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	~ "to prepare a people to stand in the great day of the Lord" ~

1. Review and Herald, March 22, 1887

There is nothing that Satan fears so much as that the people of God shall clear the way by removing every hindrance, so that the Lord can pour out his Spirit ... When the way is prepared for the Spirit of God, the blessing will come.

2. Letters and Manuscripts, Vol. 14 —Ms 74, 1899

There are two classes brought to view in the Word of God—the wise and the foolish.

3. Christ Triumphant, page 289 — Manuscript 1, 1902

The rebellion against God's law was begun by Satan in heaven. By this rebellion sin was brought into existence. . . . Satan insisted that God had not dealt with him justly. He criticized God's plan of government. He declared the divine law to be arbitrary, detrimental to the interests of the heavenly universe, and in need of change. . . . The questions to be answered were: Is God's law imperfect, in need of being amended or abrogated? Or is it immutable? Is God's government stable? Or is it in need of changes? Not only before those living in the city of God, but before the inhabitants of all the heavenly universe, were these questions to be answered.

4. Education, page 190

The Bible is its own expositor. Scripture is to be compared with scripture. The student should learn to view the word as a whole, and to see the relation of its parts. He should gain a knowledge of its grand central theme, of God's original purpose for the world, of the rise of the great controversy, and of the work of redemption. He should understand the nature of the two principles that are contending for supremacy, and should learn to trace their working through the records of history and prophecy, to the great consummation. He should see how this controversy enters into every phase of human experience; how in every act of life he himself reveals the one or the other of the two antagonistic motives; and how, whether he will or not, he is even now deciding upon which side of the controversy he will be found.

5. Education, page 154

Unselfishness, the principle of God's kingdom, is the principle that Satan hates; its very existence he denies. From the beginning of the great controversy he has endeavored to prove God's principles of action to be selfish, and he deals in the same way with all who serve God. To disprove Satan's claim is the work of Christ and of all who bear His name.

6. Desire of Ages, page 690

[Jesus'] humanity shrunk from the last, crowning sacrifice.

7. Ministry of Healing, page 479 / Desire of Ages, pages 224-225

God never leads His children otherwise than they would choose to be led, if they could see the end from the beginning and discern the glory of the purpose which they are fulfilling as co-workers with Him.

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