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Getting the Bride Ready, Part 3



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THE LAST SENTENCE OF OUR JANUARY ISSUE WAS, LAODICEA GOES RIGHT STRAIGHT ON THROUGH TO THE END AND IS DESTROYED BY THE VISIBLE COMING OF CHRIST.

When we begin to read about the first church, the things that shall be

hereafter, keep in mind, John lived in the Ephesian age, which was the first, and he did not carry over into the next age. What he was shown in visionary form, he wrote, and they were the things which shall be hereafter, and many of those things were things that pertain to our day. He wrote all those things that are applicable and pertain to each one of these ages of time, right on through Laodicea, but he died before the first age closed out. As for the book of Revelation, the first three chapters cover the period of time the New Testament Church remains on earth; and then the Lord takes the Church to glory with Him. When we come to the 4th chapter, let us notice how it is constructed. As he has finished what the Lord has told him to write concerning Laodicea, the Lord then does something different. John is still

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alive, and physically he is on the isle of Patmos, still in prison, but remember, The Lord is conveying him into the future in the vision, so notice what happens next. “After this I looked, and, behold, a door was opened in heaven: and the first voice which I heard was as it were of a trumpet talking with me; which said, Come up hither, and I will show thee things which must be hereafter.” This puts emphasis on the hereafter, not the present tense of the hour he was living in, nor was it the Middle Ages or any other time except at the end time. What was he asked to do? Come up

hither. This is in the 4th chapter. The 4th, 5th, and 6th chapters as I have said before, unfold somewhere here in the 1960's. (I am putting the stick up here (chart) as a figurative mark.) Why do I say that, when it was truly written by John on the isle of Patmos in 96 A.D.? Because, when he came to the writing of what all is to be related through the Church Ages, he then saw that door opened and the trumpet said, Come up hither. John was taken up into glory to see things that are relative to the time that God is going to have a prophet messenger, a messenger to the Laodicean age, on earth; and that means the time has come when He is going to speak and reveal things to a people that are going to be dealt with to become His Bride People. That is the way we have to look at it. Men have played with these writings. They have probed at them, but they never did have an understanding really that the inspiration came from glory. That is what we have to understand, in order to have an understanding of what we are reading. You can read written words, but until we know what the written words mean, and what they apply to, we are only probing in the dark. When John

was told, Come up hither, while in the spirit, his body was still related to 96 A.D., but what he saw in heaven was not related to 96 A.D.: It was all for the future. He saw what is going to be in a future time, so it could be recorded. He saw it and wrote it, but no one of his day needed to know what any of it meant. When you read where he saw the thrones set in heaven, God knew that on earth there was going to be a man who would not be a Trinitarian, but would be a man who would be a voice, or a messenger to the Laodicean Age. That man would receive the inspiration to see what he would see in chapter 4 and 5, and introduce you and me to the throne of God, the heavenly environment. All you have to do is read it, to know that it is relative to 1963 A.D. But Bro. Jackson, I don't understand that. Don't wrestle with it. I will say this, No other preacher ever preached it, wrote about it, or even dared to comment on what the seals pertained to. You everyone know that. Yes, they have commented about what he saw on the throne, but you have got to put that 4th chapter, the 5th chapter, and the 6th chapter together, because it is all related to a time

factor that took place right in there (chart.) If you go back and get the message and see how he read the first seal and so forth, the 4th, 5th, and 6th chapters are all related to that time right in there. When you get into the 6th chapter, you must keep in mind, it is when you read the first six seals, that you see where time reaches over to. That is why I said the other night, When this man took these very same words that we read here, he read them audibly. Then he took the inspiration that God had given to him about the white horse rider and laid it down where it belonged. Did he point us ahead to the tribulation period for the fulfillment of the horse riders? Billy Graham did, the Jehovah Witness' do too, but not William Branham: He pointed us back hundreds of years. If you will look at the epistles that Paul wrote and also how John wrote his three epistles, 1st, 2nd, and 3rd John, you can well see how, even when Paul wrote Thessalonians, the white horse rider was already on the scene. He said, Even now the mystery of iniquity doth already work. That lets you know the white horse rider was riding, going forth to conquer, going forth to deceive. You will notice the fact that the

rider had a bow, but when you read it, you see that he had no arrows. That is what makes the difference: He was not the Christ; he was an antichrist. He was a great big bluff. When you read the seal of the red horse, did Bro. Branham point you to the tribulation period? No, he pointed you back to what happened in that second age, leading on into the third age. What an era of martyrdom that was, an awful picture of bloodshed. The devil did his best to kill all of Christendom, but it seemed like the more he slaughtered, the more that stepped up to fill the gaps. Then you come to that black horse rider. Did it point to the tribulation? No. It pointed back to the Dark Ages of Roman Catholicism, when society was kept in almost total spiritual darkness. When we come to the gray horse, did that point ahead to the tribulation? No. It points to what is riding right now. The ecumenical movement between the various denominations is none other than that gray horse galloping right on along deceiving people. It has brought Catholics, and Protestants of every rank and description, from every degree of learning, and loaded all of them in the same old sinking ship. It has put

them in the same pulpits, preaching practically the same thing, because it has deceived them and made them feel like they have a great revival going on. It is a move of spiritually ignorant people, led by a spiritually ignorant ministry. It has totally captured them. It has blindfolded them; so they cannot see truth. This fifth seal seen in chapter 6, has also caused a wide array of speculation, but no one else ever got it right until God gave the revelation of it to Bro. Branham. Did that point ahead? It basically pointed us eighteen or nineteen years back to what had just been fulfilled in WW2, what Hitler had done by killing six million Jews. It took that to set the stage in the European area of the world, and to prepare the stage in the land of Israel and the Jews environment, to make some of them want to go back to their homeland when that era of time was over. We know when he interpreted that, and it pointed us back, but it also, after a little short period, pointed ahead to the tribulation, to the rest of those Jews that should be killed, even as they were back here. The little period of time lets us know, it cannot be any longer than a human generation.

Yes, the souls under the altar were shown to be the souls of those martyred in Hitler's purge, as he tried to rid the world of all Jews. This pertains to the believers among those who were killed, because it says they were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held. Let us read it. Rev 6:9 "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: 10 And they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? 11 And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet for a little season, until their fellowservants also and their brethren, that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled." That last part will take place at the hands of the army of the antichrist in the last half of the seventieth week of Daniel.

THE SIXTH SEAL

We spent quite a bit of time explaining the sixth seal in our last issue, but when we come to that sixth seal in this lineup, I will still read from the 6th chapter, but let us ask ourselves this question, Why does it go way over here, (to the last half of the week) when we know the seventh seal fulfills back here? (Pointing to chart before the beginning of that week) We know, that in the writing of anything, seven follows six. Does it not? But the seventh seal is not even contained in any of this. (chart) Let us notice also, when we come to the sixth seal, that when the messenger to the age read it and gave us the understanding, we received the knowledge of it right here, but we know it lays over here at the end of the dark tribulation period in fulfillment. The knowledge is carried from here, on over here. (chart) But right here, is where it is set in motion. Jesus Christ comes to earth physically, in His glorified body, with all His saints, at the close of the events of the sixth seal. That is all the way over here. (Chart) When we look at the trumpets, He comes under the seventh trumpet also, He comes under the seventh vial also. There is not three comings of Him,

physically, to earth: We just have three different descriptions of events that take place at His coming. Each one of these, the sixth seal, the seventh trumpet, and the seventh vial, all culminate in one great event, the physical return of Christ to earth. All three point to the physical return, but the seventh seal, which is not written until the 8th chapter, and it is only one verse of chapter 8, just before the trumpets start. This lets you know, when you see what the first three chapters were, it is time. When you see chapters 4, 5, and 6, which are also related to time by some information, and when we come to chapters 7, 8, and 9, Notice what I am saying: You stack chapters 7, 8, and 9, on top of one another. You do not string them out. You have to read them in that order, but when you read them, you have to stack the one over the other for fulfillment. I hope you understand what I mean by that. You cannot have three separate events of His coming physically: He only comes one time physically, and that is to rule the earth for one thousand years. The seventh seal, which is in chapter 8, is broken before the first trumpet sounds. That means the seventh seal will be broken,

somewhere around here (chart, at the end of grace for Gentiles, just before the week starts) Jesus will be off the mercy seat altogether, after the seventh seal is broken. Since chapter 10 lays between chapters 9 and 11, and is not even related to either one, please listen carefully as we cover it. Chapter 10, is not even related over here in that time factor. It is related right here. Just as the seventh seal is broken before the week starts and the two prophets come on the scene, so are the events recorded in it, because the seventh seal is for the Bride, and it is administered in chapter 10. When you get to chapter 10, you see Jesus in angelic form, one foot on the land, the other foot on the sea. (That portrays a universal picture.) What does He have in His hand? An open scroll. You cannot have Him sitting on the mercy seat with a sealed scroll in His hand, and on earth with an open scroll all at the same time. That would be contradictory to the revelation. How many understand that? Whatever the event unfolds in heaven when He breaks the seventh seal, when there is silence about the space of half an hour, that lets us know that whatever the half hour of silence is, if there is information to

be known in heaven, then let us just leave that there. The main point is, when His foot is on the land and on the sea on earth, in angelic form, and He cries with a loud voice, seven thunders utter their voices. That is when the bride will begin to hear what she is destined to hear. Let me say also, The word cry, does not mean He is screaming and weeping. That is not what cry means in this case. He screams something like, NOW! That is what signals the seven thunders to begin to utter their voices. That will be for an element of people, not from the realm of denominational, Gentile Christendom, but probably just a small nucleus of people on earth that have patiently waited, earnestly praying and longing for that moment of time to arrive. This opens their eyes and starts them on their journey of final preparation to meet their Bridegroom. As we get closer to that hour of time, unity among that element will prevail. The spirit of God begins to pull them together. By the time the week of Daniel is ready to start, Grace for Gentiles will be over. When Christ breaks the seventh seal, grace for Gentiles ends right then. I will say this, A lot of those people that heard Bro. Branham

back here in the 1960's and on back before that, their minds are so cluttered up with carnal, human ideas, they take this which he said one time, then take what he said another time, put the two statements together to form a picture and spread it all over the world. Somebody else comes along and takes the same two statement, puts them together and gets another revelation and spreads it everywhere. It is no wonder, that there is so much confusion among those who just thrive on those statements, never allowing the Spirit of God to teach them anything. When Bro. Branham said what he did concerning the seventh seal, he plainly said the antichrist will try to mimic it. The Catholic Church is not going to try to imitate this, so do not even think that. The antichrist spirit is not coming out of Catholicism. It is not coming out of Protestantism. It is coming right out of the very movement of people that sat and heard that prophet messenger speak. Had they been sitting there being led by the Spirit of God, and the Spirit of God having taught them, they never would have allowed their minds to become so filled with carnality, bringing them to what they have

