

## Lesson 88

### 2021 Third Quarter Summary

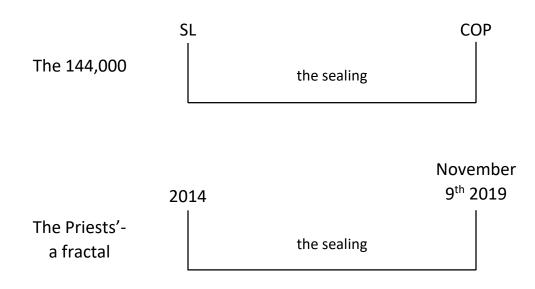
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The third quarter of 2021 is nearly over, so in this lesson, we'll be reviewing Youth Prophecy Group lessons 83-87, which are the lessons done since July 2021, to close off the third quarter of 2021.

#### Lesson 83- July 4, 2021

#### The Harvest and the Sealing

Youth Prophecy Group lesson 83 was titled The Harvest and the Sealing. We began by looking at when the sealing would begin. According to The Great Controversy quotes we looked at, it would begin at the Sunday Law- when those who receive the mark of the beast are separated from those who receive the seal of God. The priests' Sunday Law is in 2014, which would have to be when their sealing began. But when will it end? According to quotes in both *Maranatha* and *Testimonies to the Church* volume 5, the sealing will end by the Close of Probation. For the priests, that would be 2019. Next, we looked at the agricultural model and the harvest. The agricultural model is ploughing, sowing, former rain, latter rain, and harvest. The harvest begins where the sealing ends: the Close of Probation, and goes to the second advent. For the 144,000, the harvest will be from the Close of Probation when Michael stands up to the actual Second Advent. For the priests, the harvest is from November 9, 2019 to 2021. Then we looked at some examples of the harvest time. The first example was Jacob. His harvest time period was when he wrestled with Christ but didn't know it. That was also his mistake; how could he not recognize God in the flesh?! The next example we looked at was Elijah. His harvest time (time of trouble) was when he fled from Jezebel after she threatened to have him killed. He too made a mistake: fleeing when God never told him to. The last example of the harvest time was the disciples of Christ. Their harvest was from the Cross to Pentecost. What was their mistake? They still didn't even understand the nature of Christ's kingdom. It is clear that even during the harvest, the priests will make mistakes, even after they are sealed. That is what the harvest time period is for: to learn.



#### The agricultural model

	ploughing			former rain	latter rain		harvest			
The Priests' line										
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		ploughing		former rain	latter	rain		HARVEST		

Jacob, Elijah, and the disciples all made mistakes or still had to learn in their harvest time.

The Priests can still make mistakes in their harvest, even though they are sealed. In the harvest the Priests are still

