

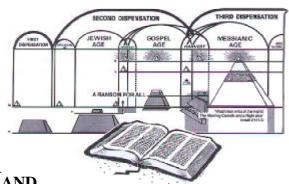
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THE TIME IS AT HAND

STUDY 1

SPECIAL TIMES AND SEASONS DIVINELY APPOINTED

BEFORE filling in the blanks, please prayerfully study the 43 paragraphs and the scriptures

 cited with the questions. We suggest that you number the paragraphs in your book. Return your answers to us. Please enclose a Self-Addressed Stamped Envelope. Our Canadian and International friends may make special arrangements for the postage. Your answers will be checked and returned to you for your future studies. Study 2 will be sent when you have completed this lesson. 		
1. (a) The various features of God's p	olan have the div	vinePLAN
definitely appointedTIMES andSEA	SONS 6.	God's plan, with its time features, is so broad,
for their accomplishment.		rehensive, and harmonious that it is far beyond
(b) The time is at hand for the near esta	blishment the br	readth and depth of human thought, and there-
of the earthly phase of the kingdom and for the	individual fore c	annot be of humanORIGIN
blessing of all the FAMILIES of the ear	rth. (Gen- 7 .	(a) The Gospel Age ends with a

- 2. (a) Jesus taught us to pray "Thy Kingdom come; thy will be done on ___EARTH___ as it is in heaven."
 - (b) The __MILLENNIAL ___ day is now dawn-
- 3. (a) A careful study of "The **_DIVINE PLAN__** of the Ages" is necessary before making a study of "The Time Is At Hand."
- (b) Those who have implicit **__FAITH__** in God can be led by the Spirit of God into advanced truth as it becomes due.
- **4**. (a) In the time of the end the vision speaks and does not **__LIE__**. (Habakkuk 2:3)
- (b) The vision has been made plain on __TABLES__ or charts.
- (c) The __WISE__ (through faith) understand. (Daniel 12:10)
- **5**. (a) Discarding all human ideas, the author of "The Time Is At Hand" keeps close to the fountain of divine **__TRUTH__**.
 - (b) The wise (of God's people) now understand

7. (a) The Gospel Age ends with a **HARVEST**. (Matthew 13:30, 39)

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- (b) The work of harvest overlaps the incoming__MILLENNIAL___Age.
- (c) By the close of the Millennial Age the ___RESTITUTION___ of all things will have been accomplished.
- (d) In the Gospel Age harvest the great time of __TROUBLE___ occurs; the complete overthrow of __ANTICHRIST___; the beginning of returning favor to the _JEW_; the second __ADVENT___ of our Lord; and the __RESURRECTION___ of the saints.
- 8. (a) To receive the testimony of "The Time Is At Hand", the reader must have an ear to hear and must expect to meekly cast away many preconceived __OPINIONS__ when he sees anything lacking harmony with God's __WORD__.
- (b) An understanding of the prophecies now unfolding will quicken and ripen and separate the saints, as wheat from ___TARES____ in this time of harvest.
- 9. (a) God's grand chart of the __AGES___ clearly maps out the orderly arrangement, the deep design and the wonderful scope of the divine __PLAN___.

- (b) Faithful children of God long to know when the King of Glory shall come in and the prince of darkness be __BOUND__; when the children of light shall shine forth as the __SUN__; when the saints shall be received into full divine __ADOPTION__ and the groaning creation released from the __BONDAGE_ of corruption; and when our heavenly Father's glorious character shall be fully revealed to an astonished world. It is pleasing to the heavenly Father for his children to be interested in the __TIME__ features of his plan. 11. (a) God is pleased for us to search the **SCRIPTURES**__, and be in such an attitude which will discern truth as it becomes due. (b) One is on safe ground as long as he studies the __WORD__ of God and avoids idle __SPECULATIONS__.
- (c) In due time and order every recorded feature of the times and seasons is manifested to those __WATCHING___.
- (d) The entire outline of God's plan, together with the time features of that plan, is due to be understood in the period designated "The time of the **__END___**." (Daniel 12:9,10)
- (e) Can the prophecies be understood until God's due time? __NO__
- 12. (a) To some of the disciples who inquired regarding the time for the establishment of the kingdom, our Lord said, "It is not for you to know (at that time) the times or the __SEASONS__ which the Father hath appointed by his own authority." (Acts 1:7)
- (b) Our Lord exhorted his disciples to take heed, __WATCH__ and _PRAY__. (Mark 13:32,33,37)
- 13. (a) Does our Lord now know concerning the times and seasons? __YES__
- (b) The very fact that God's plan, with its time features is now discernible by those watching, is strong proof that we are now living in the dawn of the __MILLENNIAL DAY___.
- (c) If prophecy was not designed to be understood, would there be an object in giving it?__NO__
- 14. (a) The Almighty God has ___FIXED___ and definite times and __SEASONS___ for every feature of the work.
- (b) God's infinite power and __WISDOM__ guarantee that there can be no delay.
 - 15. (a) At the time Jesus told his disciples to watch,

