

B. Hear the Call - 001. Overview

SUMMARY: Theme B shows why God requires disciples to exercise 4. mutual agape love, 5. fruit-bearing ministry, and 6. be overcoming witnesses.

Theme Details

B1. Join in Revival and Reformation

- His Voice throughout History
- The End-Time Necessity
- B2. Fulfill the Divine Commission
 - The Double Duty of Our Church
 - The Process of Disciple-Making

B3. Be Ready to Stand at Last

- Dress for the Final Battle
- "Add" and "Buy of Me"

Purpose **Purpose**

To help participants

hear the call of God to His people to prepare for end-time victory and ministry:

- Recognize and respond to God's consistent urging to enter into the final revival and reformation.
- 2. Consider and implement all aspects of the Great Commission and its end-time application.
- **3. Receive** the spiritual equipment needed to fight the final battles faithfully and victoriously.

PHASE / Section	Need I: REVIVAL – Apostolic Faith and Godliness					
	1 st Le	vel: Calling the Church – Why God Ca	lls Disciples = Requires the M	larks	l have / do it	
	This	Theme	Need	Response	hardly \rightarrow daily	
Awareness		A. Sound the Trumpet	1 st – 3 rd Mark	of Discipleship		
and		 Awake to Our Present Time 	1. win the final battle	1. absolute loyal love		
Decision		Stand on the Side of Truth	guard against deception	2. complete self-denial		
Decision		 Qualify for the Seal of God 	3. be secure in Jesus	3. perpetual abiding		
Preparedness		B. Hear the Call	4 th – 6 th Mark	of Discipleship		
and		 Join the Revival and Reformation 	work with members	 mutual agape love 		
Precision		Fulfill the Divine Commission	5. use talents effectively	5. fruit-bearing ministry		
Trecision		Be Ready to Stand at Last	6. be fully equipped	6. overcoming witness		
	2 nd Le	evel: Growing the Church – How We M	lake Disciples = Acquire the N	larks		
	This	Theme	Step	Result		
PHASE 1:		C. Come to Life		hip: absolute loyal love		
Courtyard		1. Believe the Gospel of Jesus	(1) believe Gospel	(1) grateful surrender		
"Come to Me" = Pardon		Receive Justification by Faith	(2) receive justification	(2) truthful conversion		
(Look back to		Obey Jesus from Love	(3) love commandments	(3) joyful obedience		
His life & sacrifice)		D. Join the Movement	2 nd Mark of Disciplesh	ip: complete self-denial		
$\textbf{Message} \rightarrow \textbf{Member}$		 Accept Our Prophetic Identity 	(4) accept identity	(4) purposeful membership		
(Gather / Gaining)		Affirm the SDA Beliefs	(5) grasp teaching	(5) meaningful conviction		
(Reach up)		3. Order Your Life as a Steward	(6) (re)order life	(6) faithful stewardship		
		Need II: REFORMATIO	N – End-Time Lifestyle and	l Ministry		
PHASE 2:		E. Grow in Grace	3 rd Mark of Disciples	hip: perpetual abiding		
Holy Place		1. Let Jesus Form Within	(7) form Jesus	(7) spiritual growth		
"Learn of Me" = Purity		2. Study the Word of God	(8) study Word	(8) doctrinal purity		
(Look up for		3. Pray According to God's Will	(9) pray in the Spirit	(9) personal worship		
His presence & Spirit)		F. Share the Love	4 th Mark of Disciples	hip: mutual agape love		
Member \rightarrow Maturity		1. Exercise Christlike Love	(10) practice love	(10) effectual unity		
(Grow / Training)		2. Contribute to Church Meetings	(11) value groups	(11) communal worship		
(Reach Across)		3. Help with Practical Support	(12) serve needs	(12) practical support		
PHASE 3: G. Bear much Fruit		5 th Mark of Discipleshi	p: fruit-bearing ministry			
Most Holy Place		1. Recognize and Confirm All Talents	(13) recognize talents	(13) doubtless certainty		
"Go for Me" = Power		2. Organize and Combine All Talents	(14) organize talents	(14) classless teamwork		
(Look forward to		3. Utilize and Commend All Talents	(15) utilize talents	(15) selfless service		
His work & return)		H. Tell the World		ip: overcoming witness		
$Maturity \rightarrow Ministry$		1. Enable Latter Rain Power	(16) enable power	(16) boundless light		
(Go / Retaining)		2. Reflect the Character of Jesus	(17) reflect Jesus	(17) spotless life		
(Reach out)		3. Spread the Gospel of Jesus	(18) spread Gospel	(18) fearless fight		



B. Hear the Call – 1. Join the Revival and Reformation – 101. God's Call throughout History

SUMMARY: Fourth, Jesus requires you to exercise mutual agape love, so we all help each other obey the Lord's calls for revival and reformation.

The Lord has called His people to revival and reformation throughout Biblical history. But now that the time of the end has come upon humanity, He needs to purify His remnant people to prepare them for the latter rain, the time of trouble, His return, and heavenly life. So He pleads with them one final time to repent, revive, and reform. True mutual love is vital in this process (Jn 13:35). The Lord is strongly urging His people to respond to Him because He longs to make up His jewels (Mal 3:17), carry out His word, that is, finish His work to forever end the sins and sufferings on this dying planet, cut it short in righteousness (Rom 9:28), and take His beloved bride to His home of eternal glory (Isa 62:5; Jn 14:1-3; 1 Pe 5:10).

