

Ellen G. White Prophet Test

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Dear Reader,

If someone asked you, "Is there anything at all that someone could prove to you, in alignment with Scriptural criteria, that would make disbelieve that Ellen G. White is a prophet," and your answer would be "No. Nothing you could show me would make me disbelieve." Then you might as well stop here. The Scriptures say that the prophets must be tested by Scripture (Isaiah 8:20). Most well-meaning, sincere, and kind-hearted Seventh-day Adventists have that verse memorized but fail--independently, prayerfully, and with the only expectation to know truth, despite one's preconceived and instilled notions--to do that which they expect others to do. We have seen this over and over and over.

If, however, you are a seeker of truth and only truth, and willing to look up each of the references given in this study and vet them out for yourself, comparing them not with anything written by man but only with that written in the canon of Holy Scriptures alone, then we bid you proceed with a prayerful mind. Ask the Lord only, "Show me truth." If you believe that Ellen G. White is a prophet, and she meets the criteria for a true prophet given in the Bible, then you can rest easy. If she does meet the criteria, even in one area, then she is a false prophet. May God bless your study.

Biblical Tests of a True Prophet

Here is a list of the tests of a true prophet, according to Scripture. This list was compiled by the SDA website "Amazing Facts," and we are in agreement of this criteria. Some Adventists add other items to this list, but those items are not always requisite. For example, some may cite Daniel 10:17 to state that a prophet doesn't breathe while receiving messages from God. This verse, however, could be interpreted either as "not breathing," or that Daniel felt like his breath was knocked out of him, or is expressing the weakness he said he felt. The last possibility is more plausible, given the fact that when Daniel says, "...neither is there breath left in me," he is speaking, which cannot occur without breath. But for the sake of discussion, we'll say that Daniel was not breathing. The problem with making this a test of a prophet is that there is no scriptural evidence that *all* prophets, either occasionally or always, stopped breathing while receiving messages from God. Furthermore, it is dangerous to be swayed on the basis of signs and wonders because false prophets and other enemies of God can perform miracles (Deut 13:1-3 and Matt 24:24). Therefore, this list contains only those criteria compulsory to *every* true prophet.

1. Isaiah 8:20. "To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them."

Amazing Facts explains this well: "The 'law and the testimony' was an Old Testament expression for 'Bible.' In other words, a message from someone who claims to have a prophetic utterance from God must be compared with the Bible. **We must test the prophet by the Bible, and not the Bible by the prophet. Any true prophet of God will always agree 100 percent with Scripture.** This is the true test."ⁱ

2. 1 John 4:2. "Hereby know ye the spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God."

It's important to also give the Adventist explanation of this test (with which we wholeheartedly agree), which will become clear later. "**A prophet of God must acknowledge and teach the truth about Jesus Christ--that He was God in human form.** True prophets must also exalt Jesus, not themselves. Most false prophets seek to draw attention away from God's Word and to their own ideas."ⁱⁱⁱ

3. Matthew 7:16. "Ye shall know them by their fruits."

Even though a prophet remains a human being, and therefore imperfect, just as the biblical true prophets were, **his/her works will be in accordance with the Scriptures and with their own message,** and they will not live in open sin.

4. Jeremiah 28:9. "The prophet which prophesieth of peace, when the word of the prophet shall come to pass, then shall the prophet be known, that the LORD hath truly sent him."

The prophecies/predictions of a true prophet come true 100% of the time. If the predictions of a prophet come true nine out of ten times, he/she is not a true prophet.

For a prophet to be a true prophet, all four of these tests must be true, with a zero failure rate. Therefore, keep these criteria always in mind while reading the remainder of this document. While the remainder of this document is specifically about Ellen Gould White, we encourage everyone to have the following attitude when studying whether or not anyone is a true prophet: start with prayer and ask the Lord to reveal to you only truth. Do not study with the mind of proving someone is not a prophet nor to prove that they are, but to side with Scripture, no matter the cost to one's paradigm. With this in mind we beseech you to look up every reference listed and do further comprehensive study on one's own rather than simply asking for anyone else's opinion. We also encourage you to look up each reference listed here, on your own, so that you may see for yourself the context of each. May God bless you as you study.

Note: King James Version is used throughout. EGW quotes cut and pasted from egwwritings.org.

Ellen G. White's Contradiction of Scripture

"To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them." Isaiah 8:20.

"Prophecys which contradict the plain and positive declarations of the Word, are to be rejected." *Early Writings*, 139.

"Whatever contradicts God's word, we may be sure proceeds from Satan." *Patriarchs and Prophets*, 55.

The following contain White quotes where contradictions occur. This is not intended to be a comprehensive list. Also, some items are weightier than others and we have attempted to include more of these and less of those of more minor importance.

1	Was the Plan of Salvation made before or after the Fall?
EGW	"The kingdom of grace was instituted immediately after the fall of man, when a plan was devised for the redemption of the guilty race."
Ref	<i>The Great Controversy</i> , 347
Bible	"Forasmuch as ye know that ye were not redeemed with corruptible things, as silver and gold, from your vain conversation received by tradition from your fathers; But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you." 1 Peter 1:18-20
	"According as he hath chosen us in him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before him in love." Ephesians 1:4
Note	The plan of salvation, otherwise known as the Gospel, whereby we are saved by grace by our Lord Jesus Christ, was put in place before the world was created.

2	Did Satan deceive Adam at the Fall?
EGW	"Satan, who is the father of lies, deceived Adam in a similar way, telling him that he need not obey God, that he would not die if he transgressed the law."
Ref	<i>Evangelism</i> , 598
Bible	"And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived was in the transgression." 1 Timothy 2:14
Note	See Isaiah 8:20 again. "If one speaks not according to this word...."

3	Did humans mate with animals and produce sub-humans?
EGW	"Every species of animal which God had created were preserved in the ark. The confused species which God did not create, which were the result of amalgamation, were destroyed by the flood. Since the flood there has been amalgamation of man and beast, as may be seen in the almost endless varieties of species of animals, and in certain races of men."
Ref	<i>Spiritual Gifts</i> , vol. 3, 75
EGW	"But if there was one sin above another which called for the destruction of the race by the flood, it was the base crime of amalgamation of man and beast which defaced the image of God, and caused confusion everywhere."
Ref	<i>Spiritual Gifts</i> , vol. 3, 64
Bible	"And God said, Let the earth bring forth the living creature after his kind, cattle, and creeping thing, and beast of the earth after his kind: and it was so. And God made the beast of the earth after his kind, and cattle after their kind, and every thing that creepeth upon the earth after his kind: and God saw that it was good." Genesis 1:24, 25
	"God that made the world and all things therein, seeing that He is Lord of heaven and earth, dwelleth not in temples made with hands; Neither is worshipped with men's hands, as though He needed any thing, seeing He giveth to all life, and breath, and all things; And hath made of one blood all nations of men for to dwell on all the face of the earth, and hath determined the times before appointed, and the bounds of their habitation." Acts 17:24-26
Note	Scripture says that animals reproduce only with their own kinds. Furthermore, which races are the "certain races of men" who are not fully human? Blacks? Asians? Who? Furthermore, Scripture says we are all of one blood, which would not be possible if some human's blood were mixed with animal blood. And even furthermore, it certainly complicates the incarnation of Jesus Christ; if this were true, did Christ take on the flesh of pure humans or human hybrids? For whom did His death atone?

4	Who chose Judas to become a disciple?
EGW	"When Judas was chosen by our Lord, his case was not hopeless."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 4, 41
EGW	"The disciples were anxious that Judas should become one of their number. He was of commanding appearance, a man of keen discernment and executive ability, and they commended him to Jesus as one who would greatly assist Him in His work. They were surprised that Jesus received him so coolly."
Ref	<i>The Desire of Ages</i> , 294
EGW	"While Jesus was preparing the disciples for their ordination, one who had not been summoned urged his presence among them. It was Judas Iscariot, a man who professed to be a follower of Christ. He now came forward, soliciting a place in this inner circle of disciples."

Ref	<i>The Desire of Ages, 293</i>
Bible	"Jesus answered them, Have not I chosen you twelve, and one of you is a devil? He spake of Judas Iscariot the son of Simon: for he it was that should betray him, being one of the twelve." John 6:70, 71 (see also John 15:16)
Note	In White's quotations above, she alternately states that Jesus chose Judas, that the disciples chose Judas, and that Judas came of his own accord.