become today. Can you look back to the first age and say that is what happened back then? It was not! I have to say to the little Bride of Christ, It is one thing to look back and recognize, and accept the fact God sent a prophetic messenger to this age, but that does not excuse us from our responsibility to look to our heavenly Father for a proper understanding of what he brought to this age. In the world of denominational religion, they almost wish the man had never come among us. At least, some of them do. When it came to that unusual gift of healing, that was outstanding and so marvelous in their eyes. They would sit on the platforms and weep when that little man would stand before somebody and tell them what was wrong with them. I have seen it with my own eyes, how they would wipe their tears. They had never seen it on that level before. However, when it came to some of the things he would teach, they treated it like, Oh well, he is uneducated and really does not know how to talk. It was because they did not have an ear to hear anything other than something to benefit their flesh. They were not even trying to see if he was putting anything together scripturally. That

is why I have said repeatedly, If you just sit there criticizing a man's speech you will miss the truth he is bringing every time. When God calls a hillbilly to a ministry like Bro. Branham had, He has a reason for doing it. That is one way He shakes off the tares and clears the way for true seed to have access to His truth He is revealing through that ministry. Jesus never bothered to call the highly educated men of that hour to the ministry He committed to His apostles. To know what a hillbilly is talking about, you have to open your mind to the Lord and allow Him to reveal the truth that is being spoken. If you know what makes a hillbilly talk like he does, then you can sort of read between the lines. To some degree, that is exactly what you had to do. You had to read between the lines, to see the true picture. Not necessarily a quote, but something that would show you the verse of scripture, chapter, and line. The man did not come to give you and I another Bible. It is sad to say, but there are some who think that way. As a people, back in 1963, we had the knowledge of the sixth seal, we knew it pointed us right over here to the end of the tribulation period, but Bro. Branham never did

indicate that the contents of the seventh seal had been revealed . We see in the writings then, that the next thing John saw was recorded in the 7th chapter, because the 7th chapter takes you right into the first half of this week. It shows you in the 11th chapter, that two prophets come on the scene. Then in the middle of that week, we see something else happening. Then when we go to the 8th chapter, which follows that. The first verse brings you backwards, right back to a time just as the 70th week of Daniel is ready to start. That is really when the seventh seal is broken. At this time, I want to read something to you, and I want to take my time, because I have to put it in here for the sake of the message. I am going to read some of the last remarks Bro. Branham made concerning these seals. The other Sunday I read those statements where he mentioned how the angel of the Lord dealt with him out in Sabino Canyon, that this is or was the third pull. I am not going to read that. It is on page 564 where he talks about Sabino Canyon, and how the angel of the Lord said, This is the third pull. Well I have to believe the third pull, which dealt with revelation,

was misunderstood by a lot of people. The denominational church world had seen a gift and reveled in it, but then God changed the order of that ministry and how many of those people actually had ears to hear a revelation? That is the point to stress. After Bro. Branham's death, Tommy Osborne was given these seven seals messages on tape. Tommy Osborne's own words stated, that he went on a fast and played those taped messages, and when he brought the tapes back to the person who had loaned them to him, he said, I don't want anything to do with that. Is that not strange? Tommy Osborne is the same age as I am. He was at Bro. Branham's funeral and sat right behind me. You cannot walk away from God's revealed word and prosper forever. Well let me read this statement to you, to get it in the message, so listen very carefully. I am on page 575. He was using this, referring back to how the disciples had asked Jesus something. "Did you notice when the Jews asked Him that? (Concerning His coming) You know when we compared the Scripture here with Matthew 24 with the six Seals, the Seventh Seal was left out; (The question is relative to the sixth seal, when

Jesus comes back physically. As we go on through this, we are going right into that very thing. I am taking Bro. Branham's own words, how he was trying to lay down to the people, that we do not know the revelation of the seventh seal yet.) because, you see, Christ said only God Himself knew, and not even the Angels. No wonder, it wasn't even written. You see, they hushed-nothing taking place then. Angels don't know it; nobody knows when He's coming. But there'll be a...(Naturally he was talking about His mystical coming for His Bride. The whole world will know when He is coming physically. That is the sixth seal, because there is going to be a sign appear in the heavens, so this is only pertaining to the mystical coming of Christ for His bride, and the seven thunders will reveal something to the bride concerning that event.) There'll be seven voices of these thunders that will reveal the great revelation at that time. (That has not happened yet. He was talking slowly, as he spoke these things. I remember when he said this.) Here now, we find that the Sixth Seal has been opened to us; we see it, and we know that this Seventh Seal cannot be broke to the public until that

hour arrives. Now, there was some reason that God let this seven voices be thundered, because it must come, see, (Brothers and sisters, keep in mind, John was lifted up into heaven when he saw these things because the voice had said, Come up hither and I will show thee things that shall be hereafter.) we find that Christ, the Lamb, took the Book in His hand, and He opened that Seventh Seal. But you see, it's a hidden mystery. (because He actually did not break it at that time. That is his way of explaining it though.) No one knows it. But it....right along with what He said: no one would know His coming; they also would not know about this seven thunder mystery. So you see, it's connected together. (He says in another paragraph...) Now, we have in the completion here now, by the grace of God, all the mysteries of the six Seals that's been sealed up, and we understand and know here that the Seventh Seal is not to be known to the public. (Here is the last words he said.) You see Israel gathering in its own homeland. But you notice, He omitted the revelation of this Seventh Seal. And here when the Seventh Seal, when He opened it, He also omitted it again, see. So we

see that it is a complete mystery, therefore, the hour is not yet for this mystery to be known, therefore, we're this far and the rest of it will be known right around about the time that Jesus appears on earth again for His Bride, or whatever takes place at that time." That is His mystical coming. How many understand that point? These men that have written these books and expressed themselves, I have the books, that say the Bible does not teach the rapture: that it is a false teaching, I will answer back, You are the one that is false, because you do not know how to read the Bible. When you take the parable in the 25th chapter of Matthew, the parable of five wise and five foolish, look at it carefully. Then you see what the apostle Paul in 1st Thessalonians 4 said, "For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord," and you know he did not get that out of the Old testament: He got it by divine inspiration and revelation, that the Lord Himself shall descend from heaven. This would be after He has broken the seventh seal. The Lord Himself shall descend from heaven, first with a shout. All this religious world is looking for some kind of shout and they do not know what it

relates to. Let us take the word, shout, in the natural. If you were to walk out of this church and all of a sudden somebody out there on the road hollered over here real loud, everybody would turn and look, Yes, what is it? There is a terrible wreck up the road here, call the police, call the ambulance. Wouldn't it be like that? So what is the shout pertaining to here? It means God is going to do something in the last days to awaken the Bride, because the Bride, at that time, was in all of Christendom. Therefore the word shout, pertains to something that will open peoples' eyes and draw their attention to something. That is exactly what Bro. Branham's ministry was for. There is another preacher that says the shout comes by the five fold ministry. It does not. It was not the five fold ministry that awakened me. It was not the five fold ministry that awakened you either. It was something that happened in Bro. Branham's life and ministry that got hold of you, that touched you, and you started looking for something you did not have. So the shout was to awaken somebody. Many times people wake up, who did not hear the actual shout: They just hear all the

commotion and activity the shout created and ask, What is going on? Then someone begins to relate what has happened. Think of all these young people. They were not alive when the shout was made, were they? But look what has taken place with them. There has been a lot of discussion and a lot of talking that has caused people to respond and say, Why do you people come here? Why do you people go there? Why do you do this or that? It is because there was a shout made to wake us up and cause us to realize, we have got to get ready for the event of the Lord's coming. Well saints, what I read to you, were the actual words he spoke as he closed his comments on the seventh seal. That is what I stand on, but there has been a lot of other people said things since then, which lets me know the devil is out to mislead and deceive as many as he can.

HOW DECEPTION GETS A HOLD ON SOME

The man that edited the book titled, "The Seven Church Ages," which

was preached a little over two years in advance of the seals messages, made changes that caused me to make this comment, "The man that put this book together did not know what he was doing because he took statements out of context." Why did I say that? Because, in the book he edited, he had Bro. Branham saying things back in 1960, that he really did not say until the spring of 1963, when he preached on the seals. He had him saying things in the Church Ages book he edited, that I will challenge anyone to find in the original messages which were printed in booklet form word for word. He should not have put those statements in here, (The Church Ages Book Bro. Jackson was holding in his hand) as though they were said back then, when they definitely were not. I will ask you, If this, and this and this was said in December 1960, how come he said this over here in March and April 1963? Look at the time between the two series. You do not find such things as that in the Bible, no matter who said what. Everything is always related to its proper time frame. I am now going to tell you something very few people know. That is why I said Thursday night, that a few weeks

after Bro. Branham had preached the seals, he was back in the Tabernacle, and there was a large gathering getting ready for the night's service. I was in the line. I was talking to this certain preacher, whose name I may not mention at this time, but he is one of those that went after Bro. Branham hook, line, and sinker, with every quotation there is. He is also one that left his first wife and married a younger girl. He hides behind the excuse, The prophet gave me permission to do it. It just don't work like that. I am going to tell you what the man told me: because I see why it came out in the editing. Standing there in the line, knowing what Bro. Branham had said, that John heard things, was about to write them, but he was told to shut it up, seal it up, write them not. When we see what Bro. Branham said, he emphasizes the fact, These are things the thunders will reveal around about the time of His mystical coming, His secret coming for His Bride. In other words, if it was written, look how the devil would play with it. He emphasized that. If the devil actually knew when Jesus is coming mystically, for the Bride, look what counterfeits he would

throw out here, forerunning Him. On the other hand, if he does not know he just has to stand back and watch what people do. This minister said to me, "Bro. Jackson, I had a talk with this man, (Bro. Branham) (This was the man who edited the book, that said he had a talk with Bro. Branham.) and said to him, Bro. Branham, have you ever stopped to think, Those things that John was told not to write, they cannot be something that is really unwritten: (Notice how this was said, as it was quoted to me.) If it is something that is unwritten and yet it is allowed to be spoken in the last days, then that would be adding to His word." Saints, do you see how an educated man can really twist your brain? I just listened to him. Not long after that I heard Bro. Branham, in the pulpit, when a certain question was asked, (what the thunders would be) he more or less just said, Well it is the revelation of the seven seals, and just dropped it. I have to say, That was Dr. Doolittle's revelation. How many know what I mean by that? To me, that is why the man put it in here. That is also why, knowing what that preacher had said that day, while standing there in line, and seeing how this thing

was running, I made some comments in various churches I used to go to, back in Missouri and places like that, about what I heard. I will never forget one time when Perry Green came back here, which was in the years after Bro. Branham's death, and he said to me, Why do you do this and that? I said, Perry, I sat there in December 1960, and you were not there when he said the things he brought out in his preaching, and I tell you, That which is written right here in this book was not even said back then, and you know it. I said, Furthermore, the way this Church Ages book was edited by this man, it brings disgrace upon the entire thing and it disfigures things that belong back here, because it takes out of context over here, and brings it back here where it makes Bro. Branham having said this long before it ever got to where he did say certain things. I said, You do not find the Bible written that way. That is why not too many in the movement think very much of me. I do not say that to be arrogant, but for the sake of all that is right in the eyes of Almighty God, if you know something to be a fact, then stand up for it. Sure, your name will be mud, when certain ones speak it,