Are God's remnant people willing to hear God's centuries-old calling? If not, why not? _

Are we claiming God's precious promises that encourage us to respond? If not, why not? ____

Will we exercise the mutual agape love needed to help each other respond? If not, why not?

	Source	The Lord's Calling to Revival and Reformation throughout History by His Prophets, Including Ellen G. White	Speaks to me hardly \rightarrow clearly
1 2 3 4	1. Joel 2: 11-13, 17, 28, 32	"The LORD shall utter his voice before his army:'Turn ye <i>even</i> to me with all your heart, and with fasting, and with weeping, and with mourning. And rend your heart, and not your garments, and turn unto the LORD your God:Let the priests,weepand say, Spare thy people, O LORDAndafterward,I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh;Andwhosoever shall call on the name of the LORD shall be delivered."	"Turn to God!" "Plead with Him!"
5 6 7 8	2. AA 36-38	"As the disciples waited for the fulfillment of the promise, they humbled their hearts in true repentance and confessed their unbeliefPutting away all differences, all desire for supremacy, they came close together in Christian fellowshipThese days of preparation were days of deep heart searching. The disciples felt their spiritual need and cried to the Lord for the holy unction that was to fit them for the work of soul saving."	"Repent!" "Come together!"
9 10 11	3. Ac 2:38; 3:19-20	"Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and ye shall receive the gift of the Holy GhostRepent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; and he shall send Jesus Christ"	"Be converted!"
12 13 14	4. Mal 3:1b-3	"Behold, he shall come, saith the LORD of hosts. Butwho shall stand when he appeareth? For he is like a refiner's fire,And he shall sit <i>as</i> a refiner and a purifier of silver: and he shall purify the sons of Levi, and purge them as gold and silver, that they may offer unto the LORD an offering in righteousness."	"Be pure!"
15 16 17 18 19 20	5. RH 04-10- 1894	"A refining, purifying process is going on among the people of God, and the Lord of hosts has set His hand to this workIt is in mercy that the Lord reveals to men their hidden defects. He would have them critically examine the complicated emotions and motives of their own hearts, and detect that which is wrong, and modify their dispositions, and refine their manners. God would have them become acquainted with their own hearts The trials of life are God's workmen to remove the impurities, infirmities, and roughness from our characters, and fit them for the society of pure, heavenly angels in glory."	"Examine yourselves!" "Appreciate trials!"
21 22 23 24	6. Rev 3:19-21	"As many as I love, I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door, and knock: if any man hear my voice, and open the door, I will come in to him, and will sup with him, and he with me. To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame, and am set down with my Father in his throne."	"Open to Me!" "Overcome!"
25 26 27	7. PK 626	"Christians should be preparing for what is soon to break upon the world as an overwhelming surprise, and this preparation they should make by diligently studying the word of God and striving to conform their lives to its preceptsGod calls for a revival and a reformation."	"Study & obey!"
28 29 30 31	8. 8T 251	"The time has come for a thorough reformation to take place. When this reformation begins, the spirit of prayer will actuate every believer and will banish from the church the spirit of discord and strifeOne member working in right lines will lead other members to unite with him in making intercession for the revelation of the Holy SpiritThe Lord will co-operate with His servants."	"Unite in intercession!"
32 33	9. 9T 126	"In visions of the night representations passed before me of a great reformatory movement among God's peopleA spirit of intercession was seen, even as was manifest before the great day of Pentecost."	"Intercede!"
34 35 36 37	10. ChS 42	"Do not the Scriptures call for a more pure and holy work than we have yet seen?God calls upon those who are willing to be controlled by the Holy Spirit to lead out in a work of thorough reformation. I see a crisis before us, and the Lord calls for His laborers to come into line. Every soul should now stand in a position of deeper, truer consecration to God than during the years that have passed."	"Lead out!" "Be consecrated!"

B. Hear the Call – 1. Join the Revival and Reformation – 102. Their End-Time Necessity

SUMMARY: You need to be involved in revival and reformation, because without them the Lord cannot finish His work in and through you.

"A revival of true godliness among us is the greatest and most urgent of all our needs. To seek this should be our first work." (*LDE 189; 1SM 121*). "There is great necessity for a reformation among the people of God" (*3T 474*), because only revival and reformation equip God's people for end-time victory and ministry, and thereby vindicate God's true character. Each of the six steps in the process is the prerequisite for the next:

