

NOTICES

1. **Happy Sabbath** to all from Pastor Cuvalay, The Church board and the Communication Department, we thank you for joining us today and may God's blessings be yours as we listen to His voice to us in Word and Song.. We welcome you.
2. Pioneer Pathfinder Club continues this Sabbath at 4:30pm sharp. A Pathfinder Oshkosh fundraiser will be held this evening at 7:00pm in the Hewey Building. Please support the pathfinders.
3. Our Family Bible Readings Continue through the month of June with the book of Mark and Desire of Ages 10 through 16. As you read, you will discover more and the blessings will be added to you. The Bible next Connection Challenge will be on the book of Mark.
4. All are invited this afternoon at 4:30pm Sharp for a special program presented on Hurricane Preparedness. Come and support our youth as they share with you.
5. On June 9th, 2018, The Women's Ministries will celebrate Women's Ministries Emphasis Day. The Program will be celebrated at the Cole Bay Church from 9:00am. The Theme for the weekend's program is "Blessed to be a Blessing." The Program will continue on that Sabbath afternoon with a Women's Ministries program here at the Philipsburg Church. Please contact the Women's Ministries for further details.
6. There will be a joint Church Board Meeting on June 18th 2018 at the Philipsburg Church at 7:15pm. This meeting is a very important meeting and all board members of all churches are encouraged to be present and on time.

Matthew 5:48

Be ye therefore perfect, even
as your Father which is
in heaven is perfect.



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And he shall go before him in the spirit and power of Elias, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the **children**, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just; to make ready a people prepared for the Lord. (Luke 1:17)

Philipsburg Seventh-day Adventist Church

Is established as a Beacon to the Community of St. Maarten with the sole purpose of promulgating the Everlasting Gospel with the **BIBLE** as its core. Its members are energized to preach in Word and Deed the Crucified, Risen and Soon Coming Lord and Saviour JESUS CHRIST. At the center of its program will be a ministry of Caring and Sharing through which the church will realize its Goal.

2nd June 2018

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Church Services

Praise and The Word Sunday 7:15pm

Prayer and Songs of Praise Wednesday 7pm

Sabbath School Saturday 9am

Divine Hour Saturday 11am

PRAYER REQUESTS

Confess your faults one to another, and pray one for another, that ye may be healed. The effectual fervent prayer of a righteous man availeth much. (James 5:16) . We ask your prayers for the following persons ;

The Church requests your prayers on behalf of those who are sick and hospitalized in our membership and in our community. Some are still in healing process . Please remember them and others who are in need of assistance and prayers. That our hands and God healing may touch them. God is able.

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How great is the long-suffering of God toward the wicked! The idolatrous Philistines and backsliding Israel had alike enjoyed the gifts of His providence. Ten thousand unnoticed mercies were silently falling in the pathway of ungrateful, rebellious men. Every blessing spoke to them of the Giver, but they were indifferent to His love. **The forbearance of God was very great toward the children of men; but when they stubbornly persisted in their impenitence, He removed from them His protecting hand. They refused to listen to the voice of God in His created works, and in the warnings, counsels, and reproofs of His word, and thus He was forced to speak to them through judgments.**

"If ye do return unto the Lord with all your hearts, then put away the strange gods and Ashtaroth from among you, and prepare your hearts unto the Lord, and serve Him only." Without the grace of Christ the outward forms of religion were valueless to ancient Israel. They are the same to modern Israel. Repentance is the first step that must be taken by all who would return to God. No one can do this work for another. We must individually humble our souls before God and put away our idols {Patriarchs and Prophets 590}

<i>Desire of Ages</i>	<i>Date</i>	<i>Bible + SDA Bible Commentary Vol. 5</i>
Review and Quiz	14 (Sabbath 7)	Review and Quiz
DA Chapter 13	15	Mark 7
	16	Mark 8
	17	Mark 9
	18	Mark 10
	19	Mark 11
	20	Mark 12



BIBLE CONNECTION

North Caribbean Conference 2018 Bible Connect Finals will be held on St.Croix July 21st during the Senior Youth Camp July 12th—23rd 2018

The Ark Taken by the Philistines

(Based on 1 Samuel Ch. 5)

“Now Israel went out against the Philistines to battle, and pitched beside Ebenezer: and the Philistines pitched in Aphek.” This expedition was undertaken by the Israelites without counsel from God, without the concurrence of high priest or prophet. “And the Philistines put themselves in array against Israel: and when they joined battle, Israel was smitten before the Philistines: and they slew of the army in the field about four thousand men.” As the shattered and disheartened force returned to their encampment, “the elders of Israel said, Wherefore hath the Lord smitten us today before the Philistines?” The nation was ripe for the judgments of God, yet they did not see that their own sins had been the cause of this terrible disaster. And they said, “Let us fetch the ark of the covenant of the Lord out of Shiloh unto us, that,

when it cometh among us, it may save us out of the hand of our enemies.” The Lord had given no command or permission that the ark should come into the army; yet the Israelites felt confident that victory would be theirs, and uttered a great shout when it was borne into the camp by the sons of Eli. Another warning was to be given to Eli’s house. God could not communicate with the high priest and his sons; their sins, like a thick



cloud, had shut out the presence of His Holy Spirit. But in the midst of evil the child Samuel remained true to Heaven, and the message of condemnation to the house of Eli was Samuel’s commission as a prophet of the Most High. {PP 581.

