

Visions and statements confirming this interpretation

The following is an authenticated version published by the church.

{Spalding and Magan Collection 1.3-5} [1985]

Vision of Aug 24, 1850

I saw that the truth should be made plain upon tables, that the earth and the fullness thereof is the Lord's, and that necessary means should not be spared to make it plain.

I saw that the old chart was directed by the Lord, and that not a figure of it should be altered except by inspiration. I saw that the figures of the chart were as God would have them, and that His hand was over and *hid a mistake in some of the figures*, so that none should see it till His hand was removed. {SpM 1.3}

I saw that the two-horned beast had a dragon's mouth, and that his power was in his head, and that the decree would go out of his mouth. Then I saw the Mother of Harlots; that the mother was not the daughters, but separate and distinct from them. She has had her day, and it is past, and her daughters, the Protestant sects, were the next to come on the stage and act out the same mind that the mother had when she persecuted the saints. I saw that as the mother has been declining in power, the daughters had been growing, and soon they will exercise the power once exercised by the mother. {SpM 1.4}

I saw the nominal church and nominal Adventists, like Judas, would betray us to the Catholics to obtain their influence to come against the truth. The saints then will be an obscure people, little known to the Catholics; but the churches and nominal Adventists who know of our faith and customs (for they hated us on account of the Sabbath, for they could not refute it) will betray the saints and report them to the Catholics as those who disregard the institutions of the people; that is, that they keep the Sabbath and disregard Sunday. {SpM 1.5}

Ms 8, 1850

Vision of Aug. 24, 1850 Unauthenticated. [Not available on disk.]

Ms 9, 1850

Copy of an Early Vision Unauthenticated. [Not available on disk.]

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Manuscript 8, 1850 — August 24, 1850, no place [of origin] given;

concerns the need for rebaptism of believers since 1844.

Evaluation [by the publishers]: No Ellen White original exists,
and 10 variants are known.

All but half a sentence of the text is found in other authenticated Ellen White writings under dates of July 29 (Ms 5, 1850) and August 4 (or 24), 1850 (Ms 7 [7a], 1850, and *Early Writings*, pp. 59, 60; *Christian Experience and Views*, pp. 47, 48), to which the reader is referred.

I saw that the truth should be made plain on tables, that the earth and the fullness thereof is the Lord's, and that necessary means should not be spared to make it plain. I saw that the angels' messages, made plain, would have effect. ***I saw that the old chart was directed by the Lord, and that not a peg of it should be altered without inspiration. I saw that the figures on the chart were as God wanted them, and that His hand was over and hid a mistake in some of the figures so that none could see it until His hand was removed.***

I saw that the two-horned beast had a dragon mouth, and that his power was in his head, and that the decree would go out of his mouth. Then I saw the mother of harlots, that the mother was not the daughters, but separate and distinct from them. ***She has had her day, and it is past, and her daughters, Protestant sects, were next to come on the stage and act out the same mind that the mother had when she persecuted the saints. I saw that as the mother has been declining in power the daughters have been growing, and soon they will exercise the power once manifested by the mother.***
