

HEALTH REFORM – THE SUNDAY LAW AND THE MARK OF THE BEAST

It is a sobering thought that the merciful purpose of God's gift of the health message to His people is not generally understood. Many among the members of the remnant church do not see the significance of health reform in the unfolding of last day events. Religious liberty and an understanding of the principles of health are directly related.

*As religious aggression subverts **the liberties of our nation**, those who would stand for freedom of conscience will be placed in unfavorable positions. For their own sake they should, while they have opportunity, **become intelligent in regard to disease, its causes, prevention, and cure**. And those who do this will find a field of labor anywhere. There will be suffering ones, plenty of them, who will need help, not only among those of our own faith, but largely among those who know not the truth. GCDB, February 17, 1893 par. 2*

*"While Satan is doing his utmost to take advantage of men's ignorance, and to lay the foundation of disease through improper treatment of the body, it is best for those who claim to be the sons and daughters of God to avail themselves while they can, of the opportunities now presented to **gain a knowledge of the human system, and how it may be preserved in health**. {GCDB, February 17, 1893 par. 4}*

Of perhaps even greater importance because of the eternal consequences involved, is the relationship of the laws of health to the Sunday law and the mark of the beast The law of God's 10 commandments will be at the center of the final crisis. To obey the 4th commandment or to obey the Sunday law will be the test that decides the eternal destiny of everyone involved.

However, those who understand the laws of health AND DO NOT CARE TO OBEY THEM WILL BE READY FOR THE MARK OF THE BEAST. Did you know about this ? Were you already aware ?

*Those who break the laws of health will become blinded in their minds **and break the law of God**.-- Review and Herald, Oct. 21, 1884.*

*Those who have had the light upon the subjects of eating and dressing with simplicity in obedience to physical and moral laws, and who turn from the light which points out their duty, will shun duty in other things. If they blunt their consciences to avoid the cross which they will have to take up to be in harmony with natural law, **they will, in order to shun reproach, violate the Ten Commandments**. {3T 51.2}*

*Whoever violates moral obligations in the matter of eating and dressing, **prepares the way to violate the claims of God** in regard to eternal interests. {3T 62.2}*

*Men and women cannot violate natural law by indulging depraved appetite and lustful passions, **without violating the law of God** {CTBH 9.1}*

*Those who transgress the laws of God in their physical organism, **will not be less slow to violate the law of God** spoken from Sinai. Those who will not, after the light has come to them, eat and drink from principle, instead of being controlled by appetite, will not be tenacious in regard to being governed by principle in other things. {HR, August 1, 1866 par. 6}*

Heavenly Father, please forgive us for breaking and neglecting the laws of health which you have lovingly taught us. Please cause your goodness to lead us to repentance that our sins may be blotted out in the judgment and the benefits of Christ's atonement may be ours. Please let our names be retained in the book of life and our minds be prepared for the latter rain so that many other souls may be saved from the 2nd death and have a place in the kingdom of heaven. Work in us today according to your good pleasure that we may become the kind of person that is capable of enjoying heaven and the kind of person that could be trusted in heaven. In Jesus' name. Amen.