5	From whom did Paul learn the Gospel?
EGW	"Paul must receive instruction in the Christian faith and move understandingly. Christ sends him to the very disciples whom he had been so bitterly persecuting, to learn of them....The very men whom Paul was purposing to destroy were to be his instructors in the very religion that he had despised and persecuted."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church, vol. 3, 429, 430</i>
Bible	"But I certify you, brethren, that the gospel which was preached of me is not after man. For I neither received it of man, neither was I taught it, but by the revelation of Jesus Christ." "To reveal his Son in me, that I might preach him among the heathen; immediately I conferred not with flesh and blood: Neither went I up to Jerusalem to them which were apostles before me; but I went into Arabia, and returned again unto Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and abode with him fifteen days. But other of the apostles saw I none, save James the Lord's brother. Now the things which I write unto you, behold, before God, I lie not." Galatians 1:11, 12, 16-20

6a	Will man be given the day and the hour of Jesus' coming?
EGW	"Soon we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave us the day and hour of Jesus' coming."
Ref	<i>Early Writings, 14</i>
Bible	"Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." Matthew 25:13
	"But of that day and that hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels which are in heaven, neither the Son, but the Father." Mark 13:32

6b	Can we set dates for Jesus' second coming?
EGW	"No one has a true message fixing the time when Christ is to come or not to come. Be assured that God gives no one authority to say that Christ delays His coming five years, ten years, or twenty years."
Ref	<i>Selected Messages</i> , 113-114
EGW	"Those who presumptuously preach definite time, in so doing gratify the adversary of souls; for they are advancing infidelity rather than Christianity. But their failures show that they are false prophets, that they do not rightly interpret the language of inspiration."
Ref	<i>Testimonies to the Church</i> , vol. 4, 307
Bible	See scriptural references for item 6a, above.
Note	In these quotations, White agrees with Scripture, that no one but false prophets set times. [Note in the first quote, however, that White speaks of Christ delaying His coming. The Bible speaks of hastening in 2 Peter, which meant we have a longing for it, but not of delay.] But does White contradict the Scripture and herself? Read further.
EGW 1843/ 1844	"I have seen the 1843 chart was directed by the hand of the Lord, and that it should not be altered; that the figures were as he wanted them; that His hand was over and hid a mistake in some of the figures, so that none could see it, until His hand was removed." <i>Early Writings</i> , 74 "...and the same evidence which they had presented to show that the prophetic periods closed in 1843, proved that they would terminate in 1844." <i>Early Writings</i> , 236
Note	It is well-known that the Seventh-day Adventist Church set dates for the Second Advent for 1843 and 1844. When Jesus did not appear, it was decided that the 1844 date would be the basis of the church's doctrine of Investigative Judgment. What is not well-known is that the date-setting did not stop there.
JW 1845	"It is well known that many were expecting the Lord to come at the 7th month, 1845. That Christ would come we firmly believed." <i>A Word to the Little Flock</i> , 22
Note	While the above quote was written by Ellen White's husband James, there is no record that she disagreed with him.

Bates/ EGW 1851	<p>“The seven spots of blood on the Golden Alter and before the mercy-seat, I fully believe, represents the duration of the judicial proceedings on the living saints in the Most Holy, all of which time they will be in their affliction, even seven years; God by his voice will deliver them, ‘for it is the blood that maketh the atonement for the soul’ Lev. 17:11. Then the number seven will finish the day of atonement (not redemption). The last six months of this time, I understand, Jesus will be gathering in the harvest with his sickle, on the white cloud.” <i>The Typical and Anti-typical Sanctuary</i>, 10-13, by Joseph Bates, 1850</p> <p>“In a view given June 27, 1850, my accompanying angel said, ‘time is almost finished.’ But now time is almost finished, and what we have been years learning, they will have to learn in a few months.” <i>Early Writings</i>, 64, 67</p> <p>[Note: Bates predicted that the Second Advent would occur seven years after the 1844 date, which Adventists state is the beginning of a Day of Atonement period, and end in 1851. White agreed with him. In September 1850, White had another vision that again confirmed Bates’ date, as follows.]</p> <p>“Some are looking to far off for the coming of the Lord. Time has continued a few years longer than they expected; therefore they think it may continue a few years more, and in this way their minds are being led from present truth, out after the world. I saw that the time for Jesus to be in the most holy place was nearly finished and that time can last but a very little longer.” <i>Early Writings</i>, 58</p>
Note	Ellen White did not ever dispute Bates’ time setting.
EGW 1856- ~1966	“I was shown the company present at the Conference, Said the angel: ‘Some food for worms, some subjects of the seven last plagues, some will be alive and remain upon the earth to be translated at the coming of Jesus.’” <i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 131, 132, May 27, 1856
Note	Even the smallest baby present at the conference wouldn’t have lived for more than 110 years, yet Jesus did not appear in the lifetimes of any present.

7	Did God slay the Israelites for gluttony?
EGW	"God granted their desire, giving them flesh, and leaving them to eat till their gluttony produced a plague, from which many of them died."
Ref	<i>Counsels on Diet and Foods</i> , 148
Bible	"And while the flesh was yet between their teeth, ere it was chewed, the wrath of the Lord was kindled against the people, and the Lord smote the people with a very great plague." Numbers 11:33
Note	The Israelites were slain because of their covetousness, they didn't even have a chance to eat what they had longed for.

8	Can we have assurance in our salvation?
EGW	"Those who accept the Saviour, however sincere their conversion, should never be taught to say or to feel that they are saved."
Ref	<i>Christ's Object Lessons</i> , 155
Bible	"These things have I written unto you that believe on the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God." 1 John 5:13
	"And they said, Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and thou shalt be saved, and thy house." Acts 16:31
	"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God." Ephesians 2:8
	"That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved." Romans 10:9
Note	Scriptures state "that you may know you have eternal life." Scriptures also use the term "saved" freely, and nowhere does the Bible state we should not say or feel they have been saved, in fact that statement is in direct contradiction to what the Bible teaches. "Thou shalt be saved." It cannot be any clearer. Is God lying or exaggerating? If someone says they are saved, but then leaves God, we know by 1 John 2:18, 19 that that person was never truly saved in the first place. But even this is not an admonition to state or feel assurance in salvation. See section on EGW Contradicts Self, where she states we must be assured of salvation.

9	Who spoke to Cain?
EGW	"Through an angel messenger the divine warning was conveyed: "If thou doest well, shalt thou not be accepted? And if thou doest not well, sin lieth at the door."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> , 73
Bible	"And the Lord said unto Cain, Why art thou wroth? and why is thy countenance fallen?" Genesis 4:6
Note	Some Adventists justify this contradiction by stating that God spoke through an angel. But that is not what the Bible says. In John 17:17, Jesus states, "Thy word is truth." We can believe every word that proceeds from the mouth of God. This may seem like a small thing, but "If any man shall add unto these things...." Revelation 22:18.

10	Was the Tower of Babel built before or after the flood?
EGW	"This system was corrupted before the flood by those who separated themselves from the faithful followers of God, and engaged in the building of the tower of Babel."
Ref	<i>Spiritual Gifts</i> , vol. 3, 301

Bible	"And God spake unto Noah, saying, Go forth of the ark, thou, and thy wife, and thy sons, and thy sons' wives with thee." Genesis 8:15, 16
	"And they said, Go to, let us build us a city and a tower, whose top may reach unto heaven; and let us make us a name, lest we be scattered abroad upon the face of the whole earth." Genesis 11:4
Note	In the first text, Noah is commanded to leave the ark. The flood is over. All events occurring after this in Genesis occur after the flood. EGW's quotation is said to be one of the first contradictions that was caught by the SDAs and corrected. You will find the corrected version in <i>The Spirit of Prophecy</i> , vol. 1, 266. Adventists call these contradictions "typographical errors." However, EGW stated that "the very word" she wrote was given to her. ⁱⁱⁱ

11	How did God feed Elijah in the wilderness?
EGW	"There He honored Elijah by sending food to him morning and evening by an angel of heaven."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 3, 288 (written in 1873)
EGW	"He who fed Elijah by the brook, making a raven His messenger, will not suffer His faithful ones to want for food."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 4, 253 (written in 1876)
Bible	"And it shall be, that thou shalt drink of the brook; and I have commanded the ravens to feed thee there." 1 Kings 17:4
Note	In 1873, EGW stated that Elijah was fed by an angel. In 1876, she changes it to a raven. In <i>Prophets and Kings</i> , published a year after her death, the editors change the story to state that Elijah was "miraculously provided with food" (p. 129). However, they kept the erroneous "angel" statement in the EGW compilation <i>The Truth About Angels</i> (1996, p. 130).

