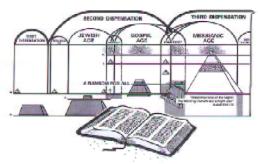


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VOLUME TWO "THE TIME IS AT HAND" STUDY 8 "ELIAS SHALL FIRST COME"

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Please read and study the entire Chapter, look up the sci	riptures cited, number the paragraphs in your book, and
then fill in the blanks on the questions for each paragraph	
Please enclose a self-addressed stamped envelope.	
1-5. (a) Was the prophecy of Malachi 4:5,6	,, and
fulfilled at the first advent?	at the, and of kings
(b) The reference of the prophecy is	and of lords.
evidently to the advent and to the	(c) John the Baptist and his disciples
testing and great of the day of	represented the true Christian church, whose
the Lord at that time.	work has been to attempt the of
(c) Christ's presentation to typical Israel,	the world before the second advent.
and the great trouble which came upon them as a	(d) John the Baptist failed to reform Israel
nation when they rejected him was another	and as a consequence they rejected Jesus and
which further illustrated in	brought upon themselves and
many particulars the things presented in Malachi	
4:5,6.	(e) The real and greater Elijah has failed
(d) John the did a	to and prepare the world to receive
similar work to that of the promised,	the of Glory, and consequently the great
but failed of success; as a result	time of trouble is preparing mankind to accept the
upon Israel followed.	kingdom arrangements.
(e) The real Elijah referred to by Malachi	8. (a) The really consecrated church in the
was to prepare mankind for the ad-	is the Elijah or forerunner of the
vent; he will for a time also fail of success, and as	Church in
a result the great time of will	(b) The mission of the true church is to
smite the whole	error and sin and to point to the
6. (a) The great day of Jehovah began in	of glory.
A.D	(c) In its kingly office the
(b) Has Elijah come and failed to turn the	shall accomplish for the world of mankind what
hearts of the world to childlikeness?	it fails to do as the Elijah
(c) Is the world learning lessons during	9. (a) Does God's plan extend to the convert-
the great time of trouble which will prepare them	ing of the world during the Gospel age?
in due time to accept Christ?	(b) God's commission to the fully conse-
7. (a) The miracles, cures, etc. at the first	crated was to try to convert the world; however
advent represented the greater works of the	He foretold our present, but
age.	our future
(b) The assumption of kingship at the first	(c) The labor of the true Elijah class has

