

come out of Babylon. However, God has not called them out of Babylon and into nothing. He calls them into the remnant church.

Talk about how exciting it is to be a part of the remnant church, to share with the world this glorious message that is preparing a people for the coming of the Lord.

Response Questions:

1. If it is clear to you from the study of God's Word that the remnant church of Bible prophecy refers to the Seventh-day Adventist Church, put a check in Box #1.
2. If it is your desire to come out of Babylon and become a member of the Seventh-day Adventist Church, put a check in Box #2.
3. If the things you have studied have been basically clear to you but you still feel you need more time before you make a decision to become a Seventh-day Adventist, put a check in Box #3.

people of God, but you are clearly presenting the fact that God has always had a faithful people, even in the Dark Ages. The Adventist Church happens to be God's faithful people at the end time.

You will also need to make very plain to your students that you do not believe that only Seventh-day Adventists are going to be saved. God has people in every church who have lived up to every ray of light that God has given them.

It is to these people that the call is extended to come out of Babylon when they see the truth of God. So that you are not misunderstood and so that people understand clearly, you will need to publicly state several times that you believe people from every church will be saved.

Questions 1 & 2

The battle described at the end of the book of Daniel is the same as the battle described in Revelation 12:17. The book of Daniel ends with God's people being delivered in the midst of the final great conflict. Likewise, the book of Revelation reveals that God's people will be delivered in the midst of the final great crisis. Therefore Daniel and Revelation are talking about the same event.

Questions 3 to 6

These questions clarify the fact that a woman in Bible prophecy represents a church. In the book of Revelation, a pure woman represents the true church, and an apostate woman represents the false church.

Lesson 25 has already clearly identified Babylon as the false church, which is the threefold union. Lesson 26 now deals with the story of God's faithful people.

Question 7

The emphasis that needs to be given here is on the unity of the church.

Many people divide the church of the Old Testament from the church of the New Testament, as if God started all over again.

The point raised by the description of the woman in Revelation 12 is that the church is one in both Old and New Testaments. The Old Testament church is simply clothed with the glory and reality of the gospel of Christ, but it's still the one true church of God down through the ages.

Questions 8 & 9

The enemy of God's church has always been the devil. However, point out that the devil does not work directly. He works through people, powers, governments, and religious bodies in his attempt to either persecute or to corrupt the church of Jesus Christ.

Questions 10 & 11

These two questions very quickly move chronologically from the life of Christ to focus on the history of the followers that Christ left behind. However, that does not mean these verses are unimportant; they are probably the key verses of the book of Revelation.

They draw aside the curtain and show us the great controversy going on between Christ and Satan. One point that you will need to emphasize here is that Christ has defeated Satan. Satan lost the battle by virtue of Calvary, and now he is going around like a spoiled brat seeking to take as many people as he can with him.

Question 12

The point of this question is that the devil turns his vicious attacks against the church that Christ left behind. He has attacked the church in two ways: through overt persecution, and by inward corruption. For the first 300 years of the Christian church's history the devil vigorously persecuted the church, but the blood of the martyrs was the seed of the church. Since the devil was not successful in defeating the church through persecution,

Question 27

Revelation 12:17 pictures a final battle that the devil wages against the remnant. Revelation 12 doesn't tell us who wins the battle, but Revelation 19:20 does.

The beast and the false prophet that were a part of this threefold union of final Babylon are cast into the lake of fire. God's people are delivered in this final conflict.

The devil is not successful in his attempt to destroy the remnant. Instead the devil himself is destroyed.

Since the remnant church is the focal point of Satan's attack in these last days, you should share with your students that when they decide to become a part of the remnant church they will face the Fire of the adversary. He does not like it when people decide to join the remnant church.

While the Bible foretells that people who become a part of the remnant will face persecution, the assurance is given that God will go with them through these trials. Even though many of your students will face trials and obstacles as they seek to make a decision to become a part of the remnant, yet assure them that God is with them through all of their trials and tribulations.

Question 28

This is your appeal question. God calls His people to come out of Babylon. He does not call them out to nothing. He calls them out to become a part of the remnant.

Lesson 25 clearly identified Babylon as the final apostasy of Romanism, apostate Protestantism and spiritualism. I

f your students have found themselves to be a part of that threefold union that is developing, they will need to make a decision to come out of Babylon.

Remind them that they cannot reform Babylon. God is calling them to

Question 25

The remnant will not be confined to one section of the earth. The remnant will be found world wide.

