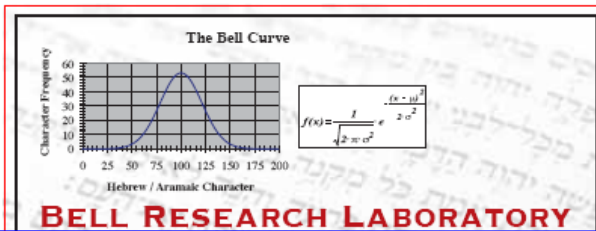
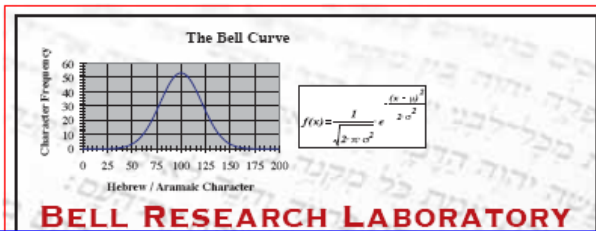


# Class #2: “The Test of New & Deeper Light”



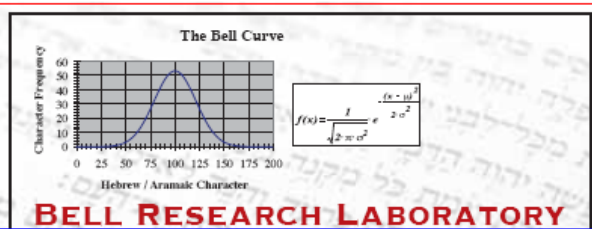
# Review & Introduction

- Reviewing the last (Does God Have Secrets?) presentation:
  - Should we be expecting both new and deeper light?
    - The information only appears to be “New & Deeper Light” from our perspective (it has always been there),
    - Truths of the Third Angel’s Message are constantly unfolding
  - Does everyone have access to this light?
    - The light of truth shines on anyone that is open to receive it.
  - What will the information look like?
    - Some of the information is interwoven within existing end-time prophecies
      - Ellen White sites Habakkuk 2:1-4 as just one example
  - In what way will this information likely come?
    - Very much out of the common order of things,
    - In a way contrary to human planning,
    - Surprising by how simple the messages are brought forth & given to others.



# The Bible Predicts New / Deeper Light

- The Bible itself states that additional information exists:
  - “your eyes saw my unformed body. All the days ordained for me were written in your book before one of them came to be.” Psalm 139:16 (KJV)
  - “It is the glory of God to conceal a thing: but the honor of kings is to search out a matter.” Proverbs 25:2 (KJV)
  - “The secret things belong unto the Lord our God: but those things which are revealed belong unto us and to our children for ever, that we may do all the words of this law.” Deuteronomy 29:29 (KJV)
  - “Surely the Lord God will do nothing, but he revealeth his secret unto his Servants the Prophets.” Amos 3:7 (KJV)
  - “But thou, O Daniel, shut up the words and seal the book, even to the time of the end...” Daniel 12:4 (KJV)



# Predestination or Free Will

- Romans 2:6-11, Ephesians 6:9, Colossians 3:25, James 2:1

- God is no respecter of persons:

- All men are equal in the eyes of the Lord,
- We are judged by our actions.

- If you do not obey the truth & obey unrighteousness:

