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**And let them
make me a
sanctuary;
that I may dwell
among them.**

– Exodus 25:8

Psalms 77:13



Health Snippet – Rest:

BENEFITS OF MOVING TO THE COUNTRYSIDE

For many, moving to the countryside is a dream. Many choose to settle in the countryside for a number of reasons. Many toy between the idea of moving into the depths of the countryside or staying in the hustle and bustle of the busy city. To help you make your decision: here are a few benefits.

Fresh & Cleaner air: there is much less traffic and smog or pollution from industry than in the city, and therefore the air is not as contaminated with toxic pollutants.

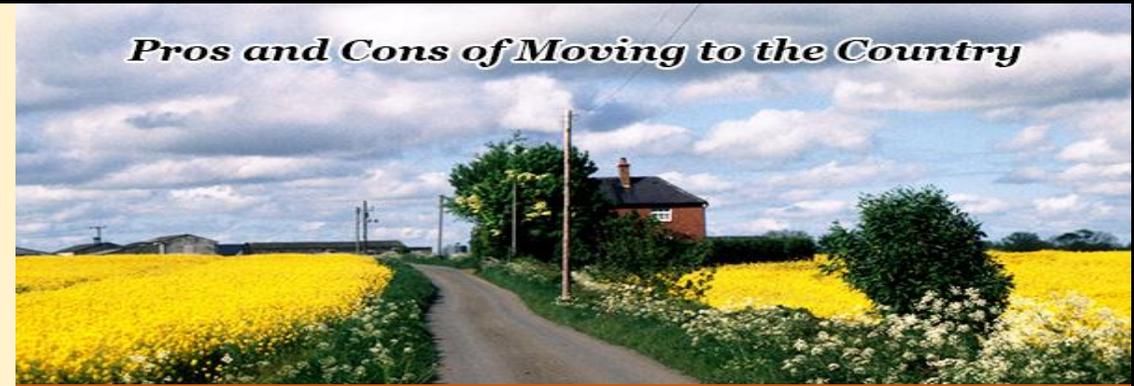
More space and privacy: If you want to extend your home or build from scratch, plenty of room to do it. In some areas, no neighbours miles. In urban areas, space is hard to find.

Peace and quiet: Whether near the beach or nestled near a forest, you won't be bothered by the sounds of loud traffic or public transport, less stressful than living in the city.

Improved health: You can grow your own organic fruit and veg and buy other ingredients from local farmers and shops.

Other advantages: Closer to nature, More affordable lifestyle, Increased level of safety, etc...

Disadvantages: Limited opportunities - Education, Public transport, Employment, Utilities, Healthcare, Utilities, etc..



Pros and Cons of Moving to the Country

City Life Cons

- City life can be quite stressful
- Urban living is not suitable if you love nature
- Big cities are quite crowded
- You may get stuck in traffic jams
- Parking can be a problem in cities
- Cities can heat up in summer
- City life may not be suitable for pets
- Rents are often much higher big cities
- Only insufficient green spaces in many big cities
- Cities may be less secure compared to villages
- Higher daily life expenses
- Lack of space
- Cities are often quite noisy
- Air pollution is a problem in big cities



Can We Trust Bible Prophecy?



Yes we Can!

Leviticus 25:31 KJV

But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted as the fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubilee.



Are we living in the End Times?



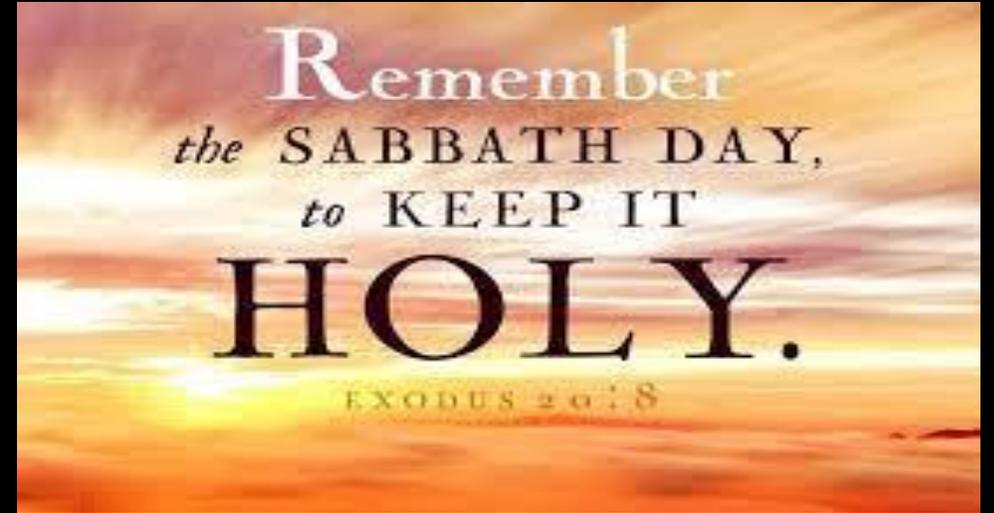
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The Sunday Law Movement - Past

Those who honour the Bible Sabbath will be denounced as enemies of law and order, as breaking down the moral restraints of society, causing anarchy and corruption, and calling down the judgments of God upon the earth.... Even in free America, rulers and legislators, in order to secure public favour, will yield to the popular demand for a law enforcing Sunday observance. — [The Great Controversy, 592.](#)

I wish to God we had more Methodist churches, and more Baptist churches, and more Catholic churches,” Obion County attorney general J. R. Bond told the jury, “but in the name of God, I do not want any of these Advent churches. - WEGW 113.2

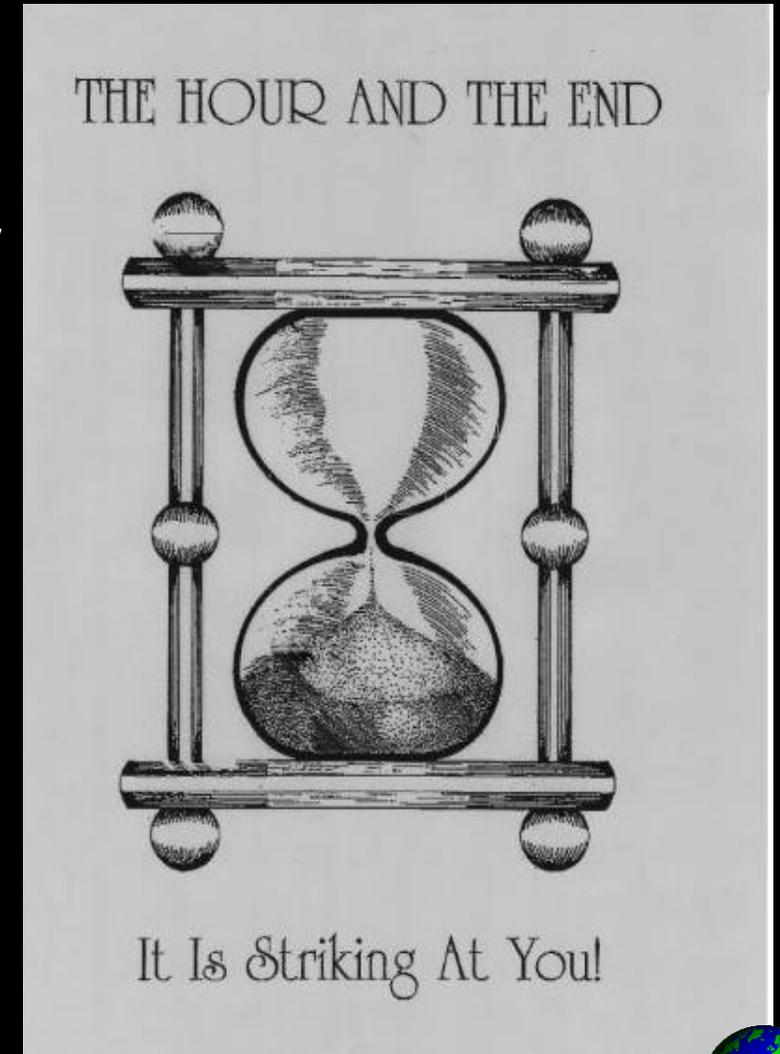


Neighbours File Case for Working on Sunday

Robert M. King, a new convert to Adventism, was being tried for ploughing his cornfield on Sunday. Several months earlier, his Methodist neighbours—fearing that King's example would confuse their children as to which day really was the Sabbath—had demanded that he either quit keeping Saturday or move away from the Tennessee community in which he had lived all his life. **If he did not start to observe Sunday, they threatened, he would be prosecuted.** - WEGW 113.3

Insisting on his right to observe God's law in accordance with his understanding of the Bible, King replied that being a poor man, he could not afford to forfeit one sixth of the time he needed to support his family. - WEGW 113.4

King's non-Adventist neighbours had violated the law by hunting, fishing, and labouring on Sunday without being prosecuted. But when King had quietly gone out to cultivate a field of corn "so tall ... as to nearly hide him from sight," he had been promptly arrested. After paying \$13 in fines and costs, he had again been indicted—this time on the grounds that his Sunday ploughing had been a public nuisance. - WEGW 113.5

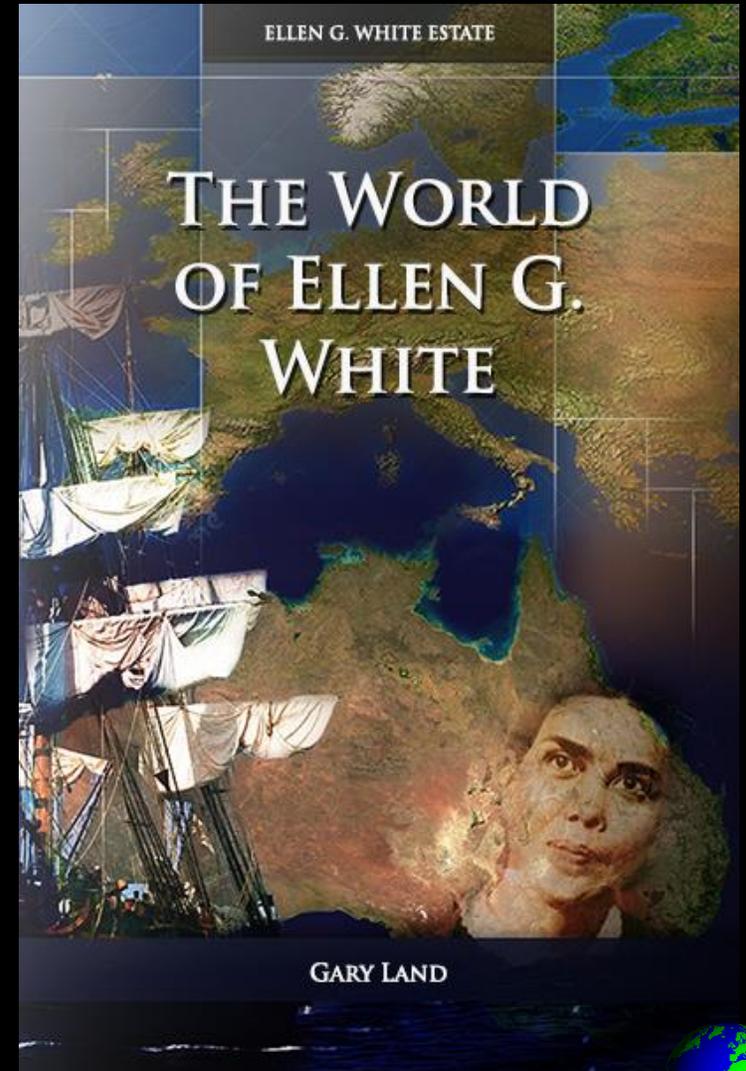


Testimony of Defence not allowed in court

The court had not allowed the defense to produce testimony that King had already paid a fine for working on June 23, 1889. Nor had it permitted the introduction of evidence that King was a member of an organization that observed the seventh-day Sabbath or that the prosecution had singled out Seventh-day Adventists for arrest while ignoring Sunday law violations by others—including at least one of the witnesses. - [WEGW 114.1](#)

Even though his lawyer had not been allowed to use King's church membership as a defense, the prosecuting attorney was permitted to use it to arouse prejudice against the defendant. **Deliberately confounding Adventism and Mormonism, Bond declared that "all those fellows" should be hanged. "Not satisfied with working on Sunday, and keeping half a dozen women," he raged, "they come down here and want to save us, and have us keep half a dozen women."** - [WEGW 114.2](#)

Although all the witnesses had conceded that the only way King's work had disturbed them was by offending their religious feelings, the jury found him guilty and fined him \$75 and costs—a staggering amount for a man in his financial position. - [WEGW 114.3](#)



