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Welcome to LATE - L.A.T.E - Living At The End — for we are **late** into the prophetic timeline of earth's history and you and I must know how to live successfully and to be an effective witness for present truth in these perilous times. In this SWM Radio program we use the Word of God and the Spirit of Prophecy to answer pertinent questions posed to God's remnant people in order to provide the spiritual and physical tools we need for daily living and consecration to God at the end of time.

In each program, we have a Time of the End Feature and a Healthful Living Feature. Then we will provide answers to the questions posed and recommend some Take Away Tips from our discussions for Living at the End. This is your host Brother Nanton. Let us pray.

TIME OF THE END FEATURE – Satan's Counterfeit Revivals in the Last Days

Matthew 24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders, insomuch that if it were possible they shall deceive the very elect.

Satan's Intent to be Director of Christians

We are approaching the end of this earth's history, and Satan is working as never before. He is striving to act as director of the Christian world. With an intensity that is marvelous he is working with lying wonders. Satan is represented as walking about as a roaring lion, seeking whom he may devour. He desires to embrace the whole world in his confederacy. Hiding his deformity under the garb of Christianity he assumes the attributes of a Christian and claims to be Christ himself. **8MR 346**

False Revivals and Reformation Increase

I saw that mysterious signs and wonders and false reformations would increase and spread. The reformations that were shown me were not reformations from error to truth. **EW 45**

Satan Brings Counterfeit Revival Before the Genuine

Before the final visitation of God's judgment upon the earth, there will be among the people of the Lord such a revival of primitive godliness as has not been witnessed since apostolic times. The spirit and power of God will be poured out upon His children. At that time, many will separate themselves from **those** churches, both ministers and people. The enemy of souls desires to hinder this work; and before the time for such a movement shall come, he will endeavor to prevent it, by introducing a counterfeit. In those churches which he can bring under his deceptive power, he will make it appear that God's special blessing is poured out; there will be manifest what is thought to be a great religious interest. **GC 464**

2 Corinthians 11:13-15 For such are false apostles, deceitful workers, transforming themselves into apostles of Christ. And no marvel for Satan himself is transformed into an angel of light. Therefore it is no great thing if his ministers also be transformed as the ministers of righteousness; whose end shall be according to their works.

False Revivalists Talk of Feeling and Love for God But Break His Law

Satan is willing that every transgressor of God's law shall claim to be holy. That is what he himself is doing. He is satisfied when men rest their faith on spurious doctrines and religious enthusiasm; for he can use such persons to good purpose in deceiving souls. There are many professedly sanctified ones who are aiding Satan in his work. They talk much of feeling; they speak of their love for God. But God does not recognize their love; it is a delusion of the enemy. **Ev 597**.

A wrong conception of the character, the perpetuity, and the obligation of the divine law has led to errors in relation to conversion and sanctification, and has resulted in lowering the standard of piety in the church. Here is to be found the lack of the Spirit and power of God in the revivals of our time. **GC 465**

Come to Jesus Regardless What You Believe

There are many whose religion consists in theory. To them a happy emotion is godliness. They say "come to Jesus, and believe in Him. It makes no difference what you believe, so long as you are honest in your belief." They do not seek to make the sinner understand the true character of sin. **Ev 597**

2 Timothy 3:5 Having a form of godliness but denying the power thereof. From such turn away.

Sentimentalism and Feelings Characterize False Revivals

In many revivals which have occurred during the last half century, the same influences have been at work, to a greater or less degree, that will be manifested in the more extensive movements of the future. There is an emotional excitement, a mingling of the true with the false, that is well adapted to mislead. Yet none need be deceived. In the light of God's word, it is not difficult to determine the nature of these movements. Wherever men neglect the testimony of the Bible, turning away from those plain, soul testing truths which require self-denial and renunciation of the world, there we may be sure that God's blessings is not bestowed. **GC 464, 465**

Popular revivals are too often carried by appeals to the imagination, by exciting the emotions, by gratifying the love for what is new and startling. Converts thus gained have little desire to listen to Bible truth. Unless a religious service has something of a sensational character, it has no attractions for them. A message that appeals to unimpassioned reason awakens no response. The plain warnings of God's Word, relating directly to their eternal interests are unheeded. These converts do not renounce their pride and love of the world. **GC 463**

