

THE EVERLASTING GOSPEL

PART 1

I WANT TO DEAL WITH THIS MESSAGE IN THE LIGHT OF WHAT WE NOW SEE TAKING PLACE IN THE WORLD. I FEEL IT IS VERY TIMELY IN THE LIGHT OF THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN TRANSPIRING IN THE WORLD, TO BRING OUR THINKING UP TO DATE. I DO NOT CLAIM TO BE ANY MORE OF AN AUTHORITY ON WHAT IS TAKING PLACE IN THE WORLD THAN ANYONE ELSE, BUT THERE ARE THINGS TAKING SHAPE THAT WE SHOULD BE VERY INTERESTED IN, ALERT, AND CONCERNED ABOUT THE OUTCOME.

REVELATION 14:6

With the government of Yugoslavia splitting, Russia making such drastic changes, and the Middle East in such a turmoil, it behooves us to be concerned about certain Bible prophecies that are yet to be fulfilled. Those of you who know anything about history, especially Bible history, know the ancient area of Greece, which was the third world empire, sprang from what is Biblically called Mesopotamia. That covered Yugoslavia, Belgrade, and Greece. At the end of WW2, Marshall Tito formed an independent Communistic government that was unaligned with Russia. He lived to be quite old. All the rest of that area outside of Greece went strictly Communistic under the influence of Russia; but now, at the end of forty years since WW2, we find this Communistic area collapsing. What does this tell us? As they collapse, they have to become aligned with some kind of system to bring about world trade and commerce among themselves. No nation, especially in Europe, can exist independently. Our nation did exist very much independently for a long time; not having to depend too much on the rest of the world for anything. However, as we see the world moving toward the hour of time when the beast of Revelation 13, is definitely going to come to the forefront, and prophecy once again set in motion, you can rest assured, this nation will never again be like it was back then. The hand of God is striking every nation in one way or another, getting things in line for the end time wind up. As He breaks down the great Communistic empire, this religious element that has preached Communism as the antichrist for the last forty years, is going to have to look for something to take its place. This does not end Communism. It just ends its existence as a major, world, influential ideology. The end of Communism will definitely be God's judgment, when the time is right. First, things must be put first though; so Ezekiel 38 will have to be fulfilled before some of these other things come about. Until then, Russia will go on being Russia. She will no doubt have her internal problems, for we see it already going on, but that in no way keeps her from playing her role in the fulfillment of Ezekiel 38. We just have to realize, for such a long time now, many people have thought the Ezekiel 38 fulfillment would be masses of Russian troops coming to the Holy Land to be destroyed, but let us read it again. Yes I say, Let us read it again! Look at the nations that will be aligned with her for that hour. Libya is one. Just think of Khadafy. He has an army of Russian equipment, rockets, paratroopers and so forth, just clawing the earth, awaiting an hour that they can carry out his mischievous goal. Then there is Ethiopia. As Haile Selassie and his old monarchy fell a few years back, it brought in a Marxist government to take over. Now Ethiopia has the largest Russian equipped army in the Middle East. Yet according to the Jerusalem Post, Ethiopia is wanting to carry on certain types of trade in an agricultural way, because they have suffered severely from droughts in the last few years. You have seen on the News how Chad, eastern Kenya, and Ethiopia have suffered from these massive droughts. Hundreds and thousands of people have died. Ethiopia has tried to increase its agricultural potential, but it is still not able to meet the needs of the people. More than 15,000 Jews of the lost tribe of Dan are there yet, according to estimates. Now Ethiopia has agreed to let them go, if Israel will help them with technology in the agricultural realm. Israel will do that. She has already started to do it. Will that keep Ethiopia from playing her part in Ezekiel 38? Not at all. The hand of God just moves these things back to get His complete picture filled in. The middle East is being gradually brought into position for an eventual chaotic blow of some kind. As the Communistic world began to fall, Russia and these other nations willingly agreed with Israel to begin a process of letting the Jews of their territories go home. Israel has been sending their people into Russia to fill out the applications for the Russian Jews, trying to figure out how many really are wanting to come home to the land of their forefathers. Hundreds, even thousands, are desiring to go.

It is even estimated that as many as a million of them will be brought back within the next 5 years. I will read part of an article I have, which was taken from the Jerusalem Post, because it fits right into our message as we try to look at all of this for the future. We know that America has the largest Jewish community in the world. I think the last estimate was somewhere around 7 million. They are the Wall Street type that really have no reason to leave America. Here is what this article says. *"With the American Jewish community leadership readying itself to raise 420 million in 3 years for Soviet immigrant absorption in Israel, there were doubts about the prospect of any sizable grant from the U.S. administration. (Here is why it states that.) A statement last week by Prime Minister Shamir that immigration figures that large, will require that Israel be large as well, caused consternation in Washington."* Notice how the Western nations jump to conclusions. We need to realize that in the six day war of 1967, Israel succeeded in taking a certain amount of territory reaching all the way to the Jordan River. All of that is now called the West Bank. The Jordan River flows below sea level and the mountain regions lead to it. That is why it is called the West Bank. The Russians and the Arabs, as well as a lot of others, do not want Israel to occupy that west bank area they took. They want them to eventually give it up to the Palestinian Arabs. However, since the six day war, Israel has slowly moved out into those areas and rebuilt ancient villages right where the ruins of the old ones were, when the people were taken out of there captive, 2000, and 3000 years ago. The Arabs in there, as well as Russia, know if Israel holds all that land, unwilling to give it up, they have no other alternative but to shut the door and say, We will not let these Jews leave. In other words, you have got to work with us. *"The United Jewish appeals tentative new goals supersedes an earlier commitment of 350 million over five years. The campaign is to be called Operation Exodus, and is part of a world wide effort to raise six hundred million in the coming three years. The fund raising drive parallels an approach to secure additional U.S. governmental aid; and Senator Daniel of Hawaii is considering a proposal for a one time five hundred million grant to help Israel absorb the up to one hundred thousand Soviet immigrants expected this year. Informed sources say this will be extremely difficult due to the budget cutting mood in Washington."*

SEALING OF 144,000 SERVANTS OF GOD

In Revelation, chapter 7, we will read a few verses that show where the 144,000 men seen in chapter 14, following the Lamb, actually come from. The little chart we are using to call attention to the setting in Revelation 14, would not mean much to anyone if it could not be established where such a picture originated. Let me say to you who will never see the chart: It is meant to illustrate the scene chapter 14 opens with, where it speaks of a Lamb (We all know who the Lamb points to. It portrays Jesus the Christ, who is also pronounced in the Bible to be the Lamb of God.) standing on mount Sion with a great host of men standing with Him, having His Father's name written in their foreheads, and three angels seen flying in the heavens. Let us read in chapter 7, where we will see who these men are and where they will come from. (7:1) **"And after these things I saw four angels standing on the four corners of the earth, holding the four winds of the earth, that the wind should not blow on the earth, nor on the sea, nor on any tree."** This is not the north pole, south pole, eastern hemisphere and western hemisphere. The four corners of the earth definitely points to the Middle East. That is where north ends and south begins, where east ends and west begins. That is where the Bible started and where history started; and that is where it all cycles around back to at the end time. Time started in relationship to secular history from the Middle East, so that is where the four corners of the earth is pictured to be, if you can follow my thought. There are four angels seen standing there and another angel flying through the heavens is crying out something to them. (7:2) **"And I saw another angel ascending from the east, having the seal of the living God: and he cried with a loud voice to the four angels, to whom it was given to hurt the earth and the sea, Saying, Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads."** Of course we need to realize that these four angels mentioned here are the same four angels referred to in the 16th chapter of Revelation, which is the picture of the Middle East when the week of Daniel is coming to a close. There, one of the vial angels pours out a vial and it is said that the four angels that were bound in the Euphrates were loosed. That does not mean they were bound hand and foot with literal chains lying there in the river bed. You have to understand the language. They were hindered by this command,