- the **__FATHER**__ had not revealed the times and seasons connected with his plans to anyone.
- (b) Did our Lord rebuke those who wished to know regarding the times and seasons? _NO_
- (c) When due, the time features are revealed to those **__WATCHING___**.
- **16**. (a) Those living in the "due time" who are obediently watching shall __UNDERSTAND___. (Daniel 12:9,10)
- (b) One who neglects to watch loses a **BLESSING**.
- (c) Some who are not watching are either blinded by **__SATAN**__ or overcharged with matters of this **__LIFE**__.
- (d) The fully consecrated should seek chiefly the **__KINGDOM**__ and life to come.
- 17. (a) On the mount of transfiguration Peter, James, and John saw in a figure the glory of the coming **__KINGDOM**__ of Christ. (2 Peter 1:16; Matthew 17:1-7)
- (b) Moses represented the ___ANCIENT WORTHIES__ (Hebrews 11:38-40) who shall be the earthly representatives of the heavenly kingdom.
- (c) Elijah represented the $_OVERCOMERS_$ of this Gospel Age.
- (d) While relating the vision, Peter points to the prophetic testimony and urged a __WATCHING__ attitude on the part of the saints. (2 Peter 1:19)
- (e) The subject of ____RESTITUTION____ was spoken by all of God's holy prophets. (Acts 3:19-21)
- **18**. (a) The Day of the Lord comes as a ___THIEF___ in the night, (1 Thessalonians 5:1-4) but the watchers are not in darkness.
- (b) The trouble which comes during the first part of "the Day of the Lord" is sudden as "_TRAVAIL_" upon a woman.
- 19. (a) The faithful, meek and humble students of the word will at no time be in __DARKNESS___.
- (b) Name some of the faithful of the house of servants who were informed of events beforehand:

 __ABRAHAM__, __NOAH__, __SIMEON___,
 __ANNA___.
- (c) Jesus certainly shall know of the times and seasons in due time since he is to accomplish the _PLAN___.
 - (d) He makes known the plan to those close

_**FRIENDS**____, his saints. 20. (a) Most of what was revealed to God's servants, the prophets, (Amos 3:7) was not for themselves but for the Gospel ___CHURCH___. (1 Peter 1:12) (b) The day of the Lord will not come upon the ___**FAITHFUL**___ as a thief and a snare for they will be watching. **21**. (a) The children of the light are begotten of the ___**TRUTH**___. (James 1:17,18) (b) The fully consecrated are developed and sanctified by the **__TRUTH___**. (John 17:17) 22. (a) The saints who are watching have **__KNOWLEDGE**___ of the fact that the day of the Lord has begun, but the world is in **__IGNORANCE**__. (b) The consecrated must watch, pray, and take heed lest at any time their hearts are overcharged with **__CARES**___ of this life. (Luke 21:34-36) 23. (a) Children of God, living in the day of the Lord, who remain in ignorance of the fact must be either surfeited with the things of this life and __INTOXICATED_ with the spirit of the world, or else _OVER-**CHARGED**___ with the cares of this life. (b) The saints are exhorted to watch with their lamps trimmed and __BURNING___ and with _OIL_ in their vessels. 24. (a) The prophecies uttered by the prophets, though recorded aforetime, and made to bear witness to the divine foreknowledge and arrangement, were for the learning of those living in the due time for their __FULFILLMENT___. (Romans 15:4) (b) The patient, searching children of God need "meat in due ____SEASON____" during this evil day. (c) At the same time the old order is passing away, the new era and dispensation **DAWNS** 25. A combination time-lock used in some of the largest banks illustrates the divine arrangement of time PROPHECY_ (a) Since we are living in the morning of the great day of restitution, Jehovah's Anointed is giving the watchers the necessary information as to how the key of prophecy is to be operated by those who desire to find **TREASURES** of infinite wisdom. (b) Those who are watching may unlock the treasures of divine wisdom because the __MORNING__

to him and associated in his work—his

hour has come.

