

ELLEN G WHITE'S USE OF THE TERM "REMNANT CHURCH" *

Zechariah's vision of Joshua and the Angel applies with peculiar force to the experience of God's people in the closing up of the great day of atonement. The remnant church will be brought into great trial and distress. Those who keep the commandments of God and the faith of Jesus will feel the ire of the dragon and his hosts.-- 5 T 472 (1885). Same statement in 9 T 231 (1909) PK 587 (1916).

Mysteries into which angels desire to look, which prophets and kings and righteous men desired to understand, the remnant church will carry in messages from God to the world. The prophets prophesied of these things. . . . They longed to see what we see, and to hear what we hear; but they could not.--6 T 19-20 (1900).

As the prophet beholds the Lord of glory descending from heaven, with all the holy angels, to gather the remnant church from among the nations of earth, he hears the waiting ones unite in the exultant cry: "Lo, this is our God"-- etc. -- PK 728 (1916).

The people of God will be abiding in Christ.... Christ will abide in every heart, guiding, comforting, sanctifying, and presenting to the world the unity of the followers of Jesus, thus bearing testimony that the heavenly credentials are supplied to the remnant church. In the oneness of Christ's church it will be proved that God sent His only-

* Many more statements employ the term "remnant" beginning with Early Writings, p. 38, "He gazed with pity on the remnant." (Jan. 5, 1849)

begotten Son into the world.--Review and Herald, March 20, 1894, in Selected Messages, Book I, page 385.

The remnant church is called to go through an experience similar to that of the Jews; and the True Witness, who walks up and down in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks, has a solemn message to bear to His people.--Review and Herald, March 20, 1894, in Selected Messages, Book I, page 387.

Those who love and keep the commandments of God are most obnoxious' to the synagogue of Satan, and the powers of evil will manifest their hatred toward them to the fullest extent possible. John foresaw the conflict between the remnant church and the power of evil, and said, "The dragon was wroth with the woman, and went to make war with the remnant of her seed, which keep the commandments of God, and have the testimony of Jesus Christ."--Review and Herald, April, 14, 1896, in Bible Commentary, vol. 7, page 974.

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There are times when a distinct view is presented to me of the condition of the remnant church, a condition of appalling indifference to the needs of a world perishing for lack of a knowledge of the truth for this time. Then I have hours, and sometimes days, of intense anguish. Many to whom have been committed the saving truths of the third angel's message fail of realizing that the salvation of souls is dependent upon the consecration and activity of God's church.--8 T 24 (1904)

As Joshua was pleading before the Angel, so the remnant church, with brokenness of heart . . . will plead for pardon and deliverance through Jesus their Advocate.--Review and Herald, January 9, 1908.

Christ's true disciples follow Him through sore conflicts, enduring self-denial and experiencing bitter disappointment. . . . Partakers of Christ's sufferings, they are destined to be partakers of His glory. In holy vision the prophet saw the ultimate triumph of God's remnant church.--Acts of Apostles, p. 590 (1911).

See also such statements as the following making reference to "remnant people:"

Let all be careful not to make an outcry against the only people who are fulfilling the description given of the remnant people, who keep the commandments of God, and have faith in Jesus, who are exalting the standard of righteousness in these last days.--Testimonies to Ministers, p. 58.
(Remnant Church not Babylon)