

Next WCAS Event: The Promise Of The Holy Spirit – Mar. 16th

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UNDERSTANDING WCAS

Across 155 years, Seventh-day Adventists have seen many efforts to weaken the pillars of our faith — a foundation built upon the Holy Scriptures and affirmed in the writings of Ellen G. White

Adventist theology is the flowering of Protestant theology. But today, our commonality with the descendants of Protestantism is less. Many have conceded the protest is over. Adventists say, "No, it's not!"

Go ahead; call us a peculiar people. We are! We should be open and kindly explanatory about all our beliefs. Our distinctive doctrines, like the Sabbath, the investigative judgment (sanctuary), the unconscious state of the dead, are vital and necessary to enable a clear understanding of Christ's message to the world. No hidden doctrines!

Yet today, closely aligned with the Advent movement and even in its midst, are those attempting to introduce significant and substantial change. Change through: ... 4 min



DISAPPOINTMENTS - DANGERS

Those who work for the fallen will be disappointed in many who give promise of reform. Many will make but a superficial change in their habits and practices. They are moved by impulse, and for a time may seem to have reformed; but there is no real change of heart. They cherish the same self-love, have the same hungering for foolish pleasures, the same desire for self-indulgence. They have not a knowledge of the work of character building, and they cannot be relied upon as men of principle. They have debased their mental and spiritual powers by the gratification of appetite and ... 6 min

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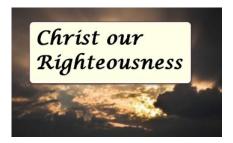
The Holy Spirit is a Distinct, Divine Person

The Holy Spirit is distinct from the Father and Son:

- 1. He was responsible for the miracle of the conception of Christ (Matthew 1:18,20; Luke 1:34,35);
- 2. He is one of three distinct beings mentioned in the baptismal formula (Matthew 28:19);
- 3. He is referred to as "another Comforter", distinct from Christ (John 14:16);
- 4. He is spoken of by Christ in the third person (Mark 13:11; John 14:26; 15:26; 16:7-15; Acts 1:8);
- 5. He was present with Father and Son at Christ's baptism (Matthew 3:16,17);
- 6. He drove Christ into the wilderness; it was not by Christ's own initiative (Matthew 4:1; Mark 1:12);

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"The Lord in his great mercy sent a most precious message to his people through Elders Waggoner and Jones. This message was to bring more prominently before the world the uplifted Saviour, the sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. It presented justification through faith in the Surety; it invited the people to receive the righteousness of Christ, which is made manifest in obedience to all the commandments of God. Many had



Troublous Times Soon to Come

The time of trouble, which is to increase until the end, is very near at hand. We have no time to lose. The world is stirred with the spirit of war. The prophecies of the eleventh of Daniel have almost reached their final fulfillment.—The Review and Herald, November 24, 1904. LDE 12.1

lost sight of Jesus. They needed to have their eyes directed to his divine person, his merits, and his changeless love for the human family. All power is given into his hands, that he may dispense rich gifts unto men, imparting the priceless gift of his own righteousness to the helpless human agent.

This is the message that God commanded to be given to the world. It is the third angel's message, which is to be proclaimed with a loud voice, and attended with the outpouring of his Spirit in a large measure. { PH154 35.2}"

Much has been said about this

message but just what is the message?

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The time of trouble—trouble such as was not since there was a nation [Daniel 12:1]—is right upon us, and we are like the sleeping virgins. We are to awake and ask the Lord Jesus to place underneath us His everlasting arms, and carry us through the time of trial before us.—Manuscript Releases 3:305 (1906). LDE 12.2

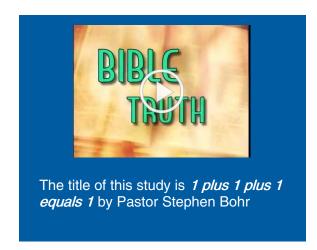
The world is becoming more and more lawless. Soon great trouble will arise among the nations—trouble that will not cease until Jesus comes.

—The Review and Herald, February 11, 1904. LDE 12.3

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