but I would rather be known by the Lord, to be faithful with His Word, than to find favor with all these would be personalities that have quoted Bro. Branham verbatim, as they traveled around this earth. I know what the scripture says about unfaithful servants: There comes a time when God says, Depart from me ye workers of iniquity: I never even knew you. That is why I have disagreed with some of the contents of this book. I have the original messages in my possession. I can look into them and read exactly what he said, if I did not already know, from sitting there when they were preached. This is an edited edition, (the hard back version) but it is not the original. Sure, the overall structure is there, but it is the way the man who edited it, put certain things in the contents, that makes the spokesman, Bro. Branham, say things that he never said back here. How many understand what I mean? When you bring it back to the book of Revelation, you have got to read the book of Revelation as a love letter to the Bride Church. It was John, who was not even the messenger to the first Church Age, that God spoke to and said to him, Write these things. John, under the

inspiration, wrote these things. He did a good job. He wrote them in the order they were shown to him. When we read it, it is a prophecy; every bit of it. That is why in the beginning of the 1st chapter, where the Lord is introducing Himself into the structure, saying, Blessed is he who readeth, and so forth, for the testimony of Jesus is the spirit of prophecy. No other epistle reads that way, except the book of Revelation. When you read Ephesians, you do not read anything like that. When you read Colossians, you do not read anything like that, but when you come to this prophetic letter to the bride, you do. That lets me know the Bride of Christ, on earth in these last days, when time is running out, getting ready to go into the week of Daniel, will be a people on earth that God will be dealing with on the basis of this, and it is because God loves them, He has separated them from the masses. We come together to learn that we can see ourselves in the structure of this plan of God. How many of you really do understand now, that the 4th, 5th, and 6th chapters, are as it was revealed back here in 1963, the knowledge of the seals that are contained

therein? There is an element of people that has moved forward with that knowledge. There are hundreds of others that have taken that and have sat down, and they wait, and they wait, and they wait, because they see nothing else that they need to do. I have said this, This is not the Bible, and this is not the Bible, and over there are three more books, that are not the Bible. I am thankful to God for what is revealed in these books, but they are not my Bible. All of those books contain things that man has said, as he did his very best to try to put us back into the book of all books, which is the Bible. We realize, any doctrine he taught upon, he did his best to show you the basis of his thought, as he took the text from the Bible, what book, chapter and verse or verses he was taking it from. He always wanted to show you doctrinal wise, that we must return back to the absolute teachings of the apostles of Christ, to the foundational doctrines and things the apostolic Church was founded upon. The book of Revelation is not even an epistle: It is a prophecy, the entire length of it is. It is so constructed, so uniquely written, we know God intended that there would only be one kind

of people on the face of this earth that will ever understand it in the manner God wants us to understand it. You do not have to go to a seminary: you just have to be open to the Spirit of God. You do not have to go to college in order to understand the revelation of the first six seals. God is merciful to those who respect His word. I am glad to be a part of those who do. Praise His Name!

THINGS THAT ARE AHEAD

The sixth seal is finished right here. (chart-at the end of the week of Daniel) Let us read that sixth seal. I want to explain something further. We are in the 6th chapter, verse 12. Imagine, back in 963 Jesus was still in heaven sitting on the mercy seat, the throne of God. It is the throne of God, and it is the mercy seat. The way Bro. Branham expressed different things, the mercy seat and things like that, people thought He was constantly getting up from this position and going to sit in another. That is not how heaven is at all. I

hope you all realize that. Let us read, "And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, (notice, we have the information, the revelation of what it means, but it was not fulfilled then at all) and, lo, there was a great earthquake; (There was no earthquake in 1963: How many realize that? We only get the knowledge that in front of us somewhere, when this thing is really applied in its actual application, every living thing will know it. We have the knowledge, but when it is literally fulfilled in its application, this planet is going to shake.) And the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood." This lines up with Matthew 24, starting around verses 29, 30, and 31. Listen to this, Mat 24:29 "Immediately after the tribulation of those days shall the sun be darkened, and the moon shall not give her light, and the stars shall fall from heaven, and the powers of the heavens shall be shaken: 30 And then shall appear the sign of the Son of man in heaven: and then shall all the tribes of the earth mourn, and they shall see the Son of man coming in the clouds of heaven with power and great glory. 31 And he shall send his angels with a great sound of a

trumpet, and they shall gather together his elect from the four winds, from one end of heaven to the other.” Immediately after the tribulation of those days, so notice, He said tribulation. That is not anywhere in here, (chart) no matter how bad things get. It is not even in here (chart.) It said immediately after the tribulation, so that means this last three and one half years must come to an end and then shall appear the sign of His coming. Notice that it says a sign. The word sign does not mean you are looking at the actual object, but it is an indicator that time is moving you close to the object. This is why I started a few Sundays back, “The Sign of His Coming,” because it is something that is going to hang here in the heavens. According to these scriptures, when you read this, you can see down here that when it is literally applied, humanity on earth is running to the rock and mountains, and they are crying to be hid from the face of Him that sits upon the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb. Keep in mind, the wrath of the Lamb is not in here, the wrath of the Lamb is not in here. It follows the closing of the tribulation. There are judgments. That is why you have

the trumpets. Those are judgments. Those are preliminary warnings, like Wake up! Something is about to happen When that sixth seal is applied, then the seventh trumpet has sounded, and the vial contains the contents of everything that the sixth seal speaks about. You should read them in that order, stack the one on top of the other. The seal is the knowledge that is given to people, but the trumpet sounds the warning of its occurrence. Then when the vial is poured out, God have mercy on the world. It is the pouring out of His wrath. Jesus is then in the process of His coming, but that sign of His coming has got to hang out there for a little period of time. That is why Jesus said what He did in Matthew 24. Then when you go to Isaiah 13, and then to Isaiah 14, you see why these prophecies all dovetail one with the other. For the day of the Lord cometh, both cruel and with anger. Now something just comes to my mind. I gave that folder of things to Bro. Bud the other night, for him to read. There was one that told about the AIDS and homosexual rise. It really began to spread in the 1980's. I saw a sign yesterday, warning what smoking can do. Listen carefully to me. Yes smoking can

create cancer of the lungs, so they are educating youth not to smoke. Yet since 1980, in Africa alone, twenty two million people have died with AIDS. There is now an estimated thirty two million carriers of HIV positive. Do you know what that means? Why do they not start educating people to change their sexual lifestyle and live longer? You made laws not to sell cigarettes to those under eighteen years of age. How come they can change one lifestyle, but they do not even care about changing another that is much deadlier? Oh but that is discrimination. Oh! Is it? I say, That is downright stupid kind of talk; and you everyone know it. With that in mind, I have to say, The 7th chapter, tells about the 144,000 servants of God that are to be sealed. Out of the 6th chapter, time moves right on in, but if you take the 10th chapter, from between chapter 9 and chapter 11, and pull the 10th chapter back here and put it right there, (chart-after verse 1 of chapter 8) then, if you put the seventh seal right over that 10th chapter, you have everything in its order of fulfillment, to that point. You just simply stack the one on top of the other. You do not

spread it out, because that is not the way it is going to be applied. How many understand my point? You stack the one on top of the other. That is the way the whole book of Revelation has been designed, so that people will say, But this and but that, and yet never understand anything. That is just the way it is. This is why chapter 11, goes with chapter 7, because we know chapter 11 tells about the two prophets, and what they do, and chapter 7, shows it being done. Is that not right? It tells what their ministry is going to do. But when we come into chapter 7, it tells you they saw an angel flying from the way of the east and he was crying to the four angels that hold back the winds from the four corners of the earth, saying, Rev 7:3 "Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees, till we have sealed the servants of our God in their foreheads." Those four angels were not standing, one on the north pole, one on the south pole, one in the western hemisphere and one in the eastern: They were all four over in the Middle East, because biblically, and prophetically, that is where the center of the world's heartbeat is. That is exactly why the Bible came out of that part of the world. That

angel seen flying, there in that first verse, is telling those angels to hold back the winds. (That pertains to political winds.) That does not mean they should hold back the miracle war. It means hold back, do not turn things loose that will hurt the entire earth. I will say, When God starts judging this earth, under the effects of this sixth seal, do not think there will not be some scorching in a lot of places. Whatever takes place in His judgments and things of that nature, are God's way of preparing things for the windup. Therefore we have to begin to realize, that as you take chapter 10, right out from between chapters 9 and 11, bring it right back to a point just before the week starts. Then you take that first verse of chapter 8, out and bring it right back here and place it just before the events of the 7th chapter begin, because that is where the Church is dealt with, and where the Bride receives her final revelation, which will be through the ministry of those seven thunders, as they sound their voices, and therefore, that is when that mighty angel that stood there with one foot on land and the other on the sea, will lift up His hand toward heaven and declare that time should be no

more. Should is a progressive word: It does not mean ten years, but it literally means, whatever those thunders say, you have to give enough time for it to be declared to the uttermost extremity of the earth, to create the effect within the nucleus of what we call the Bride, that she may be ready for the catching away. When you start looking at things like this, your denominational preachers just scratch their head and say, Well, what about so and so?. I will just ask all of you this question, Why do you never hear very many denominational preachers try to preach on the book of Revelation? Have you ever heard any of them preach about the seals? I certainly have not, except for Billy Graham writing his book on the Four Horsemen of Revelation, chapter 6, which was absolutely wrong from start to finish. Why do the others not touch it? I would have to ask them, Can you tell me why it is written here in the manner it is? Is that not important? Do you not think someone is going to know what all this means before the end comes? I do, and so do all of you sitting here, as well as many others who believe the true revelation God has given to His end time believers!

I just want to say, Yes, there is a little nucleus of people on this earth, that are going to know exactly how to ready themselves and be prepared to see the BRIDEGROOM. I want to say also, Just remember that these books I am holding are not to be used as a Bible: I am not saying you should throw them away; if you have them; no, read them, but when you do, please realize that there was a mortal man that messed with what was spoken by Bro. Branham. I will say this, The family may not like it, but after Sis. Branham came home from the hospital, my wife and I went to see her one evening. I did not go to ask her any questions about anything: we just went for a visit, but while sitting there, she asked me, Bro. Jackson, have you seen the Seven Church Ages book yet? I had just been given a copy of it. I said yes. She made this statement, and God knows exactly what I heard. She said, Bro. Jackson, if Bro. Branham had really had the opportunity to talk to the editor as often as he would have liked to, and seen the original manuscript, he never would have allowed it to be published. Those were her own words. Her daughter will not agree with that, but I do not

believe Sis. Branham would have said one thing to me, and then when the daughter comes along with something else, she would think differently. I have to go with what Sis. Branham said to me that day. How many understand what I have said and know what I mean? She said, Had Bro. Branham had access to the manuscript, and could have read it and seen what all was in it, he would never have allowed it to be published. Nevertheless it has been published, and the harm has been done. I will say this, It has created much deception, much misunderstanding, as well as created a lot of arguments. Did God know that man was going to do that? Absolutely! Why did He not stop him? You may say. Well, why did God not stop Eve and Adam when He saw them getting ready to violate His specific instructions to them? Every human creature has to be tested and tried before he or she can be judged. God has everything worked out to perfection, but everything has to manifest in its proper time.