- **27**. (a) Each feature of truth may be opened now because it is **__MORNING__**.
- (b) He who opens will indeed know ___GOD__ as never before.
- **28**. (a) We should examine the scriptures with a ____**REVERENT**___ spirit.
- (b) It is the privilege of the saints to now lift their heads and rejoice because their **_DELIVERANCE**_ draweth nigh. (Luke 21:28)
 - **29**. (a) Our God is a God of ___ORDER___.
- (b) Are all the features of God's plan carried out on time? **_YES**__ (Galatians 4:4; Mark 1:15; 1 Corinthians 15:4; John 7:30)
- **30**. (a) Time prophecies were given to enable the student of the word to recognize the foretold events when __**DUE**___.
- (b) Prophecies marked the time and manner of the **__FIRST**__ advent and also the **__SECOND**__ advent of Christ, the world's Redeemer.
- **31**. Are the majority of professed Christians indifferent to the prophecies which point out both advents of Christ? **YES**_
- **32**. (a) Did fleshly Israel, as a whole, know the time of the first advent of Christ? __NO__
- (b) Did the prophet foretell the stumbling of both the houses of Israel—the nominal Jewish house and the nominal Christian house? __YES__(Isaiah 8:14)
- (c) Only a ___REMNANT___ in the harvest of each dispensation is prepared to receive and appreciate the truths then due.
- (d) Each individual Christian should see to it that he is not one of the lukewarm nominal Christians which shall surely ___STUMBLE___.
- **33**. (a) Careful attention should be given not only to time-prophecy but also to the ___MANNER___ of our Lord's second presence.
- (b) In addition to knowledge, the child of God should be holy and ___HUMBLE___.
- (c) Will the worldly and overcharged ones discern the signs of the time? ____NO____
- **34**. (a) Our Lord at the first advent dismissed the **___FAULT-FINDING**__ quibbles of the Pharisees with dark and **__EVASIVE**__ answers.
- (b) Jesus made the truth clear to the **__HUMBLE__** earnest seekers. (Matthew 13:10,11)

35 .	(a) Truth separates the earnest and humble, and	(b) Prophetic time was not given for the world
streng	thens, andENLIGHTENS them.	but for the church to enlighten,COMFORT,
	(b) Those with the improper condition of heart	ENCOURAGE,STRENGTHEN, and
will be	unworthy to become the BRIDE of Christ.	guide them in these troublous times.
36 .	(a) The scriptures counsel us to cultivate the	(c) The true church will point to the glorious
graces	of Christian character and to preserve constantly	_OUTCOME of Jehovah's plan and will lift up
that co	ondition of heart which will enable us to discern	A STANDARD for the people. (Isaiah 62:10)
TF	RUTHespecially the great truth of our Lord's	41 . (a) The prophetic time-evidences were designed
presen	ce and the dispensational changes.	to guide our words and deeds in the early dawn of the
	(b) Truth is a sickle whichSEPARATES	MILLENNIAL Day.
the wh	neat from theTARES	(b) Will the student who gives attention to
37 .	(a) Does odium attach to the study of prophetic	the prophetic time-proofs have lasting profit?YES
time?_	YES	(c) God's plans are working together in
	(b) Have "Second Adventists" and others mis-	TIME as well as in kind, to the development of
applie	d prophetic time?YES	his glorious purposes.
	(c) The worldly wise at the first advent	42 . (a) Were the Jews and the Second Adventists
said:	"Can any good thing come out of	looking for the wrong thing at the right time? _YES_
N	AZARETH ?"(John 1:46)	(b) The fire which is to devour the earth in
38 .	(a) Did both the Jews at the 1st advent and the	the Day of the Lord isSYMBOLIC, not literal.
Secon	d Adventists have false expectations?YES	43 . (a) Does it do violence to some prophecies to
	(b) Have the Adventists failed to recognize the	endeavor to make them fit into a 24 hour day?
manne	er and the object of our Lord's return?YES	YES
39 .	Is one blessed who does not heed the scorn-	(b) The order and harmony of God's plan are
ful smi	ile of the world?YES	just as manifest in itsTIMES and seasons as
40 .	(a) God seeks one who worships him in spirit	in the glorious features of that plan mapped out on the
and	(John 4:23)	Chart of theAGES