Ten Pillars of Christ Series <u>Pillar Four: Spirit of Prophecy</u>

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Today we are going to look at the spirit of prophecy from the prospective of Jesus Christ.

What is prophecy?

Hebrew: nebû'âh (neb-oo-aw') = Prediction Greek: prophēteia (prof-ay-ti'-ah) = Prediction

Who inspires the Bible and true prophets?

2Pe 1:20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.2Pe 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.

What is the Spirit of Prophecy? In other words, who is the center of ALL prophecy?

Revelation 1:1.2

Rev 1:1 The <u>Revelation of Jesus Christ</u>, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servants things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified *it* by his angel unto his servant John:

Rev 1:2 Who bare record of the **word of God**, and of the **testimony of Jesus Christ**, and of all things that he saw.

Revelation 12:17

Rev 12:17 And the dragon [Satan verse 9] - was wroth with the woman [God's church], and went to make war with the **remnant [Gk:remaining ones]** of her seed, which **keep the commandments of God**, and have the **testimony of Jesus Christ**.

Revelation 19:10

Rev 19:10 And I fell at his feet to worship him. And he said unto me, See *thou do it* not: I am thy fellowservant, and of thy brethren that have the testimony of Jesus: worship God: **for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy.**

Spirit of Prophecy = Testimony of Jesus!

Remember Jesus is the center of ALL Bible prophecy. He is the "spirit" of prophecy. ALL spirit of prophecy points to Jesus and His ministry. It is the "prediction" of the purpose of the ministry of Jesus filled in the past and present, and in the future.

Testimony of Jesus

What is the purpose main purpose of the Testimony of Jesus?

Testimony (Greek) Strong's "evidence given"

In short the testimony of Jesus is the EVIDENCE given of Jesus. The testimony of Jesus reveals the purpose of Jesus to save people from sin.

Mat 1:21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call his name JESUS: for he shall save his people from their sins.

The Word, Jesus, gives the "evidence" of Himself and reveals that he predicted his first coming in the OT. He filled that in the NT, died for our sins, rose again, and said He is coming back a

second time to take all the faithful to live with Him throughout eternity! Do you believe and live it?

What always accompanies the Spirit of Prophecy which is the testimony of Jesus?

Deu 6:17 Ye shall diligently keep the **commandments** of the LORD your God, and **his testimonies**, and his statutes, which he hath commanded thee.

Psa 19:7 The **law of the LORD** *is* **perfect**, converting the soul: the **testimony of the LORD** *is* sure, making wise the simple.

Psa 119:1 Blessed *are* the undefiled in the way, who walk in the **law of the LORD**. Psa 119:2 Blessed *are* they that keep **his testimonies**, *and that* seek him with the whole heart.

REMEMBER:

The Law and the Testimonies go hand in hand. You cannot have the law without the testimonies. The law set the standard, reveal sin, but the testimonies give us hope and has the power to cleanse us from sin. The testimonies reveal why Jesus came to die for the sins of the world, because God's law was broken...The LAW & the testimonies are married like husband and wife. In other words, where the Law is there is testimonies right beside!

The law and the testimony of Jesus is like the broom and dust pan. You can't have a broom without a dust pan. The broom is like the law, it can reveal how much sin you have by sweeping it in a big pile. The Testimonies is the dust pan to pick up and get rid of sin!

Who is the main theme of every prophet in the Bible? (Ready for this powerful experience!)

Prophet Isaiah

Isa 9:6 For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace.

Isa 7:14 Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; Behold, a virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall call his name Immanuel.

(Lord = self-existent, Jehovah. Pre-advent Jesus! Creator and Savior! Jesus' OT name.)

Prophet Jeremiah

Jer 23:5 Behold, the days come, saith **the LORD**, that I will raise unto David a righteous Branch, and a King shall reign and prosper, and shall execute judgment and justice in the earth.

Prophet Zechariah

Zec 6:12 And speak unto him, saying, Thus speaketh **the LORD** of hosts, saying, Behold the man whose name *is* **The BRANCH;** and he shall grow up out of his place, and he shall build the temple of the LORD: **Zec 6:13** Even he shall build the temple of the LORD; and he shall bear the glory, and shall sit and rule upon his throne; and he shall be a priest upon his throne: and the counsel of peace shall be between them both.