	The	e Steps Connected			
1	1. Revival & Reformation resul	It in holiness, which makes God's people longing and receptive for the la	tter rain Spirit.		
2	2. The Latter Rain Spirit brings the refreshing, which urges them to obey and empowers them to give the loud cry.				
3	3. The Loud Cry Message stren	ngthens their faithfulness during the final test, which qualifies them for the	e seal of God.		
4	4. Seal of the Living God guara	antees their protection during the great time of trouble, which assures the	eir deliverance.		
5	 2. The Latter Rain Spirit 3. The Loud Cry Message 4. Seal of the Living God 5. Their Deliverance 	ems them for life in heaven and eternity. These steps confirm and add to G	God's vindication.		
6		titutes the high calling and sacred privilege of Christ's body on earth, His	global church.		
	Th	e Steps Explained	I desire		
7	1. Revival and Reformation		hardly \rightarrow greatly		
8 9 10	or Christ-likeness (Joel 2:12-13; Ac 3:19; Rev 3:19	ation, and result in genuine godliness, or holiness and blamelessness, b; 2 Pe 3:11-15; 7 <i>BC 970; Mar 241</i>). Without it nobody will see the s coming (2 Pe 3:11-12) through several further steps:	to be revived and reformed		
11	2. The Latter Rain Spirit or Time of Refreshing				
12 13 14	71). They are empowered to give the 3rd angel's me	ne fear of God (2 Co 7:1; Joel 2:28-29; Ac 3:19; AA 36-38; 5T 214; EW essage as a loud cry (Lk 24:49; Ac 1:8; 2:1-4; 3:19; Rev 14:6-12; 18:1-4; 984), and are fitted to live in the sight of a holy God (<i>EW</i> 71).	to receive the Latter Rain		
15	3. The Loud Cry of the Third Angel's Message				
16 17 18	and call to faithful endurance to the end in the strength of the Spirit (Da 12:10; Mt 24:13; Rev 14:12; 3SM 401; 1T 353;				
19	4. The Seal of the Living God		•		
20 21 22	9:4-5; Mt 14:13; Rev 7:3; EW 44, 89; Mar 242; 5T 2	ecures their life and salvation during the great time of trouble (Eze 12-216; TM 446; 15MR 225; 7BC 969-70). As the wicked receive the turn cry out for deliverance (EW 34-36, 284; LDE 261-65; Mar 274).	to be sealed for eternity		
23	5. The Deliverance at the Return of Christ		-		
24 25 26	heaven together with the resurrected believers, wh	e, who were waiting for Him. Jesus translates them and takes them to hile the living wicked are slain at His coming (Da 12:1; Jn 14:3; Isa events help vindicate God's true character of just and merciful love.	to go to heaven with Jesus		
27	6. The Vindication of God's True Character of Agape Love				
28 29 30	is the larger purpose of the plan of salvation beyond the redemption of humanity and the earth. The charges of Satan against the character of God and the validity of His law were effectively and eternally refuted by the life and death of Jesus and the complete restoration of His faithful people (Eph 3:8-11; Rev 15:3-4; <i>ST 02-13-1893; DA 761-764</i>).				
		Conclusion			
31 32 33 34 35	Only those will be sealed who have stood the testing Only those will give the loud cry who have received the Only those will receive the ratter rain, who have refle	plagues and taken to heaven who have been sealed. of their faith and been faithful in giving and/or obeying the loud cry. he power of the latter rain at the time of refreshing. octed and vindicated God by perfecting holiness through revival and refor rmation determines whether we help vindicate God and what our eternal			

B. Hear the Call - 2. Fulfill the Divine Commission - 201. The Double Duty of the Remnant

SUMMARY: Fifth, God requires of you and empowers you to fruit-bearing ministry, so you can help fulfill the double duty of His last day people.

Inspiration calls God's people to wait and watch for the coming of the Lord in an active manner, by sanctifying obedience and sincere ministry. "Christians are not to await their Lord's return in idle expectancy. While waiting and watching they are to be vigilant in purifying their own souls by obedience to the truth, and to be earnest in working for others [*DA 634*]. It is their privilege 'not only to look for but to hasten the coming of the day of God' (*DA 633*)." (*SBC 505*). "Working, waiting, watching, and praying,--this constitutes genuine Christianity." (*RH 01-21-1902*). We are shown here that sanctification and service require each other. Both are needed to end the delay of the Lord's coming.

Before His ascension to heaven, the Lord commissioned His followers to make disciples of all nations (Mt 28:18-20). He was going to build His church against which the gates of hell shall not prevail (Mt 16:18). Before His second coming, Jesus commissioned His remnant people to preach the three angels' messages to the whole world (Rev 10:11; 14:6-12; 18:1-4). Ever since 1844, He has been preparing His bride to go home with Him into their eternal happiness together (Jn 14:1-4; Rev 21:1-4). This means God's remnant people have a twofold commission or double duty to fulfill, as the three angels' messages provide several parallels but also end-time urgency to the Great Commission.

The Great Commission and the Three Angels' Messages have several <u>common</u> features: **1**. They come with the authority of the Lord Jesus Christ. **2**. Both represent a work of global extent. **3**. They call on believers to prepare for it. **4**. They are empowered by an outpouring of the Holy Spirit. **5**. They proclaim righteousness by faith. **6**. They urge repentance and faith in Christ. **7**. They warn of false teachings, and call true believers to come out of apostate faith groups. **8**. Their proclamation is accompanied by confirming signs and wonders. **9**. Both movements proclaim and anticipate the second coming of the Lord Jesus Christ. In these aspects, the 3AMs simply carry out the Great Commission.

But the two commissions also <u>differ</u> in significant ways: **1**. The Great Commission was and is empowered by the former rain to start and to grow the church; the 3AMs through the latter rain ripen and prepare the church for the harvest at the second coming of Christ (*GC 611*). **2**. Under the Great Commission, the warning against false teachings and the call to come out is directed to people in the OT church and the pagan world; the 3AMs warn against apostasy within the Christian churches and call God's people out of spiritual Babylon. **3**. Under the Great Commission the time of judgment was in the future; the 3AMs proclaim it as a present reality, which adds urgency to the Great Commission.

4. Under the Great Commission the apostles Paul and Peter indicated that the second coming of Jesus was not as near as many expected (2 Th 2:1-4; 2 Pe 3:9); the judgment message of the 3AMs implies it is very near, as the preceding signs are all being fulfilled, including the global preaching of the 3AMs themselves (Mt 24:14). Therefore, while the remnant people of God continue to carry out the Great Commission to make disciples of all nations, they also proclaim its end-time urgency, since the day of judgment is in progress, the second coming or the "day of the Lord" is at hand, and it will come to those who are unprepared as a thief in the night (1 Th 5:1-5; 2 Pe 3:10; Rev 3:3; 16:15).