Hold back, don't let the winds blow. *Don't create a universal disturbance "until."* When we come to the 16th chapter, the *until* has passed. The 144,000 have already been sealed and they have done their job. We know it also says in the 16th chapter, in relationship to those four angels, that he saw the Euphrates River dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared. Brothers and sisters, prophetic events in the world are coming about in such a way, 20th century Christendom is unaware of what is taking place right before their very own eyes. I mentioned the article I read in the paper which stated that the country of Turkey, in the water shed regions of the Euphrates and Tigris Rivers, has built a dam, and a hydroelectric dam system, to divert the Euphrates waters into that. I believe the article stated that it will take about two years to eventually fill this giant lake to capacity. I think it said they would only do this for about two months, and then they would start releasing. It said in the article that they have already suffered a drought situation for seven years, causing the Euphrates to flow at a very low level. Then, when you put a man made contraption like that across it to control the flow, to generate electricity, what do you think that does to the areas, the villages and cities below? In ancient times it was a fact, the Euphrates, at certain times of the year, in many places was impassable by an army of ancient means; which was horses, ox drawn carts, and such like. Therefore, it served as a barrier for world empires. However, in this 20th century, we know there are no such barriers to modern warfare. The river takes on a symbolism here, a sign to take note of, as other things develop. There definitely will be a fulfillment of this setting in the oncoming years. Whether it is eight, ten, twelve, or fifteen years in the future, the Euphrates will gradually come under the fulfillment of this prophecy. It will no longer be a barrier at any time of the year. Therefore, becoming a sign that when Revelation 16, at the end of the week of Daniel has fulfilled its course, there will be a war in the Middle East called Armageddon. Almost everyone anymore, will speak of this war, no matter where they stand spiritually. Let us read one more verse here in chapter 7, because time wise, this lets us see where we are since God is leading this element of Jews back into the land of Israel, that He may have a full representation of all twelve tribes back there when it is time for this next verse to actually be fulfilled. (7:4) **And I heard the number of them which were sealed: and there were sealed an hundred and forty and four thousand of all the tribes of the children of Israel.** When WW2 came to a close, it was basically the two southern tribes that occupied that certain territory allotted to them that came back to the land out of Europe. In the prophecies, God said He would bring Judah home and save her first. Why? To use her as the beginning of the restructuring and rebuilding of the nation of Israel, to fulfill prophecy. Then He would come on and save Joseph. You will remember that Joseph is one of the names, along with Ephraim, that the ten tribes of the north were known by. Therefore, after forty years of regathering, basically and primarily the two southern tribes that went by the name Judah, it is time for the other ten tribes to be brought back to the land for the end time wind up. Judah in the south stands out predominately because that is where the old city Jerusalem is. That is why it stands out in the problems of the world today. We know once Judah has established herself and the nation, the territories, to begin the fulfillment of prophecy, before this 7th chapter can come into play, there will have to be a sufficient representation of all the other ten tribes gathered from the ends of the earth, back into the land of their forefathers. That is precisely what is going on right now. It is God's hour for the ten tribes to come home, and they will not be forty years coming home, like Judah was forty years getting home and getting established, and growing in population. I believe their population is now running about 3.1 or 3.2 million Jews. That is not counting the Palestinian Arabs within the same territory. They are the ones causing the Jews all that trouble the News people are always speaking of. These other Jews are in the plan, but they did not have to come home and work to build cities, houses, and so forth. There is that urgent need to build houses to house these Jews that are coming back now, but we need not feel frustration in the matter. God is bringing them home to get them back there and get them ready for their end time role, because Gentile time is running out. As I see this beginning to take shape right in front of us, I do not believe we Gentiles have another twenty five years to make up our minds, Am I going to be a Christian or not?. We Gentiles have had the gospel for 1900 years; but you rest assured, The Jews will not be brought back to their homeland to mill around there a hundred years before God does something for them. Prophetic wise, as we look at the Middle East, the buildup of all this tension and pressure, something will eventually blow. When it does, it is going to bring an earth shaking

situation that will supersede anything the world has ever known before. They have had wars before, but none of them were the one this scripture is alluding to. The Arab nations keep massing their armament for an eventual onslaught that one day will have to be fulfilled. It all goes with this end time picture. With that in mind, as we continue with this thought, we will move out of the 7th chapter; and get to the 14th. Since the title of this message is The Everlasting Gospel, we must go to Revelation 14:6 to show why we would give it such a title, but before that particular verse can be fulfilled, those verses we have already looked at in chapter 7, will have to come into fulfillment. That of course is when the 144,000 servants of God receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost and the revelation of Jesus Christ. We know the seal they receive is the baptism of the Holy Ghost, and we find out from chapter 14, the rest of what they have received. Let us just go ahead and read the first 7 verses of chapter 14, before we say anything else, and you will be better able to understand the entire picture that is portrayed there. **"And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, (That could be none other than Jesus the Christ who was offered at Calvary as a Lamb without blemish, for the sins of lost mankind.) and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's name written in their foreheads. (This shows they have a revelation of who Jesus is.) And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps: And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth. These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God. And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people, Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come: and worship Him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."** Another thing we must be conscious of is the fact that the Jews who are to receive this seal, the baptism of the Holy Ghost, must be there in the land of Israel. They cannot receive it while in Russia, nor Pakistan, nor anywhere else except there in the land of their father's. They have got to be in the land of Israel. That lets us know why there is such a great move all of a sudden for Jews to return to Israel out of dispersion. It tells us plainly that there will be 144,000 of them sealed with this seal; twelve thousand from each of the twelve tribes of Israel. That never could have been fulfilled without something first causing those Jews from the ten Northern tribes to return to their home land. Until recently, the Jewish population in the land were mainly from the two Southern tribes called by the name Judah. Of course when you get to chapter 14, you have moved through time, for this picks up in the last three and one half years of the seventieth week of Daniel's prophetic week. In the first half of that week of years, the two prophets of Revelation 11 will come on the scene, and from all the representative tribes of Israel, this 144,000 servants of God will be sealed through their ministry. God will no longer be dealing with Gentiles to save them. Their dispensation of grace will be over, and as far as salvation, the Spirit of God will be dealing strictly with Jews. These two prophets (you can read about them in chapter 11) have one particular responsibility. Their first and foremost objective is to preach and prophesy a message to Israel that will cause 144,000 Jewish men to receive this same revelation they have, as well as the seal, which is the baptism of the Holy Ghost. After these two prophets have prophesied and preached for three and one half years, then we know from other scriptures that in the middle of that seven year week of time, the antichrist, the beast that rises up in Europe, shown in Revelation 13, will come into Israel. He will break that peace covenant he has made with many nations three and a half years earlier and will go on a rampage persecuting and slaughtering Jews. That is why I started out by mentioning the break up of Yugoslavia. You may say, What does this have to do with the geographical territory? Keep in mind, That is all in eastern Europe, but that was the ancient area of the third world empire. All of those areas of the ancient world empires, the Babylonians, the Medo Persians, then the Grecians; but the ten horn area is western Europe. Greece has been in the European Common Market for quite awhile, but she is not one of the horns. She is that portion of the geographical territory, you might say, that

makes up the neck connection, whereby it extends on back through the Medo Persian territory into Babylon. Because when you read about the beast of Revelation 13, it has the representation of all three empires preceding the Roman Empire. It has the feet of a bear, the mouth of a lion, and the body of a leopard. That was the Grecian Empire, which under Alexander the Great, was the land of Macedonia.

