CHAPTER 12

Do You Know You Are to Restore the Long-lost Teachings of the Bible?

Foundational Review

Each workbook lesson throughout the second half of the book begins with the same reminder. These statements should remind you that the topics covered in the previous sessions are the core of the Covenant Grace-Faith Relationship that every Seventh-day Adventist Christian must have. Each of these statements taken separately and collectively are the essential beginnings of the answer to our question: ñSeventh-day Adventist Christian: Do you know who you are?

The Scripture references are only an initial reference to the statement. For a more complete study of each of these statements, see the chapters in the book or the workbook sessions which cover these topics.

As a further reminder, the study of this workbook session will go inýnitely easier if you have read the corresponding chapter in the book. If you have not read it, please ýnd a comfortable quiet spot where you can concentrate ï and read it now.

You Are:

- Å A Saint (Ephesians 1:1)
- Å and Beloved (Ephesians 1:6; John 16:27)
- Å A Christian/the 5 Cîs (Acts 11:26)
- Å In a Covenant Grace/Faith Relationship with God (Gal. 2:8)
- Å Accepting/Received From/ Faith/Son (1 John 4:7)
- Å Abiding/Growing In/Hope/Holy Spirit (Ephesians 4:12-16)
- Å Acting/Becoming Like/Love/ Father (2 Peter 1:4)
- Å Required to choose (Rom. 12:1)
- Å Each choice is made by Faith (Romans 4:21)
- Å Faith works by Love (Galatians 5:6)
- Å Gifts of Holy Spirit-internal/external change (Romans 12:2)
- Å Keep the Commandments because of Love (John 15:8-10)
- Å Function: Priests and Stewards by Faith (Hebrews 11:6)

This is basic Christianity.

Protestants

For this session, letîs talk about Protestants. Be sure you have your Bible with you as we will be reading lots of Scripture.

QUESTION #1:
What is a ***Pro-test-ant***? Deýne each segment of the word, if you can, from the Latin words used to build this reference to us as Seventh-day Adventists.

Pro ï As a common preýx or as a stand-alone word, what does it mean?

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Test ï This is the root word of several words we commonly use, testify and testimony. What does it mean?

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Ant ï Is a common sufýx which means one who

QUESTION #2:
Describe and explain the historical setting in which this word was ýrst used. (See Chapter 12 in the book)

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Think It Through

What does it mean to be a Time of the End *Pro-test-ant*? What would they be pro-testing or ñspeaking out forò?

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Story and Example

READ Daniel 7:23-25 and Daniel 8:9-12. In vision, Daniel saw illustrated the character of the power that would rule the world for 1260 years. He also saw in general the principles by which this power would operate and in which it would teach others to believe.

Here is a general summary of some of the major errors that Luther and the other Reformers were protesting. This list contains the Biblical doctrine and the major errors which replaced them as Luther and others came to understand them.

Doctrine	**Mother Church replaced with**
Christ as Lord	Church clergy, especially the head, as Lord
Cross as Salvation	Church liturgy as salvation *Mass/Sacraments/Indulgences/Pilgrimages*
Commandments	Church tradition and edicts
Great Controversy	Church supremacy on earth
Hope of the Resurrection	Angry God/Hell and Purgatory
Heavenly Sanctuary	Forgiveness by clergy on Earth
Holy Spirit	Church Authority as Infallible
Jesus as High Priest	Elevation of Saints/Mariology

From this list you can see why history has called this Pro-test-ing at the time of the Reformation. In the process, these reformers ï Luther, Swingli, Calvin, the Wesleys, the Baptists and others ï established what Protestant Christians have recognized as the basic tenets of Protestantism.

QUESTION #1:
READ Isaiah 58:12. What does God say He would have His People do for Him at the Time of the End?

