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The Mystery of God, Part 3



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HAVING DONE MY BEST TO SHOW YOU THAT THERE ARE EVER SO MANY FALSE WITNESSES IN THE WORLD TODAY, ALL CLAIMING TO BE FOLLOWERS OF THE MESSAGE BROTHER WILLIAM BRANHAM WAS SENT BY GOD TO THIS AGE TO DELIVER, I WILL MAKE A

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FEW MORE COMMENTS AND THEN TRY TO MOVE ON TO OUR NEXT POINT.

I will just ask you, What have we learned in the past 28 years? Have we learned anything the church world in general was ignorant of? I pray to God that we have. Otherwise that 7th verse in Revelation 10 has no meaning whatsoever to us. "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." But in the days, that means that period of time, from here to wherever this ends. Just think of it, From 1965 when the prophet to this age died, until now, 29 years have come and gone; and the movement as a whole has not learned one earthly thing in that period of time. I repeat, Not one earthly thing. They still say, Just say what the tape says, and that is exactly what those quoters do. They spend a lot of time memorizing those quotes; but they do

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not spend one minute analyzing the messages on those tapes to try and catch the picture the prophet was presenting when he preached those messages. What he presented was designed to help us get back into the Bible; but has it done that for the greater majority of those who claim to be followers of his message? Absolutely not; and because it has not been allowed to put them back in the Bible, they are worse than the denominational system of religion they came out of. There were a lot of people who for a period of time sat under his

ministry, read his printed messages and followed the crowd, many of them highly educated; and after so long, they have decided that he must have been a false prophet. They cannot see anything from a spiritual standpoint, so they end up saying, No true prophet can speak like that, saying things two different ways; and they go back to the denominations. I would just like to remind you of something. It is true, when the Old Testament prophets wrote prophecy, they did not write it with plural statements. It is a sure thing that they were commissioned to present a true picture, or at least part of a picture, that would point those believers to Jesus Christ and what He was sent to accomplish at Calvary. Some prophets of old did not speak of such an event in full clarification; but neither did they present dual statements concerning the part they did write of. One might bring forth a brief little point of it and say no more; but later on another one would come along and say some more and when you put the two together, you begin to see how they link up to present a total picture. That is how God chose to hide the truth from the wise people and reveal it to those who love truth. He just simply scattered the various parts of the total picture around: so that only those who are led by the Holy Spirit are able to see the complete picture. When you come to a New Testament age, Jesus said in His parables, that in the end time there would be a harvest of the product produced through the ages; but

during that harvest season, in the ending of it all, there would be a separation, a purification: whereby the make believers would be bound together for burning and the true believers taken to glory: to be with their Lord. Of course that has to take place in a spiritual sense; but as it does take place in a spiritual sense it has to have an earthly, individual application, so that the living end time believers meet the same specifications, scripturally speaking, that the Church started out with. Therefore a preaching prophet like Bro. Branham was, since he definitely was NOT a writing prophet, God could use him to say anything He needed said in order to sift through those who followed after his teaching. God never did intend for us to just blindly follow His anointed servants without taking every teaching to the scriptures for conformation. God intended for His servants to present a scriptural foundation for every doctrinal teaching. That is to stand completely apart from any remark or statement made at other times. We are all human: with human tendencies that have been formed by much tradition in our former lives; but regardless of that fact, God is able to lead us through all of the ideas and opinions, right to the true revelation of every subject. Believe me though, when I point out to you that from one standpoint God would cause Bro. Branham to say certain things that were the very essence of truth; and if you have the Holy Ghost, you will see exactly where

the statement leads you to. However if you are just a tare, playing the part of a believer, and looking for something to play around with, and argue about, then God saw to it that the same man would say something from time to time that would give such characters a bag full of quotes to run with. *This is what the prophet said, blah, blah, blah.* How true that is: He did say those things they are always quoting; but those fellows did not really know the man they are quoting. Since they did not know the man as well as they thought they did, it would be very hard for them to know what he meant, or why the plural statements were made. You must remember this, Behind the man was the hand of God, with a purpose for every statement he presented to those who would ever hear his words. Let us look at it this way, When we come to serpent seed, there were many things left unclear. When we come to the first resurrection, over and over I heard him say, The foolish virgins go through the tribulation, they are martyred. He left it as though they would not appear again until the great white throne judgment. There is where in the last resurrection they would be raised. However when you begin to study the Bible, that is not the way the Bible lines it up. Also when we come to the seventy weeks of Daniel you have a sermon he took two weekends to teach, clarifying and establishing beyond any shadow of doubt right from the scriptures that there are yet seven years left, which constitute one