God has a people for this final work! "He has His thousands who have not bowed the knee to Baal. Such will stand with Him on Mount Zion. But they must stand on this earth, girded with the whole armor, ready to engage in the work of saving those who are ready to perish." (7BC 978). Who of God's remnant people will commit to their double duty of making disciples in and for the last days?

	Aspect	The Great Commission	Scripture	es & EGW	Three Angels' Messages
1	Authority	Jesus has been given all power, that is,	Mt 28:18;	Rev 10:8-9	Jesus has the opened little book, that is,
2		authority in heaven and on earth.	AA 39		He gives understanding of Daniel.
3	Commission	Go, and make disciples	Mt 28:19	Rev 10:11	You must prophecy again
4	Extent	of all nations	Mt 28:19;	Rev 10:11;	before many peoples, and nations,
5		in all the world	Mt 24:14	Rev 14:6	and tongues, and kings
6	Time	Pentecost until close of probation	Mt 24:14	Rev 10:10; 18:4	1840 until close of probation
7	Preparation	Wait in Jerusalem for the Holy Spirit.	Lk 24:49; Ac 1:4-5;	Da 12:4; Rev 10:9;	Take the little book and eat it up.
8		They continued with one accord in prayer.	Ac 1:14; 2:1	Da 12:10; Rev 3:18	Be purified, made white, and tried.
9	Power	Pentecost (partial fulfillment of Joel 2:28).	Ac 2:2-4; GC ix	Rev 18:1; GC ix	Latter Rain (full accomplishment of Joel).
10	Message	The gospel of God / Christ.	Rom 1:1, 9, 16	Rev 14:6	The everlasting gospel.
11	1. Good News	Righteousness is received by faith.	Rom 1:17; Eph 2:8	LDE 199-201;	Righteousness is received by faith.
12	2. Appeal	Repent to be forgiven, and be baptized.	Ac 2:38; 3:19;	Rev 14:7;	Fear God, and give glory to Him.
13		The day of judgment is coming.	Ac 17:31;	Rev 14:7;	The hour of His judgment has come.
14		Accept Jesus as the Lord and Christ.	Ac 2:36; 2 Co 4:5	Rev 14:7; 4:11	Worship Jesus as the Creator (Sabbath).
15	3. Warning	Church leaders teach doctrines of men.	Mk 7:7; Col 2:22;	Rev 14:8; 18:2;	Babylon is fallen, spreads pagan errors.
16		Unbelief, unrighteousness, and false	Mk 16:16; Jn 3:18;	Rev 14:9-11;	Worshiping the beast or taking its mark
17		teaching bring wrath and condemnation.	Rom 1:18; Eph 5:6	Rev 18:4-8	brings wrath and eventual death.
18	4. Call	Come out from among unbelievers.	2 Co 6:17	Rev 18:2-4	Come out of Babylonian error and sin.
19	Confirmation	Signs and wonders follow the believers.	Mk 16:20; Heb 2:4	9T 126; GC 612	Signs and wonders follow the believers.
20	Outlook	Jesus' second coming is not quite near.	2Th2:1-4; 2Pe 3:9	Mt 24; Rev 14:7	Jesus' second coming is very near.

B. Hear the Call - 2. Fulfill the Divine Commission - 202. The Two Phases of Matthew 24:14

SUMMARY: Spirit-empowered, fruit-bearing ministry is ever more necessary as we approach the second phase of last day global preaching.

Of all the statements in Jesus' outline of end-time events, Matthew 24:14 has always inspired Seventh-day Adventists the most to be faithful to their divine commission, as it identifies the preaching in all the world as the final prophetic sign to be fulfilled before their great deliverance at the return of Jesus (Da 12:1). They understand that this preaching hastens His coming as people respond to the call to holiness; because all need it before they can see the Lord, He is waiting and longing to see it manifested in His disciples so He can return (Ac 2:38; Heb 12:14; 2 Pe 3:9-12; DA 633-634; COL 69). However, the church's failure to do her work as He ordained resulted in His delay, to this day (DA 633; Ev 695-696; LDE 37-38).

On the other hand, the ever increasing use of modern media technology in the global spreading of the three angels' messages has excited God's people as many see in it the complete fulfillment of Matthew 24:14 and thus the final sign that the Lord is coming soon. There is no doubt that ministries using literature, radio, satellites, TV, internet, etc., are reaching people around the globe in creative ways, and in most of the major languages of the world population. At the same time, while many reports at the General Conference Session in Atlanta, GA in 2010 have documented rapid growth of church membership in many part of the world, it was clear that much work remains to be done for yet unreached people groups.

Several sermons at the GC Session have reflected awareness that the work of the global preaching of the Gospel can be finished, and will lead to true conversions, not merely baptisms, only through the outpouring of the Holy Spirit in latter rain power. In other words, the great efforts and success of media ministries constitute a first and partial fulfillment of Matthew 24:14, a preaching to all the world by many evangelists from selected locations. But only the global outpouring of the latter rain on God's people enables the final and complete fulfillment, a preaching in all the world by all members who, without media but with the Spirit's power, proclaim the Gospel in their own respective locations (Joel 2:28-32; Rev 18:1-4).