GOD HIMSELF SETS ALL THINGS IN THEIR PROPER ORDER

God Himself shapes these geographical areas for every hour of time. He is the master designer and fulfiller of world prophecy. Therefore, as we read Revelation 14, just remember, The time has come for the last half of Daniel's week to be fulfilled; so the Grace Age Bride of Christ has already gone to glory. Do not forget that. She has already been taken in what we commonly refer to as "The rapture of the Church." The middle of the week has come, the antichrist has entered Jerusalem with his international police force. He has taken control of Jerusalem. He has killed the two prophets and has set himself up in the restored temple that has (at that time) been built for the Messiah. He sets himself up in it and says to the world, *You will worship me as God*. In his 2nd letter to the Thessalonians, the apostle Paul wrote of this, no doubt taking his revelation from the 11th chapter of Daniel where it is laid out so completely. Concerning the rapture, (or the gathering together unto Christ of the Church) he said this, "**Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except (or until) there come a falling away first, and that man of sin (the Antichrist) be revealed, the son of perdition; Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God sitteth in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.**" When the Pope of the Roman Catholic Church does all that he will have to do to fulfill that scripture, he will also have the two prophets of Revelation 11, killed; and that moves time to the point where chapter 14, which we have already read 7 verses of, is ready to be fulfilled. Therefore the 144,000 men shown following the Lamb, (which is what we have tried to show in the little chart we have on the wall back here), are not to be thought of as a literal scene that will be viewed in the land of Israel in that hour. This is all symbolic. We all know who the Lamb represents symbolically, and the fact that they are seen in verse 4 following the Lamb wheresoever He goeth, is just God's way of having John write it so we could get the revelation that they are to be led entirely by the **Spirit** of Jesus Christ (the sacrificial Lamb of God) which they have been sealed with. "**And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion,** (That is where the city of Jerusalem is built.) **and with Him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's name written in their foreheads.**" These are the first fruits of the Jewish conversion that comes out of the preaching and prophesying of those two prophets. Many of them will be from among that great mass of immigrants coming back from the nations of the world. As I have already stated, That is why they have to be back there. This prophesy could not be fulfilled while the ten Northern tribes were scattered to the four winds of the earth. Think of this though, "**having His Father's name written in their foreheads.**" The name of the Lamb's Father written in their foreheads leaves a lot of people scratching their heads, because they do not know what the name of the Lamb's Father is. You will never know what His name is as long as you believe this sovereign God is three persons. Saints: The name **JESUS** itself, is the name of God. It is the name given to the little baby born of virgin birth to a young lady in Israel more than 1900 years ago. An angel of the Lord was sent to tell them to give Him that name, and it was for a very specific reason. The Hebrew equivalent of that name is Joshua, and that is the redemption name of the Father. That is why Jesus would say, I am come in my Father's name. (John 5:43) "**I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.**" That was a reference to the Antichrist, who will truly come in his own name. (John 17:6) "**I have manifested thy name unto the men which thou gavest me out of the world: thine they were, and thou gavest them me; and they have kept thy word.**" Listen to this, (John 10:25) "**Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.**" What other name did Jesus ever mention? You have to know the name of the Father in order to fulfill Matthew 28:19, that so many people are hung up on. Jesus did not go around saying, The name of my father is **JESUS**. He left that for the Holy Ghost to reveal to the true seed of God scattered out here in the world. I will just have to explain it this way; Jesus is the Greek word we use, but the Hebrew word was Joshua. There was no word in the English language that could have been used, so they used the Greek

name. However, we are not arguing about what His name is. This is just to clarify what we read from Rev.14:1 for the benefit of those who might not know already. We have a lot of Gentile people today getting carried off into extremes. As God revealed Himself in the Old Testament, I have no doubt in my mind that Jehovah (as it is spelled in the King James translation of the Bible) was the name. In the Hebrew it was Yahweh. That is why some of these Gentiles that are preaching Yahweh, are trying to convince us that we are pagans simply because we will not use that true name of God. At least that is what they say. I have no intention of using any other name than the one our English language gives us. Now let me give an illustration of what I am looking at. I was not born to speak Hebrew, neither were any of you sitting here. I am just a descendant of those people in Babylon a few thousand years ago that God confused their language one night, but we are an English speaking people. We relate ourselves in communication by our English language. Therefore, let me just say this; When people want to debate an issue like this, here is what it comes down to: If I would go to that, then I had better learn to start preaching and communicating in Hebrew. If I am speaking a language that is pagan, I will have to change more than just the name of God in my present vocabulary in order to be right. However, I want you to know, The English language is not pagan. My ancestors, in their spiritual makeup, were pagans, but that does not make the English language pagan. Why do I say that? Because the language came from God, not the devil. Let me use another illustration of what I mean. My English name is Raymond. In Spanish it is Ramon, and in Hebrew it is Reuben; but do not call me Reuben because Reuben defiled his father's bed. I hope you know what I mean. You find a lot of Gentiles that can go side ways and backward, but not forward. They will play with one word for forty years and never go anywhere with God. Therefore, when these 144,000 servants of God get the seal and the name of the Lamb's Father, here is how we have to understand that in the light of the scriptures. We are going to explain it in our English language. When it is written in our New Testament that the baby conceived in the womb of that virgin was called Jesus, because they were told by the angel of the Lord that His name shall be called **Jesus**, what more is there to say about it when you know the name of the Father is the same as the Son? To compare the name Jesus with the Joshua of the Hebrew, it simply means, He will save His people, or Jehovah Savior. I want you to realize, there were other Jewish children born in that same period of time who were also named Joshua, or Jesus; but did that mean their name meant Jehovah Savior? Or He will save his people? No. They were not Jesus the Christ. The name Jesus, or Joshua, which ever you may call it, was given to the child to be identified by in that Jewish society; and the man Himself was not Jesus the Christ until He was incarnated by that Spirit which is the Father, there at the Jordan river at age 30. At 30 years of age, the Son that was begotten of God and born into this world from the womb of a young virgin, went to the Jordan River to be baptized by John the Baptist. When John baptized Him, the heavens were opened unto Him and the Eternal Spirit descended in a bodily form like unto a dove and rested upon Him. No, it was not a literal bird. It was a manifestation of the great eternal Spirit, the Creator that had begotten Him by His own word. The Spirit that was symbolized by that dove went on into the person of the man called Jesus. In other words, God entered His Son in the fullness of all of His divine attributes, or qualities. The whole headship of God, with all of His divine attributes, was literally expressed in and through Him. God was concealed in His Son, but that same God was also revealed through the Son. God is dwelling in the person of a man, and the man He is dwelling in became the Anointed One of God because of it. He was not the Anointed One before the incarnation. However, being the Anointed One, He was moved to reveal that redemptive name of Jehovah. It has been Jehovah in Him, saving His people, ever since that hour. That is why Jesus said in St. John 5, "**I am come in my Father's name.**" Here is how we have to understand it. That is the family name that God, the Eternal Spirit, the Creator, the one doing the redeeming by and through His begotten Son, is called by. Jesus is His family name; just as we have our earthly family names. Whatever your name is, that is your family name; but it did not start with you. You can no doubt go back several years with it. Yes, this Jesus we preach about is Jesus the Christ because of the anointing Spirit of the Father dwelling in Him. If the anointing had not come upon, and in Him, He would have just simply gone on through life being known by the name Jesus, just as other Jews have; but He never would have been called **Jesus the Christ**, the begotten Son of God. It was the anointing that made the name Jesus begin to take on the twofold meaning.

A GREAT MULTITUDE FOLLOWING A LAMB

Turning our attention back to the 144,000 men John saw standing on mount Zion with the Lamb, we need to remember this: These men have received this wonderful revelation of Jesus Christ through the preaching and prophesying of the two witnesses of Revelation 11:3 sometime during the first 3 ½ years of that last week of Daniel's 70 weeks prophesied to Israel centuries ago. Notice, "**And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth.**" Brother, I want you to know, Those two Jews will not be running around Israel telling Bible stories just for the sake of talking about the Bible. Any Bible story they tell will be for the sake of vindicating their revelation concerning the Jew's messiah and the things that are shortly to come upon the nation of Israel. They will have a genuine revelation of who Jesus the Christ, that their father's crucified, really is; and they will know by then why He was rejected by them. It was so we Gentiles could be included in this wonderful plan of salvation God has worked out so perfectly. Their very own testimony to that nation is what accounts for the 144,000 men being sealed and revealed. Notice verse 1, again, for emphasis upon the Lamb's Father's name written in their foreheads. "**And I looked, and, lo, a Lamb stood on the mount Sion, and with him an hundred forty and four thousand, having His Father's name written in their foreheads.**" When will that scene John saw in the Spirit more than 1900 years ago become literal upon earth? Their ministry will start exactly in the middle of that 70th week of Daniel when the old pope breaks the covenant of peace he has been made custodian over, and starts to persecute Jews. The two prophets themselves will be his first targets, because their preaching and prophesying will have made his life a living hell on earth. Not only will they be revealing to their Jewish brethren who the Messiah is, they will also be revealing to them the true identity of the Antichrist, who has sat at the head of this false church for centuries. They will tell them what is ahead for Israel, because of what the Bible says he (the Antichrist) will do in that last 3 ½ years of time. Therefore, as this scene begins to unfold, the middle of the week has come, the two prophets are dead, and this 144,000 are positioned, spiritually, not geographically, ready to flee into the nations of the world to fulfill their calling. That brings us to verse 2, so let us read it. (14:2) "**And I heard a voice from heaven, as the voice of many waters, and as the voice of a great thunder: and I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps.**" Oh, I tell you saints, these Church of Christ people that have carried on so about others having music in their assemblies are going to have something to talk about for sure when this scene becomes known to them. They fuss and they preach, and they argue and they harp about a lot of things, but they harp without any harps. I am not making fun of them. I am just stating a known fact about them. The first time I was ever baptized was in a Church of Christ church. I just simply did not know any better. I have heard them sing from time to time, and much of their singing is enjoyable to listen to, especially to people who do not know how they feel about music in the church. They cannot see musical instruments in the New Testament writings, so they will have none of it. Well I say, They should have gone to the book of Revelation. "**And I heard the voice of harpers harping with their harps.**" This is not just a bunch up there harping for no reason. They are singing! Praise God! Listen to this. (14:3) "**And they sung as it were a new song before the throne, and before the four beasts, and the elders: and no man could learn that song but the hundred and forty and four thousand, which were redeemed from the earth.**" All of this has accomplished its first purpose. There they stand. Spiritually, they have a revelation. They know exactly where the Spirit of God has been through all the centuries past, while the Jews have been in dispersion. The Jews today still do not understand why we Gentiles accepted Jesus Christ as the Jewish Messiah. They do not see how such a thing could have any merit. They do not understand it now, but they will then. We always need to keep in mind, blindness in part has happened to them until the fullness of the Gentiles has come in. That means, Until every predestined Gentile foreknown by the Father to accept Jesus Christ as his or her personal Savior and Lord has had their chance to respond to His wooing, the fullness of the Gentiles has not come in. I personally feel that we are just about there, and that the last one shall soon be dealt with. If so, that means time is running out for us. God does not deal with Jews and Gentiles both at the same time, except in the lives of individuals. Therefore, He is getting the stage set to withdraw His convicting Spirit from the Gentiles that have had it for almost two thousand years and return to the Jews in the nation of Israel where the

