## **ELLEN G. WHITE ENDORSEMENTS**

## OF THE 1888 MESSAGE AS BROUGHT BY JONES AND WAGGONER

- 1. "The Lord in His great mercy sent a most precious message to His people through Elders Waggoner and Jones." TM p. 91.
- 2. "God gave to his servants a testimony that presented the truth as it is in Jesus, which is the third angel's message, in clear, distinct lines." TM p. 93.
- 3. "The message of the gospel of His grace was to be given to the church in clear and distinct lines, that the world should no longer say that Seventh-day Adventists talk the law, the law, but do not teach or believe Christ. The efficacy of the blood of Christ was to be presented to the people with freshness and power." TM p. 92.
- 4. "This is the very work which the Lord designs that the message He has given His servants, shall perform in the heart and mind of every human agent ... God gave to his messengers just what the people needed." TM p. 95.
- 5. "The Lord would have these grand themes studied in our churches, and if every church member shall give entrance to the word of God it will give light and understanding to the simple." TM pp. 95, 96.
- 6. "I would speak in warning to those who have stood for years resisting light and cherishing the spirit of opposition. How long will you hate and despise the messengers of God's righteousness? God has given them His message. They bear the word of the Lord." TM p.96.
- 7. "Here was evidence, that all might discern whom the Lord recognized as His servants. But there are those who despised the men and the message they bore. They have taunted them with being fanatics, extremists, and enthusiast ... Unless you speedily humble your hearts before God, ... you will ... see that you have been fighting against God." TM p. 97.
- 8. "You will see that these men whom you have spoken against have been as signs in the world, as witnesses for God ... Zealous men, moved by the spirit of God ... in principle firm as a rock ... Light from heaven." TM p. 97.
- 9. "If you reject Christ's delegated messengers you reject Christ. Neglect this great salvation, kept before you for years, ... and there remaineth no more sacrifice for sins." TM p. 97.
- 10. "Even Seventh-day Adventists are in danger of closing their eyes to truth as it is in Jesus, because it contradicts something which they have taken for granted as truth, but which the Holy Spirit teaches is not truth ... That men should keep alive the spirit which ran riot at Minneapolis, is an offense to God." TM pp. 70, 76.
- 11. "Men who are entrusted with weighty responsibilities, but who have no living connection with God, have been and are doing despite to His Holy Spirit. ... If God spares their lives, and they nourish the same spirit that marked their course of action both before and after the Minneapolis meeting, they will fill up to the full the deeds of those whom Christ condemned when He was upon the earth. ... Some have been cultivating hatred against the men whom God has commissioned to bear a special message to the world. ... When they

