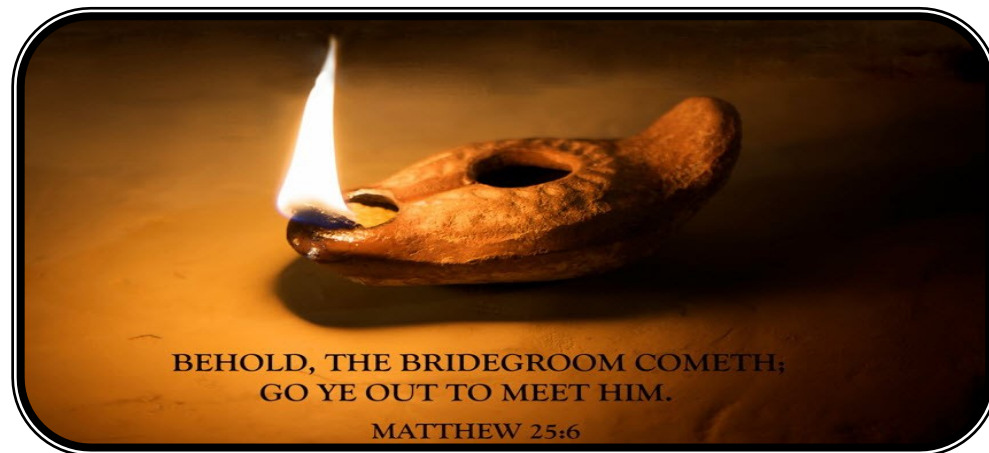


My brethren, do you realize that your own salvation, as well as the destiny of other souls, depends upon the preparation you now make for the trial before us? Have you that intensity of zeal, that piety and devotion, which will enable you to stand when opposition shall be brought against you? **If God has ever spoken by me, the time will come when you will be brought before councils, and every position of truth which you hold will be severely criticized.** The time that so many are now allowing to go to waste should be devoted to the charge that God has given us of preparing for the approaching crisis. {5T 716.4}



It does not seem possible to us now that any should have to stand alone, but if God has ever spoken by me, the time will come when we shall be brought before councils and before thousands for His name's sake, and **each one will have to give the reason of his faith.** Then will come the severest criticism upon every position that has been taken for the truth. We need, then, to study the Word of God, that we may know why we believe the doctrines we advocate.--RH Dec. 18, 1888. {LDE 209.1}

Many will have to stand in the legislative courts; some will have to stand before kings and before the learned of the earth to answer for their faith. Those who have only a superficial understanding of truth will not be able clearly to expound the Scriptures and give definite reasons for their faith. They will become confused and will not be workmen that need not to be ashamed. Let no one imagine that he has no need to study because he is not to preach in the sacred desk. You know not what God may require of you.--FE 217 (1893). {LDE 209.2}



THE TRUE MIDNIGHT CRY

SURVEY

1. Do you believe in the prophetic ministry of Ellen White? Y/N

On a scale of 1 – 10, how important is it? _____

2. Do you believe in the day for a year principle? Y/N

On a scale of 1 – 10, how important is it? _____

3. Do you believe October 22nd, 1844 is of special significance? Y/N

On a scale of 1 – 10, how important is it? _____

4. Do you believe that Jesus is our High Priest and is in “The Most Holy Place” at this very moment? Y/N

On a scale of 1 – 10, how important is it? _____

5. Do you believe that Ellen White's first vision, “The Narrow Way” which encompasses “The Midnight Cry”, is important? Y/N

On a scale of 1 – 10, how important is it? _____

Don't know what it is: _____

Please proceed to the next page for the follow Up Questions.

The True Midnight Cry

FOLLOW UP QUESTIONS

The faith of individual members of the church will be tested as though there were not another person in the world. (7BC 983 (1890))

1. Can you explain, from the Bible alone, the prophetic ministry of Ellen G. White?
2. Can you explain, from the Bible alone, that a year = 360 days and a month= 30 days?
3. Can you explain, from the Bible alone, how to get to **October 22nd, 1844**?
4. Can you explain, from the Bible alone, that Jesus is in “The Most Holy Place” right now?
5. Can you explain what the “Midnight Cry” is in Ellen White’s first vision called the “The Narrow Way”?

Country: Circle one in each category

United States, Brazil, Germany, France Britain, Chad, Ethiopia, China,

Russia, India; Others: _____

Language: English, Spanish, French, German Portuguese, Chinese,

Korean; Others: _____

Gender: M / F

Age: 12-17...18-25...36-45...46-55...56-65...66-75...76+

Years as Adventist: 0-5...6-10...11-20...21-30...31-40...41+

Thank you for taking the “The True Midnight Cry” Survey!

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My First Vision “THE NARROW WAY”

Ellen G. White

It was not long after the passing of the time, in 1844, that my first vision was given me. I was visiting Mrs. Haines at Portland, a dear sister in Christ, whose heart was knit with mine; **five of us, all women**, were kneeling quietly at the family altar. While we were praying, the power of God came upon me as I had never felt it before. {CET 57.1}

I seemed to be surrounded with light, and to be rising higher and higher from the earth. I turned to look for the advent people in the world, but could not find them, when a voice said to me, "Look again, and look a little higher." At this, I raised my eyes, and saw a **straight and narrow path**, cast up high above the world. On this path the advent people were traveling to the city which was at the farther end of the path. **They had a bright light set up behind them at the beginning of the path, which an angel told me was the "midnight cry."** This light shone all along the path, and gave light for their feet, so that they might not stumble. {CET 57.2}

If they kept their eyes fixed on Jesus, who was just before them, leading them to the city, they were safe. But soon some grew weary, and said the city was a great way off, and they expected to have entered it before. Then Jesus would encourage them by raising His glorious right arm, and from His arm came a light which waved over the advent band, and they shouted "Alleluia!" Others rashly denied the light behind them, and said that it was not God that had led them out so far. The light behind them went out, leaving their feet in perfect darkness, and they tumbled and lost sight of the mark and of Jesus, and fell off the path down into the dark and wicked world below. {CET 57.3}

There are only two interlinked reasons that causes one to stumble and fall off the path:

1. Either you take your eyes off of Jesus who is just before you.
2. Or you rashly deny the light behind you !

What is the Midnight Cry!

If you don't know, how do you know that you have not fallen off the path?