whole gospel story originated. Whatever is left for Gentiles to do, will no doubt be a quick work. Their (the Jew's) picture is going to come into focus pretty soon.

UNDEFILED VIRGINS

Verse 4, is an important verse for us to read, but it has to be read in the proper light. (14:4) "**These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb.**" It says, "**They are virgins.**" Let me explain this. If I told you that this was a bunch of young Jewish men that have chosen to live a celibate life, never to be married to a woman, I told you wrong. This has to be understood in this light as we take note of why it has been so hard for Gentile Christians, preachers, evangelists, missionaries and so forth, to deal with any Jewish society down through the centuries of time since that first century. The truth is, They just simply could not swallow that idea of a three person god that the Trinitarians have tried so hard to push off on them. It was not difficult for the apostle Paul to deal with them in his day when he would come among the Gentiles, and would first go into the Jewish synagogue to preach Christ to his Jewish brethren. Give Paul two hours to preach and it would not be long until he would have a Jewish convert. Most all of Paul's churches, as you read of his ministry in the book of Acts, were no doubt started with Jewish converts. What better interpreter could he have ever hoped to have than a local Jew that knew the language of the people he wanted to preach to? He always had a burden for his Jewish brethren according to the flesh; therefore, he would naturally want to preach to them every place he would go; so he would kill two birds with the same stone, (as the old saying goes), and go to them first. He could preach to them in the mother tongue (Hebrew), and then he would get his interpreters from those that were converted to Christianity. Of course, he had problems from the Jews who did not believe, but that never did keep him from preaching the truth to them. Read the book of Acts and see what that apostle of Christ suffered at the hands of many, because he preached it just like he understood it and let the chips fall where they would fall. Read the story in the book of Acts where Paul went into Ephesus and found a dozen men that would believe truth. He went into the synagogue and waited his opportunity. He was a Jew; so he chose to go to this Jewish setting. As I just stated, His idea was, The gospel was to the Jew first, and then to the Gentile. Therefore, he would go to the synagogue and wait his opportunity to speak (according to their custom) then he would preach Christ to them, proving it by their own scriptures in the scrolls they were using. The anointing of the Spirit enabled him to put the Old Testament scriptures together in the light of the New Testament dispensation, and show how God's wonderful plan of salvation spoken of by the old prophets was being fulfilled. Naturally, they did not all believe, but he rejoiced over the one's who did because he could see the Holy Ghost moving in their heart's. There in Ephesus, as Paul got a few converts from that group, the big shots of the synagogue rose up and thrust them out, but Paul took his little group, went right next door to the synagogue and started a place of worship. This gave other hungry Jews that somehow or other might not have understood the confusion and argument that took place in the synagogue, a chance to investigate further into that new teaching; and God continued to get a nucleus of believers from them. During that time, Gentile friends began to come in, and that is where that great revival fire burned until (as the Bible says) all Asia heard the word of the Lord Jesus. Those churches in Asia, came into being as a result of that great revival at Ephesus. However, as that first generation of Christianity began to leave the scene, the devil began to sow his tares among those who were left, and eventually the Church ended up in a darkened state. The original truth preached by those first age Christians became so polluted and so perverted, it could not accomplish its original purpose; so the true Church just existed in the minority until the Reformers began to come upon the scene and protest that old Catholic dogma. Well, the Church began to revive, but those Reformers still carried their trinity teaching everywhere they went; so that is why it has been so hard for Gentiles to try to witness to Jews. It is all because we drifted so far from the original preaching and teachings of what the apostles taught. God in no way was going to let those Jews, (at least not in any large quantity) be converted to a Gentile, pagan creed. That is why the trinity is strictly Gentile paganism. It was established at the Nicea council in 325 A.D. and has remained to be a Gentile pagan understanding of the Godhead and the

gospels. Yet there are educated doctors of divinity today that will climb the wall if you talk about the oneness of the God of Israel; but I say, Let them climb the wall, for that is exactly what the Bible teaches: That God is one, not three persons. Listen to Deuteronomy 6:4. "**Hear, O Israel: the Lord our God is one Lord.**" He is a Spirit, not a person. John 4:24, declares that, and it needs no interpretation nor explanation. It says, "**God is a Spirit: and they that worship him must worship Him in spirit and in truth.**" The Trinitarians say, Yes, but He is manifested in three persons? I say, That is not so. That is another one of Satan's lies. He is a Spirit. He never has been a person. Oh Bro. Jackson, Moses saw Him. Moses saw a manifestation of Him, nothing else. To say anything different is to make John the Baptist a liar, because He said, (John 1:18) "**No man hath seen God at any time; the only begotten Son, which is in the bosom of the Father, He hath declared Him.**" Tell me how anyone can read that and still get three person's out of it. You cannot even see one person, because a spirit is not a person. It is true He manifested Himself in certain forms in the Old Testament, but those forms were always portraying something future; and certainly none of them were meant to be taken as His permanent physical form as a person. When He did come down to earth to dwell in a physical form, it was not His own body He dwelled in. It was the physical body of His only begotten Son whom He had begotten by a virgin birth. From that time on, it has been the God of creation dwelling in the physical body of that Son, anointing Him with His deity, leading Him, speaking through Him, healing through Him, feeding the multitude through Him, and even walking on the water through Him. The man called Jesus would have sunk like a rock if God the Creator had not been in Him. The law of gravity that God put here would have taken Him down if the Creator of the force of gravity had not been there to keep Him from sinking. All of this was done for a specific purpose; so you will find no record where Jesus ever walked on water again. He was not here to put on a show for people to watch. He was here as a vessel through which the great Creator could express His divine attributes. Therefore, when anyone saw Jesus both physically and spiritually, they saw both the Father and the Son; but that still did not make God the Creator a person. When Jesus was crucified, raised up by the power of God, taken into heaven and seated on the right hand of the Father, that still does not make God the Father a person. There are not two person's sitting on a throne in heaven. Jesus is the only person of the God head you should ever expect to see, because He is the only person of it. The same Spirit that was in Him came back on the day of Pentecost and entered into those disciples that had waited for the promise of the Father, like Jesus had instructed them to do. This then, is that same God which is Spirit in substance, in the office of His third work, properly called, The Holy Ghost, or The Holy Spirit; but regardless of which term you use, He is not a person. The Holy Spirit in believers is a measure of God Himself dwelling in His children to enable them to live an overcoming life in this world. Every true child of His has that sufficient measure. This is the same Spirit that has led us out of those systems of religion, and given us a revelation of the apostolic truth preached by those first age Christians. We were in those systems and God brought us out, but this 144,000 servants of God sealed with the Holy Ghost, will be men who have never been defiled with the teachings of those places. Therefore, it can be said, "**These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins.**" Who are the women? Not a bunch of street walkers in New York or Chicago, but this denominational, Gentile Christendom as you see it here in the 20th century. Just drive through Louisville, Kentucky, Chicago, Illinois, St. Louis, Missouri, or any other city you can think of, and you will see every kind of religious this and that, advertised on their signs. This nation especially, has churches of every description of Gentile origin. Please bear with me saints. I am not condemning the individuals who have lived for God to the best of their ability to do so in those systems of religion. When I was first baptized in the Church of Christ Church, I did not know any better. It is the spirit of those systems, that is antichrist; therefore, their revelation of the Godhead and their teaching is also anti revelation truth. They cannot by any stretch of the imagination produce a true son of God. All they can produce is another church member like unto themselves. That is why they have to advertise like they do. They try to advertise some gimmick that will attract a crowd, hoping somehow to glean a few new members that will help them try to get a few more. You can make church members in a variety of ways, but it takes the Holy Ghost and the truth of God's word to produce a true child of God. We have been passing through a span of time when these various denominational systems have been stepping stones for us to find our way back to God. They each one had a