- Indignation and wrath of God

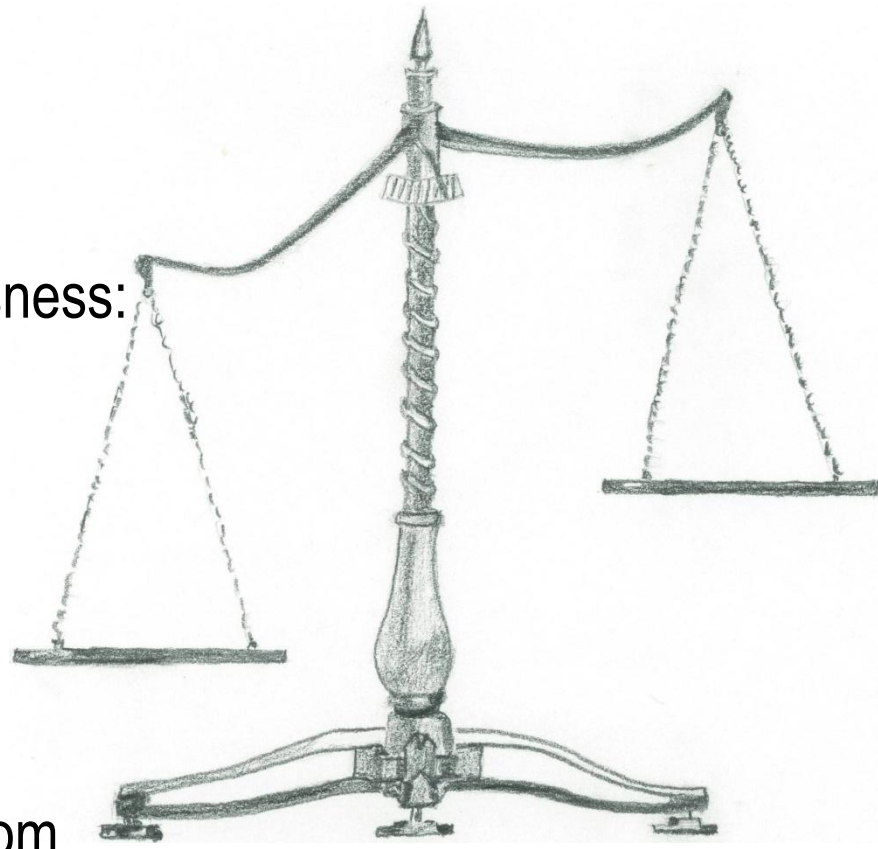
- If you worketh good:

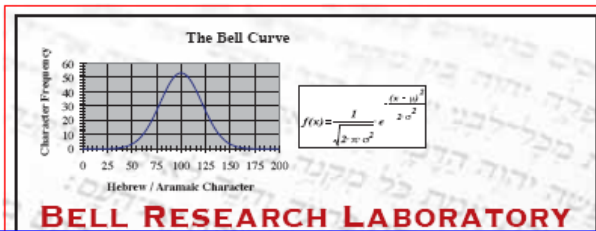
- Glory, honour, and peace

- No walls are built to keep any living soul from salvation:

- It is the obedient who are predestinated from the foundation of the world - *Manuscript Releases Volume Twenty-*

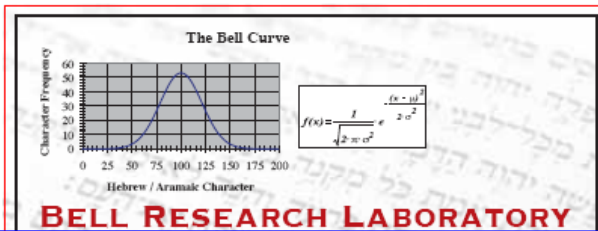
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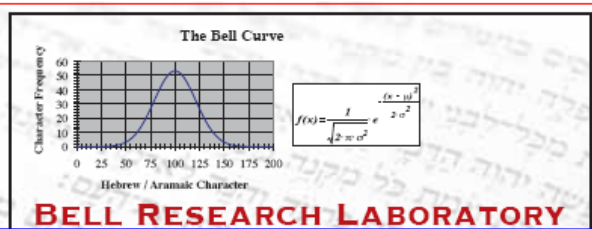
# The 12 Tests of a Prophet

- 1) “And if thou say in thine heart, how shall we know the word which the Lord hath not spoken? When a prophet speaketh in the name of the Lord, if the thing follow not, nor come to pass, that is the thing which the Lord hath not spoken, but the prophet hath spoken it presumptuously: thou shalt not be afraid of him.” Deuteronomy 18:21-22 (KJV)
- 2) “And he said, hear now my words: If there be a prophet among you, I the Lord will make myself known unto him in a vision, and will speak unto him in a dream.” Numbers 12:6 (KJV)
- 3) “He hath said, which heard the words of God, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling into a trance, but having his eyes open:” Numbers 24:4 (KJV)
- 4) “He hath said, which heard the words of God, and knew the knowledge of the most High, which saw the vision of the Almighty, falling into a trance, but having his eyes open:” Numbers 24:16 (KJV)
- 5) “For how can the servant of this my lord talk with this my lord? For as for me, straightway there remained no strength in me, neither is there breath left in me. Then there came again and touched me one like the appearance of a man, and he strengthened me, and said, O man greatly beloved, fear not: peace be unto thee, be strong, yea, be strong. And when he had spoken unto me, I was strengthened, and said, let my lord speak; for thou hast strengthened me.” Daniel 10:17-19 (KLV)
- 6) “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.” Jeremiah 28:9 (KJV)



