

**Wednesday**

*May 8*

Lesson 6

**The Two Witnesses Resurrected**

Read Revelation 11:11. What prediction does this text make about the Word of God?

**INFO ON BIBLE:**

**OVER 5-7 BILLION BIBLES PRINTED WORLD WIDE IN 1500 YEARS. GUINNESS BOOK OF RECORDS - BEST SELLING BOOK OF ALL TIME.**

**THE LONDON RELIGIOUS TRACT SOCIETY, 1798.**

**THE BRITISH AND FOREIGN BIBLE SOCIETY, 1804.**

**THE AMERICAN BIBLE SOCIETY 1816.**

**THE AMERICAN TRACT SOCIETY, 1825.**

At the end of the French Revolution, God's Word would, figuratively, come to life again. There would be a mighty revival. Great fear would fall on those who saw God's Word once more become the living power of God unto salvation. At the end of the 18<sup>th</sup> century, God raised up men and women who were committed to taking the gospel to the ends of the earth. People spread the message of the Bible rapidly, like William Carey, who traveled to India and translated the Bible into dozens of Indian dialects. Propelled by the power of the Bible, missionaries were sent around the world.

It is not by accident that these worldwide mission endeavors arose after the French Revolution. God's Word is a living Word, and although to many it seemed "dead," it was still living in the hearts of believers and would rise again to full life, as Revelation's prophecies predicted. "The infidel Voltaire once boastfully said: 'I am weary of hearing people repeat that twelve men established the Christian religion. I will prove that one man may suffice to overthrow it.' Generations have

passed since his death. Millions have joined in the war upon the Bible. But it is so far from being destroyed, that where there were a hundred in Voltaire's time, there are now ten thousand, yes, a hundred thousand copies of the book of God. In the words of an early Reformer concerning the Christian church, 'The Bible is an anvil that has worn out many hammers.' "--Ellen G. White, *The Great Controversy*, p. 288.

**Read Psalm 119:89 and Psalm 111:7, 8. What do these passages tell us about the Bible, and why we can trust it?**

"For ever, O LORD, Thy word is settled in heaven." - Psalm 119:89 KJV

**ADD LEFT OVERS FROM LAST WEEKS STUDY. SOP QUOTES**

God's Word may be attacked, or suppressed, but it will never be eradicated. Even many professed Christians undermine its authority in various ways, questioning parts of the Bible or so emphasizing the human elements that it all but loses its divine stamp, and God's truth is undermined.

"To those that trust in their intelligence he will make believe that they can correct the Scriptures. You are going to meet this infidelity in high places. Ms11-1893.9

"You need the Holy Spirit of God, the divine power to co-operate with you to discern the track that the devil is preparing, and escape it. He is going to lead the religious world captive (2 Thessalonians 2:11). How dare they to lay their sacrilegious hands upon the Scriptures! We must bring the Sabbath of the Lord to the front. It is so plain, and so decided. It is a sign between the children of God and the children of the world. Please read (Exodus 31:17): "It is a sign between me and the children of Israel for ever: for in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, and on the seventh day he rested, and was refreshed." Ms11-1893.10

"Deceptions of every kind will be invented. So-called higher critics will set their ingenious minds to work in an attempt to invalidate the Word of God. But there is a Higher Critic, greater than any human mind. God is light. In Him is no darkness at all. He has spoken. The human family has His decision. Those who are saved must stand under the blood-stained banner of Prince Emmanuel." Ms125-1901.20  
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We must never, in any way, allow ourselves to be seduced by these attacks on the Word of God. It is still alive today, speaking to human hearts, breathing new life into those who are willing to listen to the Word and follow its teachings.

**What prophecies in particular speak to you, personally, and why?**