Prophet Haggai

Hag 2:9 The glory of this latter house [rebuilt temple] shall be greater than of the former [Solomon's temple], saith the **LORD of hosts**: and in this place will I give peace, saith the LORD of hosts.

Prophet Amos

Amo 5:8 *Seek him* that maketh the seven stars and Orion, and turneth the shadow of death into the morning, and maketh the day dark with night: that calleth for the waters of the sea, and poureth them out upon the face of the earth: **The LORD** *is* his name:

Prophet Moses

Deu 18:15 The LORD thy God will raise up unto thee a Prophet from the midst of thee, of thy brethren, like unto me; unto him ye shall hearken;

Prophet Daniel

Dan 9:25 Know therefore and understand, *that* from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince *shall be* seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.

Dan 9:27 And he shall confirm the covenant with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make *it* desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate.

Prophet Malachi

Mal 3:1 Behold, I will send my messenger, and he shall prepare the way before me: and **the Lord**, whom ye seek, shall suddenly come to his temple, even the messenger of the covenant, whom ye delight in: behold, he shall come, saith the **LORD of hosts**.

Prophet John the Baptist

Joh 1:29 The next day John seeth Jesus coming unto him, and saith, Behold the Lamb of God, which taketh away the sin of the world.

Prophet Micah

Mic 4:1 But in the last days it shall come to pass, *that* the mountain of the house of the LORD shall be established in the top of the mountains, and it shall be exalted above the hills; and people shall flow unto it. Mic 4:2 And many nations shall come, and say, Come, and let us go up to the mountain of the LORD, and to the house of the God of Jacob; and he will teach us of his ways, and we will walk in his paths: for the law shall go forth of Zion, and the **word of the LORD** from Jerusalem.

Prophet Joel

Joe 2:1 Blow ye the trumpet in Zion, and sound an alarm in my holy mountain: let all the inhabitants of the land tremble: for the **day of the LORD cometh**, for *it is* nigh at hand;

Joe 2:27 And ye shall know that I *am* in the midst of Israel, and *that* I *am* the LORD your God, and none else: and my people shall never be ashamed.

Joe 2:28 And it shall come to pass afterward, *that* I will pour out my spirit upon all flesh; and your sons and your daughters shall

Prophet John (Records Jesus saying..) Last book of the Bible, Last chapter!

Rev 22:7 Behold, I come quickly: blessed *is* he that keepeth the sayings of the prophecy of this book. Rev 22:12 And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward *is* with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.

Rev 22:13 I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, the first and the last.

Rev 22:16 I Jesus have sent mine angel to testify unto you these things in the churches. I am the root and the offspring of David, *and* the bright and morning star.

Rev 22:20 He which testifieth these things saith, Surely I come quickly. Amen. Even so, come, Lord Jesus.

What does John the prophet say in the last verse of the Bible? (Powerful!)

Rev 22:21 The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen.

Last word of the Bible, "AMEN!"

The word "amen" is actually a Greek word meaning firm, trustworthy, or surely truth. The Bible ends with "amen" to affirm that it is trustworthy or surely truth! The Testimony of Jesus which is the spirit of prophecy is truth!

All the Bible prophet's main theme was about Testimony of Jesus, the Spirit of Prophecy! Known as the Messiah or Lord in the OT and Jesus or the Christ in the New Testament. All the prophets taught of the

testimonies of Jesus. They taught about the coming of Jesus. They taught about preparation, character formation, repentance, victory over sin, righteousness, and faith so we all can be ready to enter into the Heavenly Canaan land to live with Jesus.

When Jesus gave His first sermon on the Mountain, Jesus cleared up any confusion about His law and the spirit of prophecy.

What did Jesus come to do with the law and the spirit of prophecy?

Mat 5:17 Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets (spirit of prophecy/testimony of Jesus): I am not come to destroy, but to fulfil.

Jesus came to get rid of sin, not His law and testimonies. Why would He get rid of what reveals and the solution to get rid of it? That does not make sense! Why would the spirit of prophecy get rid of his own testimony? The testimony of Jesus also tells us the ministry and prophecies of Jesus revealed and fulfilled. Fulfilled means complete understanding of both the law and the prophets.

According to Jesus what does both the law and the spirit of prophecy hang on?