The Spirit of Prophecy confirms this understanding of the two-phase fulfillment of Matthew 24:14. The outpouring of the latter rain Spirit always is assumed or explicitly mentioned (*6T 24; AG 353; Mar 261; LED 207-208*), and also the two distinct phases are described (*GC 611-612; Ev 697-701*). While they may well occur simultaneously for a while in various places, the first phase will end once Sunday law enforcement begins to threaten with economic boycott and death (Rev 13:15-17). This means, the first phase, with its emphasis on media ministries, takes place before such threats are enforced and buying and selling are still possible; the second phase, the latter rain, is needed for preaching without such means.

"The angel who unites in the proclamation of the third angel's message is to lighten the whole earth with his glory. A work of world-wide extent and unwonted power is here foretold. The advent movement of 1840-44 was a glorious manifestation of the power of God; the first angel's message was carried to every missionary station in the world, and in some countries there was the greatest religious interest which has been witnessed in any land since the Reformation of the sixteenth century; but these are to be exceeded by the mighty movement under the last warning of the third angel.

"The work will be similar to that of the Day of Pentecost. As the 'former rain' was given, in the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at the opening of the gospel, to cause the upspringing of the precious seed, so the 'latter rain' will be given at its close for the ripening of the harvest...'In the last days, saith God, I will pour out of My Spirit upon all flesh.' 'And...whosoever shall call on the name of the Lord shall be saved.' Acts 2:17, 21.

"The great work of the gospel is not to close with less manifestation of the power of God than marked its opening. The prophecies which were fulfilled in the outpouring of the former rain at the opening of the gospel are again to be fulfilled in the latter rain at its close. Here are 'the times of refreshing' to which the apostle Peter looked forward when he said: 'Repent ye therefore, and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out, when the times of refreshing shall come from the presence of the Lord; and He shall send Jesus.' Acts 3:19, 20.

"Servants of God, with their faces lighted up and shining with holy consecration, will hasten from place to place to proclaim the message from heaven. By thousands of voices, all over the earth, the warning will be given. Miracles will be wrought, the sick will be healed, and signs and wonders will follow the believers. Satan also works, with lying wonders, even bringing down fire from heaven in the sight of men. Revelation 13:13. Thus the inhabitants of the earth will be brought to take their stand.

"The message will be carried not so much by <u>argument</u> as by the deep <u>conviction</u> of the Spirit of God. The arguments <u>have</u> been presented. The seed <u>has</u> been sown, and <u>now</u> it will spring up and bear fruit. The publications distributed by missionary workers <u>have</u> exerted their influence, yet many whose minds were impressed <u>have</u> been prevented from fully comprehending the truth or from yielding obedience. <u>Now</u> the rays of light penetrate <u>everywhere</u>, the truth is seen in its clearness....A large number take their stand upon the Lord's side." (*GC 611-612*).

Will God's people, while still using modern media, also prepare and be receptive for the power of the latter rain?

		The Two-Phase Fulfillment of Matthew 24:14					
1	Two Phases	1 st Phase – First and Partial Fulfillment	2 nd Phase – Final and Complete Fulfillment				
2 3	Time	Prior to Sunday law enforcement, when buying and selling are still possible.	Especially <u>after</u> Sunday law enforcement, when buying and selling are no longer possible.				
4	Means	Literature, radio, satellites, TV, internet, etc.	Outpouring of the power of the latter rain.				
5 6	Strategy	Preaching to all the world by many ministers from selected locations scattered on the globe.	Preaching <u>in</u> all the world by <u>all members</u> in their <u>respective</u> locations all around the globe.				
7	Method	Seed is sown by presenting arguments through media.	Seed bears fruit when bringing light with deep conviction.				

B. Hear the Call - 2. Fulfill the Divine Commission - 203. The Process of Disciple-Making

SUMMARY: The fruit that Jesus expects of you is to remain (Jn 15:16), that is, He needs you to be successful in making more true disciples.

When an individual responds to the Gospel message with faith, it may be a true heart conversion, that is, Spirit-wrought sorrow and repentance of sin (2 Co 7:10) and genuine, saving faith in the Lord Jesus Christ (Ac 2:37-41), expressed in mutual love and support (vv. 42-47). Or this faith might merely be a mental assent to doctrines, a dead faith, expressed in a formal religious life without sanctifying spiritual power (Jas 2:17; 2 Ti 3:5). "The faith that is unto salvation is not a casual faith, it is not the mere consent of the intellect, it is belief rooted in the heart, that embraces Christ as a personal Saviour." (*ISM 391*). "We cannot glorify God with a dead faith. I have made my mark high for heaven and eternal life." (*2SG 216*).

In either case, one may receive water baptism and become a church member. Nominal members may do wonderful works for a while, but they will eventually be shaken out (*LDE 173-178; GC 602*) and finally be rejected by the Lord (Mt 7:23). Only those who were converted in the heart will become true disciples of Jesus. They will do genuine works of service, grow in faith and in the knowledge of Jesus, and seek to fulfill their commission to spread the last message of divine mercy around the globe in the power of the latter rain (Eph 4:12-16; Rev 14:6-12; 18:1-4). They will be willing to even give their lives for the word of God and their testimony about Jesus (Rev 1:2; 12:11), and the Lord will finally take them to Himself (1 Th 4:17).