The Philistines removed the ark in triumph to Ashdod, one of their five principal cities, and placed it in the house of their god Dagon. They imagined that the power which had hitherto attended the ark would be theirs, and that this, united with the power of Dagon, would render them invincible. But upon entering the temple on the following day, they beheld a sight which filled them with consternation. Dagon had fallen upon his face to the earth before the ark of Jehovah. The priests reverently lifted the idol and restored it to its place. But the next morning they found it, strangely mutilated, again lying upon the earth before the ark. The upper part of this idol was like that of a man, and the lower part was in the likeness of a fish. Now every part that resembled the human form had been cut off, and only the body of the fish remained. Priests and people were horror-struck; they looked upon this mysterious event as an evil omen, foreboding destruction to themselves and their idols before the God of the Hebrews. They now removed the ark from their temple and placed it in a building by itself. (Patriarchs and Prophets pg. 581.)

The Grandest Deception

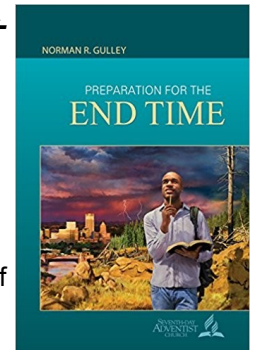


The first lesson of this quarter talked about the “cosmic controversy”, which, unfortunately, has reached beyond the cosmos to our earth itself.

The problem, though, is that many people, Christians included, don’t believe in this great controversy because they don’t believe in Satan. For them, Bible texts talking about Satan or the devil are merely the expressions of a prescientific culture trying to explain evil and suffering in the world. For way too many people the idea of a literal, supernatural entity who has malevolent designs on humanity is the stuff of science fiction, akin to Darth Vader of “Star Wars” fame or the like.

Read the following texts, all from Revelation. What do they teach us about the reality of Satan and particularly about his role in last-day events? Rev. 2:13, 24; 12:3, 7-9, 12, 17; 13:2; 20:2, 7, 10.

Revelation shows us just how much power Satan will have over so many inhabitants of the world in the final days, leading them not only away from salvation but toward persecuting those who stay faithful to Jesus. Of all Satan’s “devices” (2 Cor. 2:11) — a [translation](#) of the Greek word for “mind” (noemata) — perhaps the greatest deception is to cause people to believe that he does not exist. After all, who’s going to seek shelter from an overpowering enemy who you don’t believe is real? It’s astonishing how many claim to be Christians and yet don’t take the idea of a literal devil seriously. They hold such a position, however, only by ignoring or radically reinterpreting the many texts in the Word of God that reveal his workings and plays in this world, especially as we near the end of time. That so many people would reject the literal existence of Satan, even in the face of such overwhelming biblical evidence, should be a powerful reminder to us of just how crucial it is that we understand what the Bible really teaches.



A Blessing in Fresh Fruits

I am so thankful to God that when Adam lost his Eden home, the Lord did not cut off the supply of fruit.—

The Lord desires those living in countries where fresh fruit can be obtained during a large part of the year, to awake to the blessing they have in this fruit. The more we depend upon the fresh fruit just as it is plucked from the tree, the greater will be the blessing

It would be well for us to do less cooking and to eat more fruit in its natural state. Let us teach the people to eat freely of the fresh grapes, apples, peaches, pears, berries, and all other kinds of fruit that can be obtained. Let these be prepared for winter use by canning, using glass, as far as possible, instead of tin.—

For a dyspeptic stomach, you may place upon your tables fruits of different kinds, but not too many at one meal.—

Fruit we would especially recommend as a health-giving agency. But even fruit should not be eaten after a full meal other foods.—

Nicely prepared vegetables and fruits in their season will be beneficial, if they are of the best quality, not showing the slightest sign of decay, but are sound and unaffected by any disease or decay. More die by eating decayed fruit and decayed vegetables which ferment in the stomach and result in blood poisoning, than we have any idea of.—

A plain, simple, but liberal supply of fruit is the best food that can be placed before those who are preparing for the work of God.—

A Part of an Adequate Diet

Grains, fruits, nuts, and vegetables constitute the diet chosen for us by our Creator. These foods prepared in as simple and natural a manner as possible, are the most healthful and nourishing. They impart a strength, a power of endurance, and a vigor of intellect, that are not afforded by a more complex and stimulating diet.—

In grains, fruits, vegetables, and nuts are to be found all the food elements that we need. If we will come to the Lord in simplicity of mind, He will teach us how to prepare wholesome food free from the taint of flesh meat.—

{Counsels on Diet and Foods 310.3}



Divine Service

“By this shall all men know that ye are my disciples, if ye have love one to another. “ (John 13:35)

Praise And Worship

Praise Team

Call to Worship.....

Hymn of Adoration and Praise# 365— O Zion Hste

Morning prayer.....

Welcome.....

Offertory.....

Special Music

Children's corner.....

Scripture Reading Matthew 28:18-20

Introduction of Speakers.....

Meditation Song ”Lord Transform Me”

Sermon Pastor Vashni Cuvlay

Hymn of Consecration#430— Joy By and By

Benediction.....

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen. (Romans 16:24)