

APOSTATE LEADERS



Those who receive Christ by faith as their personal Saviour cannot be in harmony with the world.

There are two distinct classes:

One is loyal to God, keeping His commandments,

**while the other talk and acts like the world,
casting away the Word of God,* which is truth,
and accepting the words of the apostate,**
who rejected Jesus.**

Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, page 139,

RAPIDLY ARE MEN RANGING THEMSELVES
UNDER THE BANNER THEY HAVE CHOSEN,
RESTLESSLY WAITING AND WATCHING
THE MOVEMENTS OF THEIR LEADERS.

There are those who are watching and waiting and working for our Lord's appearing; while the other party are rapidly falling into line under the generalship of the first great apostate.

They look for a god in humanity, and Satan personifies the one they seek. Multitudes will be so deluded through their rejection of truth that they will accept the counterfeit. Humanity is hailed as God. Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, page 364

True Religion Slighted

There has been a departure from God among us, and the zealous work of repentance and return to our first love essential to restoration to God and regeneration of heart has not yet been done. Infidelity has been making its inroads into our ranks; for it is the fashion to depart from Christ, and give place to skepticism.

WITH MANY THE CRY OF THE HEART HAS BEEN,
WE WILL NOT HAVE THIS MAN TO REIGN OVER US.

BAAL, BAAL, IS THE CHOICE.

THE RELIGION OF MANY AMONG US
WILL BE THE RELIGION OF APOSTATE ISRAEL,
BECAUSE THEY LOVE THEIR OWN WAY,
AND FORSAKE THE WAY OF THE LORD.

The true religion, the only religion of the Bible*, that teaches forgiveness only through the merits of a crucified and risen Saviour, that advocates righteousness by the faith of the Son of God, has been slighted, spoken against, ridiculed, and rejected. *It has been denounced as leading to enthusiasm and fanaticism.* But it is the life of Jesus Christ in the soul, it is the active principle of love imparted by the Holy Spirit, that alone will make the soul fruitful unto good works

The love of Christ is the force and power of every message for God that ever fell from human lips. What kind of a future is before us if we shall fail to come into the unity of the faith? Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, page 467

John dwells so particularly on love, he does not clasp hands with sin. Hear his words regarding the apostate from the faith, he who has had a knowledge of the truth but has departed from the faith, giving heed to seducing spirits.

"Whosoever transgresseth,
and abideth not in the doctrine of Christ
hath not God.
He that abideth in the doctrine of
Christ, he hath both the Father and the Son.
If there come any unto you, and bring not this doctrine,
receive him not into your house,
neither bid him God speed:
for he that biddeth him Godspeed is partaker of his evil deeds."
Let all consider this.

The Ellen G. White 1888 Materials, page 136

"Fallen angels upon earth form confederations with evil men. In this age antichrist will appear as the true Christ, and then the law of God will be fully made void in the nations of our world. Rebellion against God's holy law will be fully ripe.

But the true leader of all this rebellion

Is Satan clothed as an angel of light.

MEN WILL BE DECEIVED
AND WILL EXALT HIM TO THE PLACE OF GOD,
AND DEIFY HIM.
BUT OMNIPOTENCE WILL INTERPOSE,
AND TO THE APOSTATE CHURCHES THAT UNITE IN THE EXALTATION OF SATAN,
THE SENTENCE WILL GO FORTH,
"THEREFORE SHALL HER PLAGUES COME IN ONE DAY,
DEATH, AND MOURNING, AND FAMINE;
AND SHE SHALL BE UTTERLY BURNED WITH FIRE:
FOR STRONG IS THE LORD GOD WHO JUDGETH HER."

Testimonies to Ministers and Gospel Workers, page 62

(Emphasis Supplied)

(* King James Version)

(**Modern per-versions: New International Version, New King James Version etc.)