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DISTRESS OF NATIONS SHOWS 3RD WOE, SEALING OF 144K ALMOST OVER, ANGRY HORSE SEEKING TO BREAK LOOSE

1. Let us read Luke 21:25-28 and discover the signs that lead to the close of human probation and the second coming of Jesus.
 2. What is the last sign or event before the second coming of Jesus? Luke 21:26,27 _____
 3. What will shake the powers of heaven? Joel 3:16; Hebrews 12:25,26 _____
 4. During what crisis will the voice of Jesus shake the powers of heaven and earth? Revelation 16:17-21 _____
 5. What signs will take place before the voice of Jesus shakes the powers of heaven? Luke 21:25 and Revelation 6:12-14. _____
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6. Note: The sign in the sun and moon took place on May 19, 1780. The Great Dark Day. See *The Great Controversy*, page 306.
 7. Note: The sign in the stars took place on November 13, 1833. See *The Great Controversy*, page 333.
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8. What event was to follow the sign in the stars on November 13, 1833? Luke 21:25 _____
 9. Note: The first distress of nations after November 13, 1833 took place in the year 1848. That period of time was called ***The Revolutions of 1848***. Read the following to confirm.
"The **Revolutions of 1848**, known in some countries as the **Spring of Nations, People's Spring, Springtime of the Peoples** or the **Year of Revolution**, were a series of political upheavals throughout Europe in 1848. It remains the most widespread revolutionary wave in European history but reactionary forces regained control in each case, and the revolutions collapsed typically within a year... **The revolutionary wave began in France in February, and immediately spread to most of Europe and parts of Latin America. Over 50 countries were affected... Six factors were involved:** widespread dissatisfaction with political leadership; demands for more participation in government and democracy; demands for freedom of press; the demands of the working classes; the upsurge of nationalism; and finally, the regrouping of the reactionary forces based on the royalty, the aristocracy, the army, the church and the peasants." https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Revolutions_of_1848
- 10a. Note: The following quotation shows that the Lord's messenger confirms "***The Revolutions of 1848***" as a fulfillment of the distress of nations.
"**December 16, 1848**, the Lord gave me a view of the shaking of the powers of the heavens...**The powers of heaven will be shaken at the voice of God...I saw that the powers of earth are now being shaken and that events come in order.** War, and rumors of war, sword, famine, and pestilence are first to shake the powers of earth, then the voice of God will shake the sun, moon, and stars, and this earth also. **I saw that the shaking of the powers in Europe is not, as some teach, the shaking of the powers of heaven, but it is the shaking of the angry nations.**" {EW 41.1}; {EW 41.2}
 - 10b. Note: The Bible speaks about "the nations being angry" under the third woe, the final woe in Revelation 11:14-19. Therefore, in the time period of 1848 we entered the third woe of Bible prophecy.
 - 11a. What factors caused the distress of nations in 1848, *The Revolutions of 1848*? _____
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 - 11b. Note: As we see a repetition of the factors involved in the ***Revolutions of 1848***, it means that the third woe is coming to an end.
 12. According to the Lord's messenger, what important work began in the time period of 1848? Answer: The Sealing work, Jesus sealing His faithful people.
"**I saw that the holy Sabbath is, and will be, the separating wall between the true Israel of God and unbelievers; and that the Sabbath is the great question to unite the hearts of God's dear, waiting saints...**' **This view was given in 1847** when there were but very few of the Advent brethren observing the Sabbath, and of these but few supposed that its observance was of sufficient importance to draw a line between the people of God and unbelievers. Now the fulfillment of that view is beginning to be seen...**At that time, while the work of salvation is closing, trouble will be coming on the earth, and the nations will be angry, yet held in check so as not to prevent the work of the third angel.**" "**Satan is now using every device in this sealing time to keep the minds of God's people from the present truth and to cause them to waver.**" {EW 85.3} and {EW 43.2}
 13. Note: The sealing of God's faithful people began in 1847. In 1848, the nations were getting angry. As we see that the same factors that led to the ***Revolutions of 1848*** being repeated, it means that the sealing of God's people is almost over.
 14. Note: The following scripture was being fulfilled between the years 1847 and 1848. See Revelation 7:1-4.