Mat 22:37 Jesus said unto him, Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy mind.

Mat 22:38 This is the first and great commandment.

Mat 22:39 And the second is like unto it, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself.

Mat 22:40 On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets.

Both the law and the spirit of prophecy hang on the love for God and loving other. The testimonies of Jesus is a manifestation of Christ's love for us! This is not a sentimental love. A feely feely love. This is a love that shed blood for you and me. Real love.

What did Jesus use to teach his disciples concerning himself after His resurrection?

Luk 24:25 Then he said unto them, O fools, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken:

Luk 24:26 Ought not Christ to have suffered these things, and to enter into his glory?

Luk 24:27 And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

Scriptures of the prophets

("Spirit of Prophecy" = Testimony of Jesus Christ)

What did the spirit of prophecy training do for his disciples and what it should do for us?

2Pe 1:16 For we have <u>not followed cunningly devised fables</u>, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

2Pe 1:17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

2Pe 1:18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

2Pe 1:19 We have also a **more sure word of prophecy**; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

More sure word of prophecy! More sure word in the testimonies of Jesus. Testimonies of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy! If you have more sure word of prophecy you will not follow cunningly devised lies, you will follow truth!

Everything that Jesus has that is genuine Satan has a counterfeit. Did you know that there is

What warning does Jesus give us about this false Spirit of Prophecy?

Mat 7:15 Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.

Mat 24:11 And many false prophets shall rise, and shall deceive many.

Mat 24:24 For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets, and shall shew great signs and wonders; insomuch that, if *it were* possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

False prophets promote a false spirit of prophecy pointing to false christs.

Remember, what are the Bible tests that exposes false prophet and christs?

Isa 8:20 To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.

Deu 18:20 But the prophet, which shall presume to speak a word in my name, which I have not commanded him to speak, or that shall speak in the name of other gods, even that prophet shall die.

Did you know a false christ is being pushed in the majority of churches to today by false "prophets" who profit off the people's willful Biblical ignorance, even in the corp SDA church?

Jesus of Humanism = FALSE CHRIST!

What is Humanism?

"A system of values and beliefs that is based on the idea that people are basically good and that problems can be solved using **reason** instead of religion." http://www.merriam-webster.com/dictionary/humanism

"Humanism is a progressive philosophy of life that, without theism and other supernatural beliefs, affirms our ability and responsibility to lead ethical lives of personal fulfillment that aspire to the greater good of humanity." http://thehumanistsociety.org/about/humanism/

Humanism is based on human reason not God's Word. It's based on "I" not God.

"The most critical irony in dealing with Modern Humanism is the tendency for its advocates to disagree on whether or not this worldview is religious. Those who see it as philosophy are the Secular Humanists while those who see it as religion are Religious Humanists. This dispute has been going on since the beginning of the twentieth century when the secular and religious traditions converged and brought Modern Humanism into existence.

Secular and Religious Humanists both share the same worldview and the same basic principles. This is made evident by the fact that both Secular and Religious Humanists were among the signers of Humanist Manifesto I in 1933, Humanist Manifesto II in 1973, and Humanist Manifesto III in 2003. From the standpoint of philosophy alone, there is no difference between the two. It is only in the definition of religion and in the practice of the philosophy that Religious and Secular Humanists effectively disagree." What Is Humanism By Fred Edwords, http://americanhumanist.org/humanism/What is Humanism

Christian humanism can be seen as a **philosophical** union of **Christian ethics** and humanist principles.[1] https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Christian_humanism

Modern Christian "humanism" is based on human reasoning and philosophy, self, not truth! The Humanistic Jesus brings the standards of truth, the true spirit of prophecy down to human reasoning. The Humanistic Jesus says, "It's okay to have some sin in your life as long as you are doing some good things for the good of humanity."

Jer 17:9 The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?

Itching ears: 2 Timothy 4:3 For the time will come when they will not endure sound doctrine; but after their own lusts shall they heap to themselves teachers, having itching ears;

2 Ti 4:4 And they shall turn away their ears from the truth, and shall be turned unto fables

Did you know that Lucifer was a humanist?

Isa 14:12 How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning! *how* art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations!

