

The Millerite Movement

Angel—#32 (Greek)

1) a messenger, envoy, **one who is sent**, an angel, **a messenger from God.**

7 Trumpet—part 8

REVELATION 10:1, NKJV—"I saw still another mighty angel coming down from heaven, clothed with a cloud. And a rainbow was on his head, his face was like the sun, and his feet like pillars of fire."

Mighty Angel = Christ

"And in the midst of the seven lampstands **One like the Son of Man**, clothed with a garment down to the feet and girded about the chest with a golden band. **His head and hair were white like wool, as white as snow**, and His eyes like a flame of fire; **His feet were like fine brass, as if refined in a furnace**, and His voice as the sound of many waters; He had in His right hand seven stars, out of His mouth went a sharp two-edged sword, and **His countenance was like the sun shining in its strength"** (Revelation 1:13-16, NKJV).

"I lifted my eyes and looked, and behold, a certain man clothed in linen, whose waist was girded with gold of Uphaz! His body was like beryl, his face like the appearance of lightning, his eyes like torches of fire, his arms and feet like burnished bronze in color, and the sound of his words like the voice of a multitude" (Daniel 10:5, 6, NKJV).

Revelation 10:2, NKJV—"He had a little book open in his hand. And he set his right foot on the sea and his left foot on the land."

Little Book Open = Daniel

"But you, Daniel, shut up the words, and **seal the book until the time of the end;** many shall run to and fro, and knowledge shall increase. And he said, 'Go your way, Daniel, for the words are closed up and sealed **till the time of the end**" (Daniel 12:4, 9, NKJV).

"But go your way till the end; and you shall rest, and **shall stand in your allotted place** at the end of the days" (Daniel 12:13, RSV).

Revelation 10:3, NKJV—"And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roars. When he cried out, seven thunders uttered their voices. Now when the seven thunders uttered their voices, I was about to write; but I heard a voice from heaven saying to me, 'Seal up the things which the seven thunders uttered, and do not write them."

Revelation 10:5, 6— "And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven, and sware by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the



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"Then I, Daniel, looked; and there stood two others, one on this riverbank and the other on that riverbank. And one said to **the man clothed in linen**, who was above the waters of the river, 'How long shall the fulfillment of these wonders be?' Then I heard the man clothed in linen, who was **above the waters of the river**, when he held up his right hand and his left hand to heaven, and swore by Him who lives forever, that it shall be for a time, times, and half a time; and when the power of the holy people has been completely shattered, all these things shall be finished" (Daniel 12:5-7, NKJV).

Daniel 10:5, 6 = Jesus appears to Daniel glorified Revelation 10:1 = Jesus appears to John glorified

Daniel 12:4, 9 = Book of Daniel "sealed" or closed Revelation 10:2 = Book of Daniel unsealed or "open"

Daniel 12:6 = Jesus stands on "waters of the river" Revelation 10:2 = Jesus stands on "sea" and "earth"

Daniel 12:7 = Jesus lifts up hands "unto heaven" Revelation 10:5 = Jesus lifts up "hand to heaven"

Daniel 12:7 = Jesus "sware by him that liveth for ever" Revelation 10:6 = Jesus "sware by him that liveth for ever"

Daniel 12:7, 11, 12 = Jesus says there shall be "time" Revelation 10:6 = Jesus says "that there shall be time no longer"

Revelation 10:7, NKJV—"But in the days of the sounding of the seventh angel, when he is about to sound, **the mystery of God would be finished,** as He declared to His servants the prophets."

"The mystery which has been hidden from ages and from generations, but now has been revealed to His saints. To them God willed to make known what are the riches of the glory of this mystery among the Gentiles: which is **Christ in you, the hope of glory.** Him we preach, warning every man and teaching every man in all wisdom, **that we may present every man perfect in Christ Jesus**" (Colossians 1:26-28, NKJV).

