

Stuff People Ask Me – Ellen White

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1. 1 Cor. 14:1 – God has established prophets and prophecy to guide His people from ages past till the coming of Jesus.
 - A. Amos 3:7 – God does nothing that has not first been revealed by His prophets.
 - 2 Pet. 1:21 – Men and women moved by the Spirit.
 - 1 Cor. 12:28 – Prophecy is to be active in the church.
 - Acts 2:17-18 – The Bible predicts men and women, boys and girls will be prophets for the Lord.
 - Rev. 12:17 & 19:20 – Prophecy is one of the signs of God’s true people in the last days.
 - Num. 12:6 – Through dreams and visions instruction has been, and will be given to God’s people.
 - Some interesting prophet stories from the Bible.
 - The two trains.
 - B. What about Ellen White?
 - Ellen Gould Harmon grew up in a happy family of eight children in Gorham, Maine. Father was a hat maker.
 - Ellen had a twin sister, Elizabeth.
 - While still a young girl a classmate seriously injured her on the way home from school.
 - The injury nearly took her life.
 - She received her first vision at the age of 16.
 - She was shown the trials God’s people would have in the last days.
 - While traveling she met James White, a minister three years older than herself.
 - They were married in late August, 1846.
 - They had four sons: Henry, Edson, Herbert, & Willie.
 - James died in his early 60’s from overwork.
 - Ellen’s work took her all across the United States numerous times, to Europe, and Australia.
 - She finally settled near St. Helena, California, where she died on July 16, 1915 at the age of 87.
 - Her greatest desire was to help people know Jesus.

Some Notable Accomplishments

- She wrote over 5,000 periodical articles.
- She authored 40 books, and after her death the White Estate has produced numerous compilations.
- Ellen G. White is the most published woman author of all time.
- She is also the most published American author of either gender.
- Pastors under the age of 40 of all denominations across America list Ellen White as one of their top five favorite authors.
- Over the course of her life Ellen White received over 2,000 visions. Some lasted just a few moments, and others lasted several hours.
- She wrote over 50,000 pages of manuscripts.
- She helped established printing presses all over the world.
- She encouraged the establishment of what has become the largest Protestant parochial school system in the world.
- She led the way in founding the medical work of the Seventh-day Adventist Church.
- Many ministers and doctors were given their education from Ellen White’s personal funds.
- When she died her neighbors remembered her as the nice old lady that so lovingly spoke to them of Jesus.