

THE SACRED TESTING TRUTHS FOR THIS TIME

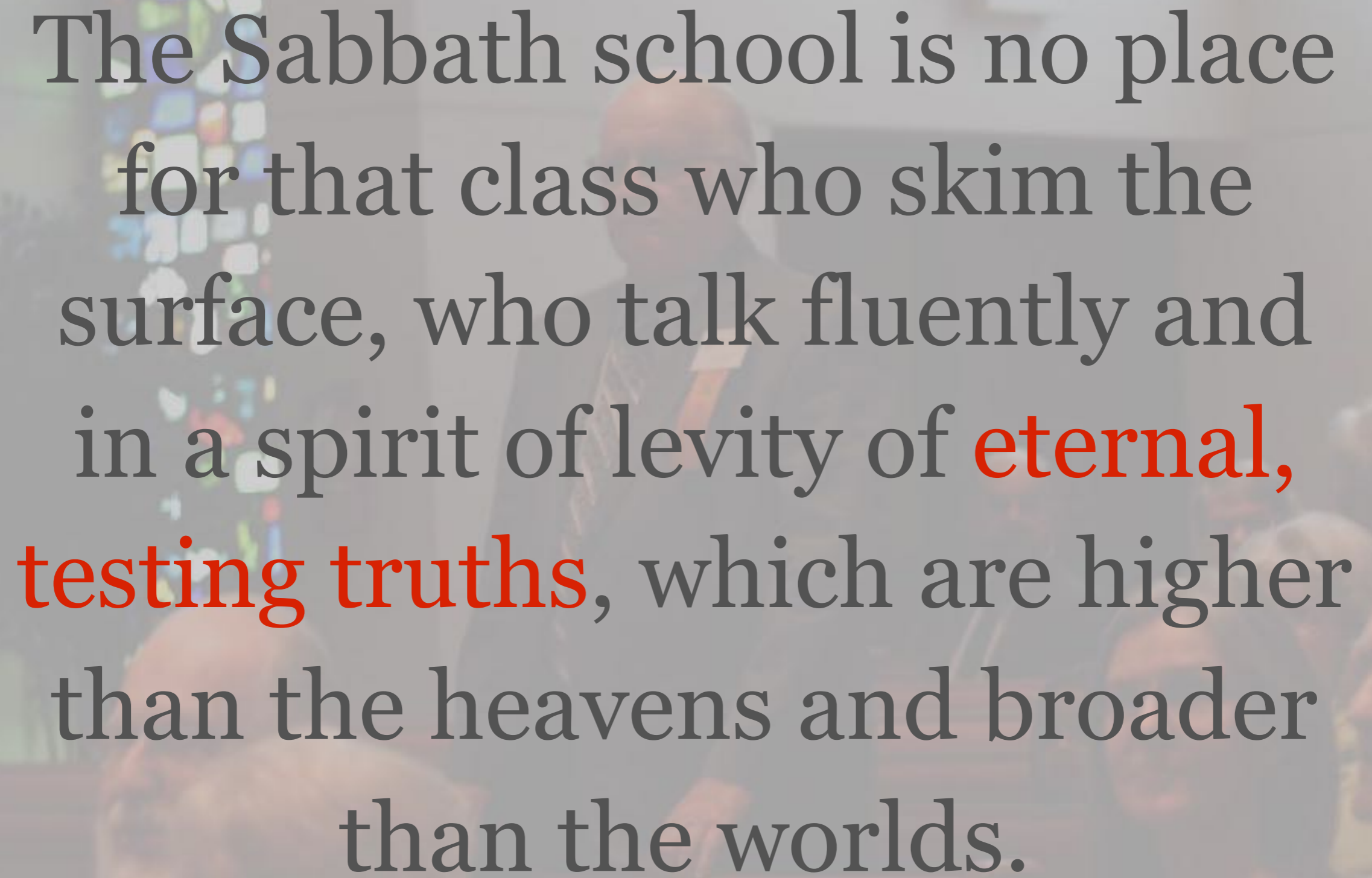
Luke 19:41–44

A close-up photograph of a hand holding a quill pen, writing on a document. The document is placed on top of a stack of several old, thick books. The scene is dimly lit, with a soft, warm glow. The text is overlaid on the image in a large, black, serif font.

In a letter in 1886, Ellen
White wrote:

A hand is shown writing in a notebook with a pen. The notebook is placed on top of a stack of several books. The background is a soft, out-of-focus light blue. The text is overlaid on the image in a dark, serif font.

Dear Brethren and Sisters to
whom are committed the
sacred testing truths for this
time:



The Sabbath school is no place
for that class who skim the
surface, who talk fluently and
in a spirit of levity of **eternal,**
testing truths, which are higher
than the heavens and broader
than the worlds.

When Jesus wept over Jerusalem, His tears were for all who are abusing their present privileges. He wept that so many who profess His name fail to become what God designed them to be; that they continue in sin and weakness, which He is able and willing to save them from if they will but come to Him.

Neglect of light is chargeable upon those whom God has entrusted with great and solemn truths.

Ingratitude for God's mercies, **abuse** of blood-bought privileges, stand registered against many in the books of heaven, and are treasuring up for them wrath against the day of wrath.

The eye of Jesus, looking down the ages, was fixed upon our time when He said, “If thou hadst known, even thou, at least in this thy day, the things which belong unto thy peace!”

Luke 19:42

Jesus is now looking from heaven above . . . unless there is in our churches a general arousing, unless there is an individual work of confessing and putting away sin, unless each shall give earnest heed to the things which belong to their peace, the words of Christ may be **at any moment** applicable to them: “Now they are hid from thine eyes.” Luke 19:42 (Letter 125, 1886; see also *The Review & Herald*, 11-02-1886)