## The 12 Tests of a Prophet (Cont.)

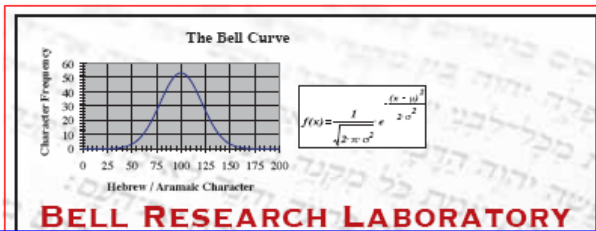
- 7) “Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.” 2 Peter 1:20 (KJV)
- 8) “For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake as they were moved by the Holy Ghost.” 2 Peter 1:21 (KJV)
- 9) “But he that prophesieth speaketh unto men to edification, and exhortation, and comfort. He that speaketh in an unknown tongue edifieth himself; but he that prophesieth edifieth the church.” 1 Corinthians 14:3-4 (KJV)
- 10) “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 (KJV)
- 11) “Beloved, believe not every spirit, but try the spirits whether they are of God: because many false prophets are gone out into the world. Hereby know ye the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesseth that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is of God: and every spirit that confesseth not that Jesus Christ is come in the flesh is not of God; and this is that spirit of antichrist, whereof ye have heard that it should come; and even now already is it in the world.” 1 John 4:1-3 (KJV)
- 12) “Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves. Ye shall know them by their fruits. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every good tree bringeth forth good fruit; but a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every tree that bringeth not forth good fruit is hewn down, and cast into the fire. Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.” Matthew 7:15-20 (KJV)



# The 12 Tests of a Prophet (Cont.)

Test Description	Pass / Fail
1) Prophecies come true.	
2) While sleeping has had a vision.	
3) Saw a vision in a trance with eyes open.	
4) Knew, in vision, the knowledge of the Most High.	
5) Has unusual strength during visions.	
6) A prophecy of peace comes to pass.	
7) No prophecy is of private interpretation.	
8) The prophet is moved emotionally by the Holy Spirit.	
9) Prophecy for the benefit of other people in understandable language.	
10) Speak in harmony with The Ten Commandments and the testimony of Jesus.	
11) Confesses that Jesus Christ has come in sinful flesh.	
12) By their fruits ye shall know them.	





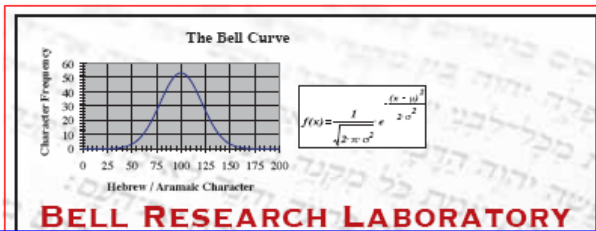
# The Test of New and Deeper Light: Fernando Chaij

\*New Light has the following three qualities:

- 1) It will be 100 percent in accord with the Word of God, and it will not depend on any whimsical and unbalanced interpretation of Scripture
- 2) It will not contradict any of the basic truths already established as immovable pillars in the doctrinal structure of the church
- 3) Those who proclaim the new light will not be infatuated with the idea that they are superior to their brethren, and that God has chosen them, bypassing His People.