Healthful Living Feature – The Medical Missionary Work

Isaiah58: 7-8 *Is it not to deal thy bread to the hungry, and that thou bring the poor that are cast out to thy house? When thou seest the naked, that thou cover him; and that thou hide not thyself from thine own flesh? Then shall thy light break forth as the morning and thy health shall spring forth speedily; and thy righteousness shall go before thee; for the glory of the Lord shall be thy rereward.*

Isaiah 58 Combines Medical Missionary Work and the Ministry

The 58th chapter of Isaiah contains present truth for the people of God. Here we see how medical missionary work and the gospel ministry are bound together as the message is given to the world

Christ's Method

How slow are men to understand God's preparation for the day of His power. God works today to reach hearts in the same way that He worked when Christ was upon this earth. IN reading the Word of God, we see that Christ brought medical missionary work into His ministry. Cannot our eyes be opened to discern Christ's method? Cannot we understand the commission he gave to His disciples and to us? **MM 246**

Matthew 9:35-38 And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and every disease among the people.

The Problem with Medical Missionary Work Today

The medical missionary work is sick, and needs the restoring power of the great Healer, before it can accomplish a work in harmony with its name. **Special testimonies B 02**

Importance of Medical Missionary Work

Let us remember that one most important agency is our medical missionary work. CH 554

Questions

- 1 What is Satan's desire regarding Christianity as the final conflict approaches? Answer: His desire is to become the director of the Christian world working with lying wonders to embrace the whole world in his confederacy hiding his deformity under the garb of Christianity, assuming the attributes of a Christian and eventually claiming to be Christ himself.
- 2 What counterfeit is Satan planning and why? Answer: He is planning a counterfeit revival in those churches which he can bring under his deceptive power because he knows there will be a true revival of primitive godliness among God's people the likes of which have not been seen since apostolic times and he wants to prevent it.
- What kind of religious leaders will Satan use in his counterfeit plan?
 Answer: He will use those who have a wrong conception of the perpetuity and obligations of God's law, resting their faith on spurious doctrines and religious enthusiasm which leads to errors in relation to conversion and sanctification.
- 4 What are the characteristics of Satan's counterfeit religious revivals? Answer: Counterfeit religious revivals do not seek to make the sinner understand the true character of sin. They mingle truth and error that can only mislead; and they depend on emotional excitement encouraging all to come to Jesus no matter what their belief.
- 5 What is the result of popular revivals that appeal to the imagination by exciting the emotions and gratifying the need for what is new and startling? Answer: Unless a religious service has something of a sensational character, converts from such revivals have little desire to listen to Bible truth; are unwilling to renounce pride and the love of the world; and take no heed of the plain warnings of God's Word regarding their eternal interests.
- 6 When does the light of God's people break forth as the morning and their righteousness be revealed?

Answer: According to Isaiah 58, this happens when God's people deal bread to the hungry, bring the poor to their house and cover the naked which is symbolic of the medical missionary work in combination with the preaching of the gospel of the kingdom.

7 What does the Spirit of Prophecy say about the medical missionary work in the church today?

Answer: In Special Testimonies B it says that this work is sick and in need of the restorative power of the Great Healer before it can accomplish its work.

Take Away Tips

- We must understand that Satan has a plan for counterfeit religious revivals to undermine the true and powerful revival of primitive godliness prophesied to take place as the final conflict approaches.
- You can recognize counterfeit revivals because they are characterized by sensationalism; exciting the emotions; a mixture of truth and error combined with a misconception of the perpetuity and obligation of the law which does not lead sinners to repentance; and provides converts with little desire to heed bible truths or consider their eternal interests.

- As God's people we must stay away from such revivals; give heed to a plain "thus saith the Lord;" and prepare by repentance and confession for the true revival of primitive godliness that is to come.
- We must open our eyes to the importance of the medical missionary work as we discern Christ's method of teaching, preaching and healing.