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You've got a problem, my friend. And it's a serious problem, because the penalty for breaking God's Law is death, and not just physical death. The penalty is eternal death, separation from God in a place that you really don't want to go to. But there's some good news. In fact, it's great news. That eternal penalty has already been paid. God Himself paid it and paved the road for our salvation through Jesus Christ.

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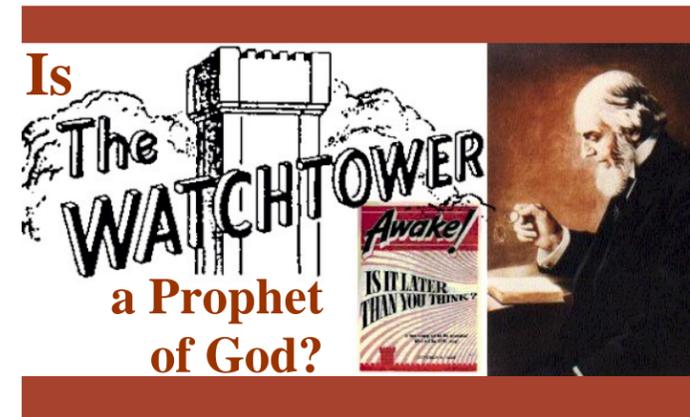
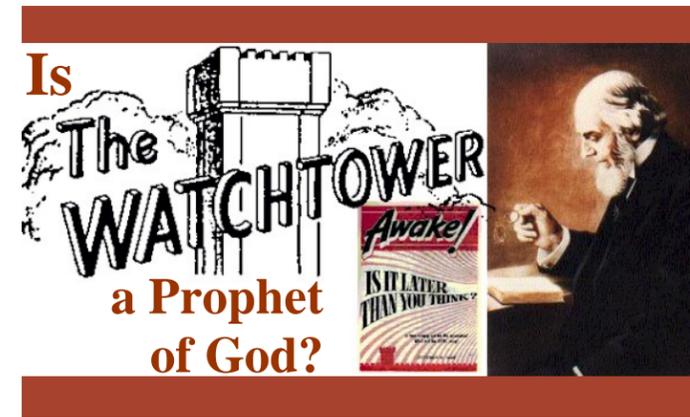
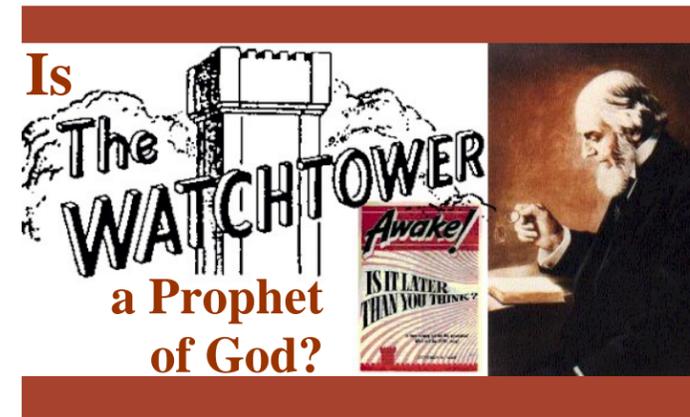
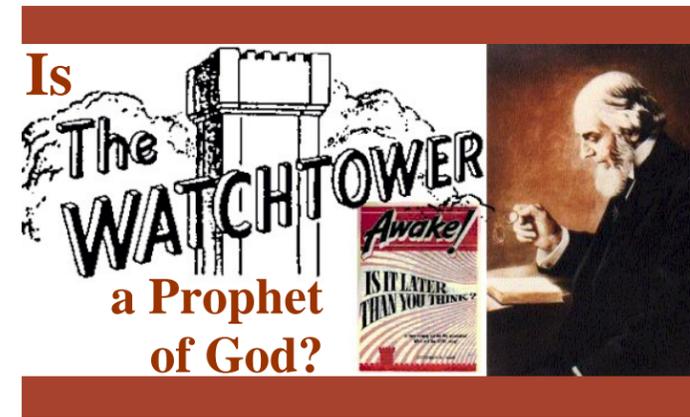
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In this chapter we present the Bible evidence proving that the full end of the times of the gentiles, i.e., the full end of their lease of dominion, will be reached in A.D. 1914; and that the date will be the farthest limit of the rule of imperfect men.²

This "prophecy" was made by the Watchtower in 1888. It was never fulfilled. Here is another false prophecy from 1889:

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According to our expectations the stress of the great time of trouble will be on us soon, somewhere between 1910 and 1912, culminating with the end of the 'Times of the Gentiles,' October, 1914.²

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According to this trustworthy Bible chronology six thousand years from man's creation will end in 1975, and the seventh period of a thousand years of human history will begin in the fall of 1975 C.E. Six thousand years of man's existence on earth will soon be up, yea within this generation. The reign of Christ... to run parallel with the 7th millennium...²

This "prophecy" of the beginning of the reign of Christ was made by the Watchtower in 1966 and, like other Watchtower prophecies, was never fulfilled.

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This 1889 prophecy failed, but they later got something right!

True, there have been those in times past who predicted an "end" to the world, even announcing a specific date. Yet nothing happened. The "end" did not come. They were guilty of false prophesying. Why? What was missing? **Missing from such people were God's truths and the evidence that He was using and guiding them.**³

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