

in the last days, when Sunday observance shall be enforced by law and the world shall be enlightened concerning the obligation of the fourth commandment, those who transgress the fourth commandment by observing the Sabbath on the first day of the week will thereby honor popery above God, and will receive the mark of the beast<sup>142</sup> which is the observance of the Sabbath on the first day of the week,<sup>143</sup> and will be lost,<sup>144</sup> whereas those who obey the fourth commandment by observing the Sabbath on the seventh day of the week will thereby give evidence of their loyalty to God, and will receive the seal of God<sup>145</sup> which is the observance of the Sabbath on the seventh day of the week,<sup>146</sup> and will be saved.<sup>147</sup>

According to the doctrine of the Sabbath as a test of loyalty to God in the last days, therefore, when Sunday observance shall be enforced by law and the world shall be enlightened concerning the obligation of the fourth commandment, the observance of the Sabbath on the seventh day of the week will be necessary for salvation.

Here then is another contradiction. On the one hand, the Seventh-day Adventists say that they believe in the Biblical teaching of salvation by grace alone, and that they do not believe that the observance of the Sabbath on the seventh day of the week is necessary for salvation. On the other hand,

<sup>142</sup>Ibid., p. 179.

<sup>143</sup>Ibid., pp. 181, 184.

<sup>144</sup>White, op. cit., p. 375.

<sup>145</sup>Ibid., p. 356.

<sup>146</sup>Ibid., p. 375.

<sup>147</sup>Ibid., p. 265.