- saw and felt the demonstration of the Holy Spirit, testifying that the message was of God, they hated it the more." TM pp. k78-80.
- 12. "That which God gives His servants to speak today [Jones and Waggoner] would not perhaps have been present truth twenty years ago, but it is God's message for this time. ... Let men and women who are truly converted offer themselves in all humility to the service of the Lord. ... They will not talk of the faults of others. ... They will be men who fear to talk and make sport of God's messengers." MS 8A, 1888. (Dr. Froom applies these statements to Jones and Waggoner, see *Movement of Destiny*, P. 225)
- 13. "God is presenting to the minds of men divinely appointed [Jones and Waggoner] precious gems of truth, appropriate for our time. God has rescued these truths from the companionship of error, and has placed them in their proper framework. ... Those who have not been sinking the shaft deeper and still deeper into the mine of truth will see no beauty in the precious things presented at this Conference. ... Convincing evidence which has been in this Conference." MS 8A, 1888. (Olsen, p. 279)
- 14. "Even though the truth is opposed and spoken against by those who should be blessed, strengthened, and made joyful by it, its value and brightness is not lessened; for the Lord's messengers will hold up the telescope to the spiritual eye." MS 8A, 1888. (Olsen, p. 280)
- 15. "God has most precious light for His people. I call it not new light; but oh, it is strangely new to many." MS 8A, 1888. (Olsen, p. 280)
- 16. "Be careful how you oppose the precious truths of which you now have so little knowledge." MS 8A, 1888. (Olsen, p. 280)
- 17. "Well, one says, 'Your prayers and your talk run in the channel with Dr. Waggoner.' ... If Elder Waggoner's views were wrong, what business has anyone to get up and say what they did in here yesterday? ... Now, brethren, light has come to us and we want to be where we can grasp it, and God will lead us out one by one to Him. ... If the ministers will not receive the light, I want to give the people a chance; perhaps they may receive it. ... When anything shall come in to shut down the gate that the waves of truth shall not come in, you will hear my voice wherever it is, if it is in California, or in Europe, or wherever I am, because God has given me light and I mean to let it shine. ... The words that were spoken here were that Elder Wagoner was running this meeting. Has he not presented to you the words of the Bible? ... This investigation must go forward." MS 9, 1888. (Olsen, pp. 291-293)
- 18. "Dr. Waggoner has spoken to us in a straightforward manner. There is precious light in what he has said." MS 15, 1888. (Olsen, p. 294)
- 19. "I would have humility of mind, and be willing to be instructed as a child. The Lord has been pleased to give me great light, yet I know that He leads other minds, and opens to them the mysteries of His word, and I want to receive every ray of light that God shall send me, though it should come through the humblest of his servants." MS 15, 1888. (Olsen, p. 294)
- 20. "Dr. Waggoner ... has presented his views in a plain straightforward manner, as a Christian should. ... I have no reason to think that he is not as much esteemed of God as are any of my brethren. ... I know it would be dangerous to denounce Dr. Waggoner's position as wholly

erroneous. ... I see the beauty of truth in his presentation of the righteousness of Christ in relation to the law as the Doctor has placed it before us. ... That which has been presented harmonizes perfectly with the light which God has been pleased to give me during all the years of my experience. If our ministering brethren would accept the doctrine which has been presented so clearly—the righteousness of Christ in connection with the law—and I know they need to accept this. ..." MS 15, 1888. (Olsen, p. 294)

- 21. "This message, understood in its true character, and proclaimed in the Spirit, will lighten the earth with its glory." MS 15, 1888. (Olsen, p. 296)
- 22. "If you do not see light yourselves, you will close the door; if you can you will prevent the rays of light from coming to the people." MS 15, 1888. (Olsen, p. 297)
- 23. "An unwillingness to yield up preconceived opinions, and to accept this truth, lay at the foundation of a large share of the opposition manifested at Minneapolis against the Lord's message through brethren Waggoner and Jones. By exciting that opposition Satan succeeded in shutting away from our people, in a great measure, the special power of the Holy Spirit that God longed to impart to them. ... The light that is to lighten the whole earth with His glory was resisted, and by the action of our brethren has been in a great degree kept away from the world." 1 SM pp. 234, 235.
- 24. "Who of those that acted a part in the meeting at Minneapolis have come to the light and received the rich treasures of truth which the Lord sent them from Heaven? ... Not one. ... God meant that the watchmen should arise, and with united voices send forth a decided message. ... Then the strong, clear light of that other angel who comes down from heaven having great power, would have filled the earth with his glory. We are years behind." Letter B-2a, November 5, 1892.
- 25. "Many who have been bound in fetters of darkness have been respected because God has used them, and their unbelief has aroused doubt, prejudice against the messages of truths which angels of Heaven are seeking to communicate through human agencies [Jones and Waggoner]—justification by faith, the righteousness of Christ." Letter B-2a, November, 1892.
- 26. "The message given us by A. T. Jones and E. J. Waggoner is a message of God to the Laodicean Church." Letter S-24, 1892. (to Uriah Smith)
- 27. "There are some who have criticized and depreciated, and even stooped to ridicule the messengers whom the Lord has wrought in power." *GC Bulletin*, 1891, pp. 256-258.
- 28. "The first position you took in regard to the message and the messenger, has been a continual snare to you and a stumbling block ... That loss is still your loss." Letter S-24, 1892.
- 29. "When Brother Waggoner brought our these ideas in Minneapolis it was the first clear teaching about this subject from any human lips I have heard, excepting the conversations between myself and my husband." MS 5, 1889.
- 30. "Let no soul complain of the servants of God who have come to them with a heaven-sent message. ... God will make the ears of the hearers tingle if they will not heed His voice or His message. ... Rather than fight against those whom He has sent to save these ... ministers,