15. What is the other event that precede “the powers of heaven bein shaken”? Luke 21:26

16. Note: The Greek word translated “fear” means terror. In other words, just before the second coming of Jesus, the nations will be in constant fear due to terrorism. See Strong’s Exhaustive Bible Concordance, number 5401 and 1 John 4:18.

17a. Note: Since Bible history will be repeated, the factors that led to **The Revolutions of 1848** will be repeated, and they are being repeated, in these last days. Read again the six factors that led to the Revolutions of 1848 and then let us discover that these things are happening today.

17b. “The Revolutions of 1848, known in some countries as the Spring of Nations, People’s Spring, Springtime of the Peoples or the Year of Revolution, were a series of political upheavals throughout Europe in 1848. It remains the most widespread revolutionary wave in European history but reactionary forces regained control in each case, and the revolutions collapsed typically within a year... The revolutionary wave began in France in February, and immediately spread to most of Europe and parts of Latin America. Over 50 countries were affected... **Six factors were involved: widespread dissatisfaction with political leadership; demands for more participation in government and democracy; demands for freedom of press; the demands of the working classes;** the upsurge of nationalism; and finally, the regrouping of the reactionary forces based on the royalty, the aristocracy, the army, the church and the peasants.” https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Revolutions_of_1848

18a. Note: The Revolutions of 1848 lasted for one year, it was put down by the reactionary forces of the leaders of government. Are we seeing today a continuation of the distress of nations? Answer: Yes! **The Arab Spring** was also a sign of the distress of nations. It was dubbed, **The Arab Spring: A Year of Revolution**. <http://www.npr.org/2011/12/17/143897126/the-arab-spring-a-year-of-revolution>
<http://www.britannica.com/event/Arab-Spring>
http://www.huffingtonpost.com/2013/10/05/arab-spring-democracy_n_4049414.html
<http://www.thedailybeast.com/articles/2014/01/12/why-democracy-will-struggle-in-the-arab-world-in-2014.html>

18b. Read again Revelation 7:1-4.

19a. What should God’s people have understood, once they saw **The Arab Spring: A Year of Revolution**? Answer: The Lord is holding the winds of strife, as the restraining of an angry horse, and that the sealing of God’s people is almost over. Read the following to confirm.

19b. “**Four mighty angels are still holding the four winds of the earth.** Terrible destruction is forbidden to come in full. The accidents by land and by sea; the loss of life, steadily increasing, by storm, by tempest, by railroad disaster, by conflagration; the terrible floods, the earthquakes, and **the winds will be the stirring up of the nations to one deadly combat**, while the angels hold the four winds, **forbidding the terrible power of Satan to be exercised in its fury until the servants of God are sealed in their foreheads.**”

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19c. “**Angels are holding the four winds, which are represented as an angry horse seeking to break loose** and rush over the face of the whole earth, bearing destruction and death in its path. {20MR 216.6}

19d. **Shall we sleep on the very verge of the eternal world?** Shall we be dull and cold and dead? **Oh, that we might have in our churches the Spirit and breath of God breathed into His people, that they might stand upon their feet and live.** We need to see that the way is narrow, and the gate strait. But as we pass through the strait gate, its wideness is without limit.” {20MR 217.1}

20a. Most historians agree that the rise of terrorism, since 9/11, came out of **The Arab Spring**. Read the following to confirm.

20b. “**Full Measure: The spread of terrorism five years after the Arab Spring**” <http://fox11online.com/news/nation-world/full-measure-the-spread-of-terrorism-five-years-after-the-arab-spring>

20c. “**Arab Spring was really a spring for al-Qaeda**” <http://www.aljazeera.com/indepth/opinion/2015/05/cia-arab-spring-al-qaeda-150517075517498.html>

20d. “**How Arab Spring Opened the Door to Terrorism’s Ugly March**” <http://dailysignal.com/2015/03/12/arab-spring-opened-door-terrorisms-ugly-march/>

20e. “Scotland Yard’s Deputy Assistant Commissioner said that the UK has ‘one of the best police services in the world’. He said that the ‘Arab spring’ and ‘collapse of regimes in the Middle East’ contributed towards increase in radicalisation and threat of terrorism. He updated that from Nov 14 to Oct 15 there have been 342 counter terrorism related arrests in the UK.” <http://www.geo.tv/article-205155-UK-keeps-2nd-highest-terror-threat-level-after-Paris-attacks-#>