12	Did Samson disobey God when he married a Philistine woman?
EGW	"The wife, to obtain whom Samson had transgressed the command of God, proved treacherous to her husband before the close of the marriage feast."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophet</i> , 563
Bible	"Then his father and his mother said unto him, Is there never a woman among the daughters of thy brethren, or among all my people, that thou goest to take a wife of the uncircumcised Philistines? And Samson said unto his father, Get her for me; for she pleaseth me well. But his father and his mother knew not that it was of the Lord, that he sought an occasion against the Philistines: for at that time the Philistines had dominion over Israel." Judges 14:3, 4

13	Did the high priests carry the blood into the sanctuary daily?
EGW	"The most important part of the daily ministrations was the service performed in behalf of individuals.... By his own hand the animal was then slain, and the blood was carried by the priest into the holy place and sprinkled before the veil, behind which was the ark containing the law that the sinner had transgressed. By this ceremony the sin was, through the blood, transferred in figure to the sanctuary."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> , 354
Bible	"Apart from the annual Day of Atonement, the priest only sprinkled blood "before the veil" in the Holy Place on two occasions: (1) when a priest sinned (Leviticus 4:3-12); (2) when the whole Israelite community sinned (Leviticus 4:13-21). Blood was never taken into the Holy Place on a daily basis when a leader sinned (Leviticus 4:22-26), nor when an individual sinned (Leviticus 4:27-35)." ^{iv}

14	What kind of robe did Herod place on Jesus?
EGW	"At the suggestion of Herod, a crown was now plaited from a vine bearing sharp thorns, and this was placed upon the sacred brow of Jesus; and an old tattered purple robe, once the garment of a king, was placed upon his noble form, while Herod and the Jewish priests encouraged the insults and cruelty of the mob."
Ref	<i>Spirit of Prophecy</i> , vol. 3, 138
Bible	"And Herod with his men of war set him at nought, and mocked him, and arrayed him in a gorgeous robe, and sent him again to Pilate." Luke 23:11

15	Were any of Jesus' bones broken during His crucifixion?
EGW	"Before the Saviour was nailed to the cross, the disciples bore her from the scene, that she might not hear the crashing of the spikes as they were driven through the bone and muscle of His tender hands and feet."
Ref	<i>Early Writings</i> , 176
Bible	"For these things were done, that the scripture should be fulfilled, A bone of him shall not be broken." John 19:36
Note	That none of Jesus' bones was broken fulfilled one of the Messianic prophecies. The verse referred to in John is Psalm 34:20. <i>Early Writings</i> was originally published in 1851. Later, in 1898, EGW changed the wording in <i>The Desire of Ages</i> to "driven through the tender flesh" (p. 744). Also noteworthy is the scene of Mary being led away from the crucifixion, while a bittersweet picture, is nowhere to be found in Scripture.

16	Who bears our sins?
EGW	"It was seen, also, that while the sin offering pointed to Christ as a sacrifice, and the high priest represented Christ as a mediator, the scapegoat typified Satan, the author of sin, upon whom the sins of the truly penitent will finally be placed."
Ref	<i>The Great Controversy</i> , 422
EGW	"As the priest, in removing the sins from the sanctuary, confessed them upon the head of the scapegoat, so Christ will place all these sins upon Satan, the originator and instigator of sin."
Ref	<i>The Great Controversy</i> , 485
Bible	"Who his own self bare our sins in his own body on the tree, that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by whose stripes ye were healed." 1 Peter 2:24
Note	Jesus alone bore our sins upon Himself. Satan bearing our sins would make him our co-savior.

17	Do we have to make a trespass offering before we can be forgiven?
EGW	"You cannot make every case right, for some whom you have injured have gone into their graves, and the account stands registered against you. In these cases the best you can do is to bring a trespass offering to the altar of the Lord, and He will accept and pardon you."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 5, 339
Bible	"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9
Note	Scripture is very clear and God does not lie. God requires nothing but our faith to completely pardon us. See also Mark 2:5. Another word for trespass offerings, post-crucifixion and resurrection is indulgences.

18	Can the faith of righteous parents save their children?
EGW	"I know that some questioned whether the little children of even believing parents should be saved, because they have had no test of character and all must be tested and their character determined by trial. The question is asked, "How can little children have this test and trial?" I answer that the faith of the believing parents covers the children, as when God sent His judgments upon the first-born of the Egyptians."
Ref	<i>Selected Messages</i> , vol. 3, 313

Bible	"Or if I bring a sword upon that land, and say, Sword, go through the land; so that I cut off man and beast from it: Though these three men were in it, as I live, saith the Lord God, they shall deliver neither sons nor daughters, but they only shall be delivered themselves. Or if I send a pestilence into that land, and pour out my fury upon it in blood, to cut off from it man and beast: Though Noah, Daniel, and Job were in it, as I live, saith the Lord God, they shall deliver neither son nor daughter; they shall but deliver their own souls by their righteousness." Ezekiel 14:17-20
	"The soul that sinneth, it shall die. The son shall not bear the iniquity of the father, neither shall the father bear the iniquity of the son: the righteousness of the righteous shall be upon him, and the wickedness of the wicked shall be upon him." Ezekiel 18:20
	"Yet ye say, The way of the Lord is not equal. O ye house of Israel, I will judge you every one after his ways." Ezekiel 33:20

19	Do Christians stand condemned before God?
EGW	"At the time the light of health reform dawned upon us, and since that time, the questions have come home every day, 'Am I practicing true temperance in all things?' 'Is my diet such as will bring me in a position where I can accomplish the greatest amount of good?' If we cannot answer these questions in the affirmative, we stand condemned before God, for He will hold us all responsible for the light which has shone upon our path."
Ref	<i>Counsels on Diet and Foods, 19</i>
Bible	"There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit." Romans 8:1
	"For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved. He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God." John 3:17, 18
	"Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life." John 5:24
Note	Not only is it clear through Scripture that repentent Christians are no longer condemned, but EGW's quotation states that diet is a salvational issue, which is also unscriptural (Ephesians 2:8, 9). The Seventh-day Adventist can never feel assurance for the same reason that any works-based follower can't: how can one ever know when one has done enough? How much more rest is there in Jesus Christ, for He is enough.

20	Was the city of Zoar destroyed soon after Sodom and Gomorrah?
EGW	"Lot dwelt but a short time in Zoar. Iniquity prevailed there as in Sodom, and he feared to remain, lest the city should be destroyed. Not long after, Zoar was consumed, as God had purposed."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> , 167
Bible	"Behold now, this city is near to flee unto, and it is a little one: Oh, let me escape thither, (is it not a little one?) and my soul shall live. And he said unto him, See, I have accepted thee concerning this thing also, that I will not overthrow this city, for the which thou hast spoken. Haste thee, escape thither; for I cannot do anything till thou be come thither. Therefore the name of the city was called Zoar." Genesis 19: 20-22
	"And Lot went up out of Zoar, and dwelt in the mountain, and his two daughters with him; for he feared to dwell in Zoar: and he dwelt in a cave, he and his two daughters." Genesis 19:30
Note	<p>Read Genesis 19 for the entire context. Ellen White clearly states that when Lot left Zoar to live in the mountains, God destroyed Zoar. Specifically, she used the word "consumed." EGW used that word in two ways in her writings: to mean "engrossed" or "absorbed," as in "consumed with hunger" (<i>Acts of the Apostles</i>, 9), and to mean "destroyed, burnt, used up, spent, ingested." The use of these meanings at the time <i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> was published in 1890 is confirmed by the <i>Oxford English Dictionary</i>, so no mistake can be made of her meaning. Furthermore, EGW uses "consumed" several times to describe the destruction caused by God's judgement upon Sodom and Gomorrah. There are several problems with EGW's claim that God destroyed Zoar after Lot left, the most important of which is this: in Genesis 19:21, God specifically says to Lot, "I will not overthrow this city." No where does Scripture indicate that this was a conditional promise. Yet EGW not only states that God destroyed Zoar, but that God had purposed (intentionally planned) to destroy Zoar. In other words, God lied to Lot, while all along He intended to destroy Zoar anyway. God's Word in verse 21 should be enough for us to believe He did not intend to destroy Zoar, however, there is additional evidence that He kept His promise (as He always does). Zoar is mentioned hundreds of years later by both Isaiah (15:5) and Jeremiah (48:34), not as a city destroyed but as an existing city. Furthermore, historical records record that Zoara (previously <i>Zoar</i>, and before that, <i>Bela</i> [Gen 14:8]) was used as a Roman garrison (5th century a.d.) and a Catholic bishopric (6th century). One has to decide whether to believe the Bible's account or EGW's, but not both.</p>

21	Do the angels partake in the results of Christ's atonement?
EGW	"To the angels and the unfallen worlds the cry, "It is finished," had a deep significance. It was for them as well as for us that the great work of redemption had been accomplished. They with us share the fruits of Christ's victory."
Ref	<i>The Desire of Ages</i> , 758
Bible	"For verily he took not on him the nature of angels; but he took on him the seed of Abraham." Hebrews 2:16
	"For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh." Romans 8:3
Note	Salvation was not offered to the angels.

22	Was Eve alone when she was tempted in the garden?
EGW	"The angels had cautioned Eve to beware of separating herself from her husband while occupied in their daily labor in the garden; with him she would be in less danger from temptation than if she were alone. But absorbed in her pleasing task, she unconsciously wandered from his side. On perceiving that she was alone, she felt an apprehension of danger, but dismissed her fears, deciding that she had sufficient wisdom and strength to discern evil and to withstand it. Unmindful of the angels' caution, she soon found herself gazing with mingled curiosity and admiration upon the forbidden tree."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> , 53
Bible	"And when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was pleasant to the eyes, and a tree to be desired to make one wise, she took of the fruit thereof, and did eat, and gave also unto her husband with her; and he did eat." Genesis 3:6
Note	There is no record that Eve was separated from Adam during the temptation. See also item 1 in the section "EGW's Additions to the Bible."