do not dishonor your God and grieve His holy Spirit, by casting reflections on the ways and the manners of the men He would choose. ... He sees the temperament of the men He has chosen. ... Now the Lord has taken men who were boys when you were standing at the forefront of the battle, and has given to them the message and the work which you did not take upon you." TM pp. 404-415.

- 31. "In Minneapolis God gave precious gems of truth to His people in new settings. ... That which is food to the churches is regarded as dangerous, and should not be given them ... great light and precious advantages." MS 13, 1889.
- 32. "The opposition in our own ranks has imposed upon the Lord's messengers a laborious and soul-trying task. ... The Spirit of God has been present in power among His people, but it could not be bestowed upon them, because they did not open their hearts to receive it." Letter, January 9, 1893. (*GC Bulletin*, 1893, p. 419.)
- 33. "I have had the question asked, what do you think of this light which these men [Jones and Waggoner] are presenting? Why, I have been presenting it to you, for the last 45 years,—the matchless charms of Christ. This is what I have been trying to present before your minds." MS 5, 1889.
- 34. "Stand not in the way of this light. ... If you wait for light to come in a way that will please everyone, you will wait in vain. If you wait for louder calls or better opportunities, the light will be withdrawn, and you will be left in darkness." ST p. 720.
- 35. "A bright light shines upon our pathway today, and it leads to increased faith in Jesus. ... More distinct views of truth. ... Increased light is given." GW (Old Edition), pp. 104, 105.
- 36. "They knew not that God had sent these young men [Jones and Waggoner] to bear a special message to them, which they treated with ridicule and contempt." Letter S-24, 1892.
- 37. "Some of our brethren ... are full of jealousy and evil surmising, and are ever ready to show in just what way they differ with Elder Jones or Waggoner. ... but this in not from the impulse of the Spirit of God. ... I can never forget the experience which we had at Minneapolis." Letter S-24, 1892.
- 38. "God has committed to His servants a message for this time; but this message does not in every particular coincide with the ideas of all the leading men, and some criticize the message and the messengers." TM p. 465.
- 39. "I would not now rehearse before you the evidences given in the past two years of the dealings of God by His chosen servants; but the present evidence of His working is revealed to you, and you are now under obligation to believe." TM p. 466. (November 3, 1890.)
- 40. "To accuse and criticize those whom God is using, is to accuse and criticize the Lord who has sent them. ... The prejudices and opinions that prevailed at Minneapolis are not dead by any means. ... the roots have never been eradicated, and they still bear their unholy fruit to poison the judgment, pervert perceptions, and blind the understanding of those with whom you connect, in regard to the message and the messengers. [Jones and Waggoner]" TM pp. 466, 467.