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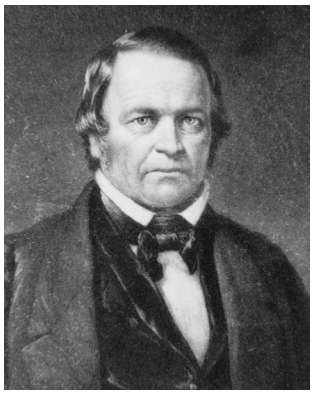
Some of the basic teachings of the Bible have not yet been restored. Seventh-day Adventists have helped in ñspeaking out forò the following seven prime biblical teachings (the seven Sîs) that were lost, but are to be restored, especially at the Time of the End.

Letîs discuss each of these seven teachings speciýcally in two ways:

1. What does this teaching have to do with Jesus?
2. What is the signiýcance of this teaching during the Time of the End?



Teaching #1

QUESTION #1:
Who is this man?

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The doctrine connected with William Miller is the Second Coming. READ Daniel 8:14. In the Seventh-day Adventist mind, this date is forever attached to October 22, 1844 and the Great Disappointment because Jesus did NOT come again. But the doctrine has not lost it relevance. Every twenty-ýfth verse of scripture of the New Testament talks about this doctrine. It is also the last of the Five Cs we talked about as being characteristic of being a Christian.

QUESTION #2:
READ Isaiah 58:12. What does this teaching have to do with Jesus? Whoîs coming again?

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QUESTION #3:
READ Matthew 24:30-31. What is the signiýcance of this teaching for the Time of the End? When is Jesus coming?

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Think It Through

If this is one of the 5 Cîs of Christian beliefs, why does this doctrine need to be restored by the Seventh-day Adventists? See Chapter 3 and Chapter 12 in the book for several possible responses.

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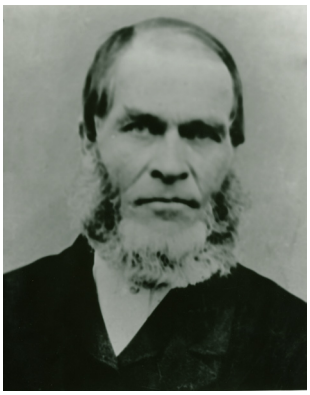
This teaching is part of our name. We are *Advent*-sts. Okay, that one was easy. Let's try the second one.



Teaching #2

QUESTION #1:
Who is this man?

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The doctrine connected with Hiram Edson is the Sanctuary. READ Leviticus 16:30. This teaching is connected with Hiram Edson because of his corn ýeld vision that he had the morning after October 22, 1844. We have talked already about the First Apartment of the Sanctuary in Chapter 8. We will discuss Leviticus 16:30 again in our next session when we discuss the subject of the Sanctuary in terms of the Third Angel's message.

QUESTION #2:
READ Hebrews 8:1. What does this teaching have to do with Jesus?

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QUESTION #3a:
Where is Jesus serving now?

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In our next session we will ask: What is Jesus actually doing there?

QUESTION #3b:
REVIEW Leviticus 16:30. Of what signiýcance is this teaching for the Time of the End?

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QUESTION #4:
When does this happen?

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More about this in our next session!

Think It Through

When do all of these teachings seem to have their grand ýnale?

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Let's see of this is true for the next teaching.

Teaching #3

QUESTION #1:
Who is this man?

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This doctrine is the Spirit of Prophecy. READ Joel 2:28. This doctrine is connected to Joseph Bates because:
a. He belonged to the Conditional Christian Connection Church which believed that all the spiritual gifts would be active in the Time of the End.

b. However, he did not believe that Ellen White had the gift of prophecy, until he observed her in vision and questioned her afterward in regard to what she saw in vision and what she understood about it from her prior knowledge.

QUESTION #2:
READ Acts 1:4-5 and Acts 2:33. What does this teaching have to do with Jesus?

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QUESTION #3:
What gift did Jesus give to His church after He ascended to the Father?

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QUESTION #4:
READ Amos 3:7. What signiýcance is this teaching for the Time of the End?

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