23	Was Jesus Christ the Lord God Almighty?
EGW	"There is no one who can explain the mystery of the incarnation of Christ. Yet we know that He came to this earth and lived as a man among men. The man Christ Jesus was not the Lord God Almighty, yet Christ and the Father are one."
Ref	<i>SDA Bible Commentary, vol. 5, 1129</i>
Bible	"Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen. I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty." Revelation 1:7,8
	"For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given: and the government shall be upon his shoulder: and his name shall be called Wonderful, Counsellor, The mighty God, The everlasting Father, The Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6
Note	(Also read Revelation 1:5-8 for the context that the "He" in these verses is Jesus Christ.) Jesus Christ's deity is a fundamental doctrine. It is heresy to state otherwise. Her statement here reflects the fact (admitted among SDA scholars ^v) that many early SDA leaders were antitrinitarian (specifically believing that Christ was inferior to the Father), including James White. See endnote. ^{vi} Many will state that this quote is taken out of context, that Ellen White meant that Christ is not the Father. However, after reading the entire paragraph and the complete sentence, this explanation does not follow. She clearly states, "The man Christ Jesus was not the Lord God Almighty." This is simply and completely untrue. As can be seen by the texts above, Jesus was called the Almighty and in His incarnation He was completely man and still completely the Almighty God.

24	Did the Waldensians keep the seventh-day Sabbath?
EGW	"Through ages of darkness and apostasy there were Waldenses who denied the supremacy of Rome, who rejected image worship as idolatry, and who kept the true Sabbath."
Ref	<i>The Great Controversy, 65</i>
Note	Note that this item is not a contradiction to the Scriptures, but to historical records kept by the Waldensians themselves, as well as others. The Waldensians exist to this day and have generally kept to the same system of beliefs as they did since their beginnings in the 12 th century, that is to say what we would call today reformed (Calvinist) Presbyterian. When asked whether or not the Waldensians kept Saturday as Sabbath, the reply by Thomas Soggin, a Waldensian minister (and at the time of his statement, the head of the Waldensian Church board in Italy) is as follows: "...the Waldensians did not keep the Sabbath (in the sense of Saturday instead of Sunday) and were not guardians of the "Sabbath Truth" as somebody calls it. The Waldensians never followed the Seventh-day Adventist's Sabbath but they followed more Paul in Romans 14,5-8.

“We can therefore say very clearly that the Waldensians were not Seventh-day Sabbath keepers and they were not persecuted for keeping Saturday as the Sabbath! Thy [sic] were persecuted, because of their Reformed-Calvinistic faith in Christ.”

Furthermore, Dr. Samuel Bacchiocchi provides further insight, ironically by providing nothing. While Bacchiocchi is a controversial Adventist figure, most will agree that he has done more study on the seventh-day Sabbath than perhaps any other scholar. When searching through all the historical documents on the subject, what did he find in regards to the Waldensians and Saturday Sabbath?

“I spent several hours searching for an answer in the two scholarly volumes *Storia dei Valdesi*—(History of the Waldenses), authored by Amedeo Molnar and Augusto Hugon. These two books were published in 1974 by the Claudiana, which is the official Italian Waldensian publishing house. They are regarded as the most comprehensive history of the Waldenses. To my regret I found no allusion whatsoever to Sabbath-keeping among the Waldenses.”

To what then do we attribute this perpetuated myth about the Waldensians? In some historical documents about this group, the authors referred to the Waldensians as *insabbati*. The Latin word for “sandals” is “*sabbatum*” and the Waldensians were nicknamed the *insabbati* due to the unusual footwear that some of them wore.

25	Did Ellen White take advice from her dead husband?
EGW	<p>“A few days since I was pleading with the Lord for light in regard to my duty. In the night I dreamed I was in the carriage, driving, sitting at the right hand. Father [her husband James White] was in the carriage, seated at my left hand. He was very pale but calm and composed. ‘Why Father,’ I exclaimed, ‘I am so happy to have you by my side once more! I have felt that half of me was gone. Father, I saw you die; I saw you buried. Has the Lord pitied me and let you come back to me again, and we work together as we used to?’</p> <p>“He looked very sad. He said, ‘The Lord knows what is best for you and for me. My work was very dear to me. We have made a mistake. We have responded to urgent invitations of our brethren to attend important meetings. We had not the heart to refuse. These meetings have worn us both more than we were aware. Our good brethren were gratified, but they did not realize that in these meetings we took upon us greater burdens than at our age we could safely carry. They will never know the result of this long-continued strain upon us. God would have had them bear the burdens we have carried for years. Our nervous energies have been continuously taxed, and then our brethren, misjudging our motives and not realizing our burdens, have weakened the action of the heart. I have made mistakes, the greatest of which was in allowing my sympathies for the people of God to lead me to take work upon</p>

me which others should have borne.

“Now, Ellen, calls will be made as they have been, desiring you to attend important meetings, as has been the case in the past. But lay this matter before God and make no response to the most earnest invitations. Your life hangs as it were upon a thread. You must have quiet rest, freedom from all excitement and from all disagreeable cares. We might have done a great deal for years with our pens, on subjects the people need that we have had light upon and can present before them, which others do not have. Thus you can work when your strength returns, as it will, and you can do far more with your pen than with your voice.’

“He looked at me appealingly and said, ‘You will not neglect these cautions, will you, Ellen? Our people will never know under what infirmities we have labored to serve them because our lives were interwoven with the progress of the work, but God knows it all. I regret that I have felt so deeply and labored unreasonably in emergencies, regardless of the laws of life and health. The Lord did not require us to carry so heavy burdens and many of our brethren so few. We ought to have gone to the Pacific Coast before and devoted our time and energies to writing. Will you do this now? Will you, as your strength returns, take your pen and write out these things we have so long anticipated, and make haste slowly? There is important matter which the people need. Make this your first business. You will have to speak some to the people, but shun the responsibilities which have borne us down.’

“‘Well,’ said I, ‘James, **you are always to stay with me now and we will work together.**’ Said he, ‘I stayed in Battle Creek too long. I ought to have gone to California more than one year ago. But I wanted to help the work and institutions at Battle Creek. I have made a mistake. Your heart is tender. You will be inclined to make the same mistakes I have made. Your life can be of use to the cause of God. Oh, those precious subjects the Lord would have had me bring before the people, precious jewels of light!’

“I awoke. But this dream seemed so real. Now you can see and understand why I feel no duty to go to Battle Creek for the purpose of shouldering the responsibilities of the General Conference. I have no duty to stand in General Conference. **The Lord forbids me.** That is enough. I should not dare to go East now. I did feel, while sick here, sorry that I had come here. I almost was [of] a mind to go back and occupy my good home and keep the family together. I miss my little girls so much. They were a comfort to me. But I do not dare turn my face toward Battle Creek until the Lord says go.”

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Letter 17, 1881 (To Willie White, September 12, 1881)

Bible	<p>“And when they shall say unto you, Seek unto them that have familiar spirits, and unto wizards that peep, and that mutter: should not a people seek unto their God? for the living to the dead? To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.” Isaiah 8:19, 20</p>
	<p>“There shall not be found among you any one that maketh his son or his daughter to pass through the fire, or that useth divination, or an observer of times, or an enchanter, or a witch, Or a charmer, or a consulter with familiar spirits, or a wizard, or a necromancer. For all that do these things are an abomination unto the LORD: and because of these abominations the LORD thy God doth drive them out from before thee.” Deuteronomy 18:10-12</p>
Note	<p>Necromancy is alleged communication with the dead; oneiromancy is communication with the dead through dreams. In this letter it is clear that Mrs. White had a struggle and prayed to God for direction regarding her duty. She then had a dream and believed that the Lord communicated a message to her through her dead husband, James. In this dream, she communicated with him and takes his advice, directly disobeying God’s command. In the Bible, those who communicated with the dead were stoned. Further, Ellen tells her dead husband to stay with her, desiring his companionship and advice to remain with her. This is spiritualism and is subject to severe punishment by God.</p> <p>Interestingly, what Ellen White did in regards to this dream was severely forbidden by Ellen White herself: “It is Satan’s most successful and fascinating delusion—one calculated to take hold of the sympathies of those who have laid their loved ones in the grave. Evil angels come in the form of those loved ones and relate incidents connected with their lives, and perform acts which they performed while living. In this way they lead persons to believe that their dead friends are angels, hovering over them and communicating with them. These evil angels, who assume to be the deceased friends, are regarded with a certain idolatry, and with many their word has greater weight than the Word of God.” <i>Last Day Events</i>, 161. Mrs. White literally did herself what she forbade Christians to do, in this and many other quotes.</p>

EGW Contradicts Self

1	Does God love children when they do wrong?	
EGW	No	"The Lord loves those little children who try to do right, and he has promised that they shall be in his kingdom. But wicked children God does not love."
Ref		Letter to 5 1/2-year-old Willie White, March 14, 1860, published in <i>An Appeal to the Youth</i> , 61

EGW	Yes	"Do not teach your children that God does not love them when they do wrong; teach them that he loves them so that it grieves his tender Spirit to see them in transgression, because he knows they are doing injury to their souls. Do not terrify your children by telling them of the wrath of God, but rather seek to impress them with his unspeakable love and goodness, and thus let the glory of the Lord be revealed before them."
Ref		<i>The Signs of the Times</i> , February 15, 1892
Note		EGW counsels other parents to do a thing that she does not follow herself. "For they bind heavy burdens and grievous to be borne, and lay them on men's shoulders; but they themselves will not move them with one of their fingers." Matthew 23:4.

