STUDY IV THE CLEANSING OF THE SANCTUARY

2300 Days-Dan. 8:10-26

- (1) Give a brief resume of conclusions reached in our previous study regarding the "Man of Sin," citing Scriptures. Page 95, par. 1
- (2) What is the special purpose of our present study of Dan. 8:10-26? And of whom is the sanctuary class composed? Page 95, par. 2
- (3) What is the relation between the Study now under consideration and the preceding one, "Days of Waiting"? Page 95, par. 3
- (4) Read and interpret Daniel 8:10-26. Page 96, par. 1 to Page 97, par. 1
- (5) How is Rome, both civil and papal, represented in the various visions of Daniel? (See Chapters 2, 7, and 8) Page 97, par.
- (6) To what is the continual sacrifice, mentioned in Dan. 8:11, generally supposed to refer? And how is the prophecy properly applied? Page 98, par. 1
- (7) Was Christ's continual sacrifice actually abolished by Papacy? What is the false doctrine which has completely set aside the merit of Christ's continual and effectual sacrifice? Page 98, par. 2
- (8) What is the Mass, as generally understood by Protestants? And what is the true significance of this Roman Catholic doctrine? Page 98, par. 3
- (9) Explain the doctrine of Transubstantiation, in connection with the celebration of the Mass. Page 99, par. 1
- (10) What special care is taken with respect to a single drop of wine that may have been spilled, or a crumb of bread lost? Page 99, par. 2
- (11) Quote the answers given in the Roman Catholic (American) Catechism to the following questions:
- a. What is the Holy Eucharist?
- b. Is it not bread and wine which is first put upon the Altar for the celebration of the Mass?
- c. What happens by these words?
- d. What is this change called?
- e. What is the Mass?
- f. What is the difference between the sacrifice of the Mass and the sacrifice of the Cross?
- g. What effects has the Mass as a sacrifice of propitiation?
- h. To whom are the fruits (benefits) of the Mass applied? Page 100, par. 1 to Page 101, par. 6
- (12) What four essentials are recognized in the celebration of the Mass? Page 101, par. 7
- (13) Explain the priest's part in this ceremony of the Mass. Page 101, par. 8
- (14) What positive statement regarding the Mass as a sacrificial ceremony is found in the Canons of the Council of Trent? Page 101, par. 9, 10
- (15) What is evidently the real reason why Papacy denies the continual sacrifice and has substituted a false one? Page 102, par. 1
- (16) What was the corner-stone of the Reformation in Germany and Switzerland? What has been the burning article in the Church of Rome? Page 102, par. 2
- (17) When do Romanists claim the Mass was instituted? What is the earliest recorded reference to the Mass? And is the exact date of its introduction important? Page 103, par. 3
- (18) What is the significance of the statement, "the base of His sanctuary was overthrown"? Page 103, par. 2