advent represented our Lord assuming his greater

purpose in developing the true and	through the Roman empire (Reve-
bearing witness to the	lation 18:7)
10. The true church announces our Lord's	(c) Elijah fled from Jezebel and Ahab and
second in almost the same	was in the wilderness for years and
words which John used at the first	months during which time there was no
(John 1:26,27)	(1 Kings 17:5-9)
11. (a) To as many as could and did accept	(d) The true church fled into the symbolic
John's message and receive Christ, to these John	wilderness for literal years during which
did do the work. (Matthew	time there was a spiritual (Reve-
11:14)	lation 12:6,16)
(b) Did John and his work complete the	(e) After the 1260 days Elijah returned
prediction concerning Elijah?	from the wilderness and copious
(c) Was John, at the first advent, a finish-	followed causing the people at first to rejoice but
ing out in a measure, of the type begun in the	Jezebel's spirit was unchanged and Elijah was
person and work of Elijah?	again compelled to flee into the
(d) Did John's work foreshadow the clos-	(1 Kings 18:41-46; 19:1-4)
ing work of the church at the second advent?	(f) Since 1799 have been dis-
	tributed throughout the world thus bringing
(e) The feet of Christ in the flesh an-	, but the principles of
nounce the (Isaiah 52:7)	- in so-called Protestant sects compel the saints
12. (a) The Elijah class (glorified and empow-	again to flee into the wilderness condition.
ered) will bless and the world and all things during the	(g) The chariot of fire parted
world and all things during the	from Elisha. (2 Kings 2:11,12)
Mediatorial reign. (Acts 3:19-21)	(h) The saints must die like men before
(b) Elijah was a type and John the Baptist	their to heavenly condi-
a continuation of the same while at the same time	tions. (Psalm 82:6,7; 1 Corinthians 15:51,52)
a fulfilment of it.	16. Do we have much evidence that the great
13. (a) A woman is the figure used when the	day of the Lord has come?
alone is referred to.	17. (a) What precedes full sunrise?
(b) A man is the figure used to prefigure	
the one work of both our Lord and the	(b) Will the time soon come when the
·	harvest work will be completed?
14. (a) The vision our Lord showed to the	18,19.(a) Are there still favorable opportunities
disciples on the mount of trans-	to spread the truth and to grow in grace and
figuration was a vision of the coming	knowledge?
(Matthew 17:1-9; 2	(b) During the incoming or dawning
Peter 1:16-18)	Millennial day, is it possible for consecrated
(b) A figure of Moses represented the	Christians to travel throughout the world to meet
Dispensation and a figure of Elijah repre-	with other Christians and, by means of the mail
sented the Dispensation.	system, send the message of truth to others far
(c) Both dispensations look forward and	and near?
point out and speak of the	20. Will the time come when the nominal
of Christ and theto follow.	church will not endure sound doctrine?
15. (With parallel columns) (a) Elijah was	21. Paul states (2 Timothy 3:1-13) that peril-
persecuted for fidelity to the truth by	ous would be present in the
through her husband, Ahab.	days of the Gospel Age, and professed Christians
(Revelation 2:20)	would be covetous, proud, trucebreakers, despis-
(b) The church was persecuted for fidelity	ers of those who are good, traitors who deceive
to by the apostate church of	others, etc.

22-27. (a) For the most part is it possible at the	reign of Christ when righteousness will prevail?
present to preach the truth in the nominal churches?	reigh of Christ when righteousness will prevail:
(Revelation 13:17) (b) Did the closing experiences of Elijah	(b) Will the time probably come when
and John typify the closing experiences of the	repressive measures may be brought to bear
• • • • • • •	against every effort of the saints to spread the
church in the flesh?	-
(c) The whirlwind or storm that separated	good news of the incoming kingdom?
Elijah from earthly scenes is symbolic of	32,33. (a) Persecution should move us to greater
and the fiery chariot is a figure of	(1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1) (1)
·	(b) Should the consecrated child of God,
(d) When John had announced the pres-	at the present time, diligently take advantage of
ence of Messiah, his influence soon began to	the grand harvest opportunities and privileges?
(e) The work of the John class (the Elijah	(c) Is total anarchy being held in check
class) closes with the announcement that the	until the true servants of God are sealed in their
kingdom of heaven is at and that	foreheads? (Revelation 7:3)
the King is (Isaiah 52:7)	34. (a) Only those who are now faithful in
(f) John was cast into	engaging in kingdom will be of the
because he reproved the of improper	glorified Elijah class and permitted a share in the
union with a woman. (Matthew 14:4)	of the restitution of all things. (Reve-
(g) Union between the church and the	lation 14:13; Acts 3:19-21)
civil power is termed	(b) The name of Elijah signifies
(Revelation 17:5)	(mighty-one) of Jehovah.
(h) In the case of both Elijah and John, it	35. Elisha represents a class in deep
was a who persecuted - a king	with the Elijah class; yet it is a
acting as her agent and	class who does not expect to be
(i) The tendency of governments and	
churches is toward open or secret	36,37. (a) The meaning of Elisha is
for their mutual welfare in	
the time of trouble.	(b) The career of Elisha was one of
28. Do the masses, fearing the utter wreck of	(b) The career of Elisha was one of
society in anarchy, prefer monarchy, bondage	(c) Elisha healed the waters, increased the
and oppression to anything certain to be worse?	widow's, healed the leprosy of
and oppression to anything certain to be worse:	, etc. (2 Kings 2;4;5;9;10)
20 21 (a) In the area level!	, etc. (2 Kings 2,4,5,9,10)
29-31. (a) Is the great leveling process of the	