2 Is the door of salvation shut (probation) forever?		
EGW	Yes	"At the time I had the vision of the Midnight Cry I had given it up in the past and thought it future, as also most of the band had.... There was one sister there that was called very spiritual. She had traveled and been a powerful preacher the most of the time for twenty years. She had been truly a mother in Israel. But a division had risen in the band on the shut door. She had great sympathy, and could not believe the door was shut.... Sister Durben got up to talk. I felt very, very sad. At length my soul seemed to be in an agony, and while she was talking I fell from my chair to the floor. It was then I had a view of Jesus rising from His mediatorial throne and going to the Holiest as Bridegroom to receive His kingdom. They were all deeply interested in the view. They all said it was entirely new to them. The Lord worked in mighty power setting the truth home to their hearts. Sister Durben knew what the power of the Lord was, for she had felt it many times; and a short time after I fell she was struck down, and fell to the floor, crying to God to have mercy on her. When I came out of vision, my ears were saluted with Sister Durben's singing and shouting with a loud voice. Most of them received the vision, and were settled upon the shut door."
Ref		<i>Manuscript Releases</i> , vol. 5, 97 [from a letter to Joseph Bates, July 13, 1847]
EGW	Yes	"Sabbath, March 24, 1849, we had a sweet and very interesting meeting with the brethren at Topsham, Maine. The Holy Ghost was poured out upon us, and I was taken off in the Spirit to the city of the living God. Then I was shown that the commandments of God and the testimony of Jesus Christ relating to the shut door could not be separated.... I saw that the mysterious signs and wonders and false reformations would increase and spread. The reformations that were shown me were not reformations from error to truth. My accompanying angel bade me look for the travail of soul for sinners as used to be. I looked, but could not see it; for the time for their salvation is past."
Ref		<i>Early Writings</i> , 42, 45, 1849

EGW	No	"For a time after the disappointment in 1844, I did hold, in common with the advent body, that the door of mercy was then forever closed to the world. This position was taken before my first vision was given me. It was the light given me of God that corrected our error, and enabled us to see the true position."
Ref		<i>Selected Messages</i> , vol. 1, 63
EGW	No	"With my brethren and sisters, after the time passed in forty-four I did believe no more sinners would be converted. But I never had a vision that no more sinners would be converted. And am clear and free to state no one has ever heard me say or has read from my pen statements which will justify them in the charges they have made against me upon this point."
Ref		<i>Selected Messages</i> , vol. 1, 74
Note		In <i>A Word to the Little Flock</i> (1847), James White states, "When she received her first vision, Dec. 1844, she and all the band in Portland, Maine, [where her parents then resided] had given up the midnight-cry, and shut door, as being in the past. It was then that the Lord shew her in vision, the error into which she and the band in Portland had fallen. She then related her vision to the band, and about sixty confessed their error, and acknowledged their 7th month experience to be the work of God." Thus, she is incorrect that "no one has ever heard me say or has read from my pen." From her own pen she writes that she received a vision that told her of the "shut door" doctrine, which meant that at that time, all who would be saved were saved and no one else could be saved thereafter. Later she states she had held that position, but states she had it before her first vision. Then she states she never had a vision on that topic.

3	Is pork (and other unclean meats) acceptable for food?	
EGW	Yes	"I saw that your views concerning swine's flesh would prove no injury if you have them to yourselves; but in your judgment and opinion you have made this question a test, and your actions have plainly shown your faith in this matter. If God requires His people to abstain from swine's flesh, He will convict them on the matter. He is just as willing to show His honest children their duty, as to show their duty to individuals upon whom He has not laid the burden of His work. If it is the duty of the church to abstain from swine's flesh, God will discover it to more than two or three. He will teach His church their duty."
Ref		<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 206
EGW	No	"But God never designed the swine to be eaten under any circumstances. The heathen used pork as an article of food, and American people have used pork freely as an important article of diet."
Ref		<i>Counsels on Diet and Foods</i> , 392

Note	<p>In 1882, EGW wrote to her daughter-in-law and asked her to bring several items to her, including. "Mary, if you can get me a good box of herrings, fresh ones, please do so. These last ones that Willie got are bitter and old. If you can buy cans, say, half a dozen cans, of good tomatoes, please do so. We shall need them. If you can get a few cans of good oysters, get them." <i>Manuscript Release</i>, no. 852, 2. "I do not preach one thing and practice another. I do not present to my hearers rules of life for them to follow while I make an exception in my own case." <i>Selected Messages</i>, vol. 2, 302. The Ellen White Estate justify EGW's statements in the <i>Testimonies</i> quote above by stating that God had not yet revealed the health message to His people, that He was waiting until they were ready for it. Scriptures do not show this to be a pattern for God. Most of the time God gives people messages precisely when they are not ready for it, or perhaps it is more accurate that people are never ready for what God has to say. John the Baptist did not say, "The Kingdom of God is at hand. Or it will be, when you're ready."</p>
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4	Was Christ's atonement full and complete?	
EGW	Yes	"Christ's sacrifice in behalf of man was full and complete. The condition of the atonement had been fulfilled. The work for which He had come to this world had been accomplished."
Ref		<i>The Acts of the Apostles</i> , 29
EGW	Yes	"To the angels and the unfallen worlds the cry, "It is finished," had a deep significance. It was for them as well as for us that the great work of redemption had been accomplished. They with us share the fruits of Christ's victory."
Ref		<i>The Desire of Ages</i> , 758
EGW	No	"Now while our great High Priest is making the final atonement for us, we should seek to become perfect in Christ."
Ref		<i>The Great Controversy</i> , 623

5	Did Judas consider confessing his sin?	
EGW	Yes	"When the Saviour's hands were bathing those soiled feet, and wiping them with the towel, the heart of Judas thrilled through and through with the impulse then and there to confess his sin."
Ref		<i>The Desire of Ages</i> , 645
EGW	No	"As Christ celebrated this ordinance with His disciples, conviction came to the hearts of all save Judas."
Ref		<i>Evangelism</i> , 275

EGW's Additions to the Bible

For I testify unto every man that heareth the words of the prophecy of this book, If any man shall add unto these things, God shall add unto him the plagues that are written in this book. Revelation 22:18, 19.

Ye shall not add unto the word which I command you, neither shall ye diminish [ought] from it, that ye may keep the commandments of the LORD your God which I command you. Deuteronomy 4:2.

Frankly, this was a difficult section to compile. Particularly in the Conflict of the Ages series, there are so many additions that it is impossible to include here. Where does one even begin?

You see, many writers, preachers, and theologians have and can reasonably say things like, "I wonder what it was like for Abraham when God told him to sacrifice his son?" However, Ellen White words are not to be taken "as merely the opinion of Sister White," for if you do "you thereby [insult] the Spirit of God." *Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 5, 64.

Ellen G. White did not claim to be infallible herself:

In regard to infallibility, I never claimed it; God alone is infallible. His word is true, and in Him is no variableness, or shadow of turning. *Selected Messages*, vol. 1, 37.

However, she did claim that her writings were infallible.

In these letters which I write, in the testimonies I bear, I am presenting to you that which the Lord has presented to me. I do not write one article in the paper expressing merely my own ideas. They are what God has opened before me in vision—the precious rays of light shining from the throne. *Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 5, 67.

If you seek to turn aside the counsel of God to suit yourselves, if you lessen the confidence of God's people in the testimonies [Ellen G. White's writings] He has sent them, you are rebelling against God as were Korah, Dathan, and Abriam. *Testimonies for the Church*, vol. 5, 66.

"I am glad that you are having success in selling my books; for thus you are giving to the world the light that God has given me. These books contain clear, straight, unalterable truth and they should certainly be appreciated. The instruction they contain is not of human production." *Letter 339*, December 26, 1904.

So as an example, Ellen White states that after Abraham had received the command from God to sacrifice his son Isaac he returned to his tent and "went to the place where Isaac lay sleeping the deep, untroubled sleep of youth and innocence. For a moment the father looked upon the dear face of his son, then turned tremblingly away. He went to the side of Sarah, who was also

sleeping. Should he awaken her, that she might once more embrace her child? Should he tell her of God's requirement?" *Patriarch and Prophets*, 148. This is lovely, heart-rending picture. We could imagine this happening. We might suggest that this might have happened. But when we read this in Ellen White's writings, it is to be taken as an inspired addition to the Word of God and "recognized as the words of eternal truth" (*Manuscript Releases*, vol. 5, 151).

Therefore, if you are seeking a much more comprehensive study on the topic of "EGW's Additions to the Bible," we recommend simply opening any of the books of The Conflict of the Ages series and compare side-by-side to Scripture.

The following is but a drop in the bucket of Ellen White's additions to Scripture.

