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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 – Worship, Theatre and Truth

2 Timothy 4:3-4: *For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears; and they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables.*

Fanaticism Claiming to be Truth

Every phase of fanaticism and erroneous theories claiming to be truth will be brought in among the remnant people of God. **2SM 14**

Giving Heed to Seducing Spirits

A superficial faith results in a superficial experience. The light given me has been very forcible that many would go out from us, giving heed to seducing spirits and doctrines of devils. My soul is made very sad to see how quickly some who have had the light of truth will accept the deceptions of Satan, and are charmed with a spurious holiness. Men and women who have a knowledge of the truth are so far separated from their great Leader that they will take the great leader of apostasy and name him Christ our Righteousness. **2SM 392, 393**

Ungodly Scenes Enacted in our Churches

Ungodliness will prevail to a terrible degree and will continue until Christ comes to be glorified in all them that believe. IN the very courts of the temple, scenes will be enacted that few realize. God's people will be proved and tested, that He many discern 'between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not. **Ev 593**

Not Ecstasy but Heart Change Needed

We are in continual danger of getting above the simplicity of the gospel. There is an intense desire on the part of many to startle the world with something original, that shall lift the people into a state of spiritual ecstasy, and change the present order of experience, but the change we need is a change of heart. **2SM 23**

Fanaticism will appear in the very midst of us. If we work to create an excitement of feeling, we shall have all we want, and more than we can possibly know how to manage. Calmly and clearly preach the word. We must not regard it as our work to create an excitement. The Holy Spirit alone can create a healthy enthusiasm. **2SM 95**

Danger of Emotion Replacing Obedience

There is a danger of those in our ranks making a mistake in regard to receiving the Holy Ghost. Many suppose an emotion or a rapture of feeling to be evidence of the presence of the Holy Spirit. There is a danger that right sentiments will not be understood and that Christ's words 'teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you' will lose their significance. **2SM 18.**

Theatre and Drama in Worship

Amusement is not to be interwoven with instruction in the Scriptures. When this is done, the hearers, amused by some cheap nonsense, lose the burden of conviction. The opportunity passes away, and no one is drawn by the cords of love to the savior. **Ev 211**

Can you glorify God by being educated to represent characters in plays and to amuse audiences with fables? Has not the Lord given you intellect to be used to His name's glory in proclaiming the gospel of Christ? Satan's ruling passion is to pervert the intellect and cause men to long for shows and theatrical performances. The experience and character of all who engage in this work will be in accordance with the food given to the mind. **2MR 246**

I have a message for those in charge of our work. Not one jot or tittle of anything theatrical is to be brought into our work. God's cause is to have a sacred, heavenly mold. I am instructed that we shall meet with all kinds of experiences and that men will try to bring strange performances into the work of God. All theatrical performances in connection with the preaching of present truth were to be discouraged and forbidden. Men who thought they had a wonderful work to do sought to adopt a strange deportment and manifested oddities in bodily exercises. The light given me was 'Give this no Sanction.' The previous truths given us are to be spoken in all solemnity and with sacred awe. **Ev 137, 138**

Novelties in the form of sensational dramas are continually arising to engross the mind and are destructive to moral and spiritual advancement. **4T 415**

Healthful Living Feature – Opening the Door

Medical Missionary Work Opens Doors

The medical missionary work is a door through which the truth is to find entrance to many homes in the cities. **CH 556**

Nothing will open doors for the truth like evangelistic medical missionary work. This will find access to hearts and minds, and will be a means of converting many to the truth. Doors that have been closed to him who merely preaches the gospel will be opened to the intelligent medical missionary. **Ev 513**

I can see in the Lord's providence that the medical missionary work is to be a great entering wedge, whereby the diseased soul may be reached. **CH 535**

Medical missionary work is the right hand of the Gospel. It is necessary to the advancement of the cause of God. **7T 59**

Teach people that it is better to know how to keep well than to cure disease. **WM 127 (Welfare Ministry)**

Teach the poor how to provide themselves with foods that will take the place of flesh foods. **CH 476**

Wherever medical missionary work is carried out in our large cities, cooking schools should be held. **CH 487**

Our world is a vast hospital. Vicious habits are increasing. **3T 562**

In every city a place should be provided where the slaves of evil habit may receive help to break the chains that bind them. **Te 127 (Temperance)**

Questions

- 1 What can we expect will be found among God's remnant people in these last days and why?
Answer: We can expect fanaticism and erroneous theories claiming to be truth to be brought in among God's remnant people because many who have a knowledge of the truth will accept Satan's deceptions and be charmed by a spurious holiness.
- 2 What will prevail terribly in our church during these last days and what test will it bring to God's people?
Answer: Ungodliness, fanaticism and excitement will prevail in the church until Christ comes and it will prove a test to God's people to discern between him that serveth God and him that serveth Him not.
- 3 What are some of the dangers of the growing excitement, emotional ecstasy and fanaticism found in the church today?
Answer: As a result of these growing forms of worship in the church we are in danger of rising above the simplicity of the Bible; mistaking emotional rapture to be evidence of the Holy Spirit; and that Christ's instructions to observe all that He has commanded us will lose their significance and not be obeyed.
- 4 What clear instruction is given regarding drama and theatre in worship and why?
Answer: Not one jot or tittle of drama, theatre and amusement is to be interwoven with instruction of the Scriptures because God's cause is to have a sacred and heavenly mould and will cause congregants to lose the burden of conviction.
- 5 What is Satan's purpose for bringing theatre and drama into worship?
Answer: Satan's intention is to engross the mind with these forms of sensational theatre in order to restrict growth of Christian character and to destroy moral and spiritual advancement.
- 6 What does the Lord's providence show the medical missionary work to be and why?
Answer: The medical missionary work is shown to be an entering wedge, a door and the right hand of the gospel because it brings truth to homes and diseased souls where the preacher cannot reach.
- 7 What are medical missionaries required to teach those to whom they minister?
Answer: They should teach people that it is better to prevent disease than to treat it; how to provide and prepare plant based food to replace animal based food; and how to overcome evil habits that enslave; in addition to the truths of the gospel message.

Take Away Tips

- The growing forms of excitement, emotional ecstasy and erroneous theories in church worship are clear signs that we are indeed living at the end.
- These strange and new forms of worship are part of Satan's plan to override the simplicity of the gospel; provide false evidence for the presence of the Holy Spirit; prevent a change of heart and conviction of biblical truth; and to destroy moral and spiritual advancement among God's people.
- We are now at that time when God's people in His church are forced to discern who serves God and who doesn't and the question must be asked "which side am I on"?
- The time is now when the medical missionary work will open doors previously closed to gospel truth and serve as an entering wedge for God's work to reach the diseased souls.