Sabbath keeper Jailed for working on Sunday

Before the implementation of his sentence, King was once again arrested—this time for hoeing in a potato patch. Meanwhile, his wheat-cutting neighbours were unmolested. Refusing to pay both fines, King was jailed for 23 days before being released on a writ of habeas corpus. - [WEGW 114.4](#)

From prison he wrote, “It seems strange to me that I have to lie in jail for working on Sunday, when I can look out from here on Sunday and see people at work close enough to [holler] at, and nothing [is] said about it. Last Sunday they hauled wood here to a brick kiln, four or five men working all day. **But of course, they were not Adventists.”** - [WEGW 114.5](#)

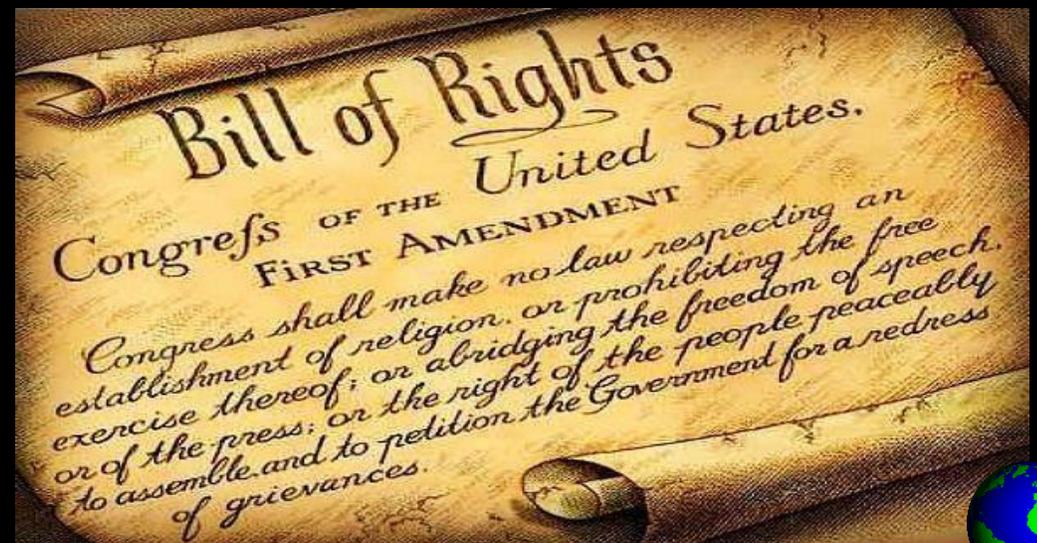
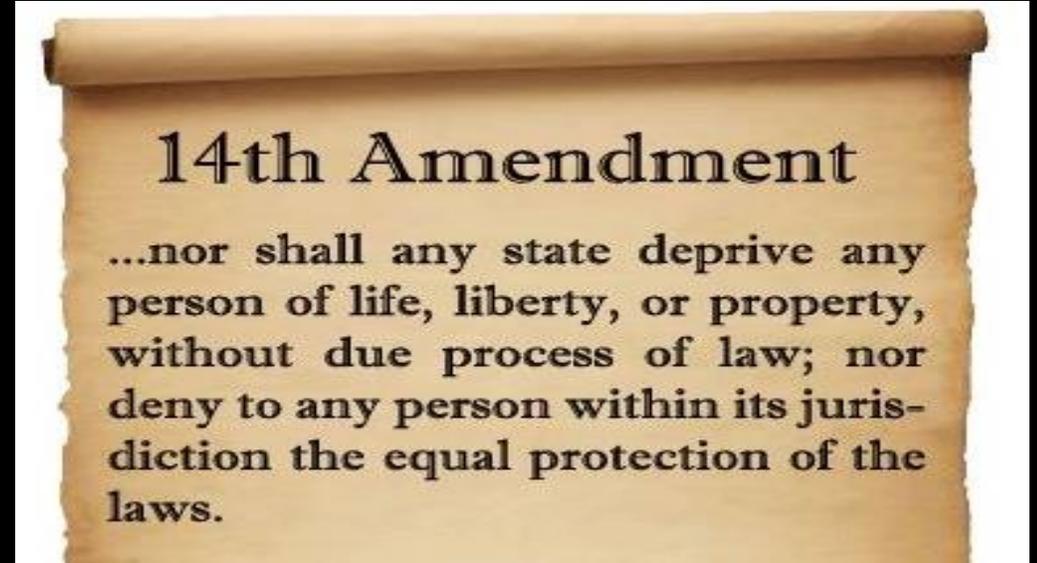
Having unsuccessfully appealed to the state supreme court, King took his case to a federal court. He was defended by former postmaster general Don M. Dickinson, who argued that King had been deprived of property without due process of law (because no Tennessee law made Sunday ploughing a public nuisance) and equal protection of the laws (by being discriminated against because of his religious beliefs). - [WEGW 114.6](#)



Found favour with honest, sincere men

U. S. district judge E. S. Hammond was inclined to believe that King had been wrongfully convicted under a non-existent law, but he said the federal courts were powerless to interfere. Denying Dickinson's contention that the Fourteenth Amendment of the U. S. Constitution limited the states in the same way as the First Amendment limited the federal government, he asserted that the Founding Fathers had left to the states the right, "if they chose, to establish a creed and a church." - WEGW 114.7

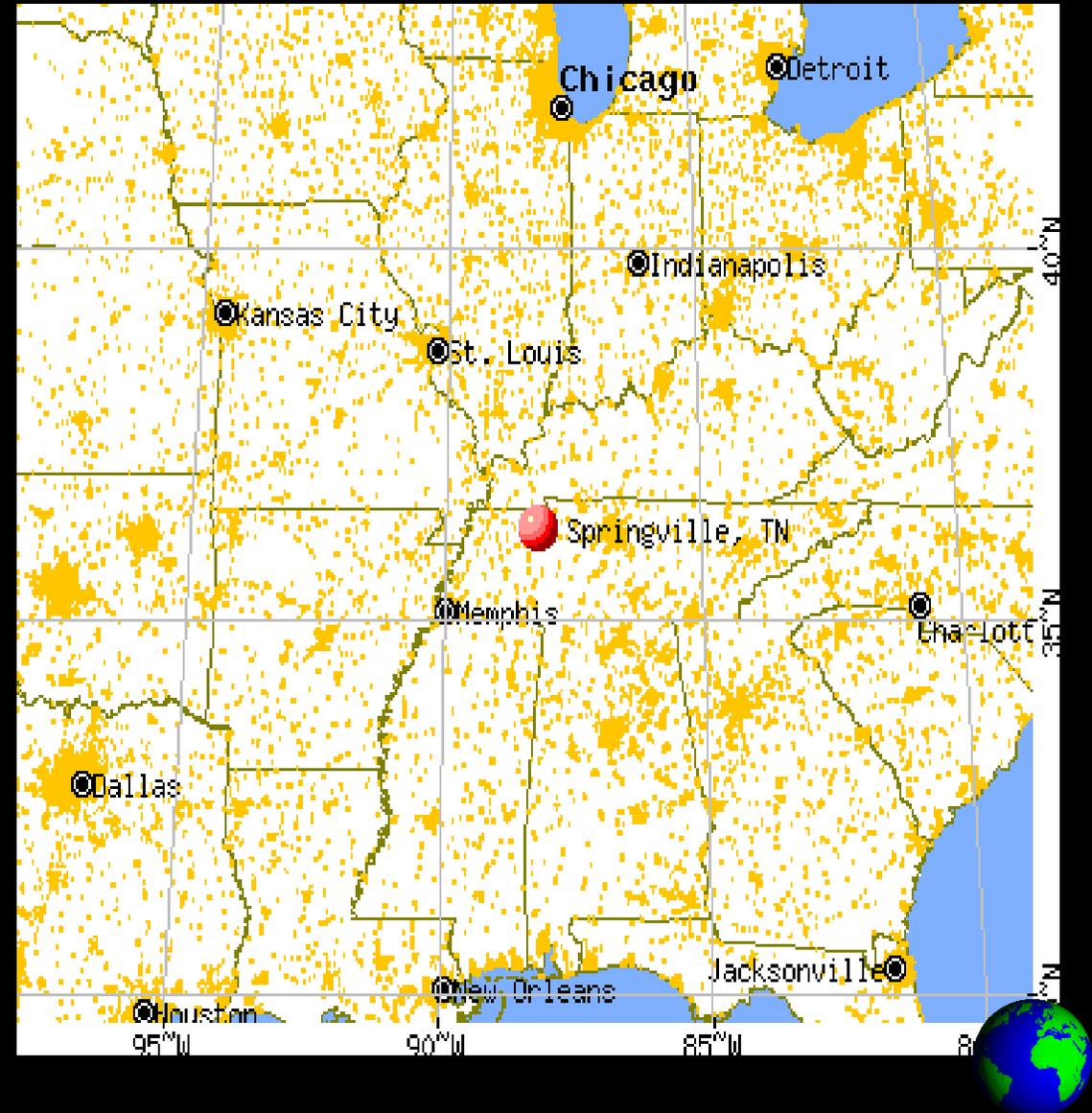
King was not the first Adventist to be jailed for Sunday labour, nor was he the last. Between 1885 and 1896, more than 100 Seventh-day Adventists in the United States were prosecuted for working on Sunday. They paid \$2,269.69 in fines and court costs, spent 1,438 days in jail, and served on chain gangs 455 days. A large share of these prosecutions took place in the Southern and border states—especially Tennessee and Arkansas. - WEGW 115.1



Protestants persecuting Sabbath Keepers

Seventh-day Adventists living in the vicinity of Springville, Tennessee, were being arrested for Sunday law violations at least as early as 1879 and as late as 1892. The 1879 arrests, instigated by D. T. Clement, a Methodist minister, had not led to convictions, as the justice considered enforcing Sunday legislation upon Saturday keepers to be unconstitutional.

However, W. H. Parker, another Springville SDA, was less fortunate six years later. **Charged in 1885 with “maintaining a nuisance by working on Sunday,”** Parker was fined \$20 and costs, although the maximum legal fine in Tennessee for Sunday law violations was \$3. The higher fine was a result of the charge of “nuisance,” despite the lack of evidence that he had disturbed anyone. - [WEGW 115.2](#)



Jailed even when No offence to anyone

When the case was appealed, the Tennessee Supreme Court upheld the conviction, declaring that a succession of offenses against the Sunday law became an indictable nuisance even without evidence “that any person was disturbed thereby.” “It is sufficient that the acts have been open to the observation of the public,” the court said. “**Their tendency is to corrupt public morals.**” - WEGW 115.3

Parker refused to pay the fine and costs, which by then amounted to \$69.81. He believed that paying the money would, in effect, be acknowledging the justice of the conviction. He chose instead to spend 280 days in jail. This decision cost him his life, because he died from malaria contracted in the filthy prison. - WEGW 115.4



Family members asked to report of each other

When the sheriff told the judge he thought the men were sincere, the judge replied, **“Let them educate their consciences by the laws of Tennessee.”** - WEGW 116.5

Someone in authority decided that jail was not good enough for these men. In what must have been, in that time and place, a calculated insult, three of the men were assigned to a chain gang with three Blacks who had been convicted of shooting, drunkenness, and fighting. **Instructed to require the Adventists to work on Saturday, the sheriff refused.** - WEGW 116.6

The attorney general vowed that at the next court term he would have every man in the local Adventist church indicted. The prisoners had hardly returned to their homes before church members, their children, and their neighbours were summoned before the grand jury to tell about what Sunday work they had observed their fathers, mothers, sisters, and neighbours performing in their houses and fields on Sundays. **As a result, 14 members of the little SDA congregation were indicted for nuisance.** - WEGW 116.7



Jesus foretold of this - Matthew 10:21-22

The authorities planned to conduct the trial in much the same manner as the grand jury hearings. A father was called to testify against his sons. **Boys—one of them only 10 years old**—were summoned to testify against their fathers, and brothers were subpoenaed to testify against each other. - [WEGW 117.1](#)

Baltimore University law professor James T. Ringgold volunteered to defend the Adventists, with the assistance of W. L. Carter, a local lawyer who had previously been a justice of the peace. The defense invited a former governor and a former senator to attend the trial. **The presence of these distinguished visitors apparently moderated the conduct of the attorney general and the judge.**

Handicapped by the necessity of behaving in an acceptable manner before a judge who was trying to maintain the appearance of conducting a fair trial, the prosecuting attorney finally declared, "The state confesses a verdict of not guilty." - [WEGW 117.2](#)

Brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to death, and you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved.