- 41. "The true religion, the only religion of the Bible, that teaches forgiveness only through the merits of a crucified and risen Saviour, that advocates righteousness by the faith of the Son of God, has been slighted, spoken against, ridiculed, and rejected." TM p. 468.
- 42. "Men professing godliness have despised Christ in the person of His messengers. Like the Jews, they reject God's message. ... Men may not be able to understand why God sends this one or that one." FCE p. 472.
- 43. "Some felt annoyed at this outpouring and their own natural dispositions were manifested. They said, 'This is only excitement, it is not the Holy Spirit, not showers of the Latter Rain from Heaven.' ... On many occasions the Holy Spirit did work; but those who resisted the Spirit of God in Minneapolis were waiting for a chance to travel over the same ground again. ... They declared in their heart and soul and words that this manifestation of the Holy Spirit was fanaticism and a delusion." *Special Testimonies*, Series A, No. 6, p. 20.
- 44. "We should be the least people on earth to indulge in the slightest degree the spirit of persecution against those who are bearing the message of God to the world. This is the most terrible feature of unchristlikeness that has manifested itself among us since the Minneapolis meeting." *GC Bulletin*, 1893, p. 184.
- 45. "It is quite possible that Elder Jones or Waggoner may be overthrown by the temptations of the enemy; but if they should be, this would not prove that they had no message from God, or that the work which they had done was all a mistake. ... I pray that these men upon whom God has laid the burden of a solemn work, may be able to give the trumpet a certain sound." Letter S-24, 1892.
- 46. "Will the Lord's messenger bear the pressure brought against him? If so, it is because God bids him stand in His strength, and vindicate the truth that he is sent of God." Letter 0-19, 1892.
- 47. "Should the Lord's messengers, after standing manfully for the truth for a time, fall into temptation, and dishonor Him who has given them their work, will that be proof that the message is not true? No. ... Sin on the part of the messenger of God would cause Satan to rejoice, and those who have rejected the message and the messenger would triumph; and it would not at all clear the men who area guilty of rejecting the message of God. ..." Letter 0-19, 1892.
- 48. "I have deep sorrow of heart, because I have seen how readily a word or action of Elder Jones or Elder Waggoner is criticized. How readily many minds overlook all the good that has been done by them in the few years past, and see no evidence that God is working through these instrumentalities." Letter 0-19, 1892.
- 49. "The scenes which took place at this meeting (Minneapolis) made the God of heaven ashamed to call those who took part in them, His brethren. ... God's servants have no tame testimony to bear at this time, whether men will hear or whether they will forbear. He who rejects the light and evidence God has been liberally bestowing upon us, rejects Christ." Letter, May 31, 1896, to O. A. Olsen.
- 50. "... Their brother [Jones or Waggoner] ... may be bearing a message from God to the people, just the light we need for this time. ... In regard to the testimony that has come to us through the Lord's messengers we can say, 'We know in whom we have believed; we know that Christ is our righteousness.' ... Although there has been a determined effort to make of

- no effect the message God has sent, its fruits have been proving that it was from the source of light and truth." Letter 19, 1892.
- 51. "When I purposed to leave Minneapolis, the Angel of the Lord stood by me and said: 'Not so; God has a work for you to do in this place. ... It is not you they are despising, but the messengers and the message I sent to My people." Letter B-2a, 1892.
- 52. "God has raised up the men to meet the necessity of this time [Jones and Waggoner]... their work is not only to proclaim the law, but to preach the truth for this time,—the Lord our righteousness." 1SM, pp. 360, 361.
- 53. "When you are enlightened by the Holy Spirit, you will see all that wickedness at Minneapolis as it is, as God looks upon it. ... You had all the evidence that you needed that the Lord was working through brethren Jones and Waggoner; but you did not receive the light; ... you did not feel ready to confess that you had done wrong, that these men had a message from God, and you had made light of both message and messengers." Letter B-2a, 1892.
- 54. "Oh that all who stepped in false paths at that notable meeting at Minneapolis, and have felt the same spirit enfolding them about, would let Heaven's light into their souls. ... Hating Jesus Christ in the form of His saints! Oh how will God reveal this whole business in a place where they have never looked upon it!" Letter 13, 1895.
- 55. "Why do you cherish such bitterness against Elder A. T. Jones and Elder Waggoner? It is for the same reason Cain hated Abel. Cain refused to heed the instruction of God, and because Abelo sought same reason Cain hated Abel. Cain refused to heed the instruction of God, and because Abel sought God, and followed His will, Cain killed him. God has given brother Jones and brother Waggoner a message for the people. You do not believe that God has upheld them, but He has given them precious light, and their message has fed the people of God. When you reject the message borne by these men, you reject Christ, the giver of the message." Letter 51-A, 1895.

More endorsements to be added