

who began the work, and He will finish His work, making man complete in Jesus Christ. But there must be no neglect of the grace represented by the former rain. **Only those who are living up to the light they have will receive greater light.** Unless we are daily advancing in the exemplification of the active Christian virtues, we shall not recognize the manifestations of the Holy Spirit in the latter rain. It may be falling on hearts all around us, but we shall not discern or receive it. {TM 507.1} {RH, March 2, 1897 par. 4}

We are warned against being distracted by good work, which blocks the importance of the spiritual message.

"There may be and there is danger of losing sight of the great principles of truth when doing the work for the poor that it is right to do, but we are ever to bear in mind that in carrying forward this work the spiritual necessities of the soul are to be kept prominent. In our efforts to relieve temporal necessities we are in danger of separating from the last gospel message its leading and most urgent features. As it has been carried on in some places, the medical missionary work has absorbed talent and means that belong to other lines of the work, and the effort in lines more directly spiritual has been neglected. Because of the ever-increasing opportunities for ministering to the temporal needs of all classes, there is danger that this work will eclipse the message that God has given us to bear in every city--the proclamation of the soon coming of Christ, the necessity of obedience to the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus. This message is the burden of our work. It is to be proclaimed with a loud cry and is to go to the whole world. In both home and foreign fields the presentation of health principles must be united with it, but not be independent of it or in any way take its place; neither should this work absorb so much attention as to belittle other branches. The Lord has instructed us to consider the work in all its bearings, that it may have a proportionate, symmetrical, well-balanced development. {6T 290.1}

Are you preparing to be a part of the 144K giving the Loud Cry?

I pray we may all continue to seek love, peace, and unity in truth preparing for the soon coming of Iaushua (ee-ah-oo-shoo-ah) Messiah, the Son of God.

## Loud Cry of the 144K

Continuing our Bible Study of Present Truth from a prophetic perspective. The previous Bible Study examined the final Loud Cry. I believe it is clear the Time of Trouble (Revelation 7:1-3) and the Loud Cry of the Fourth Angel (Revelation 18:1-3) begins with the sealing of the 144K (144,000) at Pentecost (Revelation 7:4).

"God is raising up a **class** to give the **loud cry** of the third angel's message. . . . It is Satan's object now to get up new theories to divert the mind from the **true work** and **genuine message** for this time. He stirs up minds to give **false** interpretation of Scripture, a **spurious** loud cry, that the **real message** may not have its effect when it does come. This is one of the greatest evidences that the loud cry will soon be heard and the earth will be lightened with the glory of God.--Letter 20, 1884." {3SM 410.1}

The 144K proclaim the complete Four Angels' Message including obedience to all the law of God, which includes the part called "The Law of Moses". Moses wrote the law only as God spoke it.

<sup>1</sup> **And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,**

<sup>2</sup> **Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, Concerning the feasts of the LORD, which ye shall proclaim to be holy convocations, even these are my feasts.**

[Leviticus 23:1-2](#)

Ellen never refers to a "fourth angel" but speaks of "another angel". This is often associated with the words similar to "the earth was lightened with his glory" from Revelation 18:1, which is the fourth angel.

"The last great conflict is before us, but help is to come to all who love God and **obey His law**, and the earth, the whole earth, is to be lighted with the glory of God. "Another angel" is to come down from heaven. This angel represents the giving of the loud cry, which is to come from those who are **preparing to cry mightily**, with a strong voice, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit,

and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird" (Rev. 18:1, 2). {3SM 412.1} {RH, April 19, 1906 par. 22}

The 144K are the ones who are preparing during the shaking. After the shaking of the church comes the sealing and the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, which leads to the Loud Cry.

"I saw angels hurrying to and fro in heaven, descending to the earth, and again ascending to heaven, preparing for the fulfillment of some **important event**. Then I saw another mighty angel commissioned to descend to the earth, to unite his voice with the third angel, and give power and force to his message. Great power and glory were imparted to the angel, and as he descended, the earth was lightened with his glory. The light which attended this angel penetrated everywhere, as he cried mightily, with a strong voice, "Babylon the great is fallen, is fallen, and is become the habitation of devils, and the hold of every foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird." The message of the fall of Babylon, as given by the second angel, is repeated, with the additional mention of the corruptions which have been entering the churches since 1844. The work of this angel comes in at the right time to join in the last great work of the third angel's message as it swells to a **loud cry**. And the people of God are thus prepared to stand in the hour of temptation, which they are soon to meet. I saw a great light resting upon them, and they united to fearlessly proclaim the third angel's message." {EW 277.1} {1SG 193.2} {SR 399.1}

We are warned of the methods which will be used to thwart the 144K and the work of the Loud Cry.

"Oh, that the Lord might guide you! You should never in a single instance allow hearsay to move you to action, and yet you have sometimes done this. Never take action to **narrow** and circumscribe the work unless you know that you are moved to do so by the Spirit of the Lord. Our people are doing work for foreign missions, but there are **home** missions that need their help just as much as these foreign missions. We should make efforts to show our people the wants of the cause of God, and to open before them the need of using means that God has entrusted to them to advance the work of the Master both at home and abroad. Unless those who

can help in ----- are aroused to a sense of their duty, they will not recognize the work of God when the loud cry of the third angel shall be heard. When light goes forth to lighten the earth, instead of coming up to the help of the Lord, they will want to **bind** about His work to meet their narrow ideas. 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 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. Those who are accounted good workers will need to draw nigh to God, they will need the divine touch. They will need to drink more deeply and continuously at the fountain of living water, in order that they may **discern** God's work at every point. Workers may make mistakes, but you should give them a chance to correct their errors, give them an opportunity to learn caution, by leaving the work in their hands. {TM 299.2}

We must be keeping up with the truth or the outpouring of the Holy Spirit will pass us by.

"Many have in a great measure failed to receive the former rain. They have not obtained all the benefits that God has thus provided for them. They expect that the lack will be supplied by the latter rain. When the richest abundance of grace shall be bestowed, they intend to open their hearts to receive it. They are making a terrible mistake. The work that God has begun in the human heart in giving His light and knowledge must be continually going forward. Every individual must realize his own necessity. The heart must be emptied of every defilement and cleansed for the indwelling of the Spirit. It was by the confession and forsaking of sin, by earnest prayer and consecration of themselves to God, that the early disciples prepared for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost. The same work, only in greater degree, must be done now. Then the human agent had only to ask for the blessing, and wait for the Lord to perfect the work concerning him. It is God