Matthew 10:21-22



Jailed for not attending on Saturday

A Maryland Adventist was jailed and fined for refusing to testify in court on Saturday. The judge said that according to Maryland law only Sunday should be observed as the Sabbath. A Methodist pastor who had lost several members to the SDA Church saw John Judefind, another Maryland Adventist, husking corn 250 yards from the road. The pastor swore out a warrant for Judefind's arrest. Although the fact that it was issued on Sunday should have invalidated the warrant, Judefind was convicted, and the state's supreme court upheld the conviction. - [WEGW 119.2](#)

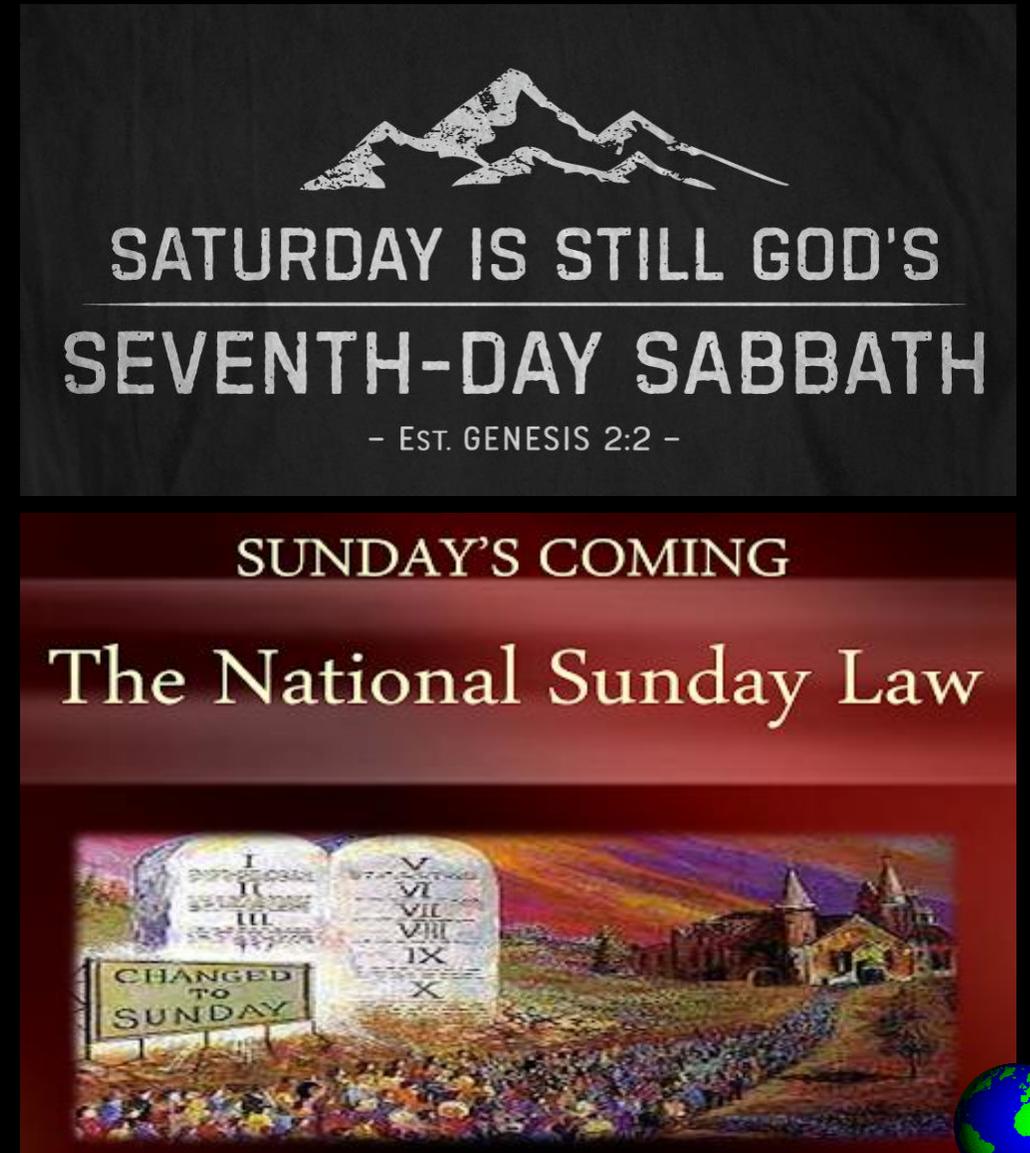
Seventh-day Adventists and Seventh Day Baptists living in Pennsylvania, Texas, California, and Rhode Island were hauled into court for Sunday law violations. Large numbers of Jews were also arrested for "Sabbath breaking" in several states—especially New York. - [WEGW 119.3](#)



Saturday keepers arrests no co-incidence

Was it simply coincidental that this wave of Saturday keepers' arrests occurred simultaneously with an intensive campaign for the enactment of additional Sunday laws and the stricter enforcement of the Sunday legislation already on the books? **Many opponents of Sunday legislation believed that it was no coincidence. As they perceived it, the Sunday law movement was conceived in bigotry and espoused principles that would inevitably result in the suppression of religious minorities.** - [WEGW 119.4](#)

On the other hand, supporters of the Sunday law movement frequently described it as a humanitarian enterprise undertaken on behalf of the overworked labourer. **What was the truth? What were the real motives and tendencies of the Sunday law movement? How did the organizations that led in this movement come about?** - [WEGW 119.5](#)



Sunday Law proposal in US Senate in 1888

Alonzo Trévier Jones (1850 – May 12, 1923) was a [Seventh-day Adventist](#) known for his impact on the [theology of the church](#), along with friend and associate [Ellet J. Waggoner](#). He was a key participant in the [1888 Minneapolis General Conference Session](#) regarded as a landmark event in the [history](#) of the [Seventh-day Adventist Church](#).

Nationwide Sunday Law was proposed by Senator **Blair** - May 21, 1888 ... "give our case away."

Please read **A. T. Jones** statements to the US Senate on Dec. 13, 1888.

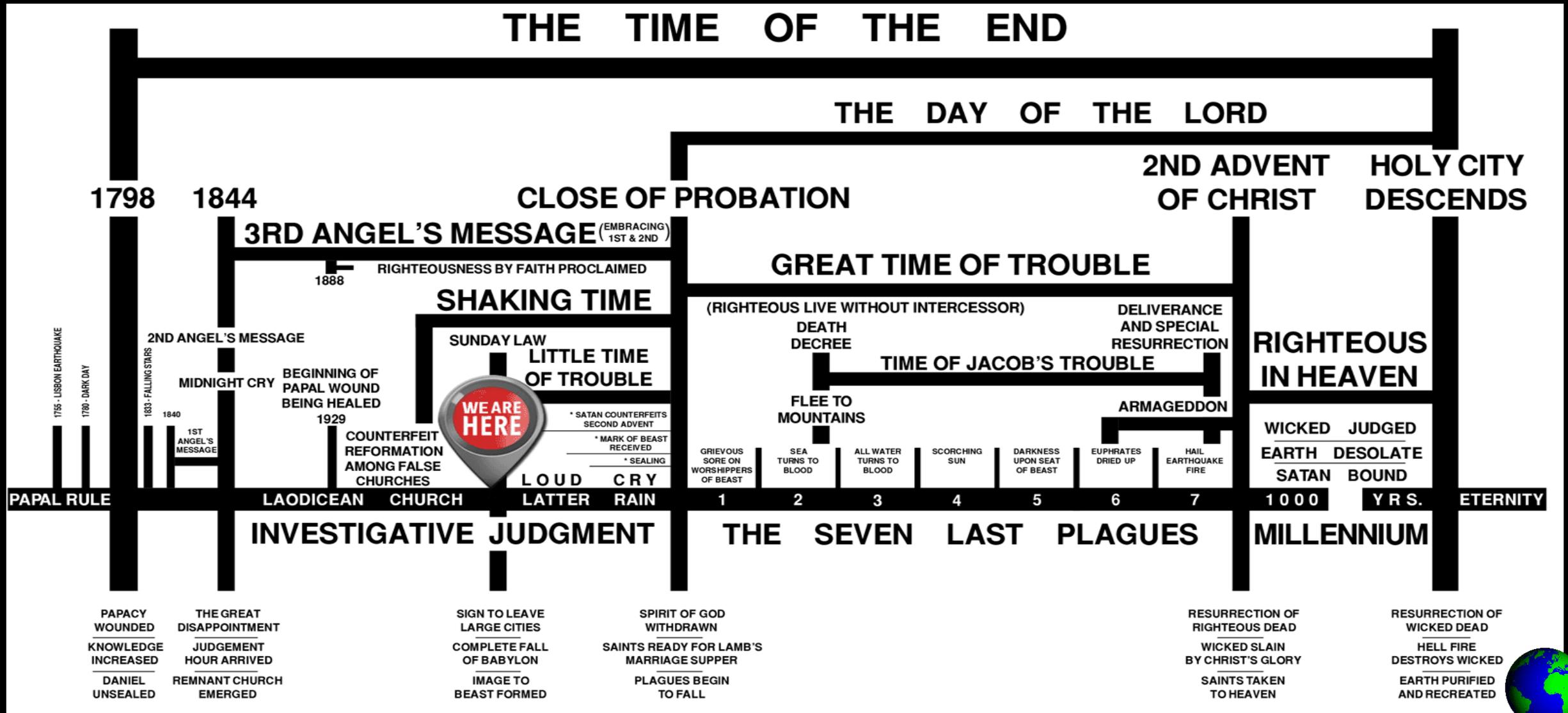
- **The Sunday Law was not passed.**

Religious Liberty Champion Alonzo T. Jones vs. 1888 "Blair Bill" (Sunday Law)



So where are we today and how will it effect us?

Chronology of Last Day Events



<https://climateclock.world/>

The Lifeline and Deadline on the Climate Clock tell us what we need to do, by when. There is still time to avert climate disaster, but only if we take bold, immediate action at the speed and scale necessary – beyond what politicians have deemed politically possible. **The Climate Emergency is here.** The next ~7 years is humanity's best window to enact bold, transformational changes in our global economy to avoid raising global temperature above 1.5°C, a point of no return that science tells us will make the worst climate impacts likely inevitable. The DEADLINE on the clock alerts us to the critical time window we have left to take the most meaningful action to combat it. The new LIFELINE on the clock shows the percent of global energy coming from renewable sources – **wind, water, solar, and bioenergy.** The Renewable Energy Lifeline is currently at 12.2% and rising. However, it is not rising nearly fast enough to meet our deadline.

2020



The Climate Clock Explained

Here's the big secret:

The real power of this project is not in the clocks. It is in what we do together.



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Monday 25 January: Special Addresses, Leadership Panels and Impact Sessions on **Designing cohesive, sustainable and resilient economic systems.**

Tuesday 26 January: Special Addresses, Leadership Panels and Impact Sessions **on Driving responsible industry transformation and growth.**

Wednesday 27 January: Special Addresses, Leadership Panels and Impact Sessions **on Enhancing stewardship of our global commons.**

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President of South Africa



Christine Lagarde
President, European Central Bank



António Guterres
Secretary-General, United Nations



Kristalina Georgieva
Managing Director, International Monetary Fund



Narendra Modi
Prime Minister of India

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The stars are aligned around five actions that together will deliver food security, sustainable jobs, climate resilience, justice and **hope**.

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Together they can trigger a transformational reversal of fortunes – from inequitable, destructive exploitation to a healthy, just, thriving ocean that leaves no one behind.

Momentum behind the 30x30 goal is growing fast, including from the new Biden Administration and dozens of countries signed up to the Global Ocean Alliance. The science behind it is stronger than ever.

- Virtual Ocean Dialogues: 25—26 May 2021 Geneva, Switzerland

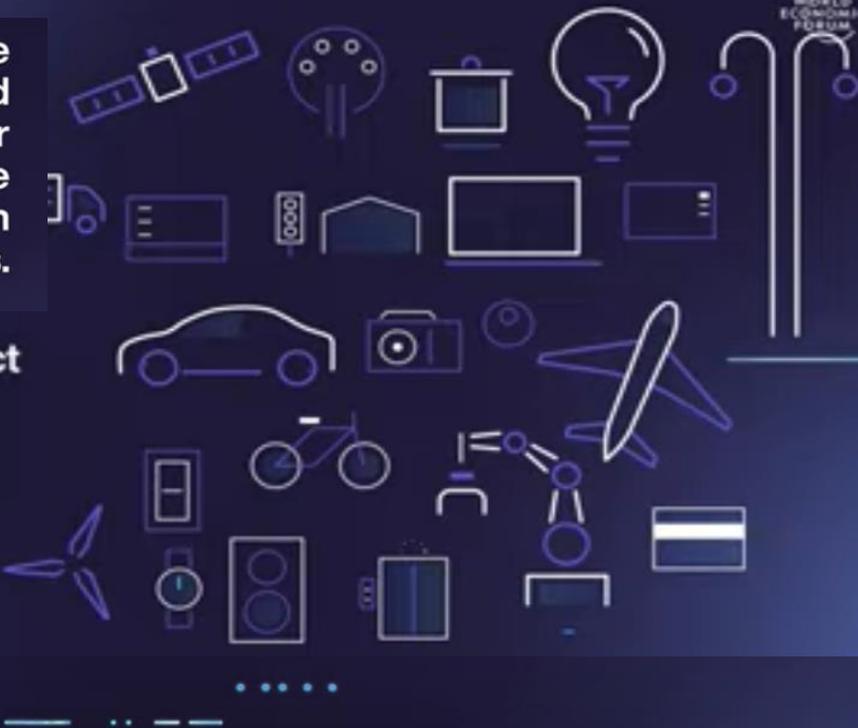


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A cyber-attack with COVID-like characteristics?