Isa 14:13 For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into heaven, I will <u>exalt my throne above the stars of God</u>: I will <u>sit also upon the mount of the congregation</u>, in the sides of the north:

Isa 14:14 I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High.

A Humanistic Jesus is a religion of Satan push by a false spirit of prophecy! Humanism is based on "I". I am god. Again, Humanism is based on reason, not God. Humanism worships the goddess of reason

What confirms that the majority of the churches including the SDA corp church following after this false humanistic Jesus? You find the truth in their logos! Exposed! Wake up!

Show Logo of humanism of various organizations

Show christian and sda human logo

Show hope channel logo compared to humanist logo

<u>HOPE Channel, official channel of the SDA Church</u> HOPE – Humanistic Organization Pushing Error!

<u>Great Hope Project... a Great Controversy fraud.... Pushing humanism!</u> <u>Beginning of the book quoting Albert Einstien a famous and devote humanist!</u>

"While facing a future with so many unknowns, we need to be reminded of the old maxim, 'those who do not know history are bound to repeat it.' But how can we 'know' our history? Some wisdom from Albert Einstein comes to our aid: namely our great "need for holy curiosity". Holy curiosity drives us to understand our future — and our present — in the light of our past."

Albert Einstien was a famous humanist who did not believe that God exist!

"It seems to me that the idea of a personal God is an anthropological concept which I cannot take seriously. I also cannot imagine some will or goal outside the human sphere...."

• *ALBERT EINSTEIN* - *scientist*, *Nobel Prizewinner in physics*, *originator of the theory of relativity*. http://americanhumanist.org/humanism/Quotations from Famous Humanists

"Holy Curiosity" is based on humanism, not the Bible!

"The important thing is not to stop questioning; curiosity has its own reason for existing. One cannot help but be in awe when contemplating the mysteries of eternity, of life, of the marvelous structure of reality. It is

enough if one tries merely to comprehend a little of the mystery every day. The important thing is not to stop questioning; never lose a holy curiosity." <u>Albert Einstein</u>,

"The humanist has four leading characteristics - curiosity, a free <u>mind</u>, <u>belief</u> in good taste, and belief in the human race." E. M. Forster, <u>famous writer https://en.wikiquote.org/wiki/E._M._Forster</u>

SDA goddess of reason... humanism.... in GC office!

Spiritual formation and contemplative prayer movement in modern churches based on humanism.

More proof - Humanist society

"Celebration of life is central to a meaningful humanist philosophy," http://thehumanistsociety.org/

2000's SDA churches pushed for "Celebration Churches"... Praise and worship... with night club atmosphere

There will be shouting, with drums, music and dancing. The senses of rational beings will become so confused that they cannot be trusted to make right decisions. And this is called the moving of the Holy Spirit. {21MR 128.5}

The Holy Spirit never reveals itself in such methods, in such a bedlam of noise. This is an invention of Satan to cover up his ingenious methods for making of none effect the pure, sincere, elevating, ennobling, sanctifying truth for this time.

2000's false health reform movement called "Celebrations" that was in connection Adventists Health Ministry

CELEBRATIONS® is an acronym for 12 healthful living principles: (1) choices, (2) exercise, (3) liquid, (4) environment, (5) belief, (6) rest, (7) air, (8) temperance, (9) integrity, (10) optimism, (11) nutrition, and (12) social support and services.

SDA corp church is a New humanistic organization that pushing a humanistic Jesus – goddess of reason

What does Jesus say do when here about this "humanistic" false christ?

Mat 24:25 Behold, I have told you before.

Mat 24:26 Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert (waste/desolate); **go not forth**: behold, *he is* in the secret chambers; **believe** *it* **not**.

Desert (waste and desolate place)

What did Jesus say to the leadership of the Jewish when that rejected the true Jesus of the spirit of prophecy?

Mat 23:38 Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

The humanistic pastors and churches preaching humanistic Jesus has rejected the real Jesus. Humanistic churches, including SDA corp churches are desolate. The real Jesus is not there and Jesus says, "go not forth!"

What are the "secret chambers" in which God says believe it not?

"Carefully He warned them against deception: "If they shall say unto you, Behold, He is in the desert; go not forth: behold, He is in the secret chambers; believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and

shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matthew 24:26, 27.