20f. “**U.S. State Department Issues Worldwide Travel Alert...It will stay in place until February**” <http://time.com/4125302/state-department-travel-alert-isis/?xid=homepage>

20g. “**France invokes EU’s article 42.7, but what does it mean?** France has taken the [European Union](http://www.european-council.europa.eu/media/1000000/1/Statement_of_the_President_of_the_European_Council_on_the_17th_of_November_2015_en.pdf) into uncharted territory by obliging the other 27 member states to come to its defence following the terrorist atrocities in Paris.” <http://www.theguardian.com/world/2015/nov/17/france-invokes-eu-article-427-what-does-it-mean>

20h. “**Top Vatican diplomat backs use of force in wake of Paris attacks**” <http://www.cruxnow.com/church/2015/11/16/top-vatican-diplomat-backs-use-of-force-in-wake-of-paris-attacks/>

20i. Note: The following statement from Pope Francis in connection with the Paris attacks, shows us what is at the doors.

“Pope Francis condemned [Friday night’s Paris massacre](http://www.nydailynews.com/news/world/pope-francis-calls-paris-massacre-part-world-war-article-1.2434854), calling the attacks a part of a disorganized World War III.”

21. Note: Another factor that brought about the distress of nations, **The Revolutions of 1848**, was the demands of the working classes. “**Six factors were involved: widespread dissatisfaction with political leadership; demands for more participation in government and democracy; demands for freedom of press; the demands of the working classes...**” https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Revolutions_of_1848

22a. Note: The following news reports show that the nations are angry.

22b. **“Students at more than a hundred colleges and universities are staging marches** in support of free tuition, **a \$15 minimum wage** for campus workers and the cancellation of debt from student loans.” <http://www.cbsnews.com/news/campus-marches-over-student-debt-held-around-the-country/>

22c. **“Fight for \$15 swells into largest protest by low-wage workers in US history”** <http://www.theguardian.com/us-news/2015/apr/15/fight-for-15-minimum-wage-protests-new-york-los-angeles-atlanta-boston>

22d. **“The Occupy movement is the international branch of the Occupy Wall Street movement that protests against social and economic inequality around the world,** its primary goal being to make the economic and political relations in all societies less vertically hierarchical and more flatly distributed. Local groups often have different focuses, but among the movement's prime concerns deal with how large corporations (and the global financial system) **control the world in a way that disproportionately benefits a minority, undermines democracy, and is unstable. It is part of what Manfred Steger calls the ‘global justice movement’”.**
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Occupy_movement

23. What should God's people understand based on the above conclusions? _____
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24. Note: The angry horse is connected in one sense to the entity of Islam. See Revelation 9:14-19. Additionally read Uriah Smith's book, *Daniel and The Revelation*, chapter nine of Revelation for further clarification.

25. When will the angry horse be loosed, when will the four winds be released? Revelation 7:1-4 _____

26. Note: The four winds of strife are likened unto an angry horse. Before the angry horse is loosed by God, before the winds of strife are released, what does God warn us of? Jeremiah 12:5 _____

27a. Note: The footmen represent an army of soldiers. We should be in that army of God. We should be fighting and winning the spiritual battles. If we are found weary, it will be too late for us to have victory when the horses are loosed, that would signal the close of probation. The word of God instructs us, “And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not.” Galatians 6:9. Therefore we should be found doing well in God's presence, before the horses are loosed, before the close of probation. The people who are found doing well in God's eyes will be ready for the loosing of the horses and the swelling of the Jordan. The swelling of Jordan represents persecution for God's people. However, God's people shall be protected, after the general close of human probation. See Jeremiah 50:44.

27b. Meditate upon Isaiah 40:29-31 and write your thoughts _____

28. Note: The Israelites crossed the swelling of Jordan by faith. See Joshua 3:13,15.

29. Note: The swelling of Jordan is connected to the time of harvest and the time to enter the Promised Land.

30. What is the work of preparation? Luke 21:28-36 _____