- (19) What doctrine is the "base of the Sanctuary"? And what results followed the displacing of the continual sacrifice? Page 103, par. 3; Page 104, par. 1
- (20) All along, since the abomination has been set up, what has been the attitude of the Lord's true saints toward the Antichrist? What was the assurance from Jehovah, through His messenger, in regard to the limitation of the Abomination's triumph? Page 104, par. 2
- (21) Is it reasonable to suppose that the two thousand, three hundred days were 2300 literal days? Page 105, par. 1
- (22) In his explanation of the vision, what method was employed by the angel Gabriel? Page 105, par. 2
- (23) How did this explanation affect the Prophet Daniel? And why was it well for Daniel then, and for all of God's children since, that the true significance of the vision was not fully revealed at that time? Page 105, par. 3
- (24) What misunderstanding of the vision had so troubled Daniel, and how did the Lord graciously favor him with a further explanation regarding Daniel's people? Dan. 9:2-19, 21-27. Page 106, par. 1, to Page 107, par. 1
- (25) What is the point to be specially noticed here, regarding the relation between the prophecy of the "70 weeks" or 490 days, and the 2300 days? And what purpose would the fulfilment of this prophecy serve? Page 107, par. 2
- (26) Recognizing the symbolic 70 weeks to have been fulfilled in 490 literal years, how shall we proceed to find where the whole period of 2300 symbolic days was fulfilled? Page 107, par. 3; Page 108, par. 1
- (27) How has the work of historians been manifestly overruled by the Lord in the matter of prophecies fulfilled? Page 108, par. 2
- (28) In harmony with the foregoing statement, what does history record with reference to a "cleansing of the sanctuary"? How had the sanctuary class become defiled? And what was the key-note of the great Reformation? Page 108, par. 3
- (29) Why was the doctrine of "justification by faith" the right one with which to begin the cleansing work? Is it the cleansing of the host or the sanctuary that is indicated in the prophecy? Page 109, par. 1
- (30) Who was the leading spirit of the Reformation? And how many objections to Papacy were nailed by him upon the church door at Wittenburg? When did this occur? What papal doctrine was denied by Luther in his twenty-seventh thesis? How were these propositions received by the Pope? And what response was made by Luther? Page 109, par. 2
- (31) Why did this "cleansing" work, so nobly begun, fail to win popularity? And how were Luther and his associates overpowered, in a measure? Page 109, par. 3
- (32) Was the Reformation a purely religious movement? What does history record concerning this co-operation of political and religious reformers in Switzerland, Geneva, Scandinavia, Denmark, Sweden, and Germany respectively? What is signified by the "Religious Peace"? Where and when was it concluded? Page 110, par. 1, to Page 111, par. 2
- (33) Considering the political conditions which prevailed during this period, what facts excite our admiration? When did progress and reform come to a standstill? Page 111, par. 3
- (34) What was the snare by which the great Adversary blocked the work of further "cleansing"? How was the deadly wound of Papacy "healed"? (Rev. 13:3) Page 111, par. 4
- (35) Although for a time interrupted, what subsequent progress has been made along the line of the prophecy concerning the "2300 days"? Page 112, par. 1
- (36) While the "cleansing" has progressed, what tendency has marked every step of reformation? Page 112, par. 2
- (37) In proof of this tendency, cite instances in the Church of England and the Presbyterian Church, which have hindered the cleansing work. Page 112, par. 3

- (38) What state of affairs prevailed in the Church when the Wesleys began their work? What "cleansing" was done by them, and how did they also obstruct further progress? What have Universalists and Unitarians accomplished and failed to accomplish? Page 113, par. 1
- (39) What error was cast out by Baptists, and what is their present attitude toward further "cleansing" work? Page 114, par. 1
- (40) When, and by whom, was the sect known as "Disciples" organized? What special reforms were advocated by them? And what is their present position toward further reform? Page 114, par. 2
- (41) What has been the great obstacle toward the increasing and progressive work of "cleansing"? Page 115, par. 1
- (42) What was probably the most thorough reform work of all? What great discovery rewarded William Miller's diligent searching of the Scriptures? Page 115, par. 2
- (43) What was Mr. Miller's teaching with respect to "Christendom's" claim to be ruling over the world? Page 115, par. 3
- (44) To the removal of what popular and erroneous doctrine did Mr. Miller's preaching lead? What terrible doctrines of Roman Catholic and Protestant churches had grown out of this fundamental error? Page 116, par. 1
- (45) When this great root of error began to be torn up, what associated errors were likewise plucked up and cast aside? Page 117, par. 1, 2
- (46) What truths respecting Adamic death and the death of the Redeemer began next to be recognized? To what foundation doctrine did this lead? Page 117, par. 3; Page 118, par. I
- (47) Was the Sanctuary class, as a whole, cleansed at this time? Page 118, par. 2
- (48) What was Mr. Miller's erroneous interpretation of the "cleansing of the sanctuary"? While greatly disappointed in their expectations, what valuable experiences were gained by the Lord's people during this period? Page 118, par. 3
- (49) What condition of affairs in the sanctuary class was witnessed by the year 1846 A. D., the end of the "2300 days"? Page 119, par. 1
- (50) What great organization founded in the year 1846 has served to mark the sanctuary class as a cleansed and separated company? Has this sanctuary class been added to since 1846? What course has been followed by many who originally were members of the cleansed sanctuary? Page 119, par. 2
- (51) What has been the portion of those of the sanctuary class who have kept free from the "yoke of bondage," and followed on to know the Lord? Page 120, par. 1
- (52) If the defiling abominations were entirely removed in 1846, what blessed work of restoration in the Lord's house should be expected to follow? Page 120, par. 2, 3