Revelation 10:8, 9, NKJV—"Then the voice which I heard from heaven spoke to me again and said, 'Go, take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel who stands on the sea and on the earth.' So I went to the angel and



said to him, 'Give me the little book.' And he said to me, 'Take and eat it; and it will make your stomach bitter, but it will be as sweet as honey in your mouth."'

"Your words were found, and I ate them, and Your word was to me the joy and rejoicing of my heart; For I am called by Your name, O LORD God of hosts" (Jeremiah 15:16, NKJV).

"But He answered and said, 'It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God'" (Matthew 4:4, NKJV).

Revelation 10:10, 11—"And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. And he said unto me, 'Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings."

SUMMARY—In Revelation Chapter 10 the little prophetic book of Daniel is unsealed. Based on the prophetic message of Daniel, a world-wide awakening occurs teaching the soon coming of Jesus to the earth in 1844. Those who embrace this message are bitterly disappointed when Jesus does not return. A small number who endure through the disappointment continue to proclaim the prophetic messages of the Bible to all the world.

Present Truth—Whenever people choose to live by the Word of God they taste the sweet joy of God's love. They also experience bitter disappointments in this world as they make Christ the center of their lives.

HISTORICAL NOTES—

"With intense interest he studied the books of Daniel and the Revelation, employing the same principles of interpretation as in the other Scriptures, and found, to his great joy, that the prophetic symbols could be understood. He saw that the prophecies, so far as they had been fulfilled, had been fulfilled literally; that all the various figures, metaphors, parables, similitudes, etc., were either explained in their immediate connection, or the terms in which they were expressed were defined in other Scriptures, and when thus explained, were to be literally understood. 'I was thus satisfied,' he says, 'that the Bible is a system of revealed truths, so clearly and simply given that the wayfaring man, though a fool, need not err therein.'--Bliss, page 70. Link after link of the chain of truth rewarded his efforts, as step by step he traced down the great lines of prophecy. Angels of heaven were guiding his mind and opening the Scriptures to his understanding" (*The Great Controversy*, pp. 320, 321).

"Like the first disciples, William Miller and his associates did not, themselves, fully comprehend the import of the message which they bore. Errors that had



been long established in the church prevented them from arriving at a correct interpretation of an important point in the prophecy. Therefore, though they proclaimed the message which God had committed to them to be given to the world, yet through a misapprehension of its meaning they suffered disappointment" (*The Great Controversy*, pp. 351, 352).

"In explaining Daniel 8:14, 'Unto two thousand and three hundred days; then shall the sanctuary be cleansed,' Miller, as has been stated, adopted the generally received view that the earth is the sanctuary, and he believed that the cleansing of the sanctuary represented the purification of the earth by fire at the coming of the Lord. When, therefore, he found that the close of the 2300 days was definitely foretold, he concluded that this revealed the time of the second advent. His error resulted from accepting the popular view as to what constitutes the sanctuary" (*The Great Controversy*, p. 352).

"God designed to prove His people. His hand covered a mistake in the reckoning of the prophetic periods. Adventists did not discover the error, nor was it discovered by the most learned of their opponents. The latter said: 'Your reckoning of the prophetic periods is correct. Some great event is about to take place; but it is not what Mr. Miller predicts; it is the conversion of the world, and not the second advent of Christ'" (*The Great Controversy*, pp. 373, 374).

"The time of expectation passed, and Christ did not appear for the deliverance of His people. Those who with sincere faith and love had looked for their Saviour, experienced a bitter disappointment. Yet the purposes of God were being accomplished; He was testing the hearts of those who professed to be waiting for His appearing. There were among them many who had been actuated by no higher motive than fear. Their profession of faith had not affected their hearts or their lives. When the expected event failed to take place, these persons declared that they were not disappointed; they had never believed that Christ would come. They were among the first to ridicule the sorrow of the true believers" (*The Great Controversy*, p. 374).

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