CLARIFYING SOME PROPHECIES IN THE BIBLE

I want to continue on here in the book of Revelation, because I want to establish a finished picture. We have the revelation of six seals. That was given back here in 1963. For the sake of illustration, we will just say it was about right here (pointing to chart). Now we have the knowledge of it, and we know that the sixth seal covers this period, but climaxes because Jesus comes under the effects of that sixth seal. We know that because it has the wrath of God mingled in with it. We are at the closing of the Grace Age, getting very close to that 70th week of Daniel, like we were saying earlier, and I am convinced, with this miracle war in the making, that only God Himself knows what He has planned, to bring it to its culmination. We know from the scriptures that it is coming very soon, but only God knows exactly when, and what it will take to trigger it. We can say this though, If the time factor we have left, according to that chart we have displayed, is correct, or even

if it should be off a few months or a year, God has a precise plan in all of it. Once it starts, it tells us that God will show Himself to Israel, according to the prophecy of the prophet Micah. Once God begins to show Himself, we have to realize that it is not for the purpose of creating a world revival. It means that there is an element of mortal human beings on earth, that God wants to use this to draw their attention to the fact that He is still God. There is going to be an element of youth that will absolutely respond to it. It takes that kind of response to make Isaiah 60 fulfill itself. With that in mind, let us look at the Bride, as she passes through that era of time. We are waiting for that seventh seal to be revealed. I am convinced we are fast moving toward that week. Once that miracle war has taken place, first it will tear up the United Nations, just rip it all to pieces. Zechariah 12 says it will do that. We must realize though, that this still leaves the beast of Europe, which then comes to the forefront, and is actually the political system that the world will be dealing with. With that in mind then, we can see that Ezekiel 38, is not a war fought anywhere during the week, because

there are no wars fought inside that week: none whatsoever. Ezekiel 38, does not lay here at the end: It absolutely is NOT Armageddon, as some think, it has to feed right in here, right on the tail of that miracle war when Israel takes back all her land. It is a miracle war also, because it is a war where God, with one stroke of His hand, completely destroys the enemy's attempt against Israel. Israel does not even have to start up a tank. God will bring about nature's way of disaster, to strike the whole thing. We can go to Ezekiel 38:18, and read how God handles the entire affair without Israel ever firing the first shot. "And it shall come to pass at the same time when Gog shall come against the land of Israel, saith the Lord GOD, that my fury shall come up in my face. For in my jealousy and in the fire of my wrath have I spoken, Surely in that day there shall be a great shaking in the land of Israel; So that the fishes of the sea, and the fowls of the heaven, and the beasts of the field, and all creeping things that creep upon the earth, and all the men that are upon the face of the earth, shall shake at my presence, and the mountains shall be thrown down, and the steep places shall fall, and every wall

shall fall to the ground. And I will call for a sword against him throughout all my mountains, saith the Lord GOD: every man's sword shall be against his brother. And I will plead against him with pestilence and with blood; and I will rain upon him, and upon his bands, and upon the many people that are with him, an overflowing rain, and great hailstones, fire, and brimstone. 23 Thus will I magnify myself, and sanctify myself; and I will be known in the eyes of many nations, and they shall know that I am the LORD." It is safe to say then, that on two separate occasions, God will have shown His power in a miraculous way on Israel's behalf. In Ezekiel 38 and 39 it says, And Israel will know from that day and onward that I am the Lord their God who is in their midst forever more. Does that mean every Jew is going to know that? No sir. There are a lot of them that do not believe in anything concerning God, just like a multitude of Gentiles are today. They have their mind of science, math, politics, and money. That is about all they care about. What it does mean, is that the Jew who is a true spiritual Jew, will know that God is in their midst. With that in

mind, I have to feel that the little Gentile Bride is definitely going to know and observe this when she sees this week approaching, because that week is going to be forced on the world out of necessity. Why? Because the political world will have been terribly shaken by two miraculous, catastrophic type of wars, and they are going to say, We have got to do something: We cannot allow such a thing to happen ever again. This necessitates them and the beast system of Europe, to enter into and introduce to the world, a plan under the leadership of the Roman Pope (antichrist). That fulfills what Paul wrote in the Thessalonian letter; When they shall say peace and safety, yes, they have negotiated it, now they have signed it, and that causes Political Israel to jump right in with them. You would think that after two miraculous events wherein God intervened on their behalf, they would not be so quick to sign such an agreement. Nevertheless the political Jews turn right around and sign a covenant with that political system. It just goes to show, God has His way, He opens the eyes of some, but does not open the eyes of every Jew in Israel. Those political Jews,

because they want to play along with the rest of the world diplomacy, will sign the peace covenant. When that happens, that necessitates God to send the two prophets on the scene, so let us back up a little: We are moving toward that week of time, we expect these two events just described, to happen very soon. We are looking toward that seventh seal. You find that in the 1st verse of chapter 8. For the sake of your understanding, so you will not forget it, take that 1st verse, and in your mind bring it right back here and fasten it on to the closing of the 6th chapter of Revelation. Do that in your mind. Now that takes it altogether out of the 8th chapter, because the 8th chapter belongs right here in the start of the week. The 1st trumpet and the 2nd and 3rd trumpet, all this is the ministry of the two prophets, but keep in mind that the 7th chapter says nothing about the prophets. It does tell that there is going to be 144,000 sealed away. By who and by what means? It is going to be the ministry of the two prophets in the 11th chapter. Therefore you put the 7th chapter in here (chart), then you put the 11th chapter in here. You put the 8th chapter and the 9th

chapter in there. You stack one on top of the other because all of this is happening at the same time. By having done that, you then, in your mind, bring the 10th chapter back here, because it does not belong in the week of Daniel: it belongs right back here, (between verses 1 & 2 of chapter 8). There is where it belongs, because it follows the opening of the seventh seal. When that seventh seal is broken, it is not going to bring an earth shaking event to the world population. First off, it is a mystery. It is a prophetic fulfillment of some kind of mystery. That is why these seven distinct voices will utter things pertaining to what the bride needs to know. We have to understand, none of them are charismatic preachers. They are not Benny Hinn's, or any men like that. They are men that represent the Bride of Christ. Some will ask the question, Why seven? If you will look at all the types through the Bible, look at Israel, every time there was some major thing that God did on behalf of Israel as a combined nation, He had all twelve tribes represented. Did He not? When they crossed the Sinai Desert, crossed the Jordan and came to the other side, as they were coming through the river,

there were certain men that were delegated the job of reaching down and picking up a stone, and as they came to the other side they were to lay those stones in a pile, as a memorial. There were twelve stones, one for each tribe. That was to be a memorial for generations to come. Look what God did at the advent of Christ: Even though the ten tribes were not even back in the land as a whole representative of the people at that time, (There were some of the ten tribes in the land when Jesus was there, but not enough to show them in their identity.) He still chose twelve apostles, which was to represent the fact that Israel complete, was made up of twelve tribes. The northern tribes were never to come back into the land until the last days, but that is the hour we are living in, so the point is this, Why did Jesus choose twelve apostles? To represent the twelve tribes of Israel. Now if God, in that way, chose to set a type, to show respect, the Bride is made up of seven distinct church ages of time. Is it not? If there were seven angelic messengers, one to each age of time, we have to realize, first there is a man, but there was an angel behind that man. When we come

down here to these thunders, we can say that the seventh seal, when it is broken, that allows Jesus to leave the mercy seat. There is no more mercy after that: He is finished with the Gentiles. Next He comes to wrap up, to complete and take the Bride to Himself. Look at the picture involved. Why would not God make known these seven distinct mysteries, something concerning the imminent coming of Christ? (not in His visible return as over here, but His mystical, invisible coming for His Bride) God had to keep it secret, in order to keep Satan from contaminating the entire process. This is what throws all the doctors of divinity and the charismatic people completely out of the picture. I have writings in my possession, and I have had them here before, which prove it. This one man is definitely a historian and a theologian, and he emphatically states that there is no such thing as a rapture in the scriptures. Well saints, there are a lot of people that will fall for that. If you are a person only reading just words, and you have no spirit of revelation from God in you at all, then all you read is words and you place your own interpretation on what you read, but

you know nothing for sure, because it takes that Spirit of revelation in you to nail down the truth and make it unquestionable. You depend upon an educated man, fluent in his speech, to be able to lay something out for you to believe, but here is what we have to look at. Keep in mind, when we dealt with the resurrection, there was a phase of the first resurrection that took place when Jesus rose from dead. It is not written in the scriptures in some great big phenomenal way. What it says in Matthew, should be enough for anyone. It did not say a few graves were opened: It says, "And the graves were opened, (Mat 27:52) and many bodies of the saints which slept arose, 53 And came out of the graves after His resurrection, and went into the holy city, and appeared unto many." I believe I have said before, Did that mean only the graves around Jerusalem were opened? I do not believe that. I believe, since that was Old Testament saints that came forth, that some of them could have been saints that died way back there even a thousand years in advance of that hour. The point is this, it was prophesied by David in the Psalms. He had that psalm, that prophecy, thou will not leave my

soul in hell. From the time righteous Abel was slain by Cain, until Christ was crucified on the cross, all righteous spirits of human beings went into a place in hell called Paradise. It is in the heart of the earth. The wicked that died went into the place called torment, in hell also. Therefore since we do know it is written that Jesus conquered death, hell, and the grave, when you connect that with that Psalm, David wrote, which said, Thou shalt not leave my soul in hell, neither will thou allow thy Holy One to see corruption, that ought to tell you something. As the Seventh Day Adventists insist, He did not lay in the grave a full seventy two hours. His entombment representation was of three days and three nights, but not the full seventy two hours. In the Middle East, the human body starts a chemical breakdown, which was not allowed to happen with the body of Jesus. Keep in mind, they put that body in the tomb in haste. There was no embalming spices or anything that went on it when they put Him in the grave real quick. The point is this, It took the apostle Paul, years later, after he received the revelation, to explain it. That is why he wrote the 4th chapter of

Ephesians like he did. He wrote, Now He that ascended, and he was not talking about a different man, and he was not talking about a different event. That One that ascended is the One that first did what? He descended. At what time did He descend? When His Spirit left the body. The body stayed on the cross at the time, but the Spirit went down into hell and He fulfilled exactly what David's spirit was waiting for. David had longed to see that One to come, to deliver him and set him free. Therefore when the scripture says the graves were opened, that happened when the great earthquake took place as the breath went out of Jesus. Then after Jesus was resurrected, those other saints rose from the dead and appeared in the city, but only after His resurrection, because He was the first fruits from among the dead. When you connect that with the further revelation the apostle Paul spoke of in the Ephesian letter, you get a pretty good picture of the whole thing. Eph 4:9 "Now that He ascended, what is it but that He also descended first into the lower parts of the earth? 10 He that descended is the same also that ascended up far above all heavens, that He might fill all things." When the life

went out of the body, His spirit went immediately into hell. What did He do? He preached to the imprisoned spirits, then He took the spirits of all the righteous, all the way back to righteous Abel, before and after the flood, right up to the time of that event, and as He went up, they went up to glory with Him. He gave gifts unto men. That is what He put in the Church, gifts. The point is, He took those righteous spirits with Him to glory. That constitutes the first phase of the first resurrection. That is when it had a beginning. I will say to my critics, There was no trumpets blown, and there is nothing written about a shout. Why? Because Jesus Himself said, I am the resurrection and the Life. He was there in person, invested with the power and authority from the Father, to loose every one of those spirits of the righteous that were held captive in hell, and take them to the heavenly paradise. When those bodies came forth out of the grave, they were reunited with that glorified body that we everyone look for. They were not left there walking around: They went to glory with Jesus. None of the Old Testament prophets ever envisioned this. It is in the time of