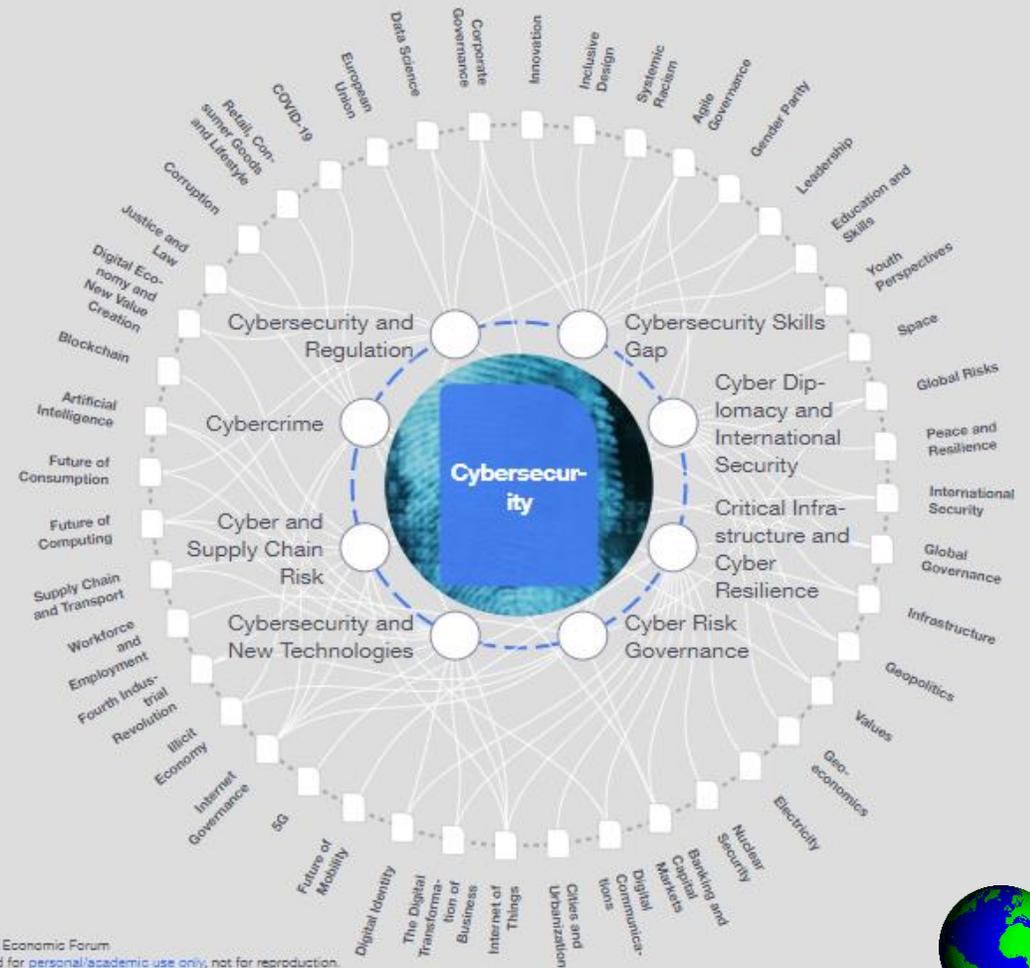
Its reproductive rate would be around 10 times greater than what we've experienced with the coronavirus.

is to fully disconnect the millions of vulnerable devices from one another



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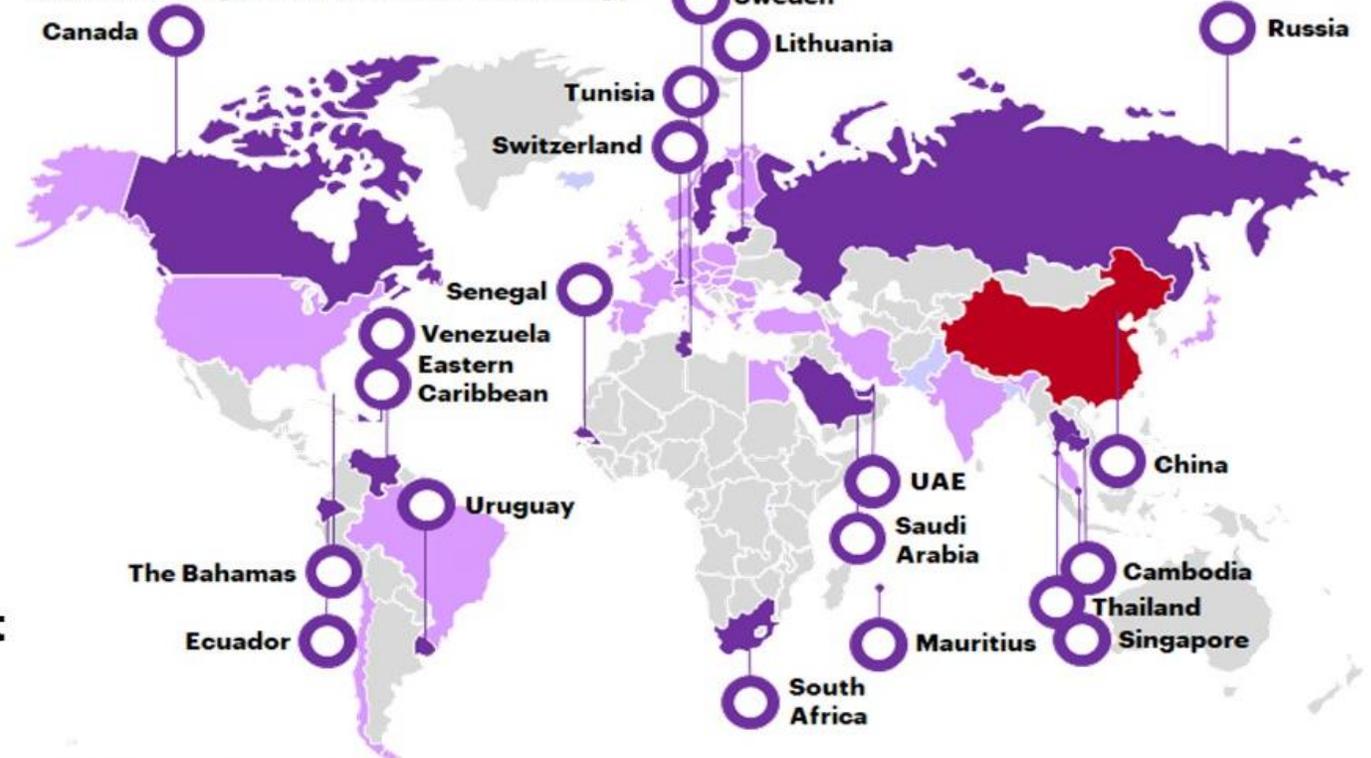
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“There is
Growing focus
on **CBDCs.**”

CBDCs can complement currency in circulation, enable diversified payment formats, and allow for the exchange of tokens in central bank money.

According to the World Economic Forum more than 40 central banks worldwide are experimenting with blockchain technology



PAVING THE PATH TO PRODUCTION

Interest

Research

Experimentation

Implementation



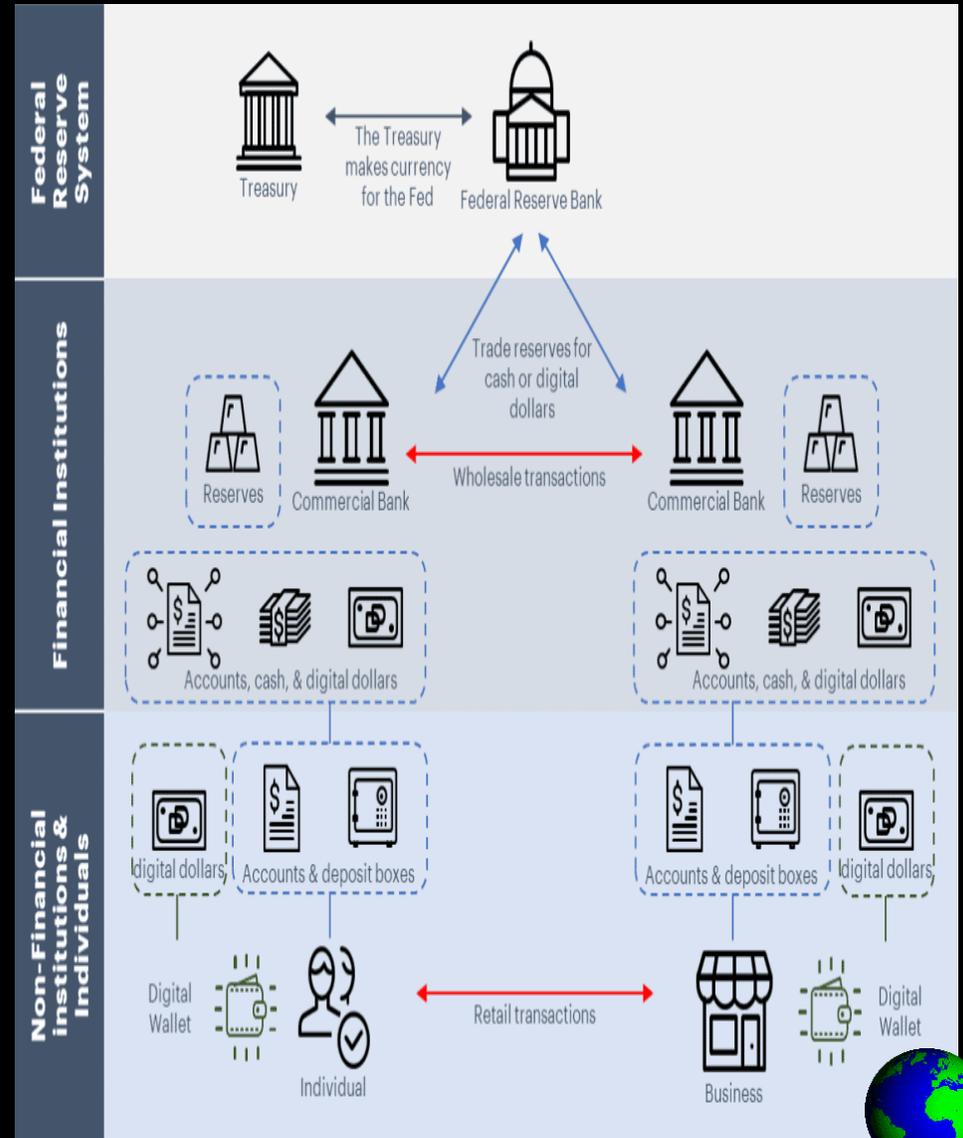
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Digital Dollar Project:

WASHINGTON, D.C.; May 3, 2021 – LEADING THE DISCUSSION ON A U.S. CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY

The Digital Dollar Project is a partnership between Accenture (NYSE: ACN) and the Digital Dollar Foundation to advance exploration of a United States Central Bank Digital Currency (CBDC). The purpose of the Project is to encourage research and public discussion on the potential advantages of a digital dollar, convene private sector thought leaders and actors, and propose possible models to support the public sector. The Project will moderate programs with interested stakeholders to measure the value of and establish practical steps that can be taken to establish a digital dollar.

The Digital Dollar Project (DDP) will launch at least five pilot programs over the next 12 months with interested stakeholders and DDP participants to measure the value of and inform the future design of a U.S. central bank digital currency (CBDC), or “digital dollar.”