certain amount of truth, but none of them have ever had a full revelation of truth. If you have ever thought for one minute that God delights in making Baptists, Presbyterians, Unitarians, Episcopalians, Lutherans and Catholics, forget it. All of that is reminiscent of the fact that Christendom, from the ancient apostolic picture, went off into Babylonian confusion. That is why it is pictured in Revelation 17:1-5, as a bunch of harlots and abominations of the earth that came out from a mother which is called a great whore. We have all of that in print already, so I will not go on into a full explanation at this time. I will just say this, The Spirit of God is no longer in those denominational churches. What they have now, that they believe is the Spirit of God, is a spirit of deception. Does not the Bible itself say that God Himself will send strong delusion upon those who have no love for the truth? Let us just read 2nd Thessalonians 2:8-12, and let the Bible say to you what I am saying.

"And then shall that Wicked (or wicked one) be revealed, whom the Lord shall consume with the spirit of His mouth, and shall destroy with the brightness of His coming: Even him, whose coming is after the working of Satan (the antichrist man) with all power and signs and lying wonders, And with all deceivableness of unrighteousness in them that perish; because they received not the love of the truth, that they might be saved. And for this cause God shall send them strong delusion, that they should believe a lie: That they all might be damned who believed not the truth, but had pleasure in unrighteousness." Gentile missionary endeavors have been carried on in the last hundred years, trying their level best to get the Jews saved. There is nothing wrong with having a desire to see Jewish people saved, but let me say this, If you have ever heard a Jew testify, one that was truly a converted Jew, always remember, it was the Spirit of God that did a work in his life; and you will hear such a person testify of how he was made to know that the Spirit of God convicted him of his sin and unbelief, and so forth. Until this last day, when truth is finally coming forth that lets the Gentile Church see herself in the Bible, God worked through the denominational church realm to get attention turned toward Him; but the Jewish society as a whole was never touched in this manner, by the understanding of most Gentiles in those hours of time. God has saved the nation of Israel itself for this hour. Therefore, when those two prophets come on the scene, they will not be preaching Methodism, Lutheranism, Catholicism, Presbyterianism, nor any other kind of ism. They will be preaching the gospel relative to the salvation of those Jews God has foreknown, and they will be sealed with the baptism of the Holy Ghost. God will not allow the Jewish nation to become Methodists. If they become Methodists, it would be just another mess of confusion. No, they will not be defiled. **"These are they which were not defiled with women; for they are virgins. These (the 144,000 men) are they which follow the Lamb whithersoever He goeth. These were redeemed from among men, being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb."** You cannot be a Methodist man of God, and follow Jesus. If you are a Methodist, you have to follow the church orders, or they will put you out. You may think you can be a good dedicated Methodist and love God, but you cannot; because the hierarchy of Methodism has a certain stipulation that you have to go by. If you say, I feel led to go here, and do such and such, they will say, No. You are going to go here. If you refuse to follow the program, we will not support you. I cannot just dwell on that, but this 144,000 men will not have to write to headquarters anywhere to find out what they are allowed to do. This 144,000 receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost and a revelation of truth, and they are going to be subject to no earthly dictates. They will be as free to follow the leading of Christ as Paul, Peter, Jude, John, and all of them were. They are going to be subject to the Holy Ghost. The Holy Ghost (to define it exactly) is the combined Spirit make up of God the Father and His only begotten Son in whom He dwells. They are inseparable; and the Son was always subject to the leading of the Father. That is why the Lamb is the symbol of the Spirit of God that was in Jesus; simply because Jesus was led about, just like a little lamb. Did Jesus go down the road of life preaching among the Jewish society, only in places where some committee of men had set up meetings for Him? You know that is not the way it was. That is why I have repeatedly said, You never knew when Jesus would come knocking on your door. No. They never knew when He was coming to Jerusalem. One day He would be in Capernaum; and another day He was somewhere else. Why? Because His own testimony was, I do whatsoever the Father shows me. No one could have changed His plans, for He had no plans of His own choosing, as far as what He was to do spiritually. When you are led by the Spirit of God, you do not have to work out every little detail yourself. God takes care

of opening up the doors He wants you to walk through. Brothers and sisters, that is exactly how this 144,000 will be led. They will not have a committee from the Baptist Seminary going before them setting up meetings. No, they are virgins (undefiled by denominational systems of religion). They will not be subject to church headquarters anywhere. Once they have heard the two prophets of chapter 11, their only desire will be to please God by doing HIS perfect will in the little time that will be remaining before His judgment strikes the world. In other words, They will have a job to do, and the same Spirit that was in Jesus, leading Him, is the one that will be leading them. That is why they follow the Lamb. The Spirit of Jesus in them will tell each one to go here, there, and wherever there are souls that must hear their gospel.

**WORLD CONDITIONS JUST BEFORE GOD SENDS THE 144,000
TO PREACH THE LAST GOSPEL**

It is very strange, how in our Gentile Bible schools today, and in seminaries around the world, attention is directed to some of the great Gentile preachers and evangelists that have stood out in preeminence down through time; yet when you read the testimonies of these men, they were men that were subject to the leading of God. They went out and did what God wanted done, placing themselves at His disposal, which is something almost unheard of in the denominational institutions themselves. They like to read about Charles Spurgeon, Moody, and these various men because it presents a stimulating, drawing factor; but they cannot take the lesson they read from and apply it to their students, lest it wreck their denominational church policies. Let us just take a look at our 20th century society the world over (after I remind you of something). Do not put a literal Lamb on Mt. Zion leading this great multitude. The Lamb is figurative, and we must keep it that way as we think upon this scene in our Bible that is soon to be a reality. These will follow the leading of the Spirit of God, which is the Spirit of Jesus Christ in them. They will do exactly what He says to do. They will preach exactly what He says to preach. They will preach it the way He wants it preached, because they will make themselves subject to no earthly headquarters or board. **"These were redeemed from among men, (Jewish men) being the firstfruits unto God and to the Lamb. And in their mouth was found no guile: for they are without fault before the throne of God."** The word firstfruits, does not mean they are the only Jews that are saved. You have to understand what the word firstfruits is applying. We know this, Jesus is referred to also in 1st Corinthians 15:20, as firstfruits. Notice, **"But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept."** Does that mean He is the only one that is going to rise from the dead? No, it just means He is the first one that came forth from the dead, but there are going to be a lot of others rise from the dead. Who are they? They that are in Christ. That is how you have to read this. These are the first and foremost, because God has a job for them to do. However, the secondary is where you take that same seal they receive and that revelation they have, and you place it over in the 12th chapter of Revelation. There you see the entire remnant of the whole house of Israel, men, women, young people, old and children alike. Verse 5, **"And in their mouth was found no guile."** No tradition of religion, no religious hypocrisy. They are not going out there to preach and gain a name for themselves. They will have an objective and commission from God to go to the nations and fulfill. Therefore, whatever they open their mouths to utter, it is going to be the truth of God for their hour of time. **"For they are without fault before the throne of God."** Now that positions them ready to fulfill their mission. They are clean. They are sealed. They are not hypocrites. They know in their soul what they are going to do, so let us watch them. Before I read what they are to do, I want to give us a background. Let us look at our modern society. Here in the last few years in our schools of learning, in the highest degree, and in America's political arena, this nation that was once Christian oriented, is now a nation that is being controlled by Satan. I did not say everyone in it was being controlled by the devil. Our nation itself is being controlled, and perverted, and influenced by Satan. Yet our politicians are saying we are the great society. We are, but we are all mixed up. That is the devil's plan; mix it all up. What do you mean by that Bro. Jackson? Well, we take out the death penalty. We are not going to send a man to the electric chair just because he rapes an innocent woman. We do not think that is right to take a man's life. Listen to me! Rape is rape, whether it is 1990 A.D. or 421 B.C. In the Old Testament, they did not spend the tax payer's money trying him, finding out whether he was guilty. God had His way for them to handle such things and you can take my word for it. No such man ever got away with