Paul, that this was revealed and he brought it into his teaching, and that was because Paul's epistles were strictly to the Bride. He was not directing his words to foolish virgins, only wise virgins. How many realize that? The parable of Jesus in Matthew 25 brings that in. He is looking down at the end of time, because it said, Then, then, then, not back here at the beginning, shall the kingdom of heaven be likened unto this. That is why we can say, All the epistles Paul wrote to the Church, were to the Bride, and it is all one and the self same thing, because he had the revelation of what the Bride Church is built upon. So with this in mind we have to understand that Paul wrote like He did in 1st Thessalonians, because it was the Thessalonian saints that kept asking questions, constantly pestering him, But what about this and what about that? That is why, in the first epistle he wrote back to explain some things, he brought in the process for the next phase of the first resurrection, when in the 4th chapter, he wrote, For this we say unto you by the word of the Lord, because he was not just giving them some idea that had been hatched out in traditional thoughts

and carried over from the Old Testament. He was giving them a clear picture of what it will be like when the time comes for the Bride to leave this world. That means there is going to be some people snatched out of here mysteriously. That is why this seventh seal that is still sealing the scroll in the hand of Jesus, has not yet been broken: The seventh seal has nothing to do with the trumpets nor the vials, nor will it affect anyone other than the Bride. How many realize that? I know what Bro. Branham said in the Seals book, that the seventh seal is the end of Grace, and it is for the Bride of Jesus Christ. That is why we see in the 10th chapter, that great sight: It goes with the breaking of that seal. With all of this in mind, we have to begin looking at 1st Thessalonians 4, where it says He will descend first from heaven with a shout, and we know that the shout has sounded already. We brought that in earlier: That shout was the message delivered to the age by the prophet messenger. The voice of the archangel is next. What is that? That is what brings the revelation of that seventh seal. That is what you see here in the 10th chapter, because the rainbow that was

around the throne where He sat up there, now is around His head and He is standing in angelic form on earth, with one foot on the land and the other one on the sea. What has He come for? He has come for the contents of what is in that scroll that is open in His hand. As Bro. Branham brought out, it is the scroll of redemption. He has come for the product He has been interceding for. What we must realize, is that this puts you and I, the Bride of Christ, in a time factor right here while the world is negotiating a peace agreement and out of necessity, getting ready to introduce the last week of Daniel's seventy weeks. That puts the Bride in her final moments so to speak, before the rapture takes place so listen carefully, The thunders are not going to perfect you: Why should you still need perfecting? What have you been doing the past five years leading up to that Time?

A SPECIAL WORD TO THE BRIDE CHURCH

If you are running all over creation, doing everything and accomplishing very little, you should slow down and take stock of yourself. Some people have to be knocked down with dynamite or something similar before they even realize how vain their efforts have been. Now that is a figure of speech, so just take heed to the nourishment of your soul before some sudden development has to shake you. Do not go away from here and tell people that Raymond Jackson said some people ought to be knocked down with dynamite: I just mean that some approach life in such a care-free way that nothing alarms them, nothing shakes them until tragedy strikes. I will say this, Just watch how people react to various things and you will see what I mean. This miracle war we talk quite a bit about, just let it start and let it become so evident that all the news media of the world rush quickly to Israel, and a lot of attitudes will change suddenly. The News Media will fly camera men of every description to Israel to probe and poke around, just like they did in the Gulf War. You could not turn on a TV, without somewhere there was a TV station that constantly had news coming

from the Middle East. I will say that this event will paralyze the world at that time. It is because of what it accomplishes. That, and that alone should put people of the Bride right on their tip toes, waiting for the miraculous outcome. What you hear the ministry preach from now until that hour, is going to be the things that puts you and I in a state of perfection. It is going to cause us to get our human nature all under control. We are going to get this flesh all crucified, because the coming of Jesus, His imminent coming to take us away is going to be the most important thing in life. That war is absolutely going to let you know, that what we have believed is staring us in the face, so we have got to get ourselves ready. It is not that you stand in a wash tub and lift yourself, it is that you and I look at the time we are living in, and look at everything God is causing His men to bring out of the scriptures to us: The elements of our perfection lay within the ministry and it will be world wide, because God has called individuals from every nation to walk with Him in truth. Somewhere, God has those seven men who are ordained to be the voices of Chapter 10, verses 3 and 4 of Revelation.

Notice how it is written, The mighty angel cries with a loud voice. "And cried with a loud voice, as when a lion roareth: and when He had cried, seven thunders (seven chosen men) uttered their voices. (Rev 10:4) And when the seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not." I have to say, When that moment comes, it is going to transpire precisely at a time when the world is going to be so busy negotiating, (which in reality, they are getting ready to set this week of time in motion) exerting all their efforts in an attempt to bring about world peace, I cannot help but believe Jesus will be in angelic form on earth. Not that people are going to see Him, but it is going to create an anointing like none of us have ever witnessed before. It is going to have an affect on your spirit, and God is going to anoint those seven men for that time. Listen carefully as I say this, The end time movement, those that do believe the seventh seal is yet to be broken, but insist that it takes a prophet to reveal it, will miss it all. You could talk from now through

the next fifty years and will never change their mind. They are sitting in the road, drying out, just waiting there in the middle of the road for God to work according to their design, but He has His own design. In the dream I had about these scriptures, those that concern the war, in the last scene I saw, people were coming from all over the world for an event. They were coming somewhere to a meeting. I could see them coming with that little bottle of oil in their hand. That lets me know the Holy Spirit has already been poured out at that time. Every one that came to that great gathering, had already had his or her personal experience. Everyone was approaching, coming into this building with expectancy, as though thinking, We are going to learn something. Everyone was talking about the same thing. When it looked like all the people that were expected to be there, were in there, all of a sudden Bro. Branham appeared in the front, where normally a speaker would stand. Everyone got real quite. Listen carefully how I say this, I do not want anyone to think I am some fanatic: Bro. Branham is not coming back from the dead, as a fleshly person. Do not even think

a thought like that. However, if Jesus, one day while speaking to the multitude, said, (Mat 16:28) “Verily I say unto you, There be some standing here, which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His kingdom,” what would be so strange about a similar event taking place for the end time Bride Church? Notice, (Mat 17:1) “And after six days Jesus taketh Peter, James, and John his brother, and bringeth them up into an high mountain apart, (Mat 17:2) And was transfigured before them: and His face did shine as the sun, and his raiment was white as the light. (Mat 17:3) And, behold, there appeared unto them Moses and Elias talking with Him.” Verse 9, lets us know it was a vision and not a literal resurrection of Moses and Elijah. That high mountain where Jesus took Peter, James and John, is called the Mt of Transfiguration. What did He do that for? He took them away from the multitudes that followed them everywhere they went. First off, they were going to see something that was just for them. As they were taken up to the high mountain, it was just Jesus, Peter, James and John, four men, but all of a sudden something came down over Jesus.

His whole raiment began to change, His countenance changed. Then, in this vision they saw two prophets of the past come into the scene. Now what was that for? Jesus has just told the multitude down there, Some of you will never taste of death until you have seen the Son of man coming in His kingdom, so what this scene was ordained for, was to show that before Jesus does come in His visible return to earth, that event will be preceded by two Old Testament prophets, not the actual men, but two Jews with the anointing that made those two Old Testament men known for their particular ministry, Moses and Elijah. Right here, (at the beginning of that week) is where they appear in Israel for their three and a half years of prophecy to the Jews. This is to set the stage for the spiritual minded Jews, to get them ready for what takes place over here on this side (in the other half of that week). The important thing to notice, is that they saw two men of the past, Moses who had died and Elijah that had been translated. Well what I am saying to you is, If God would do that for those Jewish men of that hour, and it had a specific significance, then why would it

seem so ridiculous if He did the same for His Gentile bride people right here at the end of time? Letting the image of Bro. Branham, (who is known by the older ones, that he was a true prophet and messenger to the Laodicean age, for the Bride people) be seen for a specific purpose, seems right in line with what He has already done, as well as what He is going to do again for the Jewish people. The two prophets of Revelation 11, will not necessarily look like the Moses and Elijah of old, and they will not be seen only in a vision, but they will minister under that same anointing. That is why I say, What would keep God from sending that man's image for the Gentile Bride? If He chose to do the exact same thing for the Jewish people two thousand years ago, and all of us be allowed to read about it, Why would He not do the same again? Since Bro. Branham's death, he has appeared to me three times in a dream. Is that spiritualism? Is that fanaticism? Not if you look at it the right way. It has never happened in the church world, but I have to believe God can do it. While the movement as a whole, is carnally looking for the natural man to reappear, God can use that man's image and he can be

made to appear to men either in a dream or vision, or they just hear his voice. Which ever it is, those men are going to be dealt with in a supernatural manner. What is implanted in their memory will have as great an impact upon what they are going to say, as what John heard and was told to write, when he wrote the book of Revelation. All seven of those men, wherever they are scattered over this earth, are going to have something prophetic wise to say to the element of people that their ministry is connected to, and it will be something to acquaint that element of people with the imminent coming of Jesus. Not the day or the hour, let us get that out of our thinking. Once you are ready to leave this world, you will have been told what the mystery is. Look at it in that light. Until then, your mind will be just as anxious and filled with imagination, Oh it would be wonderful if we just knew the moment. Yes, it would be just like the rabbit and turtle running the race. The rabbit was so far ahead he thought that turtle would never catch up, so he sat down under a tree and went to sleep. Here came the turtle, and went right on by. I only use that as

an illustration, but I have to say, The image of Bro. Branham seen in that dream, has to be for a purpose. I heard him say things. Here I was standing, looking at people close by, and saying, What did I tell you, we are going to learn something concerning His coming. Everybody was sitting there with such a joy of expectancy, as he stood there before all the people. I have to feel that it has something to do with what that seventh seal is. Until then, I would be very foolish to speculate. I cannot help but believe those seven men are men who have already met God's test, wherever they are. Once God gives that to them, their mind and their spirit is going to be so set on what they have seen and heard, the devil and all his imps could not take it out of them. They are going to relate it in such a simple way too. Look at this angelic being of Christ on earth, the first thing He did, He cried with a loud voice. As soon as He cried, those seven thunders uttered their voices. John heard exactly what was said. As I said earlier, The one that edited that book, told Bro. Branham it cannot be something that has not been written, because if that would be the case, this would be adding to the word of God. I