1	Was Eve cautioned not to leave Adam's side?
EGW	"The angels had cautioned Eve to beware of separating herself from her husband while occupied in their daily labor in the garden...."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> , 53
Note	<p>Nowhere does the Bible state this. At best, this concept is nonsensical; at worst, heretical. White's rationale was "with him she would be in less danger from temptation than if she were alone" (ibid). This appears quite sensible and prudent. <i>After the fall</i>, it's wise for anyone to have a companion of good character accompany them when in situations that are tempting, dangerous, or that can appear evil--if not just for the moral support then as a witness to one's honor. There are problems with this rationale, however, because it occurs <i>before the fall</i>. If God or the angels felt the need to caution one of the holy, perfect couple, then both would have been cautioned. Remember that both were holy beings, both being made in God's image. Eve, as Adam, was a vastly intelligent and wise being, made just a little lower than the angels (Hebrews 2:7). She would have put any of today's most brilliant scholarly minds to shame. Eden was not an unsafe or dangerous place. Both Adam and Eve could have felt vastly more safe from danger and deception in every corner of the garden (save the tree of which they had been warned) as we do when tucked in our own beds at night--alone. To state this of Eve is to imply that she could not be fully trusted, which in turn implies that she had a predisposition towards sin or that she wasn't very intelligent, which, since she was made in the image of God, in turn implies that God has an imperfect aspect about Him. If the argument is made, "But obviously she had some sort of problem because she went up to the Tree of Knowledge of Good and Evil," please note the section "Ellen G. White's Contradiction of Scripture," item 22, which shows that Adam was with Eve at the time of temptation--she was not alone.</p>

2	Who shut the door of Noah's Ark?
EGW	"An angel is seen by the scoffing multitude descending from Heaven, clothed with brightness like the lightning. He closes that massive outer door, and then takes his course upward to Heaven again."
Ref	<i>The Spirit of Prophecy</i> , vol. 1, 72
EGW	"The seal of Heaven was on that door; God had shut it, and God alone could open it."
Ref	<i>Patriarchs and Prophets</i> , 98
Bible	"And they went in unto Noah into the ark, two and two of all flesh, wherein is the breath of life. And they that went in, went in male and female of all flesh, as God had commanded him: and the Lord shut him in." Genesis 7:15, 16
Note	This item could also be placed in both the "EGW's Contradictions of Self" and "Contradictions of Scripture" sections. She states one place that it was an angel-- which contradicts Scripture--and in another she states it was God. One may argue that "maybe God used an angel," but this is not what the Bible says. This is clearly an addition.

3	Will the saints have wings after Jesus comes?
EGW	"We gathered about Jesus, and just as He closed the gates of the city, the curse was pronounced upon the wicked. The gates were shut. Then the saints used their wings and mounted to the top of the wall of the city. "
Ref	<i>Early Writings</i> , 53
Note	There is no Scriptural evidence that the saints will have wings in Heaven or the New Earth. There is also no evidence that says we won't, although the Bible does say that our bodies will be "fashioned like unto His glorious body," (Philippians 3:21). The "He" in this verse is Jesus. There is no evidence that Jesus has wings. However, there is also no evidence that He does not. The compilers of this document very much like the idea of having wings in Heaven. However it turns out, this is an addition to Scripture.

4	What was Adam's height?
EGW	"Adam came forth from the hand of his Creator, he was of noble height, and of beautiful symmetry. He was more than twice as tall as men now living upon the earth, and was well proportioned."
Ref	<i>Spiritual Gifts</i> , vol. 3, 33
Note	The Bible makes no mention of Adam's height.

5	Do the wicked feel pain when any part of them is left?
EGW	"I saw that some were quickly destroyed, while others suffered longer. They were punished according to the deeds done in the body. Some were many days consuming, and just as long as there was a portion of them unconsumed, all the sense of suffering remained."
Ref	<i>Early Writings, 294</i>
Note	If a finger is all that's left, the person still feel all the agony of burning in the lake of fire? What about a fingernail? There is no Scripture that backs this up.

6	Was the Herod of Jesus' trial the same as the Herod that killed James?
EGW	"Herod's heart had grown still harder; and when he heard that Christ had risen, he was not much troubled. He took the life of James, and when he saw that this pleased the Jews, he took Peter also, intending to put him to death."
Ref	<i>Early Writings, 185</i>
Note	Ellen White did not understand that the Herod of Jesus' trial was Herod Antipas, while the Herod that killed James was Herod Agrippa I. When this mistake was noticed, the editors attempted to explain it away by adding a footnote (presumably not inspired?) on the same page that states she must have meant "the same Herodian spirit only in another personality."

7	Do angels require a gold card to get into Heaven?
EGW	"There is perfect order and harmony in the Holy City. All the angels that are commissioned to visit the earth hold a golden card, which they present to the angels at the gates of the city as they pass in and out. Heaven is a good place."
Ref	<i>Early Writings, 39</i>
Note	The God that knows the numbers of the hairs of your head (Luke 12:7), cannot identify the angels who present themselves at the gate of Heaven?

Failed Prophecies

1	The Curse on Mr. Hull
Background	In 1862, Moses Hull was about to give up Adventism. Mrs. White pronounced this curse:
EGW	"If you proceed in the way you have started, misery and woe are before you. God's hand will arrest you in a manner that will not suit you. His wrath will not slumber."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 430
Note	Mr. Hull gave up Adventism and lived a long and uneventful life.

2	England to Declare War
Background	Read the many paragraphs before this quote to understand the context. In this quote, EGW is speaking about the time during the Civil War.
EGW	"When England does declare war, all nations will have an interest of their own to serve, and there will be general war, general confusion."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 259
Note	It is obvious that England did not make war with the United States during the Civil War. While there have been disputes since then, the last war between the two nations was the War of 1812. By the time of the American Civil war, England had strong economic ties with the United States and so rather than even considering a war, it was England's strategic aim to avoid war with the US. ^{viiiviii} See also additional endnote. ^{ix}

3	Some at a conference would be alive when Jesus came
Background	While attending a conference in 1856, EGW states and angel told her the following regarding the attendees:
EGW	"Said the angel: "Some food for worms, some subjects of the seven last plagues, some will be alive and remain upon the earth to be translated at the coming of Jesus."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 131
Note	Everyone present at the conference is now dead. Some Adventists justify this by suggesting this was a conditional prophecy. However, Mrs. White stated nor implied any conditions.

4	What was the purpose behind the Civil War?
Background	White is speaking of the men and boys who signed up to join the Union Army.
EGW	"Thousands have been induced to enlist with the understanding that this war was to exterminate slavery; but now that they are fixed, they find that they have been deceived, that the object of this war is not to abolish slavery, but to preserve it as it is."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 254
Note	Clearly the Civil War abolished slavery. One may attempt to argue that it was the Southern States purpose to preserve slavery, but in her own words, "enlist with the understanding that this war was to exterminate slavery," Ellen White is clearly talking about the Union soldiers. There were many fears at the time regarding who would win the war. Certainly we have the benefit of hindsight. But Ellen White is supposed to have foresight, the gift of prophecy.

5	Has any human known the day or hour of Jesus coming?
Background	The following quote is taken from Ellen White's description of her first vision.
EGW	"Soon we heard the voice of God like many waters, which gave us the day and hour of Jesus' coming."
Ref	<i>Counsels for the Church</i> , 33
Note	"But of that day and hour knoweth no man, no, not the angels in heaven, but my Father only." Matthew 24:36. Ellen White later stated she forgot the day and the hour. However, the Scriptures are clear. No human being knows or has known the day or the hour of Jesus' coming. In fact, not only has no human known, but neither has any angel. Only the Father.

6	Was Mrs. White part of the 144,000?
Background	In a vision, Ellen White witnesses the second coming.
EGW	"Then all faces gathered paleness, and those that God had rejected gathered blackness. Then we all cried out: "Who shall be able to stand? Is my robe spotless?" The angels ceased to sing, and there was a time of awful silence, when Jesus spoke: "Those who have clean hands and pure hearts shall be able to stand; My grace is sufficient for you." At this, our faces lighted up, and joy filled every heart. And the angels struck a note higher and sang again, while the cloud drew still nearer the earth. Then Jesus' silver trumpet sounded, as He descended on the cloud, wrapped in flames of fire. He gazed on the graves of the sleeping saints, then raised His eyes and hands to heaven, and cried: "Awake! Awake! Awake! ye that sleep in the dust, and arise." Then there was a mighty earthquake. The graves opened, and the dead came up clothed with immortality. The 144,000 shouted, "Alleluia!" as they recognized their friends who had been torn from them by death, and in the same moment we were changed, and caught up together with them to meet the Lord in the air."
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 1, 60
Note	Ellen White passed away in 1915. The Lord's return has yet to occur.

Examination of EGW's Fulfilled Prophecies

The problems with Ellen G. White's "fulfilled" prophecies is most of them use the same principles of prophesying as are used by people such as Nostradamus. These are the "fortune cookie" or "Barnum" techniques of vaguery or generalism. For example, one could say, "someone with a prominent scar played an important role in your life." Most likely you could think of someone you know that has a scar. One could say, "You are soon going to pay for your wicked behavior." If the person even gets a cold, one could say the prediction "came true." Another technique is that if the prophecy does not come true, the prophet or his/her followers state it was a conditional prophecy. "The city wasn't destroyed because it turned from its wicked way." This would have more legitimacy, except when the prophet never stated any condition at the time of the prediction.