#### **Conspiracies and COVID-19**

The eighty-fourth Youth Prophecy Group lesson was *Conspiracies and COVID-19*. We looked at some false ideas about the origin of COVID-19 and saw what problems they can cause. We first looked at the country of China which is made of thirty-four regions- and one province is Yunnan. Yunnan is way more diverse than the rest of China because it has a variety of habitats as well as many species of plants and animals; among those animals are bats. There are a lot of bats in the caves of Yunnan. They can carry many viruses and don't get sick; scientists believe that SARS-CoV 2 came from there- they have even found four similar viruses in those bats. But some people have other ideas about the origin of the COVID-19 virus, they develop conspiracies on supposed discrepancies. The first conspiracy theory we looked at was the one surrounding RaTG13. RaTG13 is a virus that was discovered in 2013 after six miners from Yunnan got sick in 2012. It is 96.2% the same as SARS-CoV 2 and some people think that SARS-CoV 2 came from scientists manipulating RaTG13, but that is not possible: it would take decades for RaTG13 to change that much in nature (and therefore even longer in a lab). Another reason people believe SARS-CoV 2 is man-made is because it has four positively charged amino acids in a row- they think that is not possible according to the laws of nature, but again this is not true because some of the amino acids in our bodies have the same feature (it is not against nature). Some people think it escaped the Wuhan Institute of Virology because a few of the people who worked there got sick with something like the flu. This happened in flu season though- so some people getting sick is not unusual. Other people think that something is wrong with what scientists are saying because many of the early cases were not connected to the same place. The beginning of the COVID-19 pandemic is usually connected to a wet market in Wuhan, but some early cases are not-this does not prove anything though, just because we don't know exactly who first had COVID-19 and where/how they got it does not mean it is not natural. Another conspiracy theory about where COVID-19 came from involves the Chinese government. The government has covered up the pandemic in the country since it started, so some people think this means they are hiding the "fact" that the virus is not natural but man-made and somehow connected to them. This is not true though, we know that because the Chinese government is always secretive (they tried to cover up the SARS-CoV 1 outbreak too) so them being secretive does not mean that they are hiding their involvement in the creation of the SARS-CoV 2 virus. Some people also believe that even if SARS-CoV 2 came from bats it could not have traveled from Yunnan (where scientists believe it most likely originated) to Wuhan (in the Hubei province). But SARS-CoV 1 did a similar thing in its outbreak around 2003: it traveled from Yunnan to Guangdong. In both instances the viruses traveled approximately 1780 kilometers or 1100 miles. The last evidence we covered that people give for the conspiracy theory that SARS-CoV 2 is man-made is the Wuhan Institute of Virology. It is located in Wuhan and some see that as too much of a coincidence: because the scientists there study coronaviruses. It is not a coincidence that a coronavirus (SARS-CoV 2) appeared in Wuhan- the lab workers study coronaviruses because they are plentiful in China thanks to Yunnan. COVID-19 did not come from the lab. All of these theories can lead to discrimination because conspiracy theories lead to nationalism- in this case against Asians. They can also lead to racism and even sexism. Recognizing conspiracy theories is a part of our test so we need to understand them.

People believe that Yunnan is a terrible province because a lot of viruses, including SARS CoV-2, came from the bat caves there, but that's just not true.

## There are many conspiracy theories connected to COVID-19

People believe that because RaTG13 and SARS-CoV-2 are so alike, the latter has to be a man-made version of the former. That would be impossible.

Because SARS-CoV-2 has 4 positively charged amino acids in a row, people believe it has to be man-made since that doesn't exist anywhere else in nature. Except it does- in their bodies.

People think that because a few of the lab workers in the institute got sick with flu-like symptoms, means that the lab had to have made the virus. What they didn't take into consideration was the fact that it was flu season.

People believe that since a lot of COVID-19 cases can't be traced back to the market in Wuhan, that that is firm proof that it's a man-made virus. The problem with that is that a good percentage of people who spread the virus didn't even know they were sick, therefore they weren't traced back to the market. Because Xi Jinping isn't telling the world everything about the virus in China, people believe that means China is hiding the fact that they made the virus. The thing is- China is always secretive.

People believe that it would be impossible for SARS-CoV-2 to travel from Yunnan to Hubei, but if SARS-CoV-1 could travel basically the same distance from Yunnan to Guangdong, SARS-CoV-2 could to it too.

The Wuhan Institute of Virology had to have made the virus because how did it just coincidentally appear so close nearby? Right? Wrong. Scientists put institutes in countries where virus' like SARS CoV-2 tend to pop up.

COVID-19 conspiracy theories are perfect examples of why you shouldn't believe in conspiracy theories. Because of the outrageous blame on China for creating the virus, Asians across the world are being discriminated against.