thought to myself when I was told that, You are so wrong, but I kept what I thought to myself. Now I say to you, What about the two prophets coming upon the scene in Israel? You will not find written anywhere, what they will prophesy. Does it not say they will prophesy? For how long? Read it for yourself, (Rev 11:3), "And I will give power unto my two witnesses, and they shall prophesy a thousand two hundred and threescore days, clothed in sackcloth." Where will you find written, what they will prophesy? They will not stand out there quoting Isaiah: They are going to prophesy. It is not even in the scriptures, what they will say, but does that mean it is adding to them? No. It is fulfilling an event that is unrelated to what we see here. These are things that people have to wrestle with and get them out of their system. What those thunders are, to me, will definitely be prophetic insight that deals strictly with the imminent coming of Jesus for His Bride. We have got to settle it. That is why I say, Take the 10th chapter that is recorded between the 9th and 11th, bring it right back here and lay it right over that seventh seal and the later part of the 6th chapter, because there is

where it all begins to culminate. Here, is where we finish the Bride. Here, is where she is taken out of the world. Now let us again look at this 10th chapter. Let us start with the 4th verse and read. "And when the seven thunders had uttered their (The word "their" is a plural pronoun.) voices, I was about to write: (Think of it, If John had not been told not to write it, he would have, it would have been in here for us to read. The fact that it would have been in the 6th chapter, goes to show it would have been for the Bride. We would have been reading it. The fact he was forbidden to write it, lets us know he could have, and what he heard has got to be fulfilled in the day that there is a living element of the Bride needing to hear it.) and I heard a voice from heaven saying unto me, Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not. (That does not mean those words will never be sounded, but like Bro. Branham kept emphasizing in the seals messages, If John had written what he heard the thunders say, the devil would know all about it; and would have twisted every bit of it. God knows Satan has done enough already, the way he has taken all the

other scriptures and twisted them into a thousand different interpretations. This is one thing he cannot run wild with, because he does not know what it is.) And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up His hand to heaven, And swore by Him that liveth for ever and ever, (If you want to see a parallel in this, take it to Daniel 12. You see this one that is standing on the sea and the land, there in the 12th chapter of Daniel, standing on the river, and He does the same thing, lifts up both hands and swares by Him that liveth forever, that it is all over. He will not do this in Israel, until this has been fulfilled to the Gentile Bride first. Once He has fulfilled this to the Gentile Bride, which is in the 10th chapter and takes place right here, (just before the week starts) He can move right into Israel and start dealing with them. Then is when He will deal with them concerning that last three and one half years.) who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, and the things which are therein, that there should be time no longer." Should is a progressive word meaning, from the time the thunders are sounded,

there is a little period of time for what they have said, to get around everywhere the bride is and be communicated to obtain its ordained affect. As I have said, It is not an instantaneous thing, like a flash of lightning. That is what we have to understand, because all of this is for the universal bride of Jesus Christ. Everything has to have time to make its way to every bride saint.

WHAT ABOUT THIS MYSTERY

Looking at Verse 7, in the 10th chapter of Revelation, confused people years ago, because they knew Bro. Branham was the seventh church age messenger, and he was still on earth at the time. "But in the days of the voice of the seventh angel, when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as He hath declared to His servants the prophets." As long as Bro. Branham was alive and preaching, his voice, his message had not even been heard around the world. They

only knew of it here in the United States and Canada. They heard about his healing ministry. In Africa they told about the healings and outstanding miracles that took place, but they knew little of what he preached and how he baptized. God took the man from the earth, but did that take his voice? His message has gone around the world. Do not think I am bragging, but we have put it around the world in its true revelation. If you think I am bragging, go ahead and believe that, but if you could see the letters we get from ministers overseas, who say the Contender has helped clear up a lot of questions that had brought division you might change your mind. I have been told how churches have crumbled because all they were built on was quotes, quotes, and more quotes from Bro. Branham's messages. Not every Tom, Dick, and Harry preacher claiming to be in this message, gives it the right picture. I just have to say, Thank you Lord, for allowing us to do so: We realize it is not us, but the grace of God working through us. Notice though, the mystery should be finished. Since his death in 1965, his message to the bride has gone around the world. We are

approaching 37 years since his death, and in that time his message has been sounded around the world, both in what has been sent out in booklet form, as well as what we have sent out to follow right on the heels of those booklets. The word should, I have to say, has about reached its termination point. I believe it has been sounded around the world. There is something else right on the end of this though. When we come to verse 8, still in the 10th chapter, do you remember where I said to place it? Right here, just before the week starts. "And the voice which I heard from heaven spake unto me again, and said, Go and take the little book which is open in the hand of the angel (This is the arch angel, the one that cried, that caused seven voices to sound forth that mystery which constituted the seventh seal.) which standeth upon the sea and upon the earth. And I went unto the angel, and said unto Him, Give me the little book. And He said unto me, Take it, and eat it up; (This is all symbolic: Ezekiel was told to do the same thing.) and it shall make thy belly bitter, (when you eat something that is bitter, it means a bad case of heartburn, because it did not agree with you.) but it shall

be in thy mouth sweet as honey. (How true that is. The taste in the mouth is good, we gobble it down, but oh my, somebody give me a Rolaid. It sets the stomach on fire.) And I took the little book out of the angel's hand, and ate it up; and it was in my mouth sweet as honey: and as soon as I had eaten it, my belly was bitter. And He said (the angel) unto me, Thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings." This is different than what the seven thunders said. To me, this is an anointing, the same kind that was on John, that caused him to write everything that he had seen, past tense, present tense, future tense. It was a prophetic anointing reserved for him for that hour, that gave us this whole love letter, but if John was told, Thou must prophesy again, it means a repeat is forthcoming; not him, but the anointing that was on him, will rest on a ministry of some individual men who are somewhere in strategic places on earth, associated with particular people, and they will have an opportunity to speak to politicians. I have felt like the Bride of Christ has been held in the background, almost like she does not even exist. That is why

the charismatic people, all that type, see themselves as the Bride of Christ. They are not the Bride of Christ, but they are out there portraying themselves to be, at least in their words. They are so far away from being bride saints, it is pitiful. I believe, once the seventh seal has been made known to the Bride, which is already in perfection, and is already in unity, because she has already attained the stature and image of Christ, she is ready to leave this world, but God is going to let that anointing drop on that little Bride, and that ministry, which are men; and they are going to speak out some things that are absolutely going to cause the mouths of politicians to fall open. Why? Because that will be God's way of bringing about a testimony that causes the Bride to become known. All they see in us now, is just a nucleus of strange fanatics, but to the world in general we do not even exist. I have to believe, when that anointing that was on John repeats itself again, it will not put the speakers on the Isle of Patmos, because it would not have said what it did. How many understand that? John was on the Isle of Patmos; and all he had to do was just write all this, but when it

was said, For thou must prophesy again before many peoples, and nations, and tongues, and kings, you do not do that out on the Isle of Patmos. You do not do it locked up in jail. That is for the end time Church. I have to believe there is a little nucleus of the ministry that this anointing is going to fall on; and that is going to be God's way of closing out the testimony of the Bride, just before she leaves this world. With that in mind, I hope we see now where that first verse of chapter 8 falls into fulfillment. Tie it right to the end of the 6th chapter, then take the 10th chapter, and bring it back here also, because that is what finishes the Bride of Christ and gets her ready to leave this world. I have heard it said, that the rapture could take place any time. People who talk like that have never studied the scriptures. If they had, they could not come up with an idea like that. Without even going back to read those prophecies in the Old Testament, we have enough in the New Testament to keep us from getting an idea like that. After the apostle Paul had written what he did to the Thessalonian Assembly, they came right back with other questions, But what about this? He wrote the

second letter and said, (2 Th 2:2-4) "That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand. Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin 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, showing himself that he is God." Of course I realize, that right on through the years, there have always been some who thought the Lord could come any minute, and they would look at these same scriptures to make their predictions because they could see apostasy settling in on religion. That was not the falling away this scripture is referring to. When I take these other translations and look at that same scripture, do you know what it says? **THAT DAY WILL NOT COME UNLESS THERE COME AN OPEN REBELLION FIRST, AND THAT MAN OF SIN BE REVEALED AS THE SON OF PERDITION.** That is not word for word, because I have checked it in different translations and they are

not all worded the same, but this is what we have going on right now: They want to do away with the Bible. They want to get God out of the picture. That is what the world is screaming right now, even Jewish politicians say, We cannot quote the Bible: we cannot use that in our negotiating process. What a shame! What a disgrace! They are the people we got the Bible from. They ought to be standing up, defending it. Oh no, we have to keep God out of this. No wonder, God has got to show His power in such a dramatic way in the Middle East. He has to wake them up. Does that mean every one will be awakened to reality and turn to God? Not at all. The Gentile Bride, from now on until that week starts, has got some praying, listening, and watching ahead of them. As Bro. Branham said, If you grow potatoes, then keep on growing potatoes. Do not just sit down and wait for the coming of the Lord. Some people are so concerned about Wall Street, that it seems like that is all they live for. Saints, we cannot do that and get ourselves ready for the Lord. Once we see where the 10th chapter goes in fulfillment, He will fulfill chapter 8, verse 1, and once that seal is

broken the 10th chapter, will come right in there, just before the week starts. I know I am repeating some of these things over and over, but it takes that for some. I want to acquaint us with what goes on, as this stage is set for the rapture. The shout of 1st Thessalonians 4:16, took place way back here. (the message by Bro. Branham) We have had the shout for approximately 40 years already. It awakened an element of people who love truth. There has been some awakened that never did get to hear the natural man's voice: They have been awakened by the commotion that other people make. That is understandable: Anyone who has ever slept in an army barracks with a hundred and some men all sleeping and snoring, when reveille is suddenly sounded it wakes the greater part of them. They wake up rubbing their eyes, jump up and begin to pull on their trousers, but there are always one or two that did not even hear the horn: It was the commotion of the others that woke them. Is that understandable? That is exactly what a shout does. It is the commotion that it creates among some people, that actually wakes others. What is going on? Did

somebody say something? Well anyhow, the shout has to have been sounded in time to be effective to all the living element of the bride. When we come back to the 10th chapter of Revelation, we see Jesus on earth in angelic form, one foot on earth and one on the sea, which shows this is a universal position. He cries with a loud voice. Only the living Bride hears that voice, the voice of the archangel. How many understand me? They are the ones that have already heard the shout and have been moving forward, being prepared to meet the Bridegroom. The voice of the archangel makes that known. Remember though, In 1st Thessalonians 4:16, the apostle Paul also spoke of the trump of God, so there are three things. The trump of God does not even affect the living: It raises the dead. Take that to 1st Corinthians 15:52, and look what Paul said about the trumpet sounding. "In a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trump: for the trumpet shall sound, and the dead shall be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed." In the verse before that he said, "Behold, I show you a mystery; We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed." When that

trumpet sounds, the dead in Christ comes up first, and then we all go up together, to meet the Lord in the air. That is what we are all waiting for. These scriptures let us see where the trumpet comes in? That is not one of the trumpets that sounds over here in chapter 8. Those seven trumpets over here are unrelated to the rapture of the Church. That trumpet sounds and brings up the dead first. Since it brings the dead first, that brings out of the ground all the dead saints in Jesus Christ who are to be a part of His Bride. Because the living ones that have moved forward and are alive right there, they have not only been affected by the shout that has been going on all this time, the shout that put them in motion to move forward and it brought them to the hour of hearing the archangel's revelation. Was the revelation sounded to the world? No. Do you see now, that the shout, and the voice of the archangel was to the living element of the bride? You did not have any of that back here, when these others rose. The shout, and the voice of the archangel are for the living saints of the Bride of Christ. Then the trump of God resurrects the dead and then you have the rapture. That

leaves in the ground, all these other dead we talked about, that have white robes, plus that great multitude that are killed in this tribulation. Notice when we come over here, when we read Revelation 20:4-5, and I challenge the critics, there is not a shout, there is not the voice of an archangel and there is not a trumpet that brings them out of the ground. Christ is on earth now. He is the resurrection. At the sound of His voice they will come forth. There is no rapture to them. There is no catching away. They come forth out of the ground immortal. How many see the point? That is why I say, What Paul wrote was for the Bride, what John has here is for all those tribulation saints. In the 19th chapter is where he saw the Bride in heaven. But it didn't tell you when they went. I have to say, they went under the seventh seal and the 10th chapter. With that in mind, follow me now, we are gone, but the week has started and the two prophets come on the scene. Everything else that is written in the book of Revelation is strictly for that week of time. I want to line them up and show you. I will say this, If a Jewish person gets this tape, I beg you Jewish friends, please, I have respect for your