God's prophecies are not like that. When Abraham was told that Sodom and Gomorrah were going to be destroyed, due to His interceding, God makes conditional: if there are ten righteous people there, it wouldn't be destroyed. But there weren't ten. The cities were destroyed from fire and sulfur that rained down from Heaven. Sulfur still remains in that valley today. In the Bible, when a prophet gives a prophecy, it is specific and it comes to pass--take Isaiah's prophecy of Cyrus. He even gave the name of Cyrus 150 years before Cyrus was born! Also note the Messianic prophecies, all very detailed, all were fulfilled. In the Bible, when a prophecy is

conditional, it states so clearly. An excellent example of this is Ninevah. God said He wouldn't destroy them if they repented. They repented and a disappointed Jonah didn't get to see the fireworks display.

When considering the following prophecies, ask yourself, "Could I, a non-prophet, have reasonably said the same thing during those same times?"

1	San Francisco Earthquake
EGW	"Well-equipped tent meetings should be held in the large cities, such as San Francisco; for not long hence these cities will suffer under the judgments of God. San Francisco and Oakland are becoming as Sodom and Gomorrah, and the Lord will visit them in wrath."
Ref	<i>Evangelism</i> , 403
Note	Adventists believe that this prediction, written in 1902, prophesied the 1906 San Francisco Earthquake. The problem with this is that her quote is very non-specific. She doesn't say how God would pour His wrath on the cities. However, when anyone thinks of the San Francisco Bay area and disaster, earthquake tops the list. But the reason is that this area sits atop seven significant faults and earthquakes are very common. Speaking only of earthquakes about 6.0 alone, there were many in San Francisco before 1902. ^x Just four years previous was the 6.5 Mare Island Earthquake. Six years before that was the Vacaville Earthquake, also registered at 6.5. After the 1906 earthquake was the 1911 Morgan Hill Earthquake--another 6.5. Since the 1906 earthquake was a particularly large at 7.8 and is thought by many to be the deadliest earthquake ever, some Adventists state that obviously makes it the event she predicted. Note, however, that while it was a large and deadly quake (3,000 dead, large sections of the city razed --making it the deadliest U.S. quake), it was not by a long shot the deadliest in world history, nor the largest in U.S. history. ^{xi}

2	World Wars and other wars
EGW	"The tempest is coming and we must get ready for its fury by having repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord will arise to shake terribly the earth. We shall see troubles on all sides. Thousands of ships will be hurled into the depths of the sea. Navies will go down, and human lives will be sacrificed by millions. Fires will break out unexpectedly and no human effort will be able to quench them."

Ref	<i>Last Day Events</i> , 24 (1890)
EGW	"The world is becoming more and more lawless. Soon great trouble will arise among the nations—trouble that will not cease until Jesus comes."
Ref	<i>Last Day Events</i> , 12 (1904)
Note	Adventists use the quotes to state that Ellen White prophesied the World Wars and "numerous other skirmishes" ^{xii} that have occurred since these "predictions." On the site Amazing Discoveries, the authors note this and go on to say that she also made many personal predictions and that "these too were also fulfilled to the letter." ^{xiii} In history there have been thousands of wars. Millions of lives have been sacrificed, many navies have gone down. Just in the space between her two quotes (1890 and 1904), there were 65 wars, 10 of which involved the United States. Amazing Discoveries states that when White wrote the first quote in 1890, "peace was prevalent." In 1890 alone there were four wars, two in which the US was <i>not</i> involved. If you take the time to look at the list of wars cited in endnotes of this Note, you will see how very ordinary war and conflict was in the decades in which Ellen White lived. It is true that the World Wars caused millions of deaths and that WWII was the deadliest war in recorded history (40-60 mil). ^{xiv} However, in the late 1800s and early 1900s it was known that a large scale war would be deadlier than ever, given the enormous spike in war technology due to the Industrial Age. However, the World Wars were not the only wars with millions of casualties. The Mongol Conquests took 40-70 million lives for instance. See endnote for a list of wars with at least a million deaths. ^{xv}

3	More rail disasters
EGW	"Disasters by rail will become more and more frequent."
Ref	<i>Last Day Events</i> , 24 (1890)
Note	This is another generic statement that is hard to either qualify or quantify. Did she mean worldwide or just in the United States? What constitutes a "disaster?" By 1850 there were 9000 miles of railroad just in the US. Railroads boomed throughout the Civil War and Reconstruction periods. After a lull, the Industrial Age caused further expansion so that that by 1880 "the nation had 17,800 freight locomotives carrying 23,600 tons of freight, and 22,200 passenger locomotives." Wars increased rail construction all over the world. When Ellen White wrote the quote above in 1890, railroad construction was booming. More railroads and more trains equal more accidents.

4	Tobacco is unhealthy
EGW	"Tobacco is a poison of the most deceitful and malignant kind, having an exciting, then a paralyzing influence upon the nerves of the body. It is all the more dangerous because its effects upon the system are so slow, and at first scarcely perceivable. Multitudes have fallen victims to its poisonous influence."
Ref	<i>Counsels on Health</i> , 84
Note	Regarding Ellen White's statements, Adventists have stated, "As far back as 1864, when the medical world was unaware of the dangers of tobacco." ^{xvi} This is generally true. The US didn't conclude that tobacco was dangerous until the late 50s, early 60s. ^{xvii} However, for these statements to be prophetic, Ellen White would have to have been either the only one stating so at the time, or one among other true prophets stating so at the time. She was neither. There was a health "hygiene" craze in the 19th century. There were many health "sanitariums" and "water cure clinics," and the like during those times. Dr. James Caleb Jackson was a particularly well-known health practitioner of the times and many were familiar with his writings. His clinic opened in 1858, in Dansville, New York. ^{xviii} Among his therapies, Dr. Jackson forbade his patients to eat red meat, sugar, tea, alcohol, or tobacco. He is credited with the invention of granola. ^{xix} Ellen White's visions and resulting health practices are extremely similar to Dr. Jackson's. This was pointed out to her during her lifetime and she said several times that she hadn't met Dr. Jackson nor read his works until after her health-related visions: only by sheer coincidence did her visions and writings compare nearly exactly to his. But again, Dr. Jackson was merely one of many similar practitioners of the time that got their start before Ellen White began preaching health principles and many of those were against tobacco, coffee, tea, and meat-eating. If she were prophetic about tobacco, then so were many of her time.

5	Tobacco is a narcotic
EGW	"Men professing to be Christians bow to worship God, and dare to pray to him with their lips stained by tobacco, while their half-paralyzed nerves tremble from the exhausting use of this powerful narcotic."
Ref	<i>The Review and Herald</i> , March 25, 1875

Note	<p>Adventists state that she knew that tobacco was a narcotic long before it was known to be a narcotic. Again, she was not the only one of her time to state so. However, it is unclear exactly what she meant by the word, <i>narcotic</i>. The word is believed to have been coined by Galen, an ancient Greek physician and referred for centuries to agents that "numb or deaden."^{xx} The meaning of <i>narcotic</i> in 1875 was any drug that caused drowsiness, or stupor.^{xxi} Today, there are many definitions of narcotic. Narcotic drugs still can mean any drug that causes drowsiness or the opposite of stimulation. Tobacco falls into that definition of narcotic. Medically, a narcotic is an opioid pain reliever, such as codeine and morphine.^{xxii} The legal definition of narcotic is any drug of made from natural or synthetic opium.^{xxiii} Law enforcement sometimes uses the term loosely to mean any illegal drug, including stimulant (non-narcotic) drugs like meth and speed. The only thing we can state for sure is that Ellen White did not know herself what a narcotic was, even using her contemporary definition. "Tea is a stimulant, and its exhilarating effects are neither lasting nor beneficial. The same is true of coffee." So far so good. Then she says in the next paragraph, "Why should we go to China and Japan for the products of a backward civilization? Why not banish the narcotic bean and the poisonous herb, and come into harmony with the sanitary laws of the Bible?" <i>Signs of the Times</i>, February 17, 1888. Here she is calling coffee a narcotic. Coffee did not fall under the category of narcotic either then or now. These facts and others^{xxiv} render her statements regarding narcotics unreliable at best.</p>
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6	September 11, 2001
EGW	<p>"On one occasion, when in New York City, I was in the night season called upon to behold buildings rising story after story toward heaven. These buildings were warranted to be fireproof, and they were erected to glorify their owners and builders. Higher and still higher these buildings rose, and in them the most costly material was used. Those to whom these buildings belonged were not asking themselves: "How can we best glorify God?" The Lord was not in their thoughts."</p>
Ref	<p><i>Testimonies for the Church</i>, vol. 9, 12</p>
EGW	<p>"The scene that next passed before me was an alarm of fire. Men looked at the lofty and supposedly fire-proof buildings and said: "They are perfectly safe." But these buildings were consumed as if made of pitch. The fire engines could do nothing to stay the destruction. The firemen were unable to operate the engines."</p>

Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 9, 13
Note	Although many Adventists believe that these quotes prophesy the 9/11 attacks, again, what we see here is generalities. She sees "an alarm of fire." No mention of aircraft. The buildings did not consume "as if made of pitch." Reports show that heat from the fire caused by the explosion and the jet fuel caused the supports to collapse on the upper floors of the twin towers, in turn causing each floor below to collapse in rapid succession. The buildings did not burn to the ground. Several fire engines were destroyed when the building fell on them. Those that were not operated normally. The White Estate themselves deny that these quotes are a prediction of the attacks on September 11, 2001. ^{xxv}

EGW and Plagiarism

We have chosen not to make this section extensive, believing that all the previous evidence is enough for the purpose of this document. Suffice it to say, there is enormous evidence that Ellen White plagiarized material for her writings. Many Seventh-day Adventists admit to her doing so, although they prefer to call it "literary borrowing." Arguments are made that in her time, plagiarism was not frowned upon as it is today. However, one has to ask, does God need to borrow from someone else's work in order to find material to give to His prophet?