	The Call to Discipleship					
Phase of Calling	Choice of Response	Effect of Response	End Result of Response			
"Come and receive Me" (Mt 11:28; Jn 1:12)	 mere mental assent true heart conversion 	nominal faith (without works = dead, Jas 2:17) saving, abiding faith (works by love, Gal 5:6)	baptism or profession of faith (Mk 16:16)			
" Learn and obey Me" (Mt 11:29; Mt 7:21)	1. nominal member[>2. true disciple[>	Gal 5:1-8] form without power (2 Ti 3:5) Ac 8:21-23] sanctification (Eph 5:26-27)	leaves (LDE 173 ff.), is rejected (Mt 7:23) witnesses (Ac 1:8; Rev 12:11; 14:6-12)			
" Go and proclaim Me" (Mt 28:19-20; Mk 16:15)	1. martyrs before COP 2. great time of trouble	in special resurrection of believers (<i>GC</i> 637) protection (Da 12:1) & translation (1 Co 15:51-54)	taken to heaven at 2 nd coming (1 Th 4:17)			

Therefore, disciple-making is the process that helps believers toward a true heart conversion, supports them in the spiritual growth of their faith, love, and consecration to Jesus Christ, and enables the complete development and compassionate exercise of all their spiritual gifts within the church community and in the world around them. This process advances through the three sections of the sanctuary in six stages of spiritual restoration. Each stage corresponds to a role of Jesus in the life of the disciple, and a Biblical mark of discipleship that involves three steps each, adding up to 18 steps. The biblical end result is a truthful, faithful, and Spirit-filled follower of Jesus who reflects and proclaims Him by a life of selfless service.

	The Process of Disciple-Making					
PHASE - Section of Sanctuary	Stage of Restoration	Role of Jesus	Mark of Discipleship	Step of Disciple-Making	Result of Disciple-Making	
PHASE 1 - Courtyard: "Come to Me" = Pardon (Look back to	1. conversion (Mk 1:15; Ac 3:19)	1. Savior (1 Jn 4:14)	1. absolute loyal love (Lk 14:26, 33; Jn 14:15)	(1) believe Gospel(2) receive salvation(3) love commandmts	(1) sorrowful repentance(2) grateful regeneration(3) joyful obedience	
His life & sacrifice) Message → Member (Gather / Gaining)	2. consecration (Ac 2:37-41, 44-45)	2. Lord (Lk 6:46)	2. complete self-denial (Lk 9:23; 14:27)	 (4) accept identity (5) grasp teaching (6) (re)order life 	(4) meaningful membership(5) truthful conviction(6) faithful stewardship	
PHASE 2 - Holy Place: "Learn of Me" = Purity (Look up for	3. communion (Ac 2:42; 10:9)	3. Comforter (Jn 14:16,18)	3. perpetual abiding (Jn 8:31-32, 36; 15:7)	(7) form Christ(8) study Word(9) pray continuously	(7) spiritual growth(8) doctrinal purity(9) personal worship	
His presence & Spirit) Member → Maturity (Grow / Training)	4. community (Ac 2:46-47)	4. Head (Col 1:18)	4. mutual agape love (Jn 13:34-35; 15:12,17)	(10) practice love(11) value groups(12) serve needs	 (10) effectual unity (11) communal worship (12) practical support 	
<i>PH</i> 3 - Most Holy Place: "Go for Me" = Power (Look forward to	5. commitment (Mt 25:14-30)	5. Vine (Jn 15:1, 5)	5. fruit-bearing ministry (Jn 15:1-8, 16)	 (13) recognize talents (14) organize talents (15) utilize talents 	 (13) doubtless certainty (14) classless teamwork (15) selfless service 	
His work & return) Maturity → Ministry (Go / Retaining)	6. compassion (Mk 6:34; 1 Pe 3:8)	6. Master (Mt 10:24-25)	6. overcoming witness (Mt 10:16-36; Rev 12:11)	(16) enable power(17) reflect Jesus(18) spread Gospel	(16) boundless light(17) spotless life(18) fearless fight	



B. Hear the Call - 3. Be Ready to Stand at Last - 301. Dress for the Final Battle

SUMMARY: Sixth, the Lord requires you to be an overcoming witness (Rev 12:11), so He supplies His whole armor, and you put it on and pray.

The Lord's deep desire for His people is to secure their redemption that He has obtained for them by His perfect sacrifice (Jn 17:24; Heb 9:11-15). Foreseeing the "great test," indeed, the "final test" (*GC 605; LDE 227-228*) that is to come to His remnant church during the little time of trouble, He keeps expressing His concern for them: "The day of the LORD is great and very terrible; and who can abide it?" (Joel 2:11). "Who may abide the day of his coming? And who shall stand when he appeareth?" (Mal 3:2). "When the Son of man cometh, shall he find ["the"] faith on the earth?" (Lk 18:8). The wicked will ask too late, "For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?" (Rev 6:17).

The answers to the Lord's concern are: Those will abide or stand who have rent their hearts and turned to the Lord (Joel 2:12-13); those who have allowed the refiner's fire to purify them (Mal 3:2-4); and those who were sealed (Rev 7:1-3) once they had overcome by the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony, by patiently keeping His commandments in the faith of Jesus (Rev 12:11, 17; 14:12). God's people join in this repentance, purification, and sealing process when they heed the Lord's call given by the apostle Paul to "put on the whole armour of God, that ye may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil,...to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand." (Eph 6:11, 13).

"We are engaged in a warfare against the hosts of darkness. Unless we follow our Leader closely, Satan will obtain the victory over us." (*UL 200*). Therefore, "The Christian soldier must be strong in the Lord ["in the power of his might," Eph 6:10]. God is all-sufficient. In the omnipotence of His might gird on the armor. Make use of all the proper means of defense against the enemy.... The armor is prepared. Put it on, and fight bravely for the Lord." (*UL 129*). "God wants everyone to stand with the whole armor on, ready for the great review." (*MS 63, 1908*).