Torah, but you have turned everything into ceremonialism. You have so traditionally memorized it, you have all kinds of rituals attached to the Torah, what it means to you and all. Jewish friends, you have been left in the darkness of time; and you do not know where you really are, in time. If you knew where you were in time, and Sharon and Peres, and all the rest of your leaders who are ready to keep the Sabbath, and hallow that day, if you only knew what your prophets had said to keep you up to date, your leaders would not be selling you out in a compromised way to this bunch of Gentile devils, and the so called U.N. That is why I say to the Jewish friends, Please, God will force your leaders into a corner one day, and He will cause them by the pressure He puts upon them, to come out of the corner and begin to realize they cannot stand alone: They have to rely upon the God that established you. Then they are going to have to see that your prophets of old told you of this which is yet to come, but you did not read them. Even when your Rabbis read the Torah they do not pay attention to all of it. There was an article in the Jerusalem Post by a Rabbi,

explaining all about the Torah, but I thought, What about Numbers 24?, when old Balaam told Balak, Come here, I want to show you what is going to happen, what these people will do to your people in the later days. It is a shame that the rabbis cannot explain the prophetic picture. Tradition binds them to a ritual, to a meaning that is as old as time. Neither do they know the sound of the clock that is striking tonight over the face of this earth. It is a shame. I say also, The Gentile church world is just as ignorant on the subject of Grace. That is why, when that seventh seal is broken right here, and revealed through the 10th chapter, and also of what follows, Grace is over for the Gentiles. The Church is ready to go. Now God will deal with those Jews through the wars that have just transpired and then with what the prophets do, because the prophets will be ready to come on the scene at the exact appointed time. I will say this to any Jewish person that will listen to me, Keep in mind, those two prophets are spoken more of in the writings of your prophets that followed the Torah, than you will find in your Torah. There is more of it in the New Testament also. Therefore

when these two prophets, who will be Jews, under the anointing of Moses and Elijah, according to what was shown to Peter, James, and John that day, on the Mount of Transfiguration, come upon the scene they will tell you what God has done among the Gentiles, and where He has been for two thousand years while you have been dispersed, scattered to the four winds of the earth. When God returns to the Jews, He will have already finished calling out His chosen from among the Gentiles. He will give His attention to what His prophets have foretold, concerning the children of Israel in the last days.

LOOKING AT EVENTS **INSIDE THE WEEK**

As we go into the week, we want to drop those trumpets into their proper place and show those three woes, how they are applied, then watch those vials, how they are poured out, so that when we come to the end of that week, I want to preach on the sign of His coming,

what is going to transpire on this earth in those seventy five days Daniel 12 speaks about. A lot of people grow up to think that when Matthew 24, comes about, bingo, Jesus is going to come like a streak of lightning and it is all over. It is not like that at all. That seventy five days is not just a bunch of days stuck in there to take up space. There has got to be a revelation that goes along with that. I ask that you pray for me, concerning all of this. As you can see, we have a new chart, which I pray will help us with the things we are going to touch on now, as we read the entire letter of Revelation in its time sequence. I am not going to repeat what we have said already: I just want to acquaint you with the chart and how we have taken every chapter of the book of Revelation and put it in its time sequence and show you how to read it in the light of time. It seems like politicians ought to be able to realize how close we are to the end, because there are so many things in place right now. When we recognize in America today, that we have an element of society that fulfills what Jesus said in Matthew 24, and Luke 17, namely, Mat. 24:37 "But as the days of Noe were, so shall also the coming of the Son

of man be.” Luke 17:26-28 “And as it was in the days of Noe, so shall it be also in the days of the Son of man. They did eat, they drank, they married wives, they were given in marriage, until the day that Noe entered into the ark, and the flood came, and destroyed them all. Likewise also as it was in the days of Lot; they did eat, they drank, they bought, they sold, they planted, they builded; But the same day that Lot went out of Sodom it rained fire and brimstone from heaven, and destroyed them all. Even thus shall it be in the day when the Son of man is revealed,” it ought to be clear that all that is lacking, is that what we see going on already, just becomes a little more commonplace. Every ungodly thing that was going on in the days of Noah and also the days of Lot, are present in our very society today. This is a day and hour that you cannot publicly speak out against the gays and lesbians and the various lifestyles that are anti scriptural, without immediately being branded as a racist, discriminatory, just plain prejudiced, or something they can club you with. They will have you in a Court of Law before you know what is happening. Even still, no

politician that has ever read what the Bible says, can honestly condone what is going on in our society and say, I see nothing wrong with this lifestyle. That is exactly what brought the flood: an overall acceptance of ungodliness. That is exactly what is going to bring the end of time and bring the wrath of God upon this mess. It is also that much more real why the Jews today, in their negotiating, from the world standpoint, has them afraid to mention the Torah. That is their Bible: yet this is a day, the world over, that using the Bible as a means to negotiate is forbidden. You cannot use it in any kind of school squabble. Right here in this magazine, are quotes from Newspapers in different states, that confirm what I am saying. One student went to school with a pair of scissors. The minute the scissors were found, that student was expelled from school. That is not a gun, so what is the big deal? In another case, a student was seen pointing his finger like a gun, at another student, bang, bang, and he was expelled from school. Another student was found drawing little characters like Popeye and those cartoon characters, but one was shooting at the other: They

expelled him from school. That is exactly the kind of society we are cultivating in the high places today. I have said many times, They created it, and now they are having to pay the price. Don't let them tell me their, get God out of the picture attitude did not bring on what we are seeing today. I will look them right in the face and say, You created it, you hypocrites!. You gave in to this thing, when one lone woman, back in the 1960's, an atheist at that, got citizens across the nation to sign a petition to get public prayer out of the schools. Only the Lord knows, how many people signed that petition. When it went to the Supreme Court, they passed it on into law. The next thing, they got the Bible completely removed from all sources of education. When that took place, God was on His way out of America. Any time you take God out of a nation, that nation will go downhill toward destruction. America, for the last thirty five years, has gone downhill socially. I have to say to the Lawmakers, Do not attempt to blame the Christians for doing it. They had nothing to do with such nonsense. All of that combined with the general attitude of our society, just goes to show

you that what the Bible says we would see as an indicating factor of the last days, is almost exactly in place. They are trying to remove that blessed old book from our society, but they cannot totally succeed, because it is grafted into the hearts of some people who will keep it alive until all is fulfilled. Hallelujah! They can confiscate all the written pages they can find; and forbid anyone from quoting what they have in their hearts, but they can never prevent the fulfillment of every prophecy that has ever been written in it: God Himself will see that every word is fulfilled perfectly. Our politicians do not realize what kind of POWER they are trying to get rid of. They are all under the spell and affects of the evil they have created. There is no such thing, that when you remove God from your society, you leave the slate clean. You absolutely do not get rid of God: You only open the door for the devil, the opposite force which is evil, to rule your society. I just want to acquaint you with a time factor. This red line on our chart, goes all the way back to the beginning like the other chart we had. Here, is the beginning of the Church: the blue line, which represents those in fine linen. We

come to the year of 1945: The month of April, brings WW2 to an end, but a tragic thing had taken place in the world, especially Europe. Six million Jews from all over the European continent, had been rounded up and martyred, or just plain murdered. Looking at Revelation 13:1-18, you see, And I saw a beast rising up out of the sea, right? Now that chapter follows 12, doesn't it? But this is to show you, to see this beautiful love letter that is the Lord's love letter to His Bride, it was written in 96 A.D. by one lone human being, John. He was put out on the Isle of Patmos and isolated from the rest of society. They thought they would shut the old man up. He was the last of the patriarchs. Just to show you, that you cannot stop God's word from being fulfilled, though it is true that He does have a time factor and a way He will bring everything into perspective, it will be fulfilled. When WW2 was brought to an end in that sector of the world, Europe, to North Africa, was laying in shambles. All major cities, the metropolitan area, was bombarded to pieces. Warehouses, factories, railroad terminals and bridges were demolished. With the Russian bear looking down upon Europe, the

European leaders realized, or at least they thought so, We must do something or this bear will devour us. That compelled the European leaders to bring together a combined unity of their military forces called NATO, North Atlantic Treaty Organization. That is how it got started. The whole purpose was to protect this complex while it was in the process of coming up out of the waters. What put it down there? History shows, that in 1520 the Reformation started. Up until that time it was the Roman Empire having passed through its different evolutionary stages of political and religious development. But in 1520, when the Reformation started, that was God's way of wounding the head, the brain works of the thing. That beast started dying. This ocean, the waters, represent the mass of society of Europe. As the war came to a close, in the eyes of God it was time for that old beast to start rising out of the waters it had been sunk into. Very slowly, from 1945 onward, it started rising, coming back to where it was before the Reformation wounded its head as unto death. Rev 13:2 "And the beast which I saw was like unto a

leopard, and his feet were as the feet of a bear, and his mouth as the mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. 3 And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast. 4 And they worshipped the dragon which gave power unto the beast: and they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like unto the beast? who is able to make war with him? 5 And there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and two months. (Naturally, that speaks of the antichrist that shall sweep into Jerusalem in the middle of the week of Daniel, kill the two prophets of Revelation 11, and try to rid the world of all believers in God. The dragon that gives him his power, is the devil himself.) 6 And he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme His name, and His tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven. 7 And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, and to overcome them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and nations. 8 And all that dwell upon the earth

shall worship him, whose names are not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation of the world.” The Bride of Christ has an understanding of all these things now, thanks to God that sent a prophet messenger to this age.

