eleventh-Hour Call among us up to this very time. Whereas those that now leading at the Top of Carmel in Waco, Texas, were implicated in the sin of the Jewish Sanhedrin in the time of Jesus, the others who lead at their self-invented Mount Carmel Centers in America, were deemed to be the antitypical Korahs, Dathans, and Abirams by the same message they were proclaiming. The servant of the Lord Mrs. Ellen G. White ever warned us in the following words :

“But men are to be condemned who start out with a proclamation of wonderful light, and yet draw away from the agents whom God is leading. This was the way in which Korah, Dathan, and Abiram did, and their action is recorded as a warning to all others. We are not to do as they have done --- accuse and condemn those upon whom God has laid the burden of the work.” – **Testimonies to Ministers, p. 56.**

“God speaks through His appointed agencies, and let no man, or confederacy of men, insult the Spirit of God by refusing to hear the message of God’s word from the lips of His chosen messengers. By refusing to hear the message of God, men close themselves in a chamber of darkness. They shut their own souls away from vast blessings and rob Christ of the glory that should come to Him, by showing disrespect to His appointed agencies.” --- **Ibid., p. 54.**

The presence of the antitypical Korahs, Dathans, and Abirams shall not be found in America only. Despite the presence of the prophetic Mount Carmel was never to meet its fulfillment somewhere outside the American soil, the sin of coveting the office of Moses and the sin of usurping the Kingly Throne on the Top of Carmel were rampant everywhere in the world, even up to this very time. Our people, therefore, should always be very careful, to receive only the message and the interpretations thereof from the divinely appointed agencies. We must shun “the idol that walks” in Waco, Texas, to think for our salvation. Not even their illegitimate ministers in the fields, who were ever affiliated with the Top of Carmel even up to now. We must also be careful on anyone else, who are not recognized

by the Lord's appointed agencies. Because though they may start out with a proclamation of wonderful light, they would at last draw away from the agents whom the Lord is leading. They would at last show their true color, and finally they will never see eye to eye, never to have the same mind, and never to have the capacity to speak the same things with the Lord's own appointed agencies. In short, the agency of the Lord would never let us to be cooperative with the devils.

Now When the Lord Has Taken the reins in His own hands

Now when the Lord has taken the reins in His own hands, that He will work in this last work in a manner very much out of the common order of things, and in a way that will be contrary to any human planning at the Top of Carmel, we should also adapt ourselves of how to sustain His work with His own Tithes and Offerings.

If ever the tithes and offerings should be submitted to the storehouse which was under the control of the Organization, now we have to change the habit by submitting the money right to the appointed ministry of the Lord, who are accountable to the Lord for the edification of the body of Christ and for its salvation. By this way of doing things, God will use ways and means by which it will be seen that He is taking the reins in His own hands.

The safety of the Lord's money in the storehouse under the control of His appointed agencies could be more assured than ever before. To this end Brother Houteff ever said :

“Knowing that our tithe belongs to God's storehouse, our greatest burden should be to see that it is faithfully paid there. Nowhere in the Bible do we find that the Lord has laid upon any tithe payer the policing of the channels through which these funds pass.

“The Lord's treasure is under His control, and if He Himself should not see fit to correct an abuse in the handling of His money, certainly we could not correct it however hard we might try. If we guard carefully that part of His work which He entrusts to us, our only concern will be to find out where His “storehouse” is, and then faithfully to deposit His money there. He has not made us responsible for its use ; that, He will personally take over --- even as He is now “taking the reins in His own hands.” – **The Answerer, Book 4, p. 46.**

Tragical end awaiting the Habitations of the Shepherds of the top of Carmel

“The Lord will roar from Zion, and utter His voice from Jerusalem; and the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.”

Tragical end of Korah, Dathan, and Abiram is well known among us as those recorded in the Book of Number 16 : 9 – 11. And in the future the same end of their fate would have been the same to await their antitypical ones. But for the shepherds of the top of Carmel in Waco, Texas, and their habitations, the servant of the Lord clarified as follows :

*“As Amos says, ‘The habitations of the shepherds shall mourn,’ it is obvious that the habitations’ (places) is in the plural form which cannot be applied to one shepherd’s habitation (denomination) but to all that be in existence at that time. The term ‘shepherds’ means, as understood, the same as ‘the ancient men which were before the house’ --- the ministers. **Testimonies for the Church, vol. 5, p. 211.** Note that the shepherds are not themselves to mourn but their ‘habitations’ (their houses); that is, the membership of their churches, which fact reveals that it will be thus at the time when the sleeping multitudes in the churches awake from their spiritual insensibility and find that the shepherds whom they have implicitly trusted for their salvation had deceived **a l l t h o s e** who followed them.*