Who of God's people will commit to such faithfulness in the strength of Jesus in order to stand at last?

	The Whole Armor (Eph 6:14-17)	The Meaning of the Pieces (Scriptures)	How to Put and Keep the Armor on (Scriptures)	I have / do it hardly \rightarrow daily
1	The girdle of truth,	Take Jesus and His word in order to act on it	Hear and study God's Word (Ac 17:11; 2 Ti 2:15).	
	to protect the loins	and thus bear fruit (Jn 14:6; 15:5-8; 17:17).	Be a doer of it (Lk 6:46; Jas 1:22; 1 Jn 2:4; 3:22).	
2	The breastplate of	Protect your life by Christ's righteousness,	Believe God & put on Christ (Gal 3:6-9; Eph 4:24).	
	righteousness (Isa 59:17)	and by your loyalty to Him (1 Th 5:8-9)	Sin not but do right; confess sin (1 Jn 3:7-10; 1:9).	
3	The feet shod with the	Stand firm, having peace with God through	Stay justified through joy, prayer, & thanksgiving	
	gospel of peace	Christ in the midst of conflict (Php 4:7)	(Rom 5:1; Php 4:4-7). Live in peace (2 Co 13:11).	
4	The shield of faith that	Overcome all temptations and assaults,	Rely on the strength of Jesus (Php 4:13; 1 Jn 4:4).	
	quenches Satan's darts	trusting in God (1 Jn 5:4-5; Rev 14:12)	Trust in His deliverance (1 Co 10:13; 2 Pe 2:9).	
5	The helmet of salvation	Keep a sound mind knowing you were, are	Accept death and life of Christ for salvation now	
	(Isa 59:17; 1 Th 5:8)	being, & will be saved (2 Ti 1:7; Rom 8:24).	(Rom 5:10). Look for His saving return (Heb 9:28).	
6	The sword of the Spirit,	Apply God's Word to all circumstances,	Search God's Word for each situation (Mt 4:4-10).	
	the Word of God (Heb 4:12)	in offense or defense (Mt 4:4-10; GC 593).	Share & defend it in love (Eph 4:15; 1 Pe 3:15).	

Furthermore, the Lord tells us how, or in what spirit to wear the armor effectively, so we will not only fight but actually win the battle. He gives us the double admonition to pray continuously and watch perseveringly (Eph 6:18), just as He told His first disciples. They needed to watch and pray when He was about to accomplish the first part of His work of atonement, His suffering in Gethsemane, and His sacrificial death on Calvary (Mt 26:41; Mk 14:38). So now His remnant must watch and pray while He is about to finish the second part of this work, the cleansing of the sanctuary in heaven and the judgment of His people on earth, in preparation of His return in glory (Mk 13:33; Lk 21:36; 1 Pe 4:7).

The reason we need to watch and pray is still the same: so we do not "enter into temptation" (Mt 26:41; Mk 14:38). Back then, the disciples "did not realize the necessity of watchfulness and earnest prayer in order to withstand temptation." So Jesus "feared that they would not be able to endure the test which would come upon them in His betrayal and death" (*DA 688-689*). Indeed, they failed to watch and pray with Him (Mt 26:40, 43; Mk 14:37, 40), when the hour of His suffering had come (Mt 26:45; Mk 14:41; Jn 17:1). As a result, one denied and all forsook Him (Mt 26:56, 69-75; Mk 14:50, 66-72) just as He had forewarned them that they would (Mt 26:31-35; Mk 14:27-31; Lk 22:31-35; Jn 6:32).

"In these sleeping disciples He sees a representation of a sleeping church. When they should be watching, they are asleep." (*5BC 1104*). The Lord warned us that in the last days His people would also be asleep (Mt 25:5), though "the hour of his judgment is come" (Rev 14:7) and "the great test of loyalty," indeed, the "final test" (*GC 605*; Rev 3:10), will soon come upon us in the global Sunday law. So Jesus urges us now to "awake out of sleep," put on the armor (Rom 13:11-14), and "take heed, watch and pray" (Mk 13:33). "While engaged in our daily work, we should lift the soul to heaven in prayer. The Christian whose heart is thus stayed upon God cannot be overcome." (*MYP 249; Pr 123*).

Who will take heed, watch and pray so as to finally "stand before the Son of man" (Lk 21:34-36)?

7	I am willing and ready to dress for the final spiritual battle so I may always be strong in the Lord.	Eph 6:10; 3:16	
8	I am willing and ready to pray continuously and to watch perseveringly so I may stand in the faith.	Eph 6:18; 1 Co 16:13	



B. Hear the Call - 3. Be Ready to Stand at Last - 302. "Add" and "Buy of Me"

SUMMARY: Just as His whole armor, the Lord also provides the plan of addition and three essential gifts, so you may overcome as He did.

"Add": That end-time disciples may be equipped and ready to stand in spiritual strength, God provides the plan of addition in 2 Pe 1:5-10: "Giving all diligence, add to your faith..., for if you do these things, ye shall never fall." (vv. 5, 10). "All diligence' means...a daily diligence. There is danger that we shall be blind in regard to the working of satanic agencies, and that we shall be ensnared by Satan's alluring temptations. Therefore the word comes to us, 'Giving all diligence,' add to your character the graces that will make you strong to resist evil." (*TBC 943-944*). "The work of transformation from unholiness to holiness is a continuous one....[As man] works on the plan of addition, God works for him on the plan of multiplication. Our Saviour is always ready to hear and answer the prayer of the contrite heart, and grace and peace are multiplied to His faithful ones." (*AA 532*).