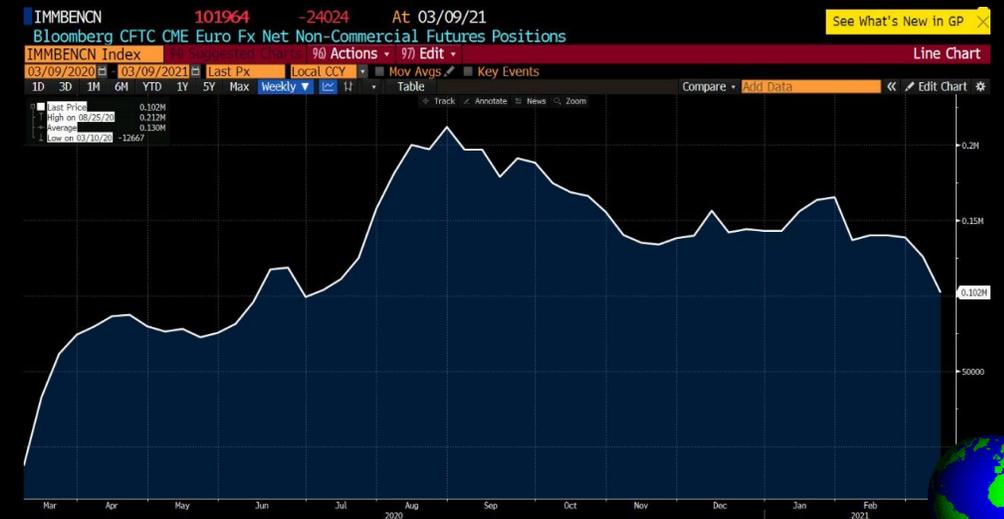
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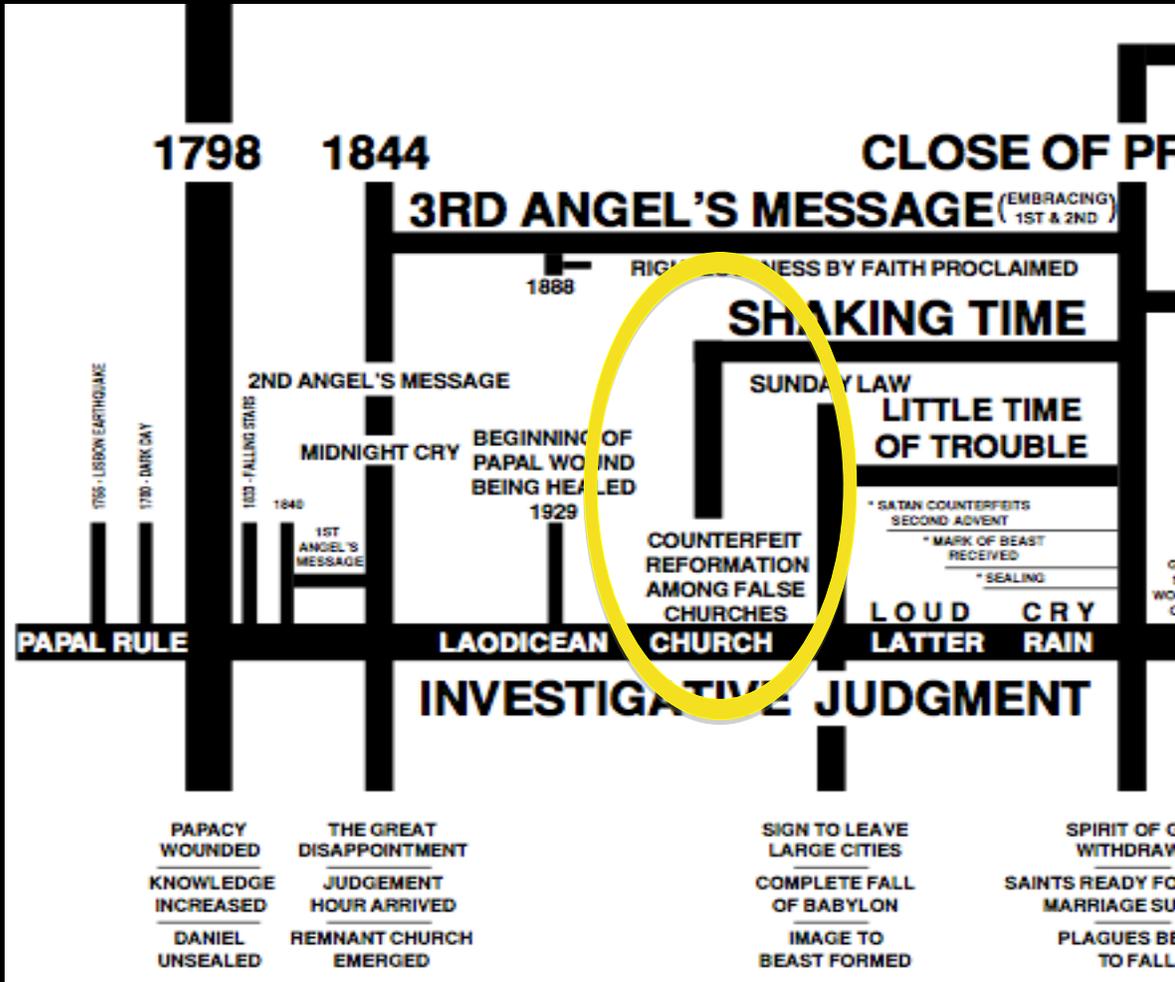
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The Commission pursues that mission through rulemaking. The Commission may promulgate, amend, or repeal rules based on statutory directives, discretionary objectives, or petitions for rulemaking submitted by the public. The Commission's authority to issue rules derives part from the Commodity Exchange Act and the Dodd-Frank Act.

Under the authority of the Commodity Exchange Act (CEA), the CFTC writes rules and supervises market activity and market participants— including exchanges, clearing organizations, large traders, and the companies and individuals who handle customer funds or offer trading advice.



**Now: The time we are living in today –
WE ARE HERE in Bible Prophecy!**



Shaking Time or Shifting:

- Wheat & Tares identified
- Proclaim the 3rd Angel's message
- Counterfeit reformation
- Preach the gospel to every nation
- Replicate God's character in our life
- Study God's word to prepare for the final crisis
- Moving out of cities/Country living as led by God.



Country Living - Introduction

When to move to the countryside as led by God, if we ask Him for His leading?

When God created Adam and Eve, He placed them in the Garden of Eden and blessed them with the words “Be fruitful and multiply; fill the earth and subdue it” (Genesis 1:28). That garden was “a representation of what God desired the whole earth to become.”

After the Fall, the population of the earth grew significantly, and cities began to flourish. Under God’s guidance, Joshua distributed the settlements of Canaan among the Israelite tribes (Joshua 13–21). Jerusalem eventually became the religious centre of Israel and the city in which the Lord placed His own name (2 Samuel 7:13; 2 Kings 21:4).

What about the cities of our end-time world?

How should we relate to them?

Searching the Bible and the writings of Ellen White, one notices an intriguing tension between *living* in the cities and *leaving* the cities.

Let’s reflect briefly on this tension.



LIVING IN CITIES

The Bible mentions faithful people who lived in cities. Joseph, for example, was prime minister in the court of Pharaoh, and must have lived in the capital city (Genesis 41:44; 44:4). Daniel and his associates served in the court of Babylon (Daniel 2:49; 6:1-3). As an itinerant missionary, Paul went from city to city (Acts 20:18-24), and finally dwelt two whole years in his own rented house in Rome (Acts 28:16, 30).

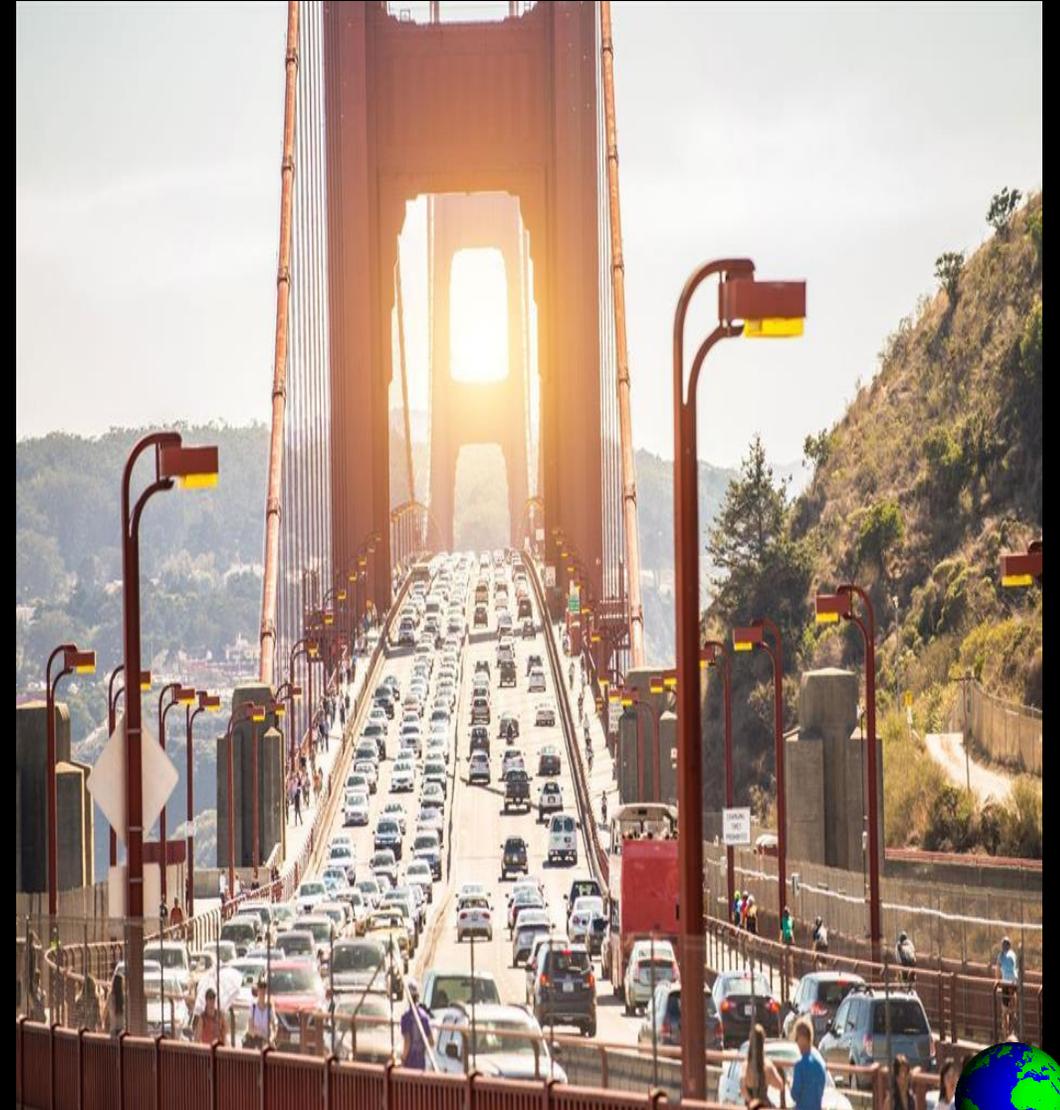
Jesus told His disciples that Jerusalem would be destroyed, and they would eventually have to flee (Luke 21:20, 21). They didn't leave the city for the sake of their own spirituality. Rather, they remained there and preached the gospel so convincingly that even the high priest recognized, "You have filled Jerusalem with your doctrine!" (Acts 5:28). Only severe persecution expelled many of them from the city, leaving them to preach the gospel elsewhere (Acts 8:1, 4).



LEAVING THE CITIES

The Bible also mentions families who moved from cities into more remote areas. Abraham and his family, for example, went from Ur of the Chaldeans to the land of Canaan (Genesis 11:31; 12:1-4). Lot and his two daughters left Sodom and dwelt in the mountains near Zoar (Genesis 19:15-17, 30). Following Christ's warning (Luke 21:20, 21), **Christians living in Jerusalem left the city when a Roman siege was providentially interrupted. None of them perished as a result.**

Over the years, Ellen White encouraged church members to move from cities to rural areas: In 1906, she stated, "More and more, as time advances, our people will have to leave the cities. For years we have been instructed that our brethren and sisters, and especially families with children, should plan to leave the cities as the way opens before them to do so."



The time will come when such a move is imperative

“As the siege of Jerusalem by the Roman armies was the signal for flight to the Judean Christians.”

A well-planned move from the city into a rural area can bring us closer to God’s original plan for humanity. But it should never weaken our missionary endeavours and lead us to a self-centred form of religion. Our mission to the cities is not finished, and we cannot become modern Jonahs (Jonah 1:1-3).

Indeed, we should be driven by Paul’s unconditional commitment: “But none of these things [chains and tribulations] move me; nor do I count my life dear to myself, so that I may finish my race with joy, and the ministry which I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God” (Acts 20:24).



Leaving the Cities! Is It Biblical?

Who was the first to talk about the cities after the flood?

- **1st mention is Nimrod built the cities.**

Genesis 10:8-12 -

And Cush begat Nimrod: he began to be a mighty one in the earth. He was a mighty hunter before the LORD: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the LORD. And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar. Out of that land went forth Asshur, and builded Nineveh, and the city Rehoboth, and Calah, And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same is a great city.