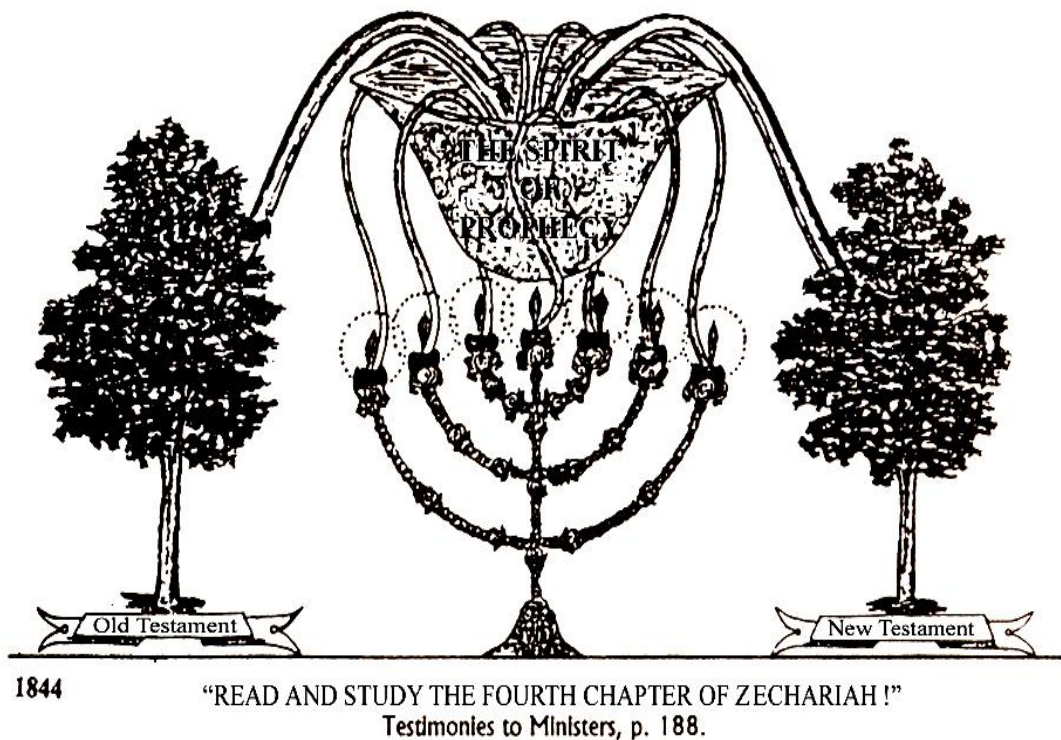
*“The prophet Jeremiah in the following words explains that this wailing by those who are thus deceived will be at the close of probation. For they shall say ‘the harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved.’ That is, after the harvest, the time in which they could have been saved, they will realize that the probationary time has closed. Then the habitations of the shepherds shall mourn, and the top of Carmel shall wither.’ --- **THE SYMBOLIC CODE, Vol. 1, No. 14. (August, 1935).***

C o n c l u s i o n

“God has a church, and she has a divinely appointed ministry.
”God speaks through His appointed agencies, and let no man, or confederacy of men, insult the Spirit of God by refusing to hear

the message of God's word from the lips of His chosen messengers." -- **Testimonies to Ministers**, pp. 52, 54.

From the prophecy of Zechariah chapter 4, we have been informed of how the Bible has been interpreted, and how the all truth and the things to come could have been reached by every one of us, and that we may be doers of the Word, not to be hearers only. And these could be seen and proven when all the lamps of the candlestick flare up.



In the time of the end, the function of the divinely appointed agencies : The prophets (Mrs. Ellen G. White and Bro. Victor T. Houteff) made the golden oil flow into the golden bowl. So both of them were represented by the main pipes, through which the oil flow to the golden bowl.

The evangelists, pastors and teachers were represented by the seven tubes, through which the golden oil flows into the candlestick and further into the lamps. So these acts of doing things, beginning from the prophets interpreting the Bible and the prophecies, up to the evangelists, pastors, and teachers teaching the SPIRIT OF PROPHECIES to the people, are called "to edify the body of Christ." Read Ephesian 4 : 11 – 14.

Now all the interpretations of the Bible into the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY have been accomplished. And every one of us could have studied the Bible by himself to find the interpretations thereof in the SPIRIT OF PROPHECY. Could we now say that the appointed agencies of the Lord will no more be much needed ? To this end the servant of the Lord, Bro. Houteff has ever said :

“The Bible and the books of the Spirit of Prophecy (by Mrs. White) 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 Pet. 1 : 20) --- the great evil which has brought Christendom into its present almost-boundless state of schism and consequent confusion, strive, and impotency.

*As we dare not follow in such a path, we must therefore, a s t e a c h e r s of The Shepherd’s Rod (the official publications of the Davidian SDA Association), 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 Pet. 3 : 8; Isa 52 : 8).” --- **Fundamental Beliefs of The Davidian SDA, p. 27.***

Actually there are yet many passages in the message of THE SPIRIT OF PROPHECY, which in one way or another need to be interpreted in the light of the Rod. And only the divinely appointed TEACHERS OF THE ROD, who have been invested with inspired interpretational Authority from the Spirit of Truth, that are to be tasked to do the work of interpretation for the people. None others could do them. Because not everyone of us have the right to succeed those servants of God represented by the “t u b e s.”

And the result should be clear, that the following statement by the servant of the Lord : “God will arouse His people; if other means fail, heresies will come in among them, which will sift them, separating the chaff from the wheat.” -- 5 Testimonies, p. 707., must be effectively fulfilled.

We have now come to the time where the separation should be fully accomplished Not only to separate the wheat from the tares in the churches of Seventh day Adventist. But even the chaff which were rampant among present Truth believers in the world up to now, that should be separated. And this is the work of the latter-day vanguard in this time of the end.

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