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And an Highway shall be there, and a way, and it shall be called The Way of Holiness.—Isa. 35-8

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SABBATH OBSERVANCE

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"Six days thou shalt work, but on the seventh day thou shalt rest, in earning time and in harvest." Ex. 34:21.

"Blessed is the man that doeth this, and the son of man that layeth hold upon it, that keepeth the Sabbath from polluting it, and keepeth his hand from doing any evil."— Isa. 56:2.

"If thou turn away thy foot from the Sabbath, from doing thy pleasure on My holy day; and call the Sabbath a delight, the holy of the Lord honorable, and shalt honour Him, not doing thine own ways, nor finding thine own pleasure, nor speaking thine own words, then shalt thou delight thyself in the Lord.

"And I will cause thee to ride upon the high places, and feed thee with the heritage of Jacob thy father; for the mouth of the Lord hath spoken it."—Isa. 58:13-14.

"Thus, saith the Lord, take heed to yourselves and bear no burden on the Sabbath day, nor bring it in by the gates of Jerusalem: Neither carry forth a burden out of your houses on the Sabbath day, neither do ye any work, but hallow ye the Sabbath day, as I command your fathers." Jerm. 17:21-22.

"And it shall come to pass, if ye diligently hearken unto me, saith the Lord, to bring in no burden through the gates of this City on the Sabbath day, but hallow the Sabbath day, to do no work therein.

Then shall there enter into the gates of this City kings and princes setting upon the throne of David, riding in chariots and on horses, they, and their princes, the men of Judah, and the inhabitants of Jerusalem; and this city shall remain forever." Jerm. 17:24-25.

Jeremiah said this just before the captivity. But if ye will not hearken unto me to hallow the Sabbath day and not to bear burden, even entering into the gates of Jerusalem on the Sabbath day, then will I kindle a fire in the gates thereof, and it shall devour the palaces of Jerusalem and it shall not be quenched."— Jerm. 17:27.

Behold God's promises and the penalty for breaking them.

For 70 years the Children of Israel were in captivity in Babylon because of the breaking of God's commandments and the most stressed are: "Remember the Sabbath Day to keep it holy," and

WHAT THEN?

(John 3:16; Malachi 4:1)

When the great plants of our cities Have turned out their last finished work; When our merchants have sold their last yard of silk

And dismissed the last tired clerk; When our banks have raked in their last dollar

And paid the last dividend; When the Judge of the earth says, "Close for the night," And asks for a balance— What then?

When the choir has sung its last anthem, And the preacher has made his last prayer;

When the people have heard their last ser-

And the sound his died out on the air; When the Bible lies closed on the altar And the pews are all empty of men And each one stands facing his record-And the great Book is opened— What then?

When the actors have played their last drama,

And the mimic has made his last fun, When the film has flashed its last picture, And the billboard displayed its last run; When the crowds seeking pleasure have vanished:

And gone out in the darkness again-When the trumpets of ages is sounded, And we stand up before Him-What then?

When the bugle's call sinks into silence And the long marching columns stand still.

When the captain repeats his last orders, And they've captured the last fort and hill, And the flag has been hauled from the mast head,

And the wounded afield checked in, And a world that rejected its Saviour, Is asked for a reason-

What then? J. Whitfield Green

The above searching lines are calculated to make a thinking person, think! When the bugle call sounds and the great angel announces that time shall be no more—Reader, if you are not saved, WHAT THEN?

"Thou shalt o other gods before me." But they forgot His warnings of punishment for broken laws and paid the price.

Has God changed? If He could and did punish them by desolating, and destroying their temple and banishing them to a strange land for 70 years what will He do with professed Christians of this enlightened day and the open Bible?

To us it seems God has arisen again to punish the "inhabitants of the earth" for their forgetting God, tramping His laws under their feet, and making a mock at son. He is desolating nations, anguish of heart, ravaged homes, dispersed peoples, children sent away from home and country, etc. Have we not today a similar destruction because the nations have forgotten God?

Is Canada to be spared? Will the British Empire come through? Have we as a nation none of the heinous sins to repent of and forsake? Else will He not fulfill unto us as is written in Lev. 26:32-35—"I will bring the land into desolation . . . I will scatter you among the heathen . . . your cities lie waste . .

"Then shall the land enjoy her Sabbath as long as it lieth desolate, and ye be in your enemies' land; even shall the land rest, and enjoy her Sabbath." God help us!

How can we stop pleasuring on Sunday? Truck loads of people leave the towns early Sunday morning for the sea-side. There they undress and swim or lie around in the sun in bathing suits all day. If a meeting be held at the beach they do not care to attend-have they not God?

In homes today, mothers do their baking of specials or candy making. Fathers go over their accounts or do some necessary repairing about the home. On the farm it is common to do some work, special work above the necessary farm chores. If hay needs to be brought in, it is done.

In berry time mothers and fathers allow their children to go gathering the fruit. Some fishermen work on Sundays so easily these days.

Busses and trains, trucks and cars, all are at the command of Sabbath breakers today, and the people love to have it so. What shall the end be? "As the nations which the Lord destroyed before your face, so shall ye perish: because ye would not be obedient unto the voice of the Lord your God." Deut. 8:20.

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