it. There is such a mess of perversion of justice in this nation, the gangsters and hardened criminals have more rights than the law abiding citizens. This decay of our social structure has led our nation to a pitiful place. We have an element of people in the image of leadership today that look upon humanity as nothing but little evolutionary specs of matter. We are created (according to them) by a process of scientifically proven evolution. Therefore, they have proved, (at least by their thinking), that God did not create us like the Bible says He did. They have proved that God does not exist. Everything started with a bang. Because of this trend I say, If God leaves time to run on uninterrupted another few years, the hour will be that there will be no such thing as any mention of a sovereign God. You know that is the truth. They do not want God mentioned in a lot of places even today, and especially not as having any power to do anything today. They are making movies using the name Jesus in a blasphemous, derogatory way. They are zeroing in on Christians of America that do not want to be associated with such rotten entertainment. Jesus Christ, to a lot of people today, is a name to laugh about in a derogatory manner. In many of our schools, they teach the children that there is no such thing as Jesus the Christ, the Savior of lost mankind. We are not sinners, they say. You only are if you believe you are. They do not want you to be a Christian, nor to have certain qualities of moral character. That is why we have an immoral, sin sick society. It is not just in America. This sort of thing is going on, the world over. Therefore, as this 144,000 stand ready to do what these three angels are crying out, let us take a look at the world in that hour; whether it is five years from now, ten years from now, or twenty years from now. If nothing changes the trend in the structure of our society, and it continues drifting further toward the brink of anti God, evolution, perversions and all that, it will be worse than Sodom and Gomorrah in the days of Lot. God forbid that the world should exist when there is no human being that can even think about God. All that you see out there in society today, all these perverted, immoral, indecent activities, are converging toward that hour of great tribulation. In that hour of tribulation, is when God takes his hand off of it all. Then there will be people that will become unrestrained in the evils they do. On the other hand though, God has some men like this 144,000 that has seen Him do something just a few short months prior to this that made them know He is still the same God the old prophets wrote about. They are the men of that hour that know God is real. They will have seen the miracles, the judgments, and they will have the revelation those two prophets brought to them. From the standpoint of preparedness, these men will be prepared for the hour. They will have a message from God for various elements of people scattered throughout the nations. In the realm of Gentile Christendom today, regardless of how much you may desire to, you cannot rebuke the colleges and other institutions of learning for what they are teaching. They will not listen to you. That is why I have repeatedly stated from this pulpit that parents in this nation are being stripped of their parental authority. In the past number of years, in no less than five court cases from various states, young people going to school were being taught things their parents did not want them to be taught. They did not want their children to be taught, nor to have to study the theory of evolution, taking away from the Bible creation story. When the liberal minded, God hating people they had to face were finished with them, those families had been shamed and humiliated; and even in some cases threatened with jail sentences if they did not submit their children to the dictates of that school. Fifty years ago, no one would have dared to talk about evolution in certain schools. You would have had school teachers picking you up and throwing you out the door. It is not so today. Brother, they will teach your children anything they can, trying to destroy their faith and confidence in a sovereign God of righteousness.

HEAVENLY SCENE AND EARTHLY RESPONSE

When we read what the everlasting gospel is, it is not a gospel of salvation like we Gentiles have known for almost two thousand years. It is not the same revelation that has caused these men to be sealed. However, it is good news; and I must say, It is a message containing the last good news of any nature, the human society the world over will ever hear before the prophetic week of Daniel closes, and God begins to pour out His wrath to destroy wicked humanity all over the face of this earth, because of their sinful ways. This is God's remedy. This is God's means of notifying a small remnant of people throughout the nations of the earth, *Get away from this trend of what the world beast will be propagating in that hour.* Let us read it. (Revelation 14:6) "**And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach unto them that dwell on**

the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people." Let us examine that verse. "**And I saw another angel fly in the midst of heaven,** (Angels in heaven release the authority for what these men will preach.) **having the everlasting gospel** (We have studied and dealt with that word everlasting, that for so long has been accepted as something that goes on and on in an endless way. Therefore we already know that is not what this means. When you look at the time factor involved, when this 144,000 will proclaim this, you have to realize, it is only going to last three and one half years. How can you apply the word everlasting to it then? You have to understand it like this, It is the last good news the world will ever hear, this side of the coming of Jesus Christ to rule and reign on earth. The sounding of the message will not go on and on forever and forever; but it will create an everlasting situation for the oncoming Millennium, as they go forth.) **to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people."** In that hour, the Church, the Bride of Christ will be gone. Mortal mankind is still living here. The foolish virgins are still here. Jews, except those who have believed the gospel and been taken up in the bride's translation, will still be here; so there will be a varied number of souls to hear the gospel these men will preach. It tells us how to recognize these various elements of mankind that will be targets for this good news. Listen, "**to preach unto them that dwell on the earth, and to every nation, and kindred, and tongue, and people."** Gentiles are not kindred to these men. It is Jews that are kindred to them. They are not related to you and me. Those kindred are Jews still scattered throughout the earth. Not all seven million Jews will leave America. There will still be some here. There will still be a few in Russia. There will still be a few in South America, and other places. "To every kindred, and tongue." (meaning every language) No race will escape hearing what those servants of God have to say. Here is what they are going to preach. Remember, they know there is just three and one half years of time left. They know that this three and one half years is a very short time. They are going to warn the world, and then God is going to come and wrap up the whole thing. Judgment will strike. They are going to expose atheism and evolution as false theories that have been propagated by Satan. Let us see if we can recognize that. It says, "**Fear God!**" Tell an atheist that now and see what happens. Try to stand in Harvard University and tell those professors, **Fear God!** They will say, Prove Him to us, if He is real. Go to Notre Dame and cry out to some of those professors, **Fear God!** Do you think they will pay any attention to you? It will be different though, when the hour for these men to come upon the scene arrives. Here is the message. (Revelation 14:7) "**Saying with a loud voice, Fear God, and give glory to Him; for the hour of His judgment is come: and worship Him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.**" The anointing of God on them will cause politicians, agnostics, professors, and all such like, to sit up and listen. They will not listen to Gentile Christians in this age, but they will hear it from those men in that hour, because God will force it to be that way. "**Give glory to Him.**" Give glory to God, instead of Dr. Fosdick, Professor of Civics. You know saints, We are living in a day of humanism, the new world order, what man can do, what man can teach, what man has achieved. God has let modern man go willingly to that end. He lets a certain element go that way so He can strike them with judgment, but that does not mean He is going to let every individual on the face of His planet go that far. Just before He strikes the earth with judgment, there is a small remnant of all nations He is going to give the last warning and invitation mortal mankind ever receives to get away from that philosophy of the new world order, headed up at that time by the beast man himself. The world is looking forward to that hour of time. Instead of giving glory to God, it tells us in Revelation 13, that as the world is fast working toward that hour, they will worship the devil that gave power unto the beast. I certainly do not want to worship the devil, or anything that he is behind. I want to worship God. He is the One I owe my life to. Satanic forces are all around us every day, but we cannot just hide in a corner some place and pretend that they are not there. We still have to buy bread and milk at the Kroger store, or the Winn Dixie, or wherever, but we do not have to glory in the world system that is leading mankind to the brink of destruction. While you are in this world, there are certain things of this world you are bound to walk among, but you do not glory in the world's system. "**For the hour of His judgment is come.**" In other words, they are going to warn the world because they know precisely how the judgment is going to strike. "**And worship Him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters.**" What a message! In an hour when the world is telling you, this thing (the entire creation) started

