

# Wait for It

Till Plains 10/23/2021

Text: Habakkuk 2:3 For the vision *is* yet for an appointed time; But at the end it will speak, and it will not lie. Though it tarries, wait for it; Because it will surely come, It will not tarry.

For a more in depth understanding of the message, read chapter 22, "Prophecies Fulfilled," in *The Great Controversy*.

## The Disappointment

Reference verses: Revelation 10:1-11

1. Read Revelation 10. What two statements would lead the Millerite Adventists to believe Jesus' coming would take place in 1844?
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"In like manner Miller and his associates fulfilled prophecy and gave a message which Inspiration had foretold should be given to the world, but which they could not have given had they fully understood the prophecies pointing out their disappointment, and presenting another message to be preached to all nations before the Lord should come." – Ellen White, *The Great Controversy*, 405.

"Allowing the first period, 150 years to have been exactly fulfilled before Deacozes ascended the throne by permission of the Turks, and that the 391 years 15 days commenced at the close of the first period, it will end on the 11th of August, 1840, when the Ottoman power in Constantinople may be expected to be broken. And this, I believe, will be found to be the case." – Josiah Litch, "Fall of the Ottoman Power in Constantinople." *Signs of the Times*, August 1, 1840, 70.

2. Yet, in the same chapter, what two facts did they miss in correctly understanding the true nature of Daniel 8:14?
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## Why October 22, 1844

Reference verses: Daniel 8:14; Ezra 7:11-26; Matthew 25:1-13; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

3. Simple math shows that 2300 (the length of time referenced in Daniel 8:14) subtracted from 457 (the year of Artaxerxes decree in Ezra 7) equals 1843. Why is this an accurate date for the completion of the 2300 years, as well as 1844?
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Reference verses: Habakkuk 2:1-4; Ezekiel 12:21-28; Hebrews 10:35-39

4. There are four main points which can be understood from Habakkuk, what are they?

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- b) \_\_\_\_\_
- c) \_\_\_\_\_
- d) \_\_\_\_\_

**Except We Forget**

“The work is soon to close. The members of the church militant who have proved faithful will become the church triumphant. In reviewing our past history, having travelled over every step of advance to our present standing, I can say, Praise God! As I see what God has wrought, I am filled with astonishment and with confidence in Christ as Leader. We have nothing to fear for the future, except as we shall forget the way the Lord has led us, and his teaching in our past history. We are now a strong people, if we will put our trust in the Lord; for we are handling the mighty truths of the word of God. We have everything to be thankful for. If we walk in the light as it shines upon us from the living oracles of God, we shall have large responsibilities, corresponding to the great light given us of God. We have many duties to perform, because we have been made the depositories of sacred truth to be given to the world in all its beauty and glory. We are debtors to God to use every advantage he has entrusted to us to beautify the truth of holiness of character, and to send the message of warning, and of comfort, of hope and love, to those who are in the darkness of error and sin.” – Ellen White, *General Conference Daily Bulletin*, January 29, 1893.

5. What must we not forget and why?

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Reference verse: Revelation 22:7, 12, 20

6. What do these three verses at the very end of the Bible remind you about Jesus’ Second Coming?

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