earthquake, with war and bloodshed. We are not to be surprised at this time by events both great and decisive; for the angel of mercy cannot remain much longer to shelter the impenitent." (*PK 278.1*).

"The crisis is stealing gradually upon us....Satan sees that his time is short. He has set all his agencies at work that men may be deceived, deluded, occupied, and entranced until the day of probation shall be ended, and the door of mercy forever shut." *(SW, October 3, 1905 par. 8)*.

"In this time of prevailing iniquity we may know that the last great crisis is at hand. When the defiance of God's law is almost universal, when His people are oppressed and afflicted by their fellow men, the Lord will interpose." (COL 178.3).

"To those who are indifferent at this time Christ's warning is: "Because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spew thee out of My mouth." Revelation 3:16. The figure of spewing out of His mouth means that He cannot offer up your prayers or your expressions of love to God. He cannot endorse your teaching of His word or your spiritual work in anywise. He cannot present your religious exercises with the request that grace be given you." (6T 408.2).

"The sins that called for vengeance upon the antediluvian world exist today. The fear of God is banished from the hearts of men, and His law is treated with indifference and contempt. The intense worldliness of that generation is equalled by that of the generation now living. Said Christ, "As in the days that were before the Flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day that Noah entered into the ark, and knew not until the Flood came, and took them all away; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be." Matthew 24:38, 39...

"God did not condemn the antediluvians for eating and drinking; He had given them the fruits of the earth in great abundance to supply their physical wants. Their sin consisted in taking these gifts without gratitude to the Giver, and debasing themselves by indulging appetite without restraint. It was lawful for them to marry. Marriage was in God's order; it was one of the first institutions which He established. He gave special directions concerning this ordinance, clothing it with sanctity and beauty; but these directions were forgotten, and marriage was perverted and made to minister to passion." (*PP 101.2*).

"Wickedness is reaching a height never before attained, and yet many ministers of the gospel are crying, "Peace and safety." But God's faithful messengers are to go steadily forward with their work. Clothed with the panoply of heaven, they are to advance fearlessly and victoriously, never ceasing their warfare until every soul within their reach shall have received the message of truth for this time." (AA 220.1).

"The early Christians were often called to meet the powers of darkness face to face. By sophistry and by persecution the enemy endeavored to turn them from the true faith. At the present time, when the end of all things earthly is rapidly approaching, Satan is putting forth desperate efforts to ensnare the world. He is devising many plans to occupy minds and to divert attention from the truths essential to salvation. In every city his agencies are busily organizing into parties those who are opposed to the law of God. The arch deceiver is at work to introduce elements of confusion and rebellion, and men are being fired with a zeal that is not according to knowledge." *(AA 219.2).* 

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he earth and its inhabitants are on the threshold of a stupendous crisis when Satan will usher in his last and final assault against Christ and His followers. This assault comes in the form of a Sunday law enforcing the whole world to worship on Sunday, a false Sabbath.

The decisions we make today, along with the words and actions that accompany them, will significantly impact what we do when the coming crisis suddenly unfolds upon us all. The entire final crisis explodes into action as a national (federal) law is enacted in the United States. This Sunday law will catapult the world as a whole into the future windup of human affairs. All other final events find their reference points at that moment in time.

One factor which will greatly accelerate the process is that as soon as the law is enacted, Satan will be permitted to unleash his assault. Decades of increasing violation of the Ten Commandments by individuals, families, businesses and governments have produced immorality, fiscal irresponsibility, confusion, crime, terror and bloodshed. The mounting problem will lead the nation and then the entire world to the adoption of governmental draconian laws.

"We hear from politicians and church leaders' alike calling for the amendment of the U.S. Constitution. Before this step is taken by legislators, there will be a strong Satanic force propelling the Sunday law movement" (*Review, January 1, 1889*).

As the time of the National Sunday law nears, churchmen desperate for power will welcome a strange excitement that appears to be working in some of the churches. Politicians will also play a part in what is known as Christian nationalism.

Christian nationalism is an ideology intended for Christianising a nation. It advocates the national government to take steps to keep the country's Christian roots and identity intact. It also calls on national governments to advocate Christian values and enact laws and policies that reflect those values. Christian nationalism believes in the obliteration of the existing distinction between church and state and promotes the infusion of civility with religion. This stage will be reached when the US government amends its Constitution which states that: "Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion or prohibiting the free exercise thereof." (The American Constitution). When these amendments are made and the government is empowered by this law, it will begin to regulate the moral conducts of its subjects as it was during the Dark Ages and persecution will be the result. This is contrary to the teachings of the Bible.

The legislation for the enforcement of Sunday worship has been in the making since the fall of Satan from heaven. He has deceived those who dwell on the earth *(Rev.* 13:14). Those whom he deceives shall have their names removed from the Book of Life *(Rev.* 13:8). Although, we cannot tell with certainty, what Satan's next move or exactly what will be the next event in the prophetic timeline, the events that will lead to the enactment of a Sunday law are known to the saints because they need to prepared for them.

The movement to return to despotism as it was in the Dark Ages, is hard at work. The Protestant Churches of America have reached out across the gulf and formed a union with the Pope. The aim was to lay aside their differences and form a close working union to achieve commonly held objectives of enforcing every man and woman on the earth to worship the beast. In the Bible, a beast represents a king. The Leopard-like beast of Revelation 13:1-10 represents the Papacy.

"Chapter 13 (verses 1-10) describes another beast, "like unto a leopard," to which the dragon gave "his power, and his seat, and great authority." This symbol, as most Protestants have believed, represents the papacy, which succeeded to the power seat and authority once held by the ancient Roman empire. Of the leopard-like beast it is declared: "There was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies. . . . And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, and His tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations." This prophecy, which is nearly identical with the description of the little horn of Daniel 7, unquestionably points to the papacy." (GC 439.1).

The Protestants and Catholic unions aimed to lay aside their differences and form a close working union to achieve commonly held beliefs of Sunday sacredness and the non-immortality of the soul. This is a solid union of denominations which will coerce members of the US Congress to enact binding National Sunday Law. There is only one issue that can unite the Protestants, Catholicism, the labour unions and the US politicians on all levels and that is a strict Sunday law. This union will advocate for the improvement of morals, health and a general return to God as its objectives. A coalition of churches will lead out in pressurizing politicians, desperate for solutions, to enact such a law. The passage of this law will dramatically change everything in the US and the entire world. Mankind will be thrown into the final crisis.

Men are bold in transgression. "Never did this message apply with greater force than it applies today. More and more the world is setting at nought the claims of God. Men have become bold in transgression. The wickedness of the inhabitants of the world has almost filled up the measure of their iniquity. This earth has almost reached the place where God will permit the destroyer to work his will upon it. The substitution of the laws of men for the law of God, the exaltation, by merely human authority, of Sunday in place of the Bible Sabbath, is the last act in the drama. When this substitution becomes universal, God will reveal Himself. He will arise in His majesty to shake terribly the earth. He will come out of His place to punish the inhabitants of the world for their iniquity, and the earth shall disclose her blood and shall no more cover her slain." (7T 141.1).

On the threshold of all crises. God's message for the inhabitants of earth today is, "Be ye also ready: for in such an hour as ye think not the Son of man cometh." Matthew 24:44. The conditions prevailing in society, and especially in the great cities of the nations, proclaim in thunder tones that the hour of God's judgment is come and that the end of all things earthly is at hand. We are standing on the threshold of the crisis of the ages. In quick succession the judgments of God will follow one another--fire, and flood, and