

The method I used is as follows:

● PROBLEM QUESTION: Did the Church reject the message of 1888?

Auxiliary Question I: What was the message of 1888?

- Supporting Question A. What do the General Conference minutes tell us?
- Supporting Question B. What was Mrs. White's message?
- Supporting Question C. What did E. J. Waggoner speak about?
- Supporting Question D. What did Mrs. White say in immediate retrospect?

Auxiliary Question II: What was the prelude to 1888?

- Supporting Question A. Why did Mrs. White refer to prior communication?
- Supporting Question B. What do previous General Conference minutes record?
- Supporting Question C. What was the relationship between the RH and the Signs?
- Supporting Question D. Did Mrs. White actually foresee the 1888 issue?

Auxiliary Question III: What was the aftermath of 1888?

- Supporting Question A. What do the Conference minutes reveal?
- Supporting Question B. What did Mrs. White say?
- Supporting Question C. How did Jones and Waggoner respond?
- Supporting Question D. What did Mrs. White say publicly?

Auxiliary Question IV: What is the interpretation of 1888 by Wieland and Short?

- Supporting Question A. What is the message of: In Search of the Cross?
- Supporting Question B. What is the content of 1888 re-examined?
- Supporting Question C. What do other Church historians say about 1888?
  - (1) Christian
  - (2) Spaulding
  - (3) Olson
  - (4) Froom
- Supporting Question D. What are the points of the Confession?

The following sections will concern themselves, in detail, with these questions. They will also provide documents and summary thoughts of manuscripts. This is to give the reader a history above the dispute of words.