



Do You Know?

DO YOU KNOW? That more than 2,000 years ago God gave, through the Prophet Daniel, a clear description of the times in which we are now living?

That the Bible, in referring to the present as "the time of the end" (Dan. 12: 9), signifies, not the destruction of the literal earth ("The earth abideth forever"—Eccl. 1: 4), but the end of the present dispensation, after which will come the Reign of Peace (Zech. 14: 9, 11; Isa. 9: 6, 7)?

That in *the time of the end* (1) many shall run to and fro; (2) knowledge shall be increased; (3) the wise ["The fear (reverence) of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom"—Psa. 111: 10] shall understand; (4) but none of the wicked shall understand; (5) at that time Michael [Christ] shall stand up [begin His reign]; (6) and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation (Dan. 12: 9, 4, 10, 1)?

That Sir Isaac Newton, the great Christian philosopher, who died A.D. 1727, on the strength of this very prophecy said, "I should not wonder if some day men will travel at the rate of fifty miles an hour"?

That Voltaire, the great infidel philosopher, who died A.D. 1778, when much more was known of the power of steam, despising this prophecy of God's Word, declared that it had made a fool of Sir Isaac Newton when it led him to make the above statement?

That this predicted "running to and fro" is being fulfilled by yourself and others as you travel everywhere by auto, boat, train, airplane, *etc.*?

That during the past 100 years rapid travel on land and sea and in the air has become universal and that the speed of travel has increased greatly, until today people can fly by jet much faster than sound can travel?

That knowledge is greatly increased, in harmony with this prophecy?—that only four centuries ago illiteracy was so general that the English Parliament passed a law providing for those of its members who were unable to read; while *now* ability to read and write is general, even amongst the poorest classes?

That not a single one of the now many large Bible Societies or Tract Societies was started until 1804, because before then there was little need for reading matter for the masses?

That a *right* understanding of God's Word not only adds to the wisdom of the wise, but also "maketh wise the simple" (Psa. 19: 7)?

That God promised that in this "time of the end" the wise [toward God—not the worldly wise] should understand the hitherto secret things of His plan and Word (1 Cor. 3: 18-20) and that "none of the wicked shall understand" (Dan. 12: 10)?

That the present *social order* is far from satisfactory to any good person—rich or poor—though no human instrumentality is able to arrange for and introduce a better one?

That Christ will soon introduce a better, a perfect, social arrangement; and that He taught us to expect, watch for, and pray for that Kingdom; saying, "Pray ye,—Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done in earth as it is in heaven"? If you have sincerely joined in this prayer, you will rejoice in the evidences that its fulfillment is at hand.

That the Millennial Age is spoken of as "The Day of Christ" (Phil. 1: 6) and that the Apostle Peter referred to it in Acts 3: 19, 21, as "*the times of restitution* of all things which God hath spoken by the mouth of all His holy prophets"?

That St. Peter there declares that these blessings will not precede, but *follow* Jesus' Second Coming?

That the prophecies and signs which now herald the Second Advent of Christ are much more distinct than those which marked His First Advent?

That the driving of the Jews out of all nations and the resettlement of many of them in Palestine is another sign of the close of the Gospel Age and that God's Kingdom is nigh at hand (Jer. 16: 14-16; Rom. 11: 25-32, 15; Luke 21: 25-32)?

That Christ's Second Advent is as different from human expectation as was His First Advent? and that His day comes upon the world *unawares* (Luke 17: 26-30; 1 Thes. 5: 2-6)?

That the *object* and *manner* of Christ's Second Coming is generally misunderstood?—that His coming, according to the Bible, means the blessing of all the families of the earth (Gen. 12: 3; 22: 16-18)?

That the Judgment Day will be a 1,000 year day, not a 24 hour day (2 Pet. 3: 7, 8)?—and that the word *judgment* implies a trial for correction as well as an evaluation and a sentence?

That the large majority of humanity has never had any trial, because they died in total ignorance of the only name given under heaven whereby they can be saved (2 Cor. 4: 4; Acts 4: 12)?

That during the world's great day of trial or judgment (the Millennium) the Church, which has been *selected* from among men, will be, with Christ, the Judges of the world (1 Cor. 6: 2)?—and that they shall be kings and priests of God and, as Abraham's seed, *bless* all the families of the earth (Rev. 20: 4; Gen. 22: 18; Gal. 3: 8, 16, 29)?

That the 1,000 year Judgment Day is for the very purpose of causing the *knowledge* of the Lord to fill the whole earth as the waters cover the sea, to open the eyes of men's understanding and to unstop their ears that they may hear God's message of mercy, and see "the true Light, which lighteth *every man that cometh into the world*" (Isa. 11: 9; 35: 5; John 1: 9)?

That Jesus paid the debt—death (Rom. 6: 23)—for *all*, to secure for *all* a FULL OPPORTUNITY to gain everlasting life by faith and obedience (1 Tim. 2: 4-6; Acts 3: 22, 23)?

That Christ "is the *propitiation* [satisfaction] for our sins, and not for ours [the Church's sins] only, but *also* for the sins of the whole world" (1 John 2: 2; 1 Tim. 4: 10)?

That the Bible teaches both the doctrine of Election and the doctrine of Free Grace—the election of the Church during the Gospel Age, and free grace for the world in general in the Millennial Age? and that this harmony, of these two doctrines so long supposed to be in conflict, can be clearly shown from the Scriptures?

That we are now in the "harvest" or end (Matt. 13: 39, 40) of the Gospel Age, in which the Little Flock (Luke 12: 32) is completed?—and that God's Kingdom is being ushered in by a "great time of trouble" (war, anarchy, *etc.*—Zeph. 1: 14-18; Matt. 24: 21, 22; Jas. 5: 1-8; Heb. 12: 25-28), which will *level* society, humble pride and prepare the way for Christ's reign—"under the whole heaven" (Dan. 2: 28, 44; 7: 13, 14, 18, 22, 27)?

That although the "day of the Lord" comes as a thief and a snare upon the whole world, yet the *brethren* of Christ would not be in darkness (Luke 21: 34, 35; 1 Thes. 5: 2-6)?

That the time has come for all God's servants, all that fear (reverence) Him, both small and great, to declare the message, "The Lord God omnipotent reigneth ... for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife hath made herself ready" (Rev. 19: 5-7)?

That the Lamb and His Bride (the 144,000) now stand on Mount Zion (Rev. 14: 1; Ob. 1: 21) and are exercising power over the nation (Rev. 2: 26, 27); that soon the desire of all nations shall come (Haggai 2: 6-9) in the Reign of Peace, when they shall learn war no more (Isa. 2: 2-4; Micah 4: 1-4)?

That a *famine* prevails—not a famine for bread, nor for water, but for the hearing [understanding] of God's Word (Amos 8: 11)?

That many ministers preach on every other subject than the Gospel, while some of them deny the fall, the redemption and a coming restitution, so clearly taught in the Bible, and teach instead, Evolution, even denying the inspiration of the Bible?

That we can supply you helpful literature on all these subjects, which will in every case cite you, not to the creeds and opinions of fallible men, however good, but to the words of our Lord,

the Apostles and prophets?—"That your faith should not stand in the wisdom of men, but in the power of God" (1 Cor. 2: 5, 9-14)?

That many Christian people are voluntarily assisting Bible Standard Ministries (interdenominational), in its work for all people in furthering Bible study and growth in Christlikeness?