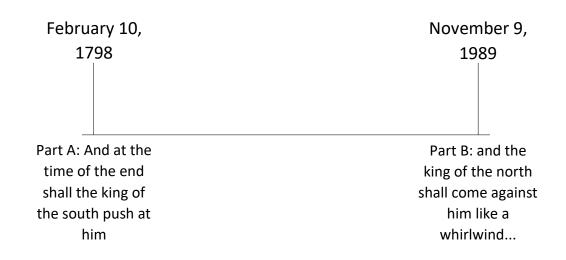
#### Lesson 85- August 1, 2021

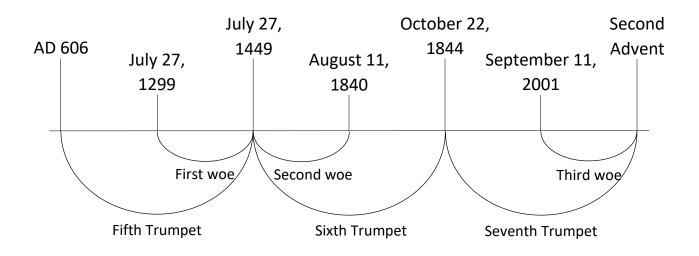
#### **Proof of the Waymarks**

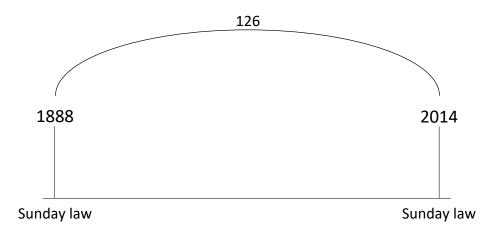
Lesson 85, Proof of the Waymarks, was presented and published on August 1, 2021. In Proof of the Waymarks we set out to prove that each of the major waymarks in our history are indeed waymarks. We began with 1989, the first waymark in our history. We saw how we can prove 1798 and 1989 were the Time of the End when we paired Daniel 12:4 with *The Great Controversy* 356.2. Another way we proved this was from Daniel 11:40. It says at the Time of the End the King of the South will push at the King of the North, then also at the Time of the End the King of the North would retaliate. In 1798, France (the King of the South) pushed at Rome (the King of the North) by taking the Pope captive. In 1989 we see a symbolic retaliation. The United States- the new King of the North- retaliated against the Soviet Union- the new King of the South- by helping bring about its collapse. So both Daniel being unsealed, and the King of the North vs. the King of the South, show us 1989 is the Time of the End- a waymark. Next we looked at 2001, the second waymark in our history. In Revelation, seven trumpets are blown and in the last three trumpets a woe takes place. We get our understanding of the seven trumpets and three woes from the Millerites, except for the last one. The Millerites understood October 22,1844 was the beginning of the seventh trumpet, they didn't know when the third woe began. But we do. The 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> woes were the actions of Islam, therefore the 3<sup>rd</sup> woe must be Islam. The most significant action of Islam since 1844 was the 9/11 terrorist attack, therefore it began the third woe. And we know the third woe and seventh trumpet will end at the Second Advent. Another way we proved 9/11 is a waymark was *Testimonies for the Church* volume 9 pages 11-13.4; here Ellen White describes an event that seems to fit 9/11 perfectly, but when we read the passage closely we find that she was describing the Close of Probation (Daniel 12:1). So that would mean 9/11 was a taste of what was to come at the Close of Probation- it is a harbinger. Thus, 2001 as the beginning of the third woe, or as a harbinger of the Close of Probation, both show that it is a waymark. Next we looked at 2014, which is the third waymark in our history. 2014 is a waymark, and that is because it is the Sunday Law on the Priest's line. To prove this, we have to look at Daniel 5, which is one place we get the 2520 from. When we add up the monetary values of two menes, a tekel, and a upharsin, we get 151 or 126 (because a mene and upharsin can equal different amounts). For 2014, we focused on the 126. We can use these numbers as time spans, which, if we end a 126 time span in 2014, we are taken back to 1888. Based on the principle that the end parallels the beginning, whatever happened in 1888 is repeated in 2014. So what happened in 1888? In 1888 the US congress tried to pass a Sunday Law called the Blair bill. But based on our understanding of histories of success and failure, 1888 was a history of failure, and therefore the bill failed. But since we're in a history of success, the parallel of the 1888 Sunday Law in 2014 must have been successful. Ellen White tells us that the Sunday Law will come from congress and the courts, and that's what happened in 2014. In 2014, far-right conservatives began to execute their plan to swing the Republican party further right, and to fight against Democrats. They blocked many moderate Republicans from joining congress and blocked a Democrat from becoming a Supreme Court justice. While this wasn't a literal Sunday Law, based on the line of progression, the Sunday Law issue is discrimination, and we know far right Republicans are nationalist, racist, sexist, and homophobic- so their power grab, which took place in 2014, perfectly fit today's version of the Sunday Law. The next waymark we looked at was 2019, which is the fourth waymark in our history. We looked at four time spans that prove 2019 is a waymark. 220 years from 2019 brings us to 1799. In 1799, Napoleon became a dictator over France, and