There is evidence that Ellen White plagiarized from her husband James, from other Adventist contemporaries, from other non-Adventist Christian writers, from health writers, and from non-Christian and other suspect sources possibly including: books from the *Apocrypha*, the *Book of Jasher*, and the novel *Paradise Lost* by John Milton.

1	Ellen White's vision plagiarized?
Coles	" Parents are also under obligation to teach and oblige their children to conform to physical law for their own sakes....How strange and unaccountable that mothers should love their children so tenderly as to indulge them in what they have occasion to know may injure their constitutions and impair their happiness for life. May many children be delivered from such mothers, and from such cruel kindness! The managers and teachers of schools ... "
Ref	Philosophy of Health: Natural Principles of Health and Cure, L.B. Coles, Boston: William D. Ticknor & Co., 1849, 1851, 1853; 144, 145

EGW	"I was shown that one great cause of the existing deplorable state of things is that parents do not feel under obligation to bring up their children to conform to physical law. Mothers love their children with an idolatrous love and indulge their appetite when they know that it will injure their health and thereby bring upon them disease and unhappiness ... They have sinned against Heaven and against their children, and God will hold them accountable. The managers and teachers of schools.... "
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 3, 141 (1872)
Note	While there are very many examples of plagiarism by EGW, there are examples of plagiarism where she said she was shown these things in vision, but they were clearly copied. The only way for this quote to be true would be if the angel who showed her the vision got the words from a book on her bookshelf, or that the words of L.B. Coles were the first to be inspired, back in 1849. Since there is no evidence that L.B. Coles was inspired, and absurd to think the former could be true, we are left with one conclusion: Ellen White plagiarized the words and lied that they came in the form of a vision.

2	Selected Messages quote
March	"We must not defer our obedience till every shadow of uncertainty and every possibility of mistake is removed. The doubt that demands perfect knowledge will never yield to faith, for faith rests upon probability, not demonstration.... We must obey the voice of duty when there are many other voices crying against it, and it requires earnest heed to distinguish the one which speaks for God. "
Ref	<i>Night Scenes in the Bible</i> , Daniel March, Philadelphia: Zeigler, McCurdy & Co., 1823; 88
EGW	"If you refuse to believe until every shadow of uncertainty and every possibility of doubt is removed , you will never believe. The doubt that demands perfect knowledge will never yield to faith. Faith rests upon evidence, not demonstration. The Lord requires us to obey the voice of duty, when there are other voices all around us urging us to pursue an opposite course. It requires earnest attention from us to distinguish the voice which speaks from God. "
Ref	<i>Testimonies for the Church</i> , vol. 5, 68 (1889)

Conclusion

In the first paragraph of this document, it was written, "If someone asked you, 'Is there anything at all that someone could prove to you, in alignment with Scriptural criteria, that would make disbelieve that Ellen G. White is a prophet.'" If you have read and research this document fully for yourself, prayerfully and with a heart for truth, then there is no other conclusion that can be made than that Ellen G. White is a false prophet. It was with great pain that this document was put together for it began as an effort to test her against Scripture and prove her to be a true prophet. If you have also sincerely studied this evidence, then your feelings, which may include grief and anger are normal. We ask that you do not despise the Seventh-day Adventists, but pray for them. Seek them where they are and do not bully them. So many anti-SDA websites are mocking and mean. This is not how you reach people. When people are approached in that way they put up their fortress walls without even listening to you. Sometimes all we can do is pray and love them. God bless you all.

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ⁱ <http://www.amazingfacts.org/media-library/storacle/e/5347/t/proving-the-prophets>. Accessed June 11, 2016.

ⁱⁱ Ibid.

ⁱⁱⁱ "When writing these precious books, if I hesitated, the very word I wanted to express the idea was given me." *Selected Messages Book 3*, 51, and "I am just as dependent upon the Spirit of the Lord in relating or writing the vision as in having the vision. It is impossible for me to call up things which have been shown me unless the Lord brings them before me at the time that he is pleased to have me relate or write them." *Selected Messages Book 3*, 48.

^{iv} Robert K. Sanders and Sydney Cleveland, http://www.truthorfables.com/EGW_Contradicts.htm. Accessed June 12, 2016.

^v <http://www.sdanet.org/atissue/trinity/moon/moon-trinity2.htm#end1>. Accessed June 11, 2016.

^{vi} "This prayer did not contemplate one disciple with twelve heads, but twelve disciples, made one in object and effort in the cause of their master. **Neither are the Father and the Son parts of the "three-one God."** James White, 1868, *Life Incidents*, 343.

"...For there are certain men, or a certain class who deny the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ.... The way spiritualizers have disposed of or denied the only Lord God and our Lord Jesus Christ is first using **the old unscriptural Trinitarian creed, viz., that Jesus Christ is the eternal God**, though they have not one passage to support it, while we have plain scripture testimony in abundance that he is the Son of the eternal God." James White, January 24, 1846, *The Day Star*.

"We are told by those who teach the abolition of the Father's law, that the commandments of God mentioned in the New Testament, are not the ten, but the requirements of the gospel, such as repentance, faith, baptism and the Lord's supper. But as these, and every other requirement peculiar to the gospel, are all embraced in the faith of Jesus, it is evident that the commandments of God are not the sayings of Christ and his apostles. To assert that the sayings of the Son and his apostles are the commandments of the Father, is as wide from the truth **as the old trinitarian absurdity that Jesus Christ is the very and Eternal God.**" James White, August 5, 1852, *Review & Herald*, 52.

^{vii} <http://www.bl.uk/onlinegallery/onlineex/uscivilwar/britain/britainamericancivilwar.html>

^{viii} https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/United_Kingdom%E2%80%93United_States_relations

^{ix} It is interesting to read this entire section in *Testimonies to the Church*, vol. 1, which begins on page 253. On page 257 she expresses her horror regarding the plight of the slaves (and rightly so), but is doing so to show her disgust with the "National Fast Day." She states that "that these national fasts were an insult to Jehovah," quoting Isaiah 58:4. Fasting for war is not what this verse is talking about (read the entirety of Isaiah 58). One cannot either make a blanket statement against fasting because of war because His people at times did so (Judges 20:26. Her arguments strongly seem to say that the point of the national fast was to support confederacy and/or slavery itself. However, the National Fast Day was a proclamation by President Lincoln and the Senate of the United States, and intended as an act of astonishing humility and confession to God for the sins of the nation (mostly slavery) and beginning the forgiveness of our Almighty God. God clearly heard this national entreaty and blessed the United States long after the Civil War. If only our country would do the same again now. Read the book of Jonah for an example of a (gentile) city repenting to God and turning away from their wicked ways. Their humility and repentance pleased Him and He did not destroy them. Read the full text of the proclamation here:

<http://www.abrahamlincolnonline.org/lincoln/speeches/fast.htm>

^x <http://www.earthquakesafety.com/earthquake-history.html>

^{xi} http://earthquake.usgs.gov/learn/topics/megaqk_facts_fantasy.php

^{xii} http://amazingdiscoveries.org/S-prophecy-Ellen_White-true-predictions-Bible

^{xiii} Ibid.

^{xiv} https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/List_of_wars_by_death_toll

^{xv} Ibid.

^{xvi} http://amazingdiscoveries.org/S-prophecy-Ellen_White-true-predictions-Bible

^{xvii} <http://www.sciencedirect.com/science/article/pii/S002196816090059X>

^{xviii} https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/James_Caleb_Jackson

^{xix} Ibid.

^{xx} <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Narcotic>

^{xxi} Oxford English Dictionary online

^{xxii} <https://www.nlm.nih.gov/medlineplus/ency/article/007489.htm>

^{xxiii} <http://definitions.uslegal.com/n/narcotic-drug/>

^{xxiv} EGW may not have known that opiates were narcotic. "He has led men into ... the use of the narcotic tobacco, of opium, and all other drugs which weaken the hold of the human family upon life." *Manuscript 5*, 1889, 3. Here she classifies tobacco as narcotic but opium appears to be in a separate category. She also suggests that people experience the same level of withdrawal as opium withdrawal with many other surprising things: "Let a person be habituated to the use of opium, and upon ceasing to take the drug, he suffers intensely. The same with tobacco, alcohol, coffee, tea, flesh-food, salt, &C., &C." *Health Reformer*, September 1, 1871.

^{xxv} <http://www.whiteestate.org/issues/Conflicts.asp>