with a bang, we know God is getting ready to make His existence known to them. So what if it started with a bang! Who put the bang together? God did. That is why we preached that message, showing how that much of their teaching could be true. Naturally, they do not want to go that route, but I say, If it started with a BANG, like they say it did, that was just God's way of setting the whole thing in motion. He already had every little detail worked out of what would come forth from that beginning. Hallelujah! I am glad to know there is a sovereign Spirit in control of the destiny of this planet and that it is not just simply left to chance. These scientists of the world today, like to take a hypothetical viewpoint and carry you along on a philosophy to make you feel like you are floating on a feather; but God is the greatest scientist that ever was, and He wants His children to know the truth. He is going to get glory out of it and there is going to be some people on earth to recognize it all. **"Worship Him that made heaven."** They do not want to worship Him. They want to worship man and what he can do. That is why you hear so much of, Professor this and Professor that, Doctor this and that. **"Worship Him that made heaven, and earth, and the sea, and the fountains of waters."** If you should go out into the streets tomorrow and start to cry out these same words, do you know what you would hear? Go away! We do not believe in that religious stuff. They will, in that hour when those Jews proclaim it. At least some of them will. Do you know why? When this world, in the next short interval of time, sees those two prophets of chapter 11, step upon the scene in Jerusalem, and they begin to prophesy to the Jewish nation to set this picture in motion, they will start smiting the land with plagues and judgments that will get the attention of the whole world. It says they will turn water to blood. It also says they will shut the heavens, and it will not rain; and that if any man seeks to hurt them, fire proceeds out of their mouth to devour their enemies. Just for the sake of illustration, listen to me. Sometimes the evening News is quite interesting, especially if some event has happened in the world that is of major interest to people. When those two prophets hit the scene, I can see Tom Brokaw on special assignment. Dan Rather, and a lot more will also be in Israel. They will all head for Jerusalem. Why? Because as the little song says, Something is going on in Mt. Zion. God is going to upset someone's apple cart. He is going to start shaking something. When we had the little earthquake in California, they all went there; and that was all you could hear when you turn on the television. You sat at home and saw the bridges buckled in the middle, houses on fire, cars turned every which way, and people being pulled from the rubbish. They bring it all right into your own home. Well, just wait until those prophets begin to turn things upside down in Israel; and watch the evening News if you are still here. Can you not just see the scientists, the professors and agnostics of the world, What is going on in Jerusalem? Two strange Jews will be saying things that go contrary to the general trend of that society; and they are going to keep it up for three and one half years. I tell you, as the years and months go by, the things they will do will get harder and harder for the authorities to tolerate. When water fountains begin to spew out blood just as it happened in Egypt under the ministry of Moses and Aaron, and they begin to smite the earth with all sorts of plagues, some people are going to get real upset. Oh Bro. Jackson, that sounds like a lot of nonsense. Well stick around. That is why I said, If you are still here. Time is going to tell the story. One of these days God is going to start opening up the picture, and He is going to show this world that there is a God that rules the heavens and the earth. He holds everything on earth in the palm of His hand, so to speak. He has let men run things to extremes for the last fifty years, to bring the world to its prophetic setting for the end time wind up; but one day soon, He is going to shine the light upon a few subjects, and that will cause a few people of this world to suddenly sit up and realize, I cannot go that route. There is a God controlling things after all.

A FURTHER LOOK AT WORLD POWERS AS WE APPROACH THE END

In the light of the news we have been seeing, I just want to refresh our mind's on a few things that will make up the total picture coming into view. (NOTE: We are posting this message a while after it was preached, so you will recognize the fact that a lot has progressed toward making up the total picture since then.) Yugoslavia and Bulgaria both lay right in above Greece. Greece is the southernmost part of this area we were looking at earlier. In ancient Biblical times, this was Macedonia. This was the beginning of the gradual rising of the third world empire, which later was called the Grecian Empire. In the morning news was an article about the government of Yugoslavia beginning to crumble. We have to realize, as the Communist world is slowly breaking up from its

great empire structure, many of those nations traded within that empire structure. However, after forty years, time itself has proven that they have not flourished and prospered very much, and the people have been held in suppression. Therefore, everything is being timed to bring this thing to a climax. You cannot help but realize, if we are entering the era of time just before the coming of Christ, time is running short for Gentile Christianity. We should not be too blind to recognize these things. In 1988 Israel celebrated her 40th birthday, or anniversary, of statehood. Yet within that 40th year, 1988, they went through a lot of civil problems. The Palestinian Arabs within that land are constantly causing uprisings. The Arabs said they would make that 40th anniversary something that Israel could not rejoice very much in. Nevertheless, they did not destroy Israel's ability to cope with the situation. If you remember back a year ago in the spring, as President Bush in 1989, went to Europe to speak to the nations of NATO, the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, which has been a military combining unity of European nations that has existed for the period of forty years, he made a speech. At that time no one envisioned Communism ever doing what it has done. In his speech he envisioned, as he made the proposal to Russia, that if Russia would be willing to pull back so many troops from eastern Europe, which had been posed there for many years against western Europe, he would be willing then to pull out a certain amount of our troops from Europe, as a gesture of good will and willingness to work toward a peaceful world wherein we could gradually stop our arms race and the world could enter into an era of peace and tranquility. He made the statement as he spoke to the NATO alliance and all these heads of state, because at this time, in the spring of 1989, all these nations of western Europe were already united in an economical agreement called the European Common Market. Already the agenda from the economic standpoint had been set by the European Common Market that by the year 1992, that was the goal that the nations of Europe, as well as nations in the Middle East that was in position to trade with this European power, had set. They were to definitely restructure their economies and everything, because Europe would launch upon an era of no tariffs, no taxes, as far as the transporting and trading of goods from nation to nation. The united nations of Europe would function much like the United States of America does. When he referred to it as *Greater Europe*, that is a 20th century name or title you could give to the beast of Revelation 13; because in Revelation 13, did not John see the Roman Empire coming up again. The same beast that went down, Rome being the leader of it, was coming up again; and this time she will finish fulfilling prophecy. You might say, Well Rome does not rule NATO. It is true. Rome does not rule the economic community, but you just watch ahead as other things take shape and see what happens. As the world enters this great trade and brotherhood economic era, which has designated 1992 as the focal year, keep in mind, At the time that speech was made, who would have thought Communism would crumble like it has? I remember reading an article in U.S. News, how that the journalist that wrote this was really an economist. He said, There is much yet to be done before the European Common Market nations can really be a workable solution to the economic structures of Europe, and of the world. I thought as I read portions of the article, You write that only looking at the future in the light of which the average person looks at things. However, if you only knew the Bible, you would definitely have to reword that whole thing. As President Bush made the speech, his vision was a greater Europe, and the population structure is hitting approximately 350 million people. It is known that as that becomes a workable force in the not too distant future, it will be the greatest industrial complex of human population the world will have to contend with. No wonder you see America in her great industrial role, as far as what she has been in the past, crumbling. Our steel mills are rusting. Our appliance factories are being bought out by foreign buyers. Just like International Harvester here in Louisville has been sold out to foreign buyers, so are a lot of others. America was proud when we drove our cars on the American roads forty years ago. Practically everything was American made. When you viewed the farmer's implements in the field, it was all American made. It is not so any more. It may be assembled in America, but when you learn where certain parts were molded, you find that it was either in Japan, France, Belgium, Italy, Brazil, Venezuela, Argentina, or somewhere else they get them from. The world is now facing a door that definitely is going to lead right into the prophetic era of time we are studying about. I am doing my best to bring in a background and profile of developments to feed along with what we are getting to. As greater Europe was the focal point for the European economists and NATO to envision, by the time we had