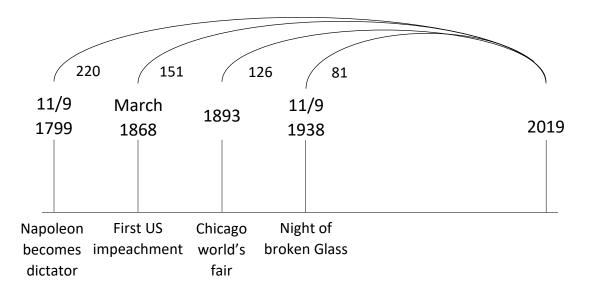
based on the end parallels the beginning principle, in 2019 someone became a dictator. Just as the time span says, in 2019 Trump symbolically became a dictator. 151 years from 2019 brings us to 1868. In 1868, the first US President was impeached, that had a parallel in 2019 when Trump faced his first impeachment. 126 years from 2019 brings us to 1893. In 1893, a Sunday Law was partially passed at the Chicago World's Fair; that goes along with the structure of the Levites' line which shows us 2019 should be a Sunday Law. Lastly, 81 years from 2019 brings us to 1938. In 1938, persecution of the Jews, a minority, in Germany escalated. In 2019, we saw the persecution of minorities. All these events had their parallel in one year; 2019, which shows us it is a waymark. The next waymark we looked at was 2021, which is the fifth waymark in our history. We began by looking at three major events in history: 1774, 1775, and 1776. 1774 was the United States' first continental congress. 1775 was the beginning of the American Revolution, and in 1776 the Declaration of Independence was written. Prophetic Revolutions take place in two parts: revolution, and counter revolution. There wasn't real fighting before 1774, but when we put it on a revolution line, it is marked as the end of the revolution, and we mark 1775 as the beginning of the counter revolution, which in history was the actual American Revolution. Based on the 245-year time span, 1774 parallels 2019. If 1774 parallels 2019, then 1775 parallels 2020. And if 1775 parallels 2020, then 1776 parallels 2021. That is one way we got to 2021. Another way is the 2-year pattern. In 1989, the Berlin wall fell and in 1991 the Soviet Union fell; that was two years. In 1999, Putin became president and in 2001 Islam attacked, that was another two years. 2009 to 2011 was the Russian Reset- that was two years. And 2019 to 2021 can be seen as a 2-year pattern. But there's yet another way to prove 2021. In 1979 a 10-year proxy war began between the US and USSR which ended in 1989. In 2011 a proxy war began between the US and USSR, and we can parallel the two wars which show us the proxy war will end in 2021; making 2021 a waymark. Lastly, we looked at the last three waymarks in our history: Sunday Law, Close of Probation, and Second Advent. The Sunday Law is easy to prove. Ellen White is always talking about how there will be a Sunday Law at the end of the world that will test God's people. We believe the same; however, we just don't believe it will be a literal Sunday Law, but it will be about discrimination. The Close of Probation is easily proven from Bible verses like Daniel 12:1, verses in Revelation, and passages in Ellen White's writings. And lastly, the Second Advent doesn't need to be proven, because we all know it's coming.

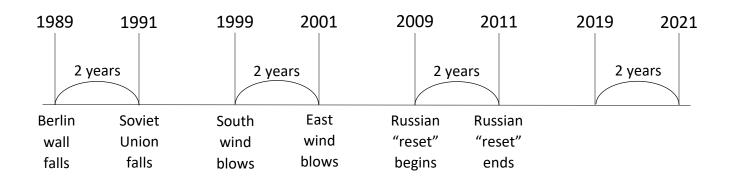
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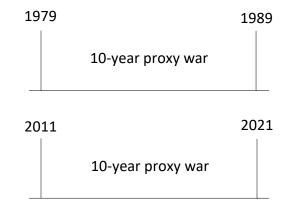