Old Testament Context

- **Leviticus 25:31** - *But the houses of the villages which have no wall round about them shall be counted as the fields of the country: they may be redeemed, and they shall go out in the jubilee.*
- **Jeremiah 19:15** - *Thus saith the LORD of hosts, the God of Israel; Behold, I will bring upon this city and upon all her towns all the evil that I have pronounced against it, because they have hardened their necks, that they might not hear my words.*



Satan's target is to destroy the cities

- **Isaiah 14:16-17** –

16 *They that see thee shall narrowly look upon thee, and consider thee, saying, Is this the man that made the earth to tremble, that did shake kingdoms;*

17 *That made the world as a wilderness, and destroyed the cities thereof; that opened not the house of his prisoners?*



God will allow Destroy thousands of cities

God is withdrawing His Spirit from the wicked cities, which have become as the cities of the antediluvian world and as Sodom and Gomorrah.... Costly mansions, marvels of architectural skill, will be destroyed without a moment's notice when the Lord sees that the owners have passed the boundaries of forgiveness. The destruction by fire of the stately buildings, supposed to be fireproof, is an illustration of how in a short time earth's architecture will lie in ruins. - LDE 112.1

Men will continue to erect expensive buildings, costing millions of money. Special attention will be called to their architectural beauty and the firmness and solidity with which they are constructed, but the Lord has instructed me that despite the unusual firmness and expensive display, these buildings will share the fate of the temple in Jerusalem. - LDE 112.2

O that God's people had a sense of the impending destruction of thousands of cities, now almost given to idolatry. - LDE 111.4

The time is near when large cities will be swept away, and all should be warned of these coming judgments. - LDE 111.5



Jesus admonition to the Christians

Luke 21:20-21

- **20** *And when ye shall see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know that the desolation thereof is nigh.*
- **21** *Then let them which are in Judaea flee to the mountains; and let them which are in the midst of it depart out; and let not them that are in the countries enter there into.*



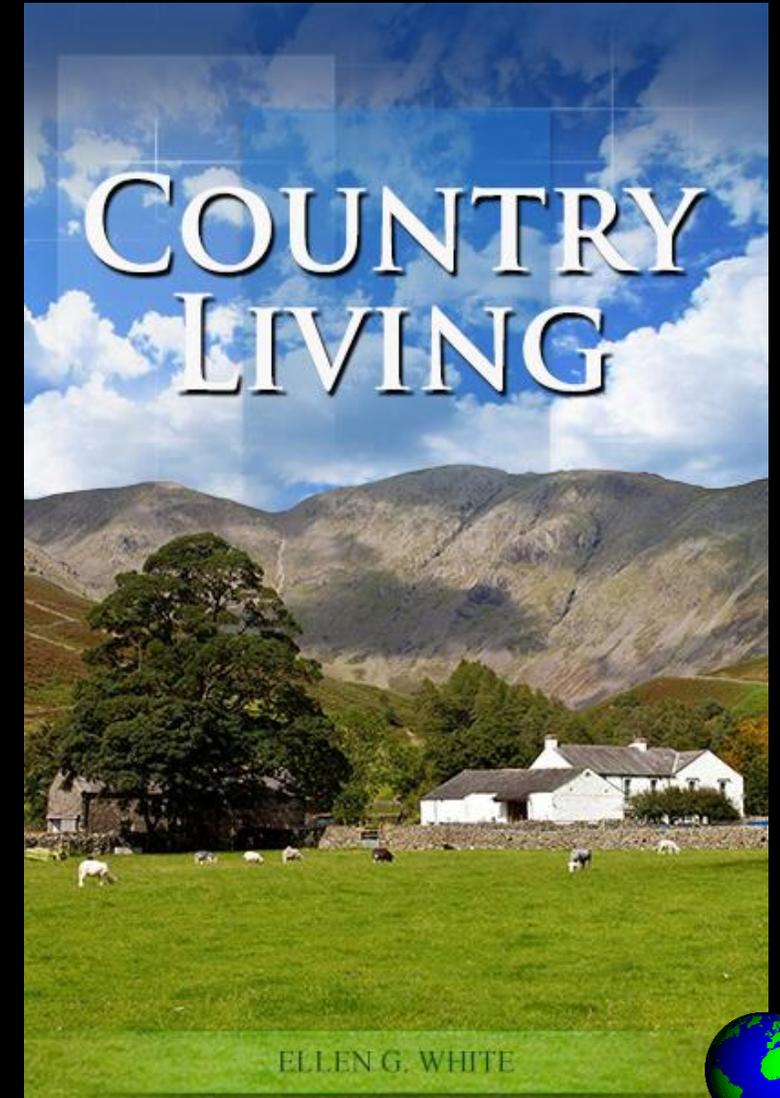
Secular People moving to the countryside

- King Charles II left London 1665 after the plague.
- Knight Frank Estate agents – Plan and escape city life as perilous times after July bombings in London 2005.
- UBS a Swiss Bank – nearly ½ of healthy individuals move out of cities permanently after coronavirus 2020.



The Pen of Inspiration by Ellen G White

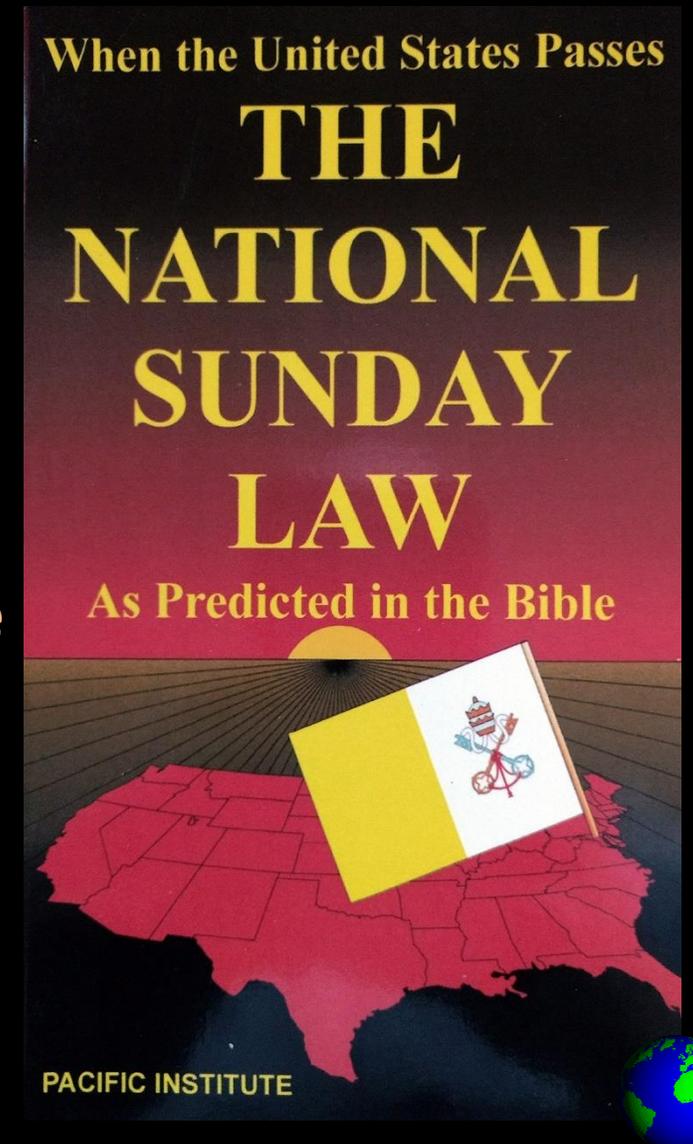
- 2SM 356 (1903) – **Get out of the cities as soon as possible.**
- MR 1518 (May 10, 1906) – **Read Revelation 11th and 18th Chapters.**
- T for Churches 5:232,233 (1882) – **Go as far as possible from cities.**
- Manuscript 85, 1908 – **Do not consider it burden to leave.**
- Maranatha p180 – **The Sunday party is strengthening itself.**
- 2SM 355, 356 (1908) – **By beholding nature will be changed into the image of God.**
- MH 191, 192 (1905) – **It is not God's will for His people to live in the cities.**
- 5T 464-465 – **Time is not far distant when we need to flee to the mountains.**
- CPTS 173,174 (1913) – **Few people get together and support each other.**
- **Please read the book on “Country Living” by EGW.**



Are You Ready and Prepared For What's Coming?

We are living in a very critical time in earth's history. The pope in September 2015 is appealing the Sunday Law before congress. E G White says in Testimonies for the Church, vol. 9, p. 11, "Great changes are soon to take place in our world, and the final movements will be rapid ones." Jesus is very soon to come! Are we seriously thinking and planning for the days ahead of us when the Sunday Law will finally be passed? In these last days God is developing a people who will stand through the crisis ahead and will follow Him wherever He leads the way. Read Revelation 14:1-5 about the 144,000. I think of some of the encouraging songs we need to be memorizing, as well as encouraging Bible promises to cheer us on our way during the Sunday Law crisis, when we could be without our song books and Bibles. Songs like:

"A Shelter in the Time of Storm" and "I will Follow Thee, My Saviour" and "He Leadeth Me," and "O Let Me Walk with Thee My God," and "All the Way My Saviour Leads Me," and "A Mighty Fortress is our God", etc...

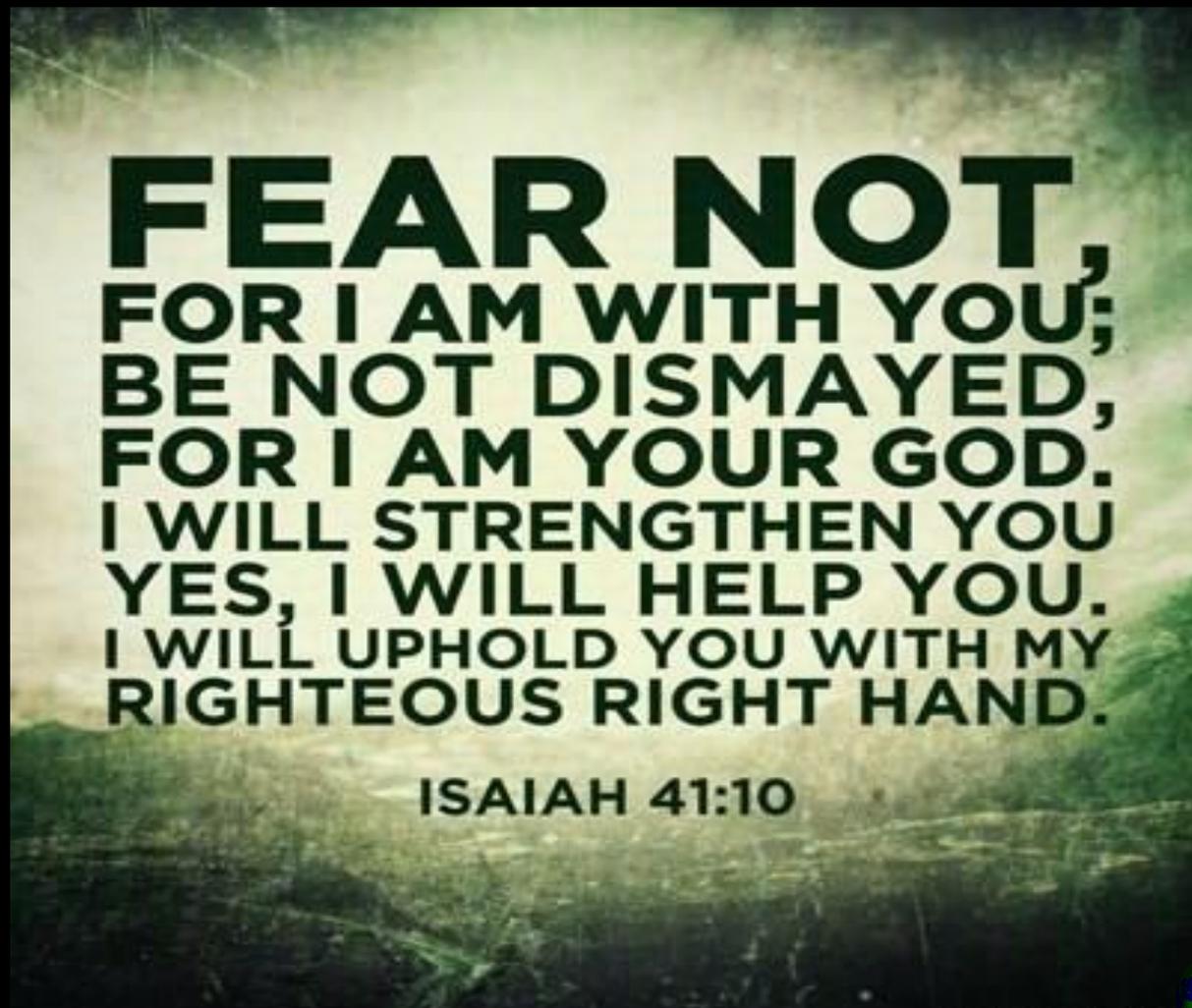


God will be with you and take care of you

We just need to have faith in God and His promises to see us through the days ahead of us when the Sunday Law is passed and the time comes when we can't buy or sell.