Question 26

This question clearly names the Seventh-day Adventist Church as the remnant church. As soon as you mention this it would be well to mention again that that does not mean only Adventists are going to be saved. God has people in all churches.

However, that does not mean that God does not have an organized body that He's leading in a special way in these last days, and that organized body that He is leading is the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Then proceed to go through all the identifying marks again point by point and show how the Adventist Church meets every one of the specifications of the remnant.

The points of identification that should be especially emphasized at this time would be Point B on keeping the commandments, Point E on the Adventist Church being a gospel-centered movement, and Point F on the international, worldwide organization of the church.

As you share with your students the truth of the remnant church, be excited.

Don't be ashamed of your church, but instead hold your head high as you tell these people about the Seventh-day Adventist Church. Many of your students will be amazed to discover how widespread Adventism is.

They may think of the Adventist Church as a small little church here in North America and not realize the worldwide extent of the Adventist Church.

Today our membership is approaching six million. Be certain to share the most current statistics with your students so that they see the truly international, worldwide Adventist Church. Out of the nearly six million members we have today, 700,000 are in North America.

he began trying to corrupt it by working from the inside to change its doctrines. The church, therefore, has far more to fear from within than from without.

It would be well if the teacher could share some stories of the early days of Christianity and the faithfulness of God's people who were persecuted so greatly for their faith.

It is important in this section of the lesson for the teacher to emphasize the corruption of the church that took place during this period. This was the time when paganism entered Christianity and the church became Babylon, mixing truth with error.

The point to stress in this corruption is that the origin of corruption is always paganism.

Questions 13& 14

Questions 13 and 14 deal with the church in the wilderness. Again the emphasis is on the fact that God had a faithful people all during the Dark Ages. In spite of the fact that Roman Christianity dominated the world and seemed to be the sole religion, there were yet people who resisted Rome, who refused to compromise their faith, and who continued to keep alive the truth of God. Even the true Sabbath was kept all during the Dark Ages.

Question 15

Here again it would be well to tell stories of these faithful Christians of the Middle Ages. If the teacher can get hold of a copy of Fox's Book of Martyrs he will find many stories of people who were martyred for their faith during this period.

This was the time when the Bible was banned or chained to a monastery wall. To have a copy of the Scriptures was a crime punishable by death. Yet all during this period many faithful Christians kept hidden copies of the Scriptures to provide them with a source of comfort and strength through these troublous times.

Many were bold enough to try to share the Scriptures with others, and some lost their lives because of it. Over 50 million people died for their faith during the Dark Ages under the terrible persecution that came upon the church at this time.

Even the Protestants, when they came out of Rome, did not completely leave Rome. It would be well to point out that not only did Catholics persecute Protestants, but Protestants killed Protestants. The truth of religious liberty did not come early to the church.

Question 16

The establishment of the United States in a new land saved the church. In the providence of God, this country opened up her doors to become a haven of refuge for the persecuted and distressed of all ages. This gave the church time to recover from all the persecution before she would hit the final onslaught of the last days.

Question 17

The devil becomes intensely angry with this church in the last days. In this case he wages all-out warfare against the remnant. After 2000 years of persecution the devil still has not triumphed. God still has a faithful remnant people in the end time.

Question 18

Emphasis on the word “remnant” is to show the continuity of the church, that as the church emerges in the time of the end it will be just like the church of the first century.

Question 19

The point here is that the true church doesn’t simply begin afresh—it emerges from the wilderness. The true church has always existed. It is

God’s faithful people in every age. However, all during the 1260-year persecution period the church was not strongly organized. It was hidden in obscurity. It re-emerges as an organized force at the end of the 1260 years. Thus the remnant has to emerge sometime after 1798.

Question 20

If you have time, you may want to open the Bible with your students to Exodus 20, go through each of the Ten Commandments, and show that only the remnant keep the commandments of God. Make it clear that Sabbath keeping is one of the commandments. A church cannot claim to be the remnant church if it does not keep the seventh-day Sabbath, because it is part of the commandments.

Questions 21 & 22

Mention this very briefly. Lesson 28 will deal with Ellen White and the Spirit of Prophecy.

At this point you are merely establishing the fact that it is an identifying mark of the remnant church.

Question 23

You will notice that most of these points are review, because you have already covered them in previous lessons.

However, that does not mean they should not be emphasized. The remnant church will preach the three angels’ message. No other church will do so.

Question 24

Please give strong emphasis to this identifying mark The remnant is a gospel-centered movement. It is not a legalistic movement.