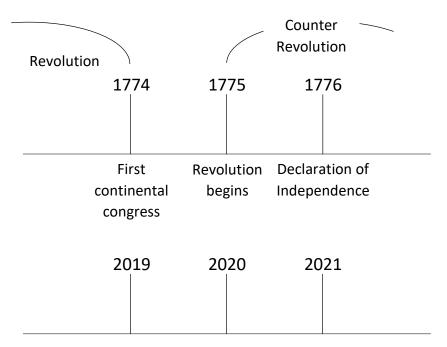






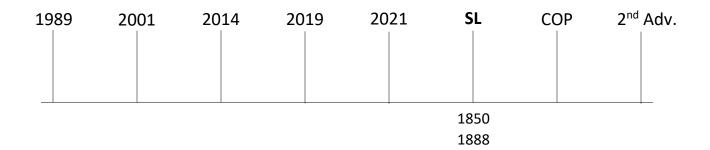






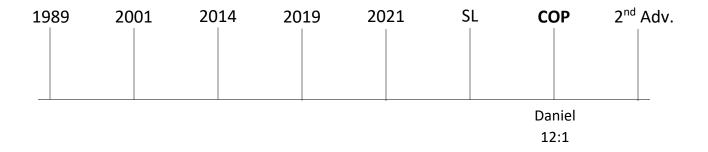
#### Sunday Law

The Sunday Law is a waymark Ellen G. White wrote a lot about. In Modern Israel's first history, the Sunday Law was the Fugitive Slave Act of 1850. In Modern Israel's Second history, the Sunday Law was a literal Sunday Law that congress discussed. In our time the Sunday Law will be an issue of sexism and/or homophobia.



#### **Close of Probation**

# The Close of Probation is when Michael will stand up and intersection, or probation, will end. We get this from Daniel 12:1 and *The Great Controversy*.



#### Second Advent

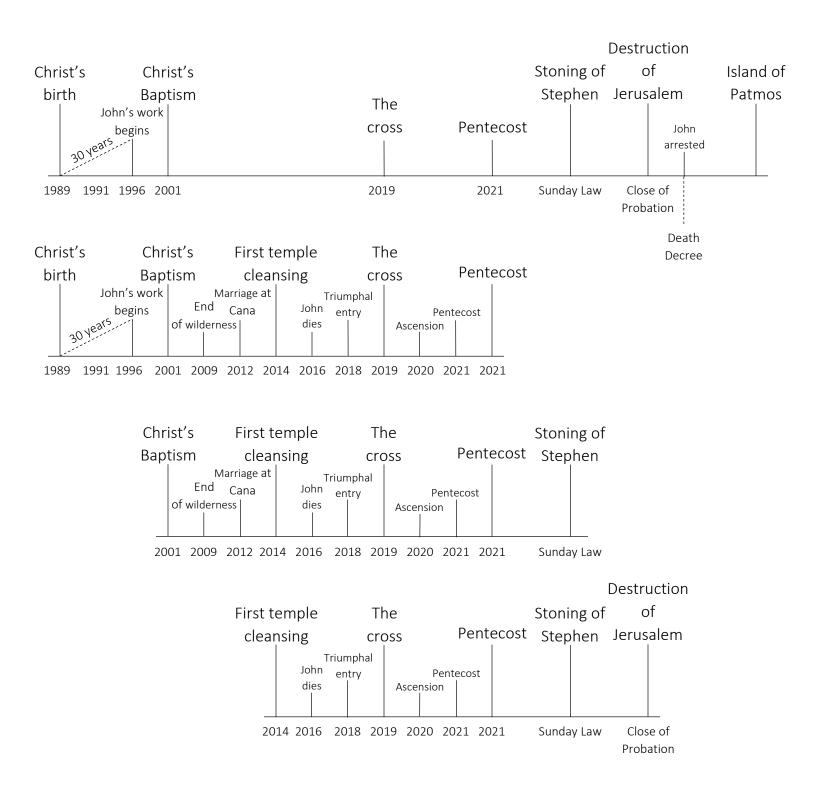
## There is no need to prove the Second Advent will take place. It will be at the end of the 144,000's line

1989	2001	2014	2019	2021	SL	COP	2 <sup>nd</sup> Adv.