This warning is for us. Today false teachers are saying, "Behold, He is in the desert," and thousands have gone forth into the desert, hoping to find Christ. And thousands who claim to hold communion with the spirits of the dead are declaring, "Behold, He is in the secret chambers." This is the very claim that Spiritualism makes.

But Christ says, "Believe it not. For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even unto the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." (Story of Jesus, p 175, 176, Ellen White)

Themes of spiritualism can be found in the contemplative prayer and spiritual formation movement throughout the churches.... Jesus says, "believe it not"

"While preaching, praying, or conversing, some professed Adventists who had rejected present truth used mesmerism to gain adherents, and the people would rejoice in this influence, for they thought it was the Holy Ghost." Early Writings 1882 EGW p. 45

Also: Secret chamber - storage chamber, storeroom

Humanistic SDA churches want its members to continue to financially support the "storehouse" of the organization... "They say Jesus is in it!"... Give to our gym....

What is the bottomline of humanism, the false spirit of prophecy pointing a false humanistic Jesus?

- 2Ti 3:1 This know also, that in the last days perilous times shall come.
- 2Ti 3:2 For men shall be lovers of their own selves, covetous, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholy,
- 2Ti 3:3 Without natural affection, trucebreakers, false accusers, incontinent, fierce, despisers of those that are good,
- 2Ti 3:4 Traitors, heady, highminded, lovers of pleasures more than lovers of God;
- 2Ti 3:5 Having a form of godliness, but denying the power thereof: from such turn away.
- 2Ti 3:6 For of this sort are they which creep into houses, and lead captive silly women laden with sins, led away with divers lusts,
- 2Ti 3:7 Ever learning, and never able to come to the knowledge of the truth.
- 2Ti 3:8 Now as Jannes and Jambres withstood Moses, so do these also resist the truth: men of corrupt minds, reprobate concerning the faith.
- 2Ti 3:9 But they shall proceed no further; for their folly shall be manifest unto all men, as theirs also was.

Modern christian humanism are lovers of "celebrations" more that lovers of the true Jesus. It reveals that everything revolves around please lustful flesh, but professing godliness! "Make me feel good and comfortable!"

What commandments does a false spirit of prophecy push? What does Jesus say?

Mat 15:8 This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and honoureth me with *their* lips; but their heart is far from me.

Mat 15:9 But in vain they do worship me, teaching *for* **doctrines the commandments of men**.

Mark 7:9 And he said unto them, <u>Full well ye reject the commandment of God</u>, that ye may keep your own tradition.

How does Jesus compare the true vs the false Spirit of Prophecy?

Mat 7:24 Therefore whosoever heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them, I will liken him unto a wise man, which built his house upon a rock:

Mat 7:25 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock.

Mat 7:26 And every one that heareth these sayings of mine, and doeth them not, shall be likened unto a foolish man, which built his house upon the sand:

Mat 7:27 And the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and it fell: and great was the fall of it.

Are you in the right house?

True Spirit of Prophecy or the new humanistic false spirit of prophecy

Build on Rock = True SOP Church

Build on Sand = False SOP Church (New modern SDA corp Church)

A major storm is coming it does matter which church you are in!

One Church of Jesus on the Mt. Of Truth... by faith... true SOP

The servants in the house on the rock are teaching the true SOP. In contrast servants in the house on the sand are teaching the false SOP.

What does Jesus say about these two servants, one wise and one evil?

Mat 24:42 Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

Mat 24:43 But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

Mat 24:44 Therefore be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh.

Mat 24:45 Who then is a faithful and wise servant, whom his lord hath made ruler over his household, to give them meat in due season?

Mat 24:46 Blessed is that servant, whom his lord when he cometh shall find so doing.

What does the evil servant say about the second coming of Jesus, true SOP?

Mat 24:47 Verily I say unto you, That he shall make him ruler over all his goods.

Mat 24:48 But and if that evil servant shall say in his heart, My lord delayeth his coming;

What does the evil servant do to his fellowservant?

Mat 24:49 And shall begin to smite *his* fellowservants, and to eat and drink with the drunken;

What will happened to the evil servant in the end?

Mat 24:50 The lord of that servant shall come in a day when he looketh not for *him*, and in an hour that he is not aware of,

Mat 24:51 And shall cut him asunder, and appoint *him* his portion with the hypocrites: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Choose you this day who you are? Appeal....