\*Fernando Chaij, *Preparation for the Final Crisis*, page 31-32

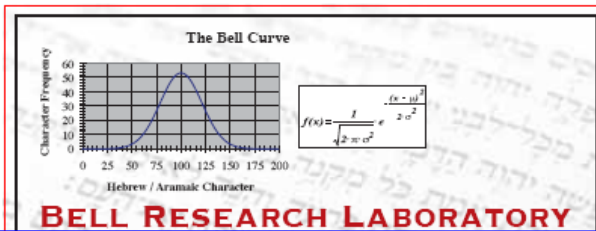




# The Test of New and Deeper Light: Ellen G. White

- Respect the rights of others by studying to see if their presumed new light is scriptural:
  - When a brother receives new light upon the Scriptures,
    - He should frankly explain his position,
    - Every minister should search the Scriptures to see if his points can be substantiated. - *Gospel Workers*, page 303

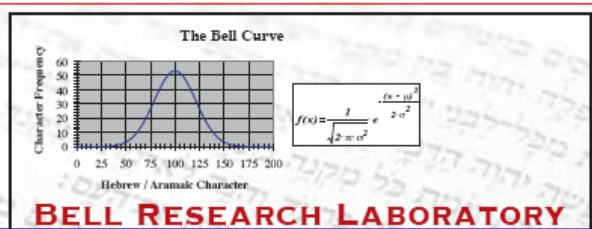
“And the servant of the Lord must not strive; but be gentle unto all men, apt to teach, patient, in meekness instructing those that oppose themselves; if God peradventure will give them repentance to the acknowledging of the truth.” 2 Timothy 2:24 and 25 (KJV)



# The Test of New and Deeper Light: Ellen G. White (Cont.)

## New or Deeper light must be:

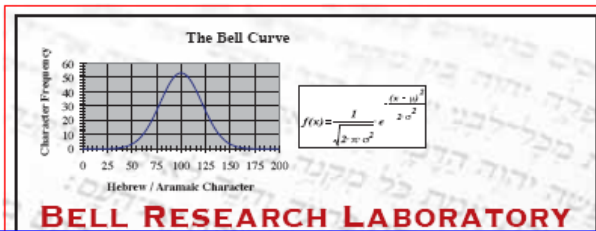
- 1) “To the law and to the testimony: if they speak not according to this word, it is because there is no light in them.’ **If the light presented meets this test, we are not to refuse to accept it because it does not agree with our ideas.** [emphasis added]” - *Gospel Workers*, page 300
- 2) “God has not passed His people by, and chosen one solitary man here and another there as the only ones worthy to be entrusted with His truth. He does not give one man new light contrary to the established faith of the body. In every reform men have arisen making this claim.” - *Testimonies For The Church Volume Five (1882-1889)*, page 291
- 3) “Let none be self confident, as though God had given them special light above their brethren.” - *Testimonies For The Church Volume Five (1882-1889)*, page 291



# The Test of New and Deeper Light (Cont.)

Test Description	Pass / Fail
1) 100 percent in accord with the Word of God.	
2) Does not depend on any whimsical and unbalanced interpretation of scripture.	
3) Does not contradict any of the basic truths already established as immovable pillars.	
4) The new / deeper light does not show that the messenger(s) is/are superior to their brethren.	
<b>*5) The new or deeper light must agree with the law and the testimony.</b>	
6) The information is not revealed to just one or two.	
7) God has not given the presenter of deeper or new light, special information above their other brethren.	

\* "If the light presented meets this test, we are not to refuse to accept it because it does not agree with our ideas." - *Testimonies For The Church Volume Five (1882-1889)*, page 291



# Conclusion: What The New / Deeper Light Means To Us

- The fact that we know that new & deeper light is coming is very good news indeed:
  - “Then thousands in the eleventh hour will see and acknowledge the truth.” - *Manuscript Releases Vol. 1*, page 179
  - “Behold, the days come, saith the Lord, that the plowman shall overtake the reaper, and the treader of grapes him that soweth seed.” Amos 9:13 (KJV)
- The message must & will be spread:
  - “These conversions to truth will be made with a rapidity that will surprise the church, and God's name alone will be glorified.” - *Manuscript Releases Vol. 1*, page 179
  - “As Christ was glorified on the day of Pentecost so will He again be glorified in the closing work of the gospel, when He shall prepare a people to stand the final test, in the closing conflict of the great controversy.” - *SDA Bible Commentary Vol. 7*, page 983