Learn promises like:

Psalms 91; Psalms 46; 1 Peter 5:7; Matthew 6:33; Philippians 4:13, 19; Psalms 27; Isaiah 41:10; Isaiah 41 and 43; Isaiah 33:15, 16, 17; Psalms 20:1, 6, 7; Psalms 121:1–8; Matthew 11:28–30; Isaiah 40:21–31; Psalms 32:8; Joshua 1:9.



Things to Consider - 1. Get Out of Debt

Deny Yourself - Take care of the pennies, and the dollars will take care of themselves. - Counsels on Stewardship, p. 256, 257.

Pray and Fast for Wisdom and Knowledge –

- a. James 1:5; Proverbs 3:5, 6; Psalms 37:3–5
- b. Country Living, by E. G. White, pp. 24–28, “Guided by God’s Providences.”
- c. Desire of Ages, pp. 121 & 122. “Every earthly support cut off.”
- d. Psalms 32:8 42 Don’t Be Trapped in the Cities!! Get Out Now!
- e. Evangelism by E. G. White, pp. 61–65, “Moving Forward by Faith.” “Money will soon depreciate in value very suddenly...”
- f. Testimonies for the Church, vol. 5, p. 152 by E. G. White. Sell your city home, to buy a country home
- g. God gives you power to get wealth. Deuteronomy 8:18
- h. Review and Herald, 3-21-1878, p. 91—“Hoarded wealth will soon be worthless when the decree shall go forth that none shall buy or sell except they have the mark of beast, very much means will be of no avail.”
- i. Can you afford a place and pay it off quickly?
- j. Is this place out of the city limits?



What to Look For In a Place

A. Is it a garden site:

1. Good soil? To improve soil sow cover crop of clover, rye, vetch, peas, soybeans, other beans.
2. Cleared for full sunshine—at least 6–8 hours of open sun.
3. Is the site too high or too dry?
4. Is it too low or too wet?
5. Are there berries and fruit trees already growing on the site?
6. Is there a southern slope to your garden?
7. Have a compost pile and fertilizer, like grass clippings, leaves, and garbage.



What to Look For In a Place

B. Climate

- a. Is the place too hot or too cold?
- b. Will it be a tolerable place when you can't buy or sell utilities to it?

C. Water

- a. Is there sweet well water, not too deep?
- b. Is there a surface stream or spring or pond or creek?
- c. Do you have water rights?
- d. Hand well pump and a rain barrel
- e. Need a lot of water for drinking, bathing, dishes, washing clothes, gardening, cooking, and cleaning jobs.



What to Look For In a Place

D. House

- a. Privacy
- b. Livable with minimal repairs
- c. Is the soil the kind you can have a septic?
- d. By a few S.D.A. friends?
- e. A few non-hostile neighbours in area?
 - Check out what's in the area.
 - What are neighbours like? Druggies? Drunks? Friendly?
- f. Check out easements
 - Are there public roads or driveways crossing your property; will you have to maintain the road to your place?
 - Are there large power lines or pipe lines?
- g. Have several acres away from neighbours. The more the better.



What to Look For In a Place

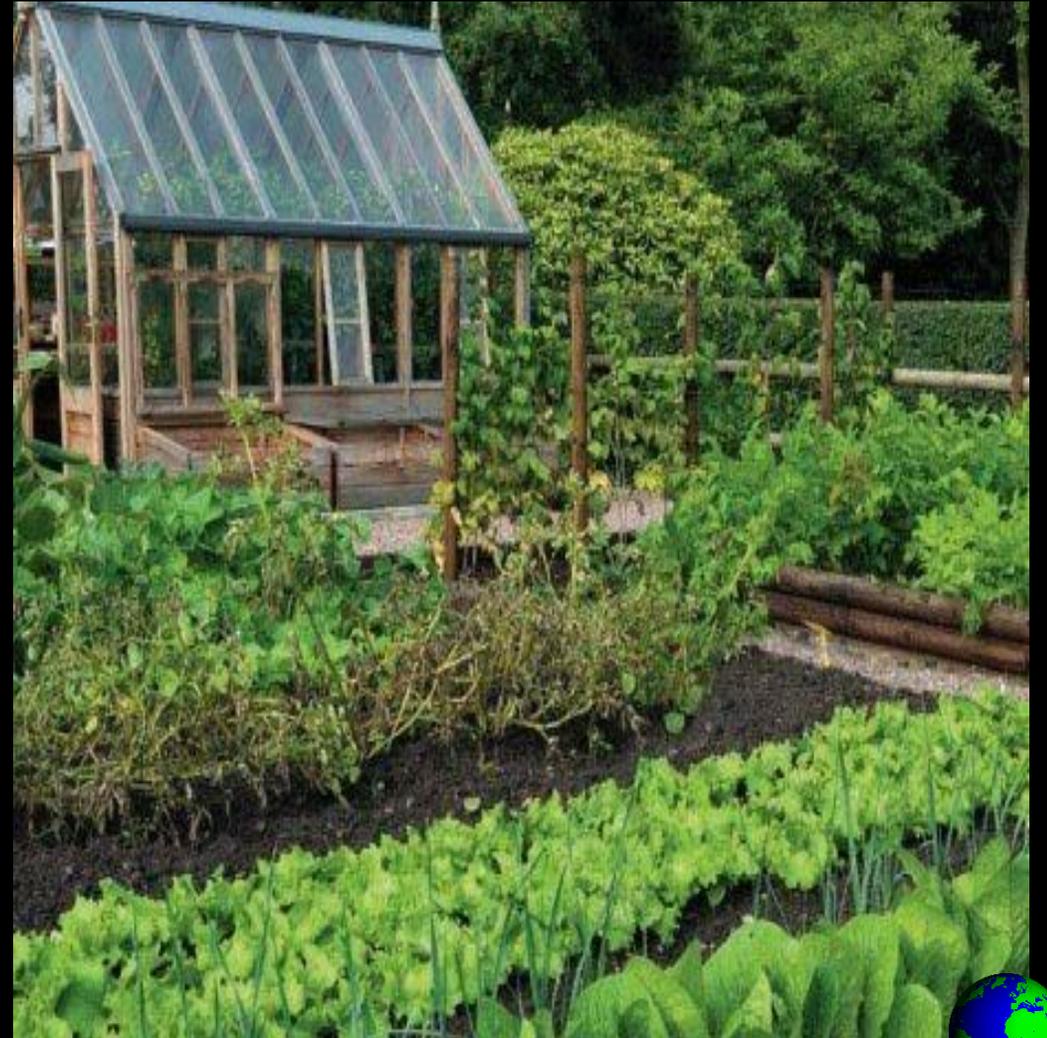
E. Wood

- a. Different uses for wood.
 1. Keeping warm
 2. Cooking with
 3. For shade
 4. **For health:** [Ministry of Healing, p. 264,](#)
 5. Have a good supply of woods to cut (several acres) for firewood



What to Put On Your Property

- A. **Fruit Trees** - A variety of fruits grown in your area
- B. **Berry Bushes** - A variety of berries
- C. **Variety of Things for Your Area** – Peanuts, Grape vines, Asparagus
- D. **Herb Garden** - A variety of what is grown in your area
- E. **Flowers** - A variety of what is grown in your area
- F. **Clothes Line and Clothes Pins** - Scrub board, Wash tubs, Buckets
- G. **Woodshed** - Keep firewood dry
- H. **Outhouse** - At least 25 feet from the house



What to Put On Your Property

- I. **Woodstove** – Poker, Shovel, Bucket for ashes
- J. **Cast Iron Pans** - Skillets and lids, Pans and lids, Cookie sheet
- K. **Root Cellar** - To store garden things, fruit, canning, etc..
- L. **Greenhouse** - To grow things during winter months
- M. **Candles or Kerosene Oil Lamps** – Wicks, Matches, cigarette lighters
- N. **Canning Jars and Extra Lids and Rings for Jars** - Salt (for canning)
- O. **Hand-Powered Mill** - for Grinding Flour or Meal



What to Put On Your Property

P. Seeds - For sprouting like lentils, Alfalfa, red clover, corn, mung

Q. Drying Foods Rack - Like apples, banana, tomatoes, etc...

R. Tools – DIY, gardening, etc...

S. Clothes – for all weathers

T. Books – Bible, Song book, Spirit of Prophecy etc...

U. Things to Have on Hand – Toiletries, dried foods, canned foods, First aid kit, etc...



Not to forget Witnessing

- a. Have books and materials to witness with
- b. Give Bible studies in your area you move to
- c. Have books and literature to pass out in your area
- d. Know medical missionary work, how to help people
- e. Learn to colporteur

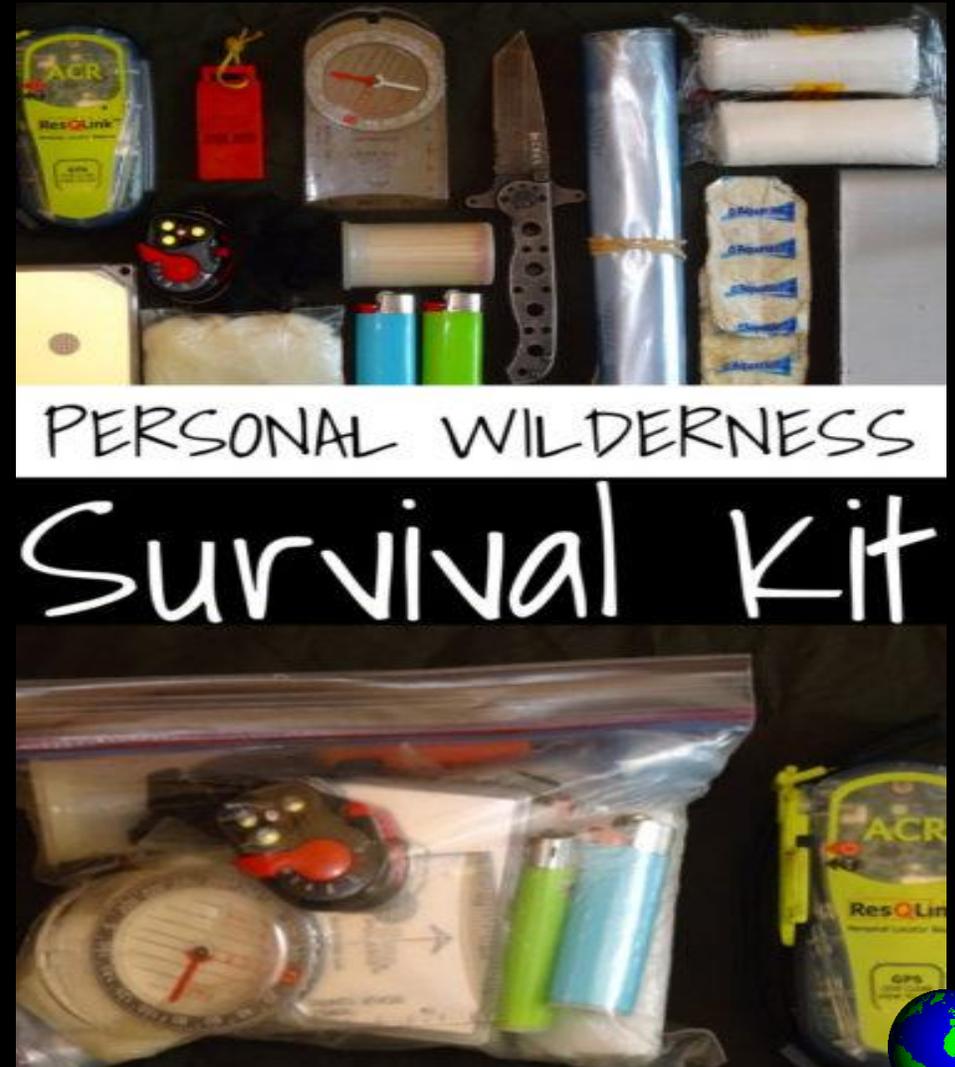


V. Survival Kit –

to flee if needed by the grace of God

a. Compass b. Bandana c. First aid kit d. Rope e. Whistle f. Flashlight g. Concentrated food h. Knife i. Space blanket j. Large trash bag—one for each person k. Water bottle full of water l. Matches and lighter and flint, magnifying glass m. Candle n. Backpack, o. Know how to build a fire p. Know how to build a shelter outside q. Bible (King James Version) r. Mirror s. Soap and towel and wash cloth t. Extra socks to keep feet dry u. Paper and pencil v. Sleeping bag w. Utensils/ice chest x. Toilet paper y. Map and survival book and identification of edible plants book (**Know how to identify things you can eat off the land.**)

