

this position before. It has moved into a new dimension of urgency and solemnity. A transition of cosmic magnitude has taken place. We have entered the "narrows" of history, where the river of time is racing to meet eternity. **We are actually living within the borders of the final Judgment Hour!**

"Worship Him that made Heaven and Earth" (v 7). The fact that God is Creator is the foundation of all true religion, and of all enduring human values. It is the foundation of Divine authority and human responsibility. It gives meaning, direction and purpose to life. It gives God the right to make laws for men and to call them to account at the Judgment. By linking Creation with the Judgment, this message links the "first things" with the "last things". It affirms that the world will have as rational and purposeful an ending as it had a rational and purposeful beginning. It is therefore a direct challenge to the twisted, pagan, godless philosophies of our time.

Obviously, this call to worship God as the Creator assumes the unchanged authority of the Ten Commandments, and the perpetuity of the weekly Sabbath as the abiding sign of God's Creative power.

**6.—IS THERE A CHRISTIAN GROUP ON EARTH TODAY WHICH VIEWS THE PREACHING OF THE JUDGMENT-HOUR MESSAGE AS ITS GOD-APPOINTED TASK?**

Yes. They are known as Seventh-day Adventists. They arose in 1844, out of the great wave of Second Advent expectation which swept the world in the first half of last century. They exist for one purpose only—to floodlight the Person and work of Christ and to carry the Judgment-Hour message to every nation, kindred, tongue and people in this generation. They are employing almost every major language. They are harnessing every legitimate agency—the printing press, the radio, the television, and the living preacher—for the speedy finishing of the mighty task!

**7.—IS THIS THE GREAT, TRUTH-RESTORING MOVEMENT FORETOLD IN DANIEL 8:14?**

Yes. Beyond the shadow of a doubt. It fulfils all the requirements of Daniel's prophecy!

(a) **It arose at the right TIME.** Centuries before, God had placed His finger upon 1844 as the year when Jesus would move into the last phase of His High Priestly work, and the universe would move into a new and final phase of God's dealings with sin. There was simply no other point in history when the announcement: "The hour of His Judgment is come!" would have been true.

(b) **It does the right WORK.** It strips away the mask from the Papal counterfeits. It lifts up the truth from the dust. It focuses attention upon the vital, heart-truths of the Christian faith. It restores the true, original "daily" of Daniel 8, which had been "taken away" by Satan. It points with steady finger to the saving ministry of Christ in the Heavenly Sanctuary. This is its paramount task. While fearlessly diagnosing man's sin, it faithfully proclaims God's remedy for sin. **Between Creation and the Judgment it plants the blood-stained Cross of Redemption!** Thus it presents a rational and unified view of Holy Scripture, and enables sinners to meet their Maker and their Judge in peace.

(c) **It bears the right FRUIT.** It is winning men and women to Christ at the rate of over 400 every day. Yet its most precious fruit is not great numbers; large, ornate churches, or imposing institutions. Its most precious fruit is the "fruit of the Spirit"—godly characters; clean hearts; clean minds; clean lips; clean bodies—men and women in whom the lost image of God is being restored. In Revelation 14:12, the spotlight of prophecy shines full upon the kind of men and women who are produced by this message: "Here are they that keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus."

**Conclusion** Why do you think God has given US a chance to hear this message of the Judgment-Hour? For two reasons:

He wants us to be ready to meet Him in peace.

He wants us to have a share in giving to others the message of the Judgment-Hour!

Ezek. 33:7: "I have set thee a watchman . . . therefore thou shalt hear the word at My mouth, and warn them from Me."