#### Lesson 86- August 15, 2021

#### **Revisiting Christ's Line**

Youth Prophecy Group lesson 86 was titled *Revisiting Christ's Line*. We began by looking at how the omega history of Ancient Israel is exactly like the omega history of Modern Israel. In Ancient Israel, there were four lines: three fractals and one major line. In Modern Israel, there are also four lines- three fractals and one major. Then we proceeded to look at each waymark on the four lines in the omega history of Ancient Israel combined. The first waymark is Christ's birth which we line up with 1989. The thirty years between his birth and the beginning of John the Baptist's work we mark as 1991; John begins his work at 1996. Those first three waymarks are on the major and first fractal line solely. The next waymark is Christ's baptism which we line up with 2001. We line up the end of the forty days in the wilderness with 2009, and the marriage at Cana at 2012. Those next waymarks are on all of the lines except the last fractal line. The next waymark is the first temple cleansing which we line up with 2014. After that John the Baptist is killed which we line up with 2016. The triumphal entry lines up with 2018. The Cross lines up with 2019, the ascension with 2020, and the first part of Pentecost with August 2021. (Of course, we didn't say August at the time because we did not know that then). The second half of Pentecost lines up with 2021 and that is where the first fractal line ends. The next waymark we can specifically mark is the stoning the Stephen which is the last waymark on the second fractal line. The waymark after that is the destruction of Jerusalem which is the last waymark on the last fractal line. All that remains now is the major line. We next mark when John the Revelator is arrested as the death decree and then when he sees the Lord come on the island of Patmos as the Second Advent. Those are all the waymarks in the omega history of Ancient Israel. A point that we noted from this history was the second part of Pentecost. The book of Acts says that three thousand "souls" were baptized. "Souls" includes everyone- which is equality. It shows that in that history, equality, in some sense, was being brought into the church, as it still is today.



#### Lesson 87- September 5, 2021

#### **Brother and Sister?**

In YPG lesson 87 (Brother and Sister?) we looked at the terms "brother" and "sister". Jesus introduced those terms while on earth; we can see this in Matthew 12:50. The Christian church can be represented by a family: everyone is like a mother, brother, or sister of Christ. The Christian church used the terms "brother" and "sister" from then on. We saw, for example, that in Acts 21 the apostles called Paul "brother". Ellen G. White says that those who accept the truth will be joined to Christ like a family (*Review and Herald* September 6, 1899). She, along with the other Millerites (and Adventists) used the terms "brother" and "sister"; we saw that she even addressed people by those titles in her letters. But now- in our reform line- we are not supposed to use those terms. Since Adam and Eve sinned inequality has been in the world. In our time equality is being fully restored- sexism is the main issue and a part of that is LGBTQ+ equality: both of these deal with gender. We looked a little at gender when it comes to LGBTQ+ people and saw that some of them are non-binary. Non-binary means their gender isn't in the male and female binary, so they can be neither male nor female, a combination of two identities, have no gender at all, or something else. Because of this, saying "brother" or "sister" can be discriminatory to those people. This is one reason we don't use "brother" and "sister" anymore. Another reason also has to do with the message of equality. Both men and women are equalmaking gender not that important. If gender is not very important we don't need to mention it before someone's name. These are two reasons why we don't use the terms "brother" and "sister"; they can be discriminatory and they are unnecessary. We also saw that some people in the Movement wanted to take out these terms before, yet their reason was that the world doesn't use them- but that is not a good reason because we follow God's message, not the world. According to God's message for this dispensation of the line of the Priests we aren't supposed to say "brother" and "sister". This does not mean that we are not a church family any more: we just no longer use the terms "brother" and "sister" in the Movement.

"Brother" and "sister" were first used in Christ's time. The terms continued to be used in Paul's time and Ellen White's time.

But with this Movement's greater understanding of equality, we can no longer use the terms "brother" and "sister" in reference to our church family.

There are people in the LGBTQ+ community who are nonbinary, which means they are neither a "brother" or "sister".

Another reason we don't use "brother" and "sister" anymore is because a person's gender is not the most important thing about them.

Just because we don't use "brother" and "sister" anymore doesn't mean we aren't a family anymore; we still are.

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