- Remember this if you get lost **STOP**: **S-Stay** **T-Think** **O-Observe** **P-Plan**.
- Survival Priorities - **1. Trust God** **2. Pray** **3. Fire** **4. Water** **5. Rest** **6. Food** **7. Shelter**

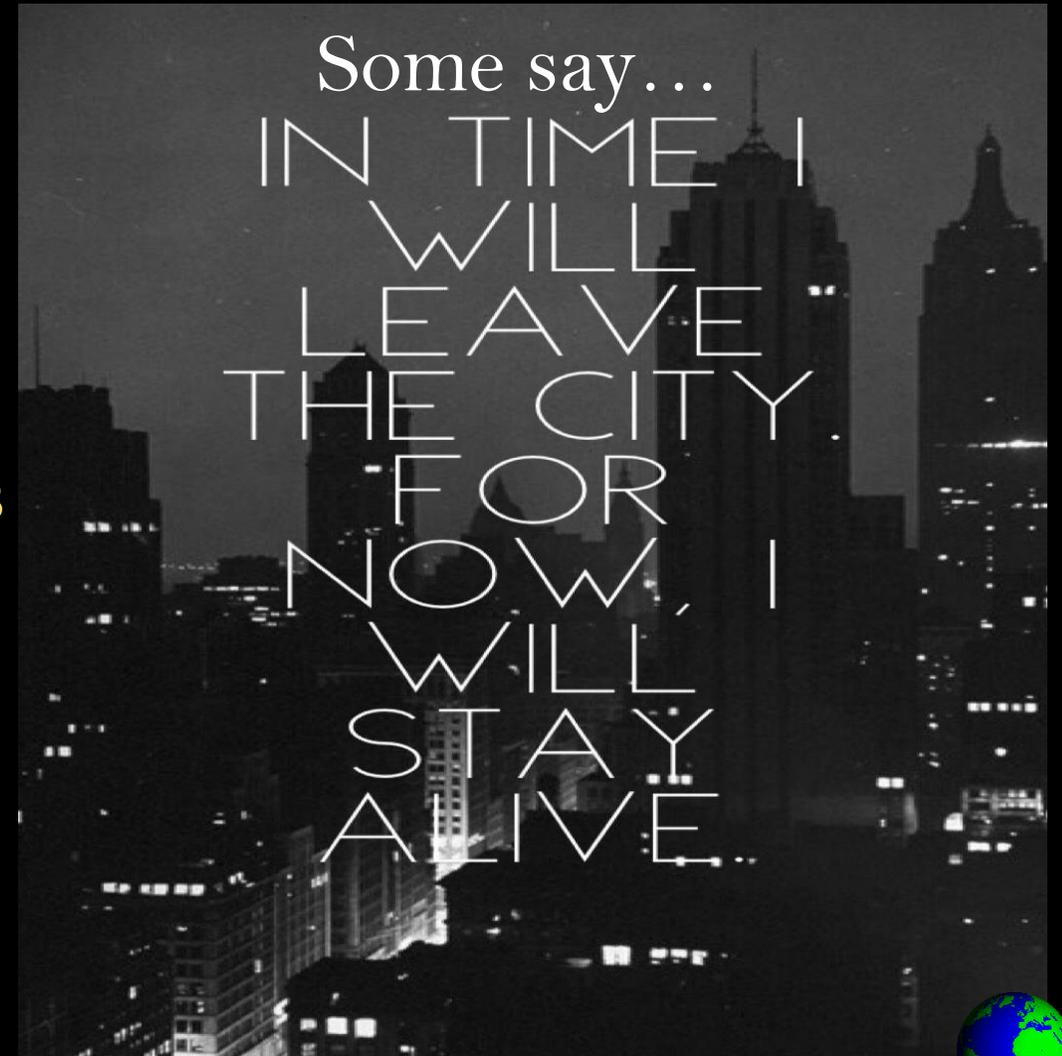


Conclusion - It is not a salvation issue!
No force or not to condemn anyone!

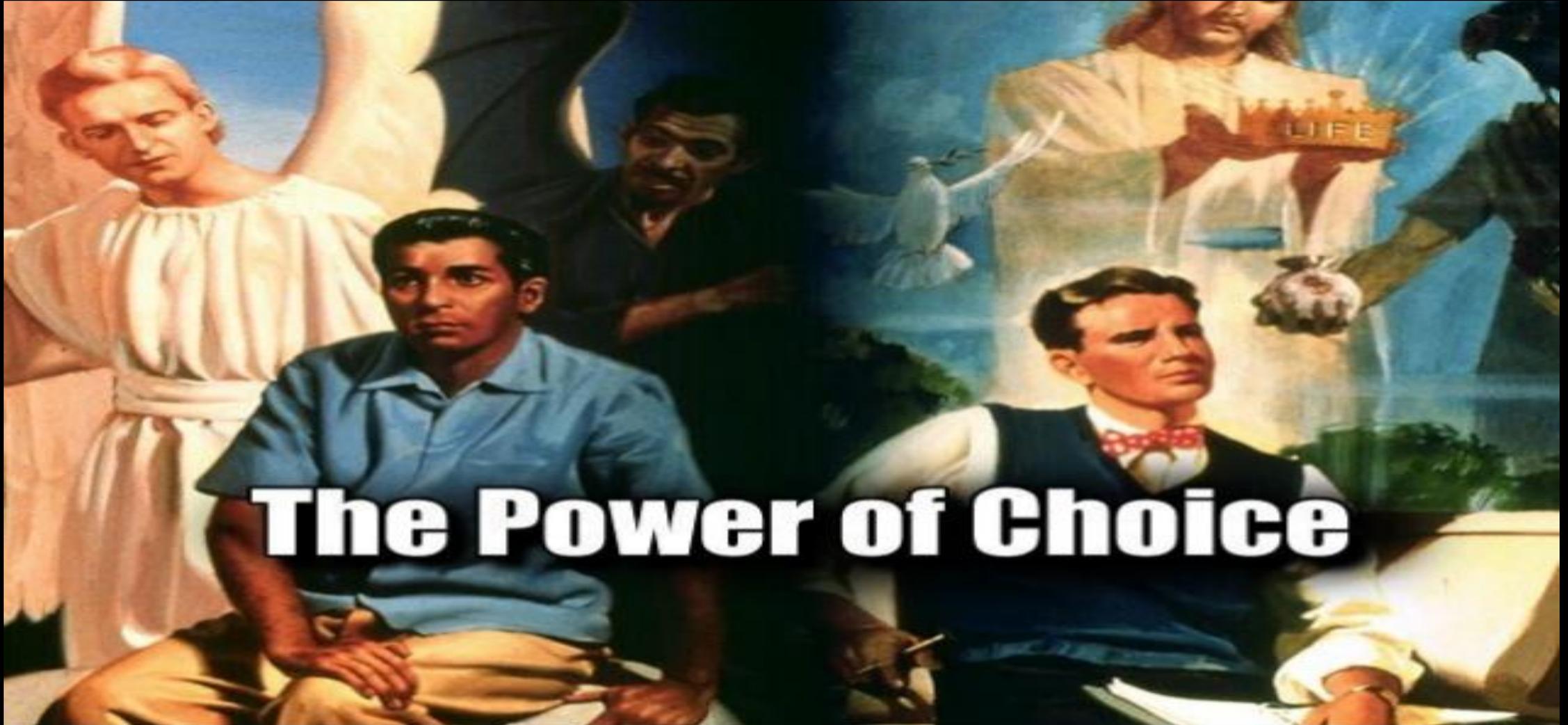
In addition to its health and spiritual benefits, a country environment keeps families away from the corrupting influence of large cities.

Ellen White explained: “The enemy of righteousness has every kind of pleasure prepared for youth in all conditions of life; and they are not presented alone in crowded cities, but in every spot inhabited by human beings.”
“But in the large cities his power over minds is greater, and his nets for the entanglement of unwary feet are more numerous.”

The decision to move out of the cities is an individual (and family) matter, not one that should be forced on others. It should be prayerfully considered, taking into account overall conditions and implications, counselling with others, and faithfully following the leading of conscience.

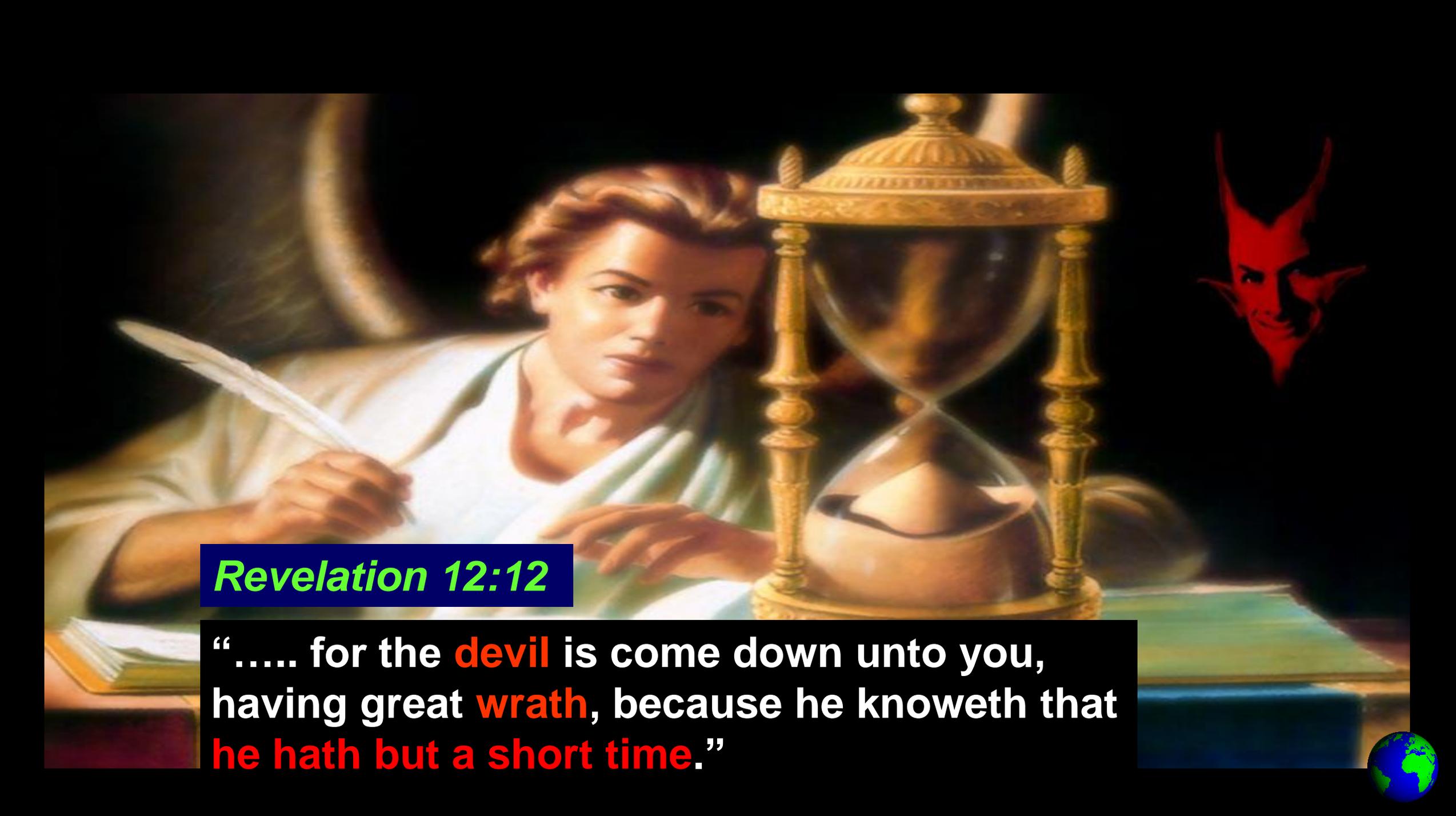


God has given all:



The Power of Choice



An angel with a halo and wings is shown writing in a book with a quill pen. To the right of the angel is a large, ornate golden hourglass. In the background, a red devil's face with horns is visible. The scene is set in a dimly lit room with a book on a desk.

Revelation 12:12

“..... for the **devil** is come down unto you, having great **wrath**, because he knoweth that **he hath but a short time.**”



Enter The Ark of Hope

And other sheep I have, which are not of this fold: them also I must bring, and they shall hear my voice; and there shall be one fold, *and* one shepherd.

– John 10:16



The Ark of the Covenant



Psalms 77:13

Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. –
Revelation 3:20





THE END



ARE YOU READY TO MEET JESUS?