come to the later part of the summer of 1989, look what happened. Here came Poland. What Poland had suffered five years ago, when she crumbled, in just a matter of days. WE all heard about it. Then here came Czechoslovakia, then eastern Germany, and on and on the dominoes went. Why? Because we have to begin to realize that western Europe now, after forty years of gradually being reconstructed after the terrible onslaught of WW2, has now been restored to world potential, so that when it is all united together, it will be an empire that definitely is to fulfill Revelation 13. It is true you do not see the pope leading it, but I want you to realize, if you paid close attention to what happened at the time when Bush and Gorbachev met, back in the fall on the cruise ships in the Mediterranean, just what significance a certain thing had. For the first time in Communistic history, a Communistic leader came to the Vatican to talk with the pope. Now tell me why he did that after all these years of no communication?. The people of religions in the world, who have said that Communism is the antichrist, I wonder what they made out of the fact that their antichrist is talking with the pope of Rome? Someone has their history all fouled up. Communism was not in the ruling force of the Roman Empire when she fell. When Rome fell as a great imperial system, centuries ago, it was perverted Christianity called Roman Catholicism, that took over the reins. By the time we come into the 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th on up to the 15th century, who was it that ruled old Europe? Secular history tells you. It was the Roman Catholic Church. Sure they each had their kings, their monarchs, but who were they subject to? Read history. They were subject to the whip of the pope. When that pope said Jump, they jumped. Then what was it that began to wound the power of that beast? It was the Reformation of Christendom. What Wycliffe tried to start, Luther took over. When the armies of Germany rallied to Luther's assistance, Luther started the Reformation. **What was the sword that wounded that head?** It was the sword of the Reformation, which was the gospel of Jesus Christ. Luther, Swingley, Huss, Knox, Calvin.... One by one they picked up the sword of the Spirit and hacked at Catholicism. They kept hacking and hacking, each in their own time. By the time we come to 1700 and something, John Wesley, out of the church of England, who was the founder of the Methodist movement, had picked up the sword of the Spirit and was hacking away at it. He was mainly hacking at the church of England. On we come into the 20th century. Out of that came the Nazarene, the Pilgrim Holiness, and the Church of God. When we come to the 20th century, here came the movement that began to be called Pentecostal. The Holy Ghost, the Spirit of God, was restoring signs and wonders back into accessibility, which was according to the scriptures. Yet each one of these phases of the movement of the Spirit of God created, or eventually brought about, a denominational religious organization. They were pure and clean in their infancy; when they had the vision and understanding of the truth their founder preached. When you study the history of each movement, it is easy to realize that they did not see the whole Biblical truth. They just saw portions of it. Why was that? Because the world had been under the spell of Catholicism and the power of the papacy for so long, the average person of the world was completely ignorant of how to read the Bible. The Catholic Church had said not to read it. She said, No man understands it. Well, I thank God today, that there are some people who do understand it. Furthermore, they are going to understand it just exactly like it was understood by the people God used to write it. Pertaining to prophecy, Christians of this age will understand things that age of Christianity had no need to understand. Therefore, as we are here just ten years short of the closing of the century, when the year 2000 will break in upon the horizon of time, there is a people in the earth today whose hearts are reaching out to know what the Bible says and what it means. The book of Revelation is no longer a writing of prophecy to be understood in such mystical terms like it has in the past. It is coming alive. Why? Because it was given to the Christian Church in the closing years of the first age of Christendom, 96 A.D. to be exact; and Christendom has been carrying it, through all these hundreds of years, without knowing very much about what it pertained to. As Christianity passed through time, and as it passed through the various denominational movements, the doctors of divinity, the theologians of all systems, have tried their best to probe at its structure and understand what it means, only to come up with the conclusion, It is like a mud hole. The more you stir it, the cloudier it becomes. It was supposed to be that way. The denominational world never will understand it. Catholicism never will understand it, nor abide by it. No denominational system will ever understand the complete picture it portrays. Anyhow, we have seen Communism in eastern Europe crumbling. As they crumble out of the existence of what

once was the Communistic empire, it is as I said earlier, That does not do away with Russia as the strong hold of Communism. What we have to realize is, these nations are going to have to trade with something or someone, to bring about a revitalizing of their economies. The News reports are, that the economic condition in all those domino nations is in a very depleted, run down state. Naturally, we all know those nations cannot stand to exist like that very long, without a lot of crying and demonstration in the streets. Something will have to be done about it. As Yugoslavia crumbles, she too, along with the rest, will turn from trade with Russia. She will want to trade as the others do, with the most vital source of trade that is next to her. That is western Europe.

HIGH HOPES AND BROKEN PROMISES

I want to explain something, if you will allow me to bring this little map over here. You can see western Europe right here. That is where the ten horns are at. That is Germany, France, Belgium, Italy and those other nations of western Europe that made up the old Roman Empire. However, as we see western Europe blending back into the eastern parts of Europe, we can see how these territories are the neck, which are linking geographical areas that connect that part of the head of the beast, and gradually blend it back into the portions of the world where the third world empire was, preceding the Roman Empire. We know it is only a short period of time until this area will be compelled to bring about some kind of agreement for economic, commercial trade. Keep in mind what it says in Daniel chapter 9, verse 27, speaking of the false world prince, which is the antichrist, and whom we know will be the pope of Rome. For in that hour when the week of Daniel, that seven year period, is to be initiated, it says he (the false prince) will make a covenant with many. That means many nations. It is to bring about commercial trade and economic prosperity. The world today is hungering for such an era to get out from under suppression, get out from under poverty, and be able to get into an era of time where everyone has security; and the Antichrist is going to promise the world that he has the answer. Do not tell me it is Gorbachev, Daniel wrote of. Do not even look at me as though you believe such a thing. All you have to do is watch the pope and you will see what his actions are leading up to. But Bro. Jackson, he believes in Jesus Christ. Do not kid yourself. How can a religious man that goes contrary to the teachings of the Bible, be a true believer in Jesus Christ just because he says, *Hail Mary, the mother of God, pray for us now and at the hour of our death?* Does that make him a Christian? Since when is Christianity supposed to pray to Mary? Jesus never did, and neither did any of His disciples. Do not ever bother to tell me His disciples wrote the apostles creed. They did not. That is a concoction of the Roman Catholic Church, the old whore, spiritually speaking, of Revelation 17:1. Romanism has spread a lot of lies to the world. The moral structure of the Roman Church is completely anti Christianity. Her whole context of teachings are anti scripture. Sure, she uses the name Jesus. She uses the title Christ. These are fronts, but the religious motto behind it is none other than an ancient, pagan religion, dressed up with a so-called Christian front. When you think how history through time has described that system, there had to be a reason. Well, you are talking about me! No. I am not talking about you at all. I am talking about a system that has held thousands, even millions of people in total ignorance concerning spiritual truth, and fed their followers nothing more than a lot of superstition. You talk about Communism killing so many people. Why do you not read the Fox's Book of Martyrs, where you can find out what really has killed multitudes more than Communism ever could? Read what Catholicism has done to Christendom that tried to escape her clutches. Of course these modern, 20th century philosophers want to forget the past and pretend that none of the unpleasantness ever existed. They say, We want to all be brothers. Well, we are not all going to be brothers no matter how much some may compromise. We may all go to the same place if we are not true brothers, but I can assure you, That is not going to be heaven. We are going to have to be brothers because we have been born again; and not just by membership in a manmade system of religion if we expect God to accept us. Being born again by the Spirit of God is what makes people true brothers and sisters. Once that takes place, you will give up a lot of your preconceived ideas of what a Christian is. That is the only way anyone became a Christian when Christianity first started, and I can tell you for sure, It is going to wind up the same way. They that know themselves to be Christians, are going to know it because the Spirit of God in them is going to say Amen to everything this book (the Bible) says. No wonder that in America today, we have a modern philosophy that the Bible does not belong in the schools. That same spirit is what causes us to have hell on the streets. There was a

time, as a nation, we were not like this. As the Brother spoke to us of the lady that would take little aborted fetus' from garbage cans and give them a decent burial, and of the heartless bunch that would stick her in jail for it. What a pitiful shape for a country that once respected Christian principles, and had decent moral convictions, to get in. Satanic oriented minds will always react like that to decency, but there should be some Christian people somewhere that still have their head's on straight. People will bury their dogs in the back yard and give them a funeral; and then turn right around and be against what that woman did. The government of this nation will allow women to kill unborn babies by the millions, and they will help pay the bill for the service using the tax dollars from a lot of people who would never be for anything like that; except to save the mother's life. They are ready to pounce upon anyone who speaks against such things. Listen to me, saints. Someone is going to pay for all this ungodliness at the coming of Jesus Christ. Meanwhile, as America slides down the hill into immoral decay, she is just about ready to slide into an economic trap, while at the same time, Europe begins to rise to her old position. As we think of these territories, remember, that economic trade agreement will eventually spread right back through those Islamic states that encircle the Middle East and Israel. That will put all that ancient territory right back exactly like it was before the fall of the Roman Empire. So it is plain to see, she is coming up again. **TO BE CONTINUED.**