	"The Ladder of Christian Progress" (AA 532)	Source NT	Amplification Mostly from the Bible Commentary	I have / do it hardly \rightarrow daily
1	Why the Plan of Addition			-
2	We are given divine promises	2 Pe 1:3-4	We receive God's image now and a new heaven and earth soon (3:13).	
3	We become fruitful in service	2 Pe 1:8	With these qualities, we will not be idle members, but impelled to work.	
4	So we won't become blind	2 Pe 1:9	So we won't lose sight of our conversion and lack spiritual discernment.	
5	The Role of Diligence			
6	Ensures election, we will stand	2 Pe 1:10-11	We work out our salvation, so we never fall from it, but enter the kingdom.	
7	What the Plan Calls For			
8	Add to your faith virtue	2 Pe 1:5	Supply moral excellence or character, together with your faith (7BC 597).	
9	And to virtue knowledge	2 Pe 1:5	Gain understanding of God's truth, ways and plans for you (Rom 12:2).	
10	And to knowledge temperance	2 Pe 1:6	Practice self-control, i.e., master your appetites and passions (1 Co 9:27).	
11	And to temperance patience	2 Pe 1:6	Persevere under adversity with courage and steadfastness (Heb 12:1-4).	
12	And to patience godliness	2 Pe 1:6	Let reverence toward God lead you to a victorious conduct (1 Ti 6:11).	
13	To godliness brotherly <u>kindness</u>	2 Pe 1:7	Have true courteous affection toward all church members (Rom 12:10).	
14	And to brotherly kindness charity	2 Pe 1:7	Let self-sacrificing love govern all you do (Jn 13:34; 1 Co 13:13; 16:14).	

"Buy of Me": In order to remedy their deplorable condition, the Lord Jesus is still urging His end-time remnant church of Laodicea in Rev 3:14-22: "I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot....I counsel thee to buy of me gold tried in the fire..., white raiment..., and eyesalve....As many as I love I rebuke and chasten: be zealous therefore, and repent. Behold, I stand at the door and knock." (vv. 15, 18-20). "The chastening reveals a hope of reform....I saw that this call to the Laodicean church will affect souls. A becoming zeal is called for by God on our part....The counsel of the true Witness does not represent those who are lukewarm as in a hopeless case. There is yet a chance to remedy their state, and the Laodicean message is full of encouragement....There is hope for our churches if they will heed the message given to the Laodiceans." (7BC 966).

	Description of the Laodicean Message	Source NT	Amplification Mostly from the Bible Commentary	I have / do it hardly \rightarrow daily
15	Why Jesus Offers Goods			
16	We are neither cold nor hot	Rev 3:15-16	We lack fervent love, do not bear decided witness to truth (7BC 961-962).	
17	We think we are rich but are poor	Rev 3:17	Our reversed self-image tempts us to spiritual pride and complacency.	
18	What He Counsels to Buy			
19	Gold tried in the fire, to be rich	Rev 3:18	Jesus' own victorious faith & love that wins hearts (Isa 28:16; 7BC 964).	
20	White raiment, covers nakedness	Rev 3:18	Jesus' own righteousness, purity of heart: our wedding garment (p. 965).	
21	(wedding - Mt 22:11-12; Rev 19:7-9)	Į	a. Ability to discover God's holy character and the love of Christ (<i>p.</i> 965).	
22	Eyesalve, that we may see	Rev 3:18 L	b. God's Word & grace to discern between good & evil, & one's condition.	
23	What Jesus Calls For			
24	Be zealous and repent.	Rev 3:19	Be "hot" from true sorrow, consecration, and dedication to Christ (p. 965).	
25	Whoever has an ear, let him hear.	Rev 3:21	Pay attention to My counsel, understand it, and conform your lives to it.	
26	What Jesus Promises			
27	Communion, if you open yourself	Rev 3:20	Let Me come into you, and we will share lives as in marriage (Rev 19:9).	
28	Glory and power, if you overcome	Rev 3:21	Share My victory, then My reign: to judge the world & serve My universe.	



B. Hear the Call - 401. Commitment

Summary: Knowing now why God requires 4. mutual agape love, 5. fruit-bearing ministry, and 6. overcoming witness, you commit to these marks.

Upon working and praying through this theme I commit and pledge allegiance to the following, by the grace of God and according to His will:

My Commitment Pledge of Allegiance	I make it hesitantly \rightarrow decidedly				
B1. Participate in Revival and Reformation					
I commit to heeding the prophetic call throughout history to participate in the needed revival and reformation.					
I commit to following all the steps that enable our end-time ministry and contribute to the vindication of God's character.					
B2. Fulfill the Divine Commission					
I commit to acting my part in our double duty to fulfill the Great Commission and to spread the Three Angels' Messages.					
I commit to walking through all the steps of becoming a true disciple of Christ and to helping others do the same.					
B3. Be Ready to Stand at Last					
I commit to putting on the whole armor of God, and to using it to daily fight the good fight of faith in the strength of Jesus.					
I commit to working on the plan of addition of virtues, and to daily buying the goods the Lord urges upon the Laodicean cl	hurch.				

Name: ____

Date: _____

My Notes