A LOOK BACK AND A LOOK AHEAD

When we came into 1963, eighteen years after the closing of that world affecting event, and in the months of March and April, God’s messenger to the Laodicean Age, the man who was the prophet messenger that fulfilled the 2nd part of Malachi 4:5-6, was inspired to preach on the seven seals of Revelation 6:1-17, 8:1. God gave him the revelation of the first six, but the seventh seal was not opened. As we have already said, The seventh seal has not been opened yet: Bro. Branham spoke of the seventh seal, but could not present the revelation of all that it pertains to. He believed, as we do, that it will reveal things about the coming of Jesus Christ for the

rapture of the Bride Church, things the living Bride will need to know. At that time, (1963) God wanted a nucleus of people on earth to know, from the book of Revelation, a book that many are afraid of, that it is actually a love letter to the Bride of Christ, to acquaint her with what is already past as well as what is yet ahead, in the plan and purpose of God. It was time for this letter to begin to be opened, but only for a certain element of people, that they could have a chance to take a look at what is now beginning to develop in the world. Therefore in the months of March and April of 1963, this little man dealt with the seals, and because it was not very far from here, we were able to sit through every service. The religious world today, could not care less about what he revealed by the leading of the Spirit of God in those services. That is why I have said the religious world today, with all of its theological understanding, would not even care if the book of Revelation had never been written. This goes to show, that they do not even know which way they are going, and they cannot even say they are the Bride of Christ. Billy Graham wrote his book on "The Four Horsemen." The Jehovah

Witness' have too. They both have almost the same picture, but their picture is not right: They place those four horsemen over here in the tribulation period; but when Bro. Branham stood there thirty eight years ago, presenting the revelation God had given him on those things, he was pointing to the past concerning that white horse rider, not forward. That red horse rider was pointing backwards, not forward. That black horse rider was likewise in the past, because it shows you what Catholicism was like in that long dark period of a thousands years, which was Satan's Millennium. It was not pointing ahead. When we consider the pale horse, (gray horse) Catholicism was already sending out its invitation, Come, and let us be one. Pentecostal leaders, as well all kinds of religious leaders the world over, were coming together in one of the greatest ecumenical moves this world has ever seen. Their concern was the establishing or promoting of unity among churches or religions of every sect, regardless of what they each believed. It was almost like one of those great cattle drives of the old west. I have called it that, because there is no possible way a

conglomeration like that can worship the true and living God together. They can come together and follow some kind of preconceived program of man's making, but the Spirit of God which is the true Spirit of unity, is nowhere near a gathering like that. That gray horse began galloping the moment that unity program got under way. The message the messenger brought to this Age, showed exactly how the inauguration of that worldwide unity, that ecumenicalism, or coming together of all denominational churches back in the 1960's, is actually what started that gray horse galloping around the world. It has deceived untold multitudes of religious church going people. There will be no end to it either, because that gray horse will gallop right into the week of Daniel and be destroyed by the ten horns of Europe.

A GREAT SURPRISE

With what we have already said in mind, I would like for us to acquaint a certain revelation with

something in particular. We will look back to 1963, because there were some people from Chicago down here for those meetings; and they came down to our home during the day. While sitting there in our living room, one of the sisters asked me a question: Bro. Jackson, is it possible for a Jew that has never repented and accepted Jesus Christ, to be saved at any time since the advent of Christ? I said, No. I just said no, because, from my own theological standpoint I did not see how it could be possible. That night when we went to service, sitting there waiting, that little prophet opened the scriptures and read the fifth seal. I am going to read it because I want to take you right to that point of time. Revelation 6:9, "And when he had opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of them that were slain for the word of God, and for the testimony which they held: and they cried with a loud voice, saying, How long, O Lord, holy and true, dost thou not judge and avenge our blood on them that dwell on the earth? And white robes were given unto every one of them; and it was said unto them, that they should rest yet (Listen to this.) for a little season, until their

fellow-servants also and their brethren that should be killed as they were, should be fulfilled.” That little man read that and said, That was those Jews that were slain in Hitler’s purge. That hit me like a rock between my eyes. When you read it, there is not a thing in it about the testimony of Jesus Christ. Their identity was, that they kept the word of God and the testimony they held. That does not mean all six million of those slain Jews ended up in heaven. Some of them died cursing God, but others of them died crying, Lord Jehovah, I just don’t understand this. What have I done Lord? Machine guns were mowing them down, they were falling into pits, and some were just simply starving to death, but God knows every one of them that went down crying out to Him. Little children hanging on to mother’s apron were treated likewise. Do you think that little child understood why that was happening? Let us try to place ourselves back in 1963, when that revelation came forth, eighteen years after Hitler’s purge was over. There are the souls of the ones that had been martyred, up there. They are not in hell. They are up there in the heavenly paradise. White robes

were given to every one of them; and it was said to them that they should rest yet for a little season. You and I have been living in that little season of time. It is a fact, that little season of time cannot be any longer than a human generation. In Matthew 24, Jesus said, When you see all these signs, these indicators, they are all in place, they have developed, this generation shall not pass away until all these things be fulfilled. That means, from that time right straight on through the beginning of the week, right straight on through this, (the tribulation) when you add that time up, it cannot pass beyond a total of a seventy year period. That is a human generation now. Let me acquaint you with this. Here is the beginning of the week, here is the ending of the week. The first three and one half years of it, is called a thousand two hundred and sixty days, or threescore days, that is the ministry of the two prophets. The last three and one half years is a forty two month period, that is the duration of the man of sin, the beast. When we can see these time factors, it lets us know we have lived, we older ones, to see that little season all the way through. I remember this, and I remember this

(chart). We are approaching the beginning of this week. I am convinced we are so very close to it, that is why that war, when it does start, and it is over, and Ezekiel 38 follows right in there behind it, it will not last a month, it will not even last a week. It is going to be such a miraculous type of thing, we can just about say that seventy two hours will put it in the past tense. I ask a simple question, What do you think that is going to do to the world in general? It is going to shock it. It is going to shock it to the point that the politicians are going to be scared half to death and say, We have to do something to prevent any occurrence like this in our future. The European leaders, Europe, that beast is already up out of the waters. It has already hit the time line and Daniel 9:27 is hanging right over it. "And he shall confirm the covenant (out of necessity) with many for one week: and in the midst of the week he shall cause the sacrifice and the oblation to cease, and for the overspreading of abominations he shall make it desolate, even until the consummation, and that determined shall be poured upon the desolate." It will be necessity that world leaders do something in

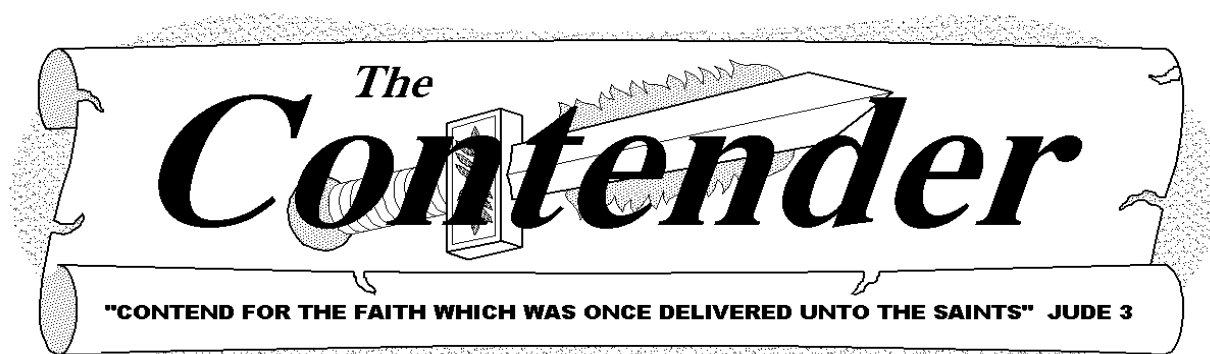
order to avoid any further catastrophe like they have just seen. Saints: Listen to me, Every verse, every chapter in this letter of Revelation is going to be understood by the Bride of Christ. There will be no guess work. Some people will look at me and say Bro. Jackson, That is just you talking. If God lets me live, I will challenge you on that one day. It is a fact, you do not even have spiritual leaders among politicians any more. In the Old Testament, when Israel was first formed as a nation, her spiritual leaders were her kings and her priests. What happened to them? Where did they disappear to? When you pass King Hezekiah, then you begin to get out of the category of kings being righteous. When we come on down to the advent of Christ, the priest that God could speak to was Zacharias. He was a lay priest, not a high priest. At a certain time of the year he functioned, burning incense, a type of prayer for the people. A humble lay priest, and God sent an angel into the temple to get his attention. Luke 1:11 "And there appeared unto him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. 12 And when Zacharias saw him, he was

troubled, and fear fell upon him. 13 But the angel said unto him, Fear not, Zacharias: for thy prayer is heard; and thy wife Elisabeth shall bear thee a son, and thou shalt call his name John.” This John was ordained of God, to introduce the Son of God to that generation. He was the Elijah that fulfilled the first part of Malachi 4:5-6, ordained to turn the hearts of those old Jewish fathers to that of children, that they might receive the gospel of Jesus Christ with simple faith as little children would. As for Jesus, known to that generation as the son of Joseph and Mary, who was actually the Son of God, and would later be known as the Christ of God, the potential King, The Messiah that was to come, you would have thought He would have been born of some elite family of that hour of time. Yet a little virgin girl of Nazareth was chosen of God to give birth to HIS Son, and according to the words that were said, Nazareth did not have such a good reputation. The society of Nazareth was low down, with crooked politicians, and the society in general had just drifted along with it. Mortal man cannot know the mind of God unless He reveal certain things to chosen ones by

His Spirit. Such a one was Joseph who was engaged to Mary, the virgin girl God had chosen to bear HIS Son. He had his own mind made up, how he was going to handle the unique situation he was found in, but God sent an angel to speak to him in a dream, to put his mind at ease. Mat 1:18 “Now the birth of Jesus Christ was on this wise: When as His mother Mary was espoused to Joseph, before they came together, she was found with child of the Holy Ghost. 19 Then Joseph her husband, being a just man, and not willing to make her a public example, was minded to put her away privily. 20 But while he thought on these things, behold, the angel of the Lord appeared unto him in a dream, saying, Joseph, thou son of David, fear not to take unto thee Mary thy wife: for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Ghost. 21 And she shall bring forth a son, and thou shalt call His name JESUS: for He shall save His people from their sins.” God had ordained, that out of that good for nothing town called Nazareth, a young virgin girl named Mary would bring forth a son that was conceived by the Holy Ghost, so He sent Gabriel to announce it to her and put her mind

at ease. All she actually said in response was, How can this be? You can read her response further on down, but let us read Luke 1:26-31, at this time. “And in the sixth month (in the sixth month of Elizabeth’s pregnancy with John) the angel Gabriel was sent from God unto a city of Galilee, named Nazareth, 27 To a virgin espoused to a man whose name was Joseph, of the house of David; and the virgin’s name was Mary. 28 And the angel came in unto her, and said, Hail, thou that art highly favoured, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women. 29 And when she saw him, she was troubled at his saying, and cast in her mind what manner of salutation this should be. 30 And the angel said unto her, Fear not, Mary: for thou hast found favour with God. 31 And, behold, thou shalt conceive in thy womb, and bring forth a son, and shalt call his name JESUS.” She was already engaged to the carpenter man named Joseph, and he was not a politician. Nine months later, when the child was born, the only outstanding, elite type that were interested were the wise men that came from the east. Joseph and Mary were just

common human beings of that society.



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