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Further Study 1

‘Pick-and-Choose’ method of Bible study.

Most Christians believe that the phrase, “holding the four winds of the earth” ([Rev 7:1](#)) has a fulfillment *only* in these last days at the time of the 144,000, —and they are correct! —But, interestingly, they *fail to understand* that the prophecies *before* (which are the [seven seals](#)) and the prophecies *after Revelation 7* (which are the [seven trumpets](#)), *also* have a fulfillment to the last generation and the 144,000. Many Christians *pick-and-choose* what they want to believe, not only in prophecy, but in Righteousness also!

Christians may *pick* a prophecy, i.e. the [144,000 \(Rev 7\)](#), to have a fulfillment *in the last days*, and then *choose* to believe that the prophecies *on both sides* (the [seals \(Rev 6\)](#) and [trumpets \(Rev 8-9\)](#)) have a fulfillment *ONLY in past history*. Some churches place the fulfillment of *most* prophecies *only in past history*; and other churches place *the same prophecy only in the future*. There seems to be little understanding that Daniel and Revelation’s prophecies are extensions of *Sanctuary* and its services; —that these prophecies work together to explain *Christ in His Sanctuary*, past, present, and future. *Preconceived ideas* will keep many from understanding that the “little book [is] open!” (And it has been open for many years!)

The Old Testament Sanctuary teaches its lessons using *type to understand antitype —both in symbol and in service!* Thus, the books of Daniel and Revelation explain the plan of redemption foretold in the Sanctuary —*in type and antitype— by their prophecies!* We have a need to come to *a more complete understanding* of the purpose of the prophecies. —Not *only* were most of the prophecies of Daniel and Revelation *fulfilled in prophetic history —which is the type* of prophetic fulfillment— BUT *the same prophecies*, i.e. the seven churches, seven seals, and seven trumpets, *etc.*, *also have a more direct fulfillment in the last days, —which is the antitype fulfillment!*

The method of study we use for understanding Daniel and Revelation for these last days, *pick-and-choose* OR *Type and Antitype*, will determine to a greater extent than we now understand, —our decisions, our actions, and thus, our salvation during

the last events of earth's history! **Our salvation comes from Jesus**, the Mighty Angel of the Rainbow Covenant, who has in His hand the *open book of seven thunders*. [Rev 10:1-3](#).

Further Study 2

When the books of Daniel and Revelation are better understood . . .

“We have the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ, which is the spirit of prophecy. Priceless gems are to be found in the word of God . Those who search this word should keep the mind clear. Never should they indulge perverted appetite in eating or drinking. {TM 114.1}

“If they do this, the brain will be confused; they will be **unable to bear the strain of digging deep** to find out the meaning of those things which relate to the closing scenes of this earth's history. {TM 114.2}

“When the books of Daniel and Revelation are better understood, believers will have an entirely different religious experience. **They will be given such glimpses of the open gates of heaven that heart and mind will be impressed with the character that all must develop in order to realize the blessedness which is to be the reward of the pure in heart.** {TM 114.3}

“The Lord will bless all who will *seek humbly and meekly to understand* that which is revealed in the Revelation. **This book contains so much** that is large with immortality and full of glory that all who read and search it earnestly receive the blessing to those ‘that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein.’” TM 114.4}

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