

Revelation 14:6-12

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Revelation 18:1-5

## Unit Descriptions for Revelation Ministry Courses

**Note:** The units in the Revelation Ministry "Preparing for the Final Conflict" course are based on God's words of inspiration. Given the confusion in the Christian world today, we believe it essential to use God's inspired words alone. "Cease ye from man, whose breath is in his nostrils: for wherein is he to be accounted of?" Isaiah 2:22. "Thus saith the Lord; Cursed be the man that trusteth in man, and maketh flesh his arm, and whose heart departeth from the Lord." Jeremiah 17:5. Therefore, each one of these units is based only on the Bible and Spirit of Prophecy.

Friend, please note that these studies are not all and in all. No one is "finished," or knows all that is necessary to know after completing these units of study. These studies are meant as a springboard, a starting place for an ongoing study of God's precious truths. We pray they will be blessing to you—a savor of life unto eternal life. It is our prayer that upon "completion" of these units you will have a profound and deep love of truth and the inspired word of our God that it will be your delight to study His words!

We are told "The life of Christ [which is eternal] that gives life [eternal life] to the world is in His word. It was by His word that Jesus healed disease and cast out demons; by His word He stilled the sea, and raised the dead; and the people bore witness that His word was with power. He spoke the word of God, as He had spoken through all the prophets and teachers of the Old Testament. The whole Bible is a manifestation of Christ, and the Saviour desired to fix the faith of His followers on the word. When His visible presence should be withdrawn, the word must be their source of power. Like their Master, they were to live 'by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God.' Matthew 4:4." *Desire of Ages* 390. What a mighty promise!

# U1 – Foundation and Pillars of the Christian Faith

Faith, just as with any solid building, needs a solid foundation. In this unit U1 – Foundation and Pillars of the Christian Faith, it is the decided, focused effort and goal to identify and learn the foundation and pillars of the Christian faith.

# U2 – The Christian's Response of Love

As we come to understand the powerful, beautiful, merciful truths of saving faith, it will spark in our hearts and lives an earnest desire to express gratitude and worship to our God for what He has done for us. This is best done through loving obedience to His revealed will in all things. This unit is a study of the doctrines which express our gratitude through loving obedience. It beings with a review of the doctrines of "the faith of Jesus" from U1 and the difference between those truths by which we are saved and those by which we are judged. It then continues with a deep study of the precious gem *Steps to Christ*. This book outlines, in clear, practical, tangible steps of the Foundation and PIllars of our faith. This is then followed by a study of beliefs such as the principle of divine love, the use of our time and talents, Christian dress, health, tithing, baptism, etc., those doctrines by which we will be judged.

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In addition we examine how each one of these topics, in our physical lives, is also symbolic of the truths of our spiritual lives.

## AP – Advent Parallels

Advent Parallels is a critically important unit with information on how our God views the Second Advent Movement, delineating the parallels He has given between the Jews at the First Advent of Christ and His Second Advent people.

"We want to understand the time in which we live. We do not half understand it. We do not half take it in. My heart trembles in me when I think of what a foe we have to meet, and how poorly we are prepared to meet him. The trials of the children of Israel, and their attitude just before the first coming of Christ, have been presented before me again and again to illustrate the position of the people of God in their experience before the second coming of Christ. How the enemy sought every occasion to take control of the minds of the Jews, and today he is seeking to blind the minds of God's servants, that they may not be able to discern the precious truth." *Review and Herald*, February 18, 1890, par. 1.

Statements paralleling the Jews to His followers today are throughout various books of inspiration, such as *Desire of Ages, Patriarchs and Prophets, Great Controversy*, and many others. God's purpose is one of deep love and desire for His people to be saved. How will we stand if we "pay little heed" to His words of love, instruction and warning?

## OSP – An Overview of the Spirit of Prophecy

We live in an age of skepticism, doubt and neglect of God's blessed gift of inspiration. There is much to learn from the lessons of the Old and New Testaments, how God's messages and His messengers were treated by the very ones to whom He gave such a merciful and tremendous gift. Do we wish to repeat the history of those who lived during those time periods, and reap the same consequences?

This unit covers the basic principles of prophecy, delves into the three eras of prophecy and the purpose of each, delineates the tests of a true prophet (for our protection in these days of false prophets), and then, (especially important for today) the rest of the unit focuses on the life and prophetic gift of Ellen White. If we are truly to be anchored in God's truths, we need an unwavering confidence in God's gift of inspiration for our day. Included in this study of her life is her early history, her calling of God, her ministry, and closes with a number of the visions she was given, where, when, how, and their perfect fulfillment.

# QTW – Counsel for God's Workers

In our day and age, inspiration says that unbelief, rebellion and apostasy, and the spirit of disorganization are in the very air we breathe. Satan has supplanted the beautiful principles of God's government and means of function with his own perverted, negative principles. This unit, taken mainly from *Testimonies for Ministers and Gospel Workers* seeks to restore the true

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principles of God in His work for the lost ones of the world. This is a work that every soul that names the name of Christ—that is Christian—immediately assumes on becoming a Christian.

#### P1 – Prophecy – Eden to Second Advent Movement

This unit begins a two unit study on the prophecies of the Old and New Testaments, focusing on those prophecies pertaining to the time period from Eden to the Second Advent Movement.

### P2 – Prophecy – Second Advent Movement to Kingdom of Glory

This unit picks up where P1 leaves off, at the Second Advent Movement. It carries us all the way through the profound and beautiful prophecies of the Second Advent movement to the complete restoration of the Kingdom of Glory at the close of the millennium.