full week of the seventy weeks. Then over here in 1963, when he preached the revelation of the seals, he just threw it out there all alone, There is only three and one half years left to the Jew. Then in Questions and Answers he says the same thing. Therefore when God took the man from our midst it left the movement hanging in mid air; and most of it is still hanging right there. Church order put them all in confusion. The Millennium was left a mystery; because a lot of them could only see Jesus and His Bride living here immortal, and nothing else. I came along later, when we preached *The Age of Regeneration* and taught that there would be babies born in the Millennium: simply because I saw it in the scriptures; and that really brought forth some howling. That really stirred up a hornet's nest. I will never forget; and I am going to say it this time, Perry Green's own father called me one night, got me out of bed and said, I hear that you teach there will be children born in the Millennium. I said Yes. Well Bro. Jackson, I believe I would be careful: Because you know the prophet never said anything like that. I said, I know that; but I preach it because Isaiah said it. Now that is where either we walk with God or we stop dead in our tracks and say, *There is no more revelation*. They who think there is no more revelation; and that it is all over, to them it is. If I were them I would just stop preaching. What is the purpose? I would sit down, close my Bible and say, Lord, I am going into retirement.

They would be better off; and so would the people who are persuaded by them. To keep preaching something they are not clear on; and really know nothing about, only causes them to confuse people that have never heard the pro's and con's of the things they quote. People who are hearing something for the first time, without it being presented from the scriptures; and without the opportunity to take it to the scriptures themselves, can easily accept as truth those things they are hearing. It is those who have had the opportunity to examine both versions in the light of the scriptures and still hold to the wrong version, or try to accept both statements just because the prophet spoke them, that God is going to judge.

CHIPS OFF OF THE DENOMINATIONAL RELIGIOUS BLOCK

Let us look at this thing more seriously than some have in the past. I just have to acknowledge the grace of God He has shown me through these years on behalf of this and other controversial subjects. I have never heard one of these doctors of divinity that followed his ministry, and that just takes the quotes, ever take the Bible and try to straighten out anything. They have never straightened up the seventy

weeks of Daniel, they have never straightened up serpent seed; and they will never straighten up anything else; simply because they are afraid to even consider anything the prophet did not lay out plainly before them. They take one line of quotes and that is what they preach and they leave it hang there. Well I can hear something that may not altogether be clear to me and I may not say anything at first; but I do know that everything written in this Bible that is relative to the Church's edification, her growth in knowledge, wisdom and the statue, which is all to make us in the likeness, or image of Jesus Christ, is important enough that we are not going to leave here until we learn it. If you live long enough, you are going to learn what it is. There is not one thing in this book that God put there just to give men a job printing it. Everything written in the Bible is eventually to be fulfilled. That is why everything the Old Testament prophet prophesied concerning the advent and coming of Christ and what He was to do in that first advent coming was so important to those first age apostles and disciples: they covered everything from the time He was born, to the day He was crucified and ascended into heaven and the Holy Ghost coming back days later. I want you to know, the second sermon Peter ever preached, he said, Brethren: All those things beginning with the prophets, the Psalms and so forth, concerning Christ being crucified, buried and raising again, God hath fulfilled. Now all

these scriptures laying here that are relative to His second coming and how the church is to be made ready according to Ephesians, and presented unto Him, if you live to the rapture, by the time the Church goes out of this world, every prophetic scripture is going to drop in place and you are going to be a recipient of it. There is no need of you sitting around in some religious system just playing church, saying *That is irrelevant: I am not concerned about these mysteries and revelation, all I am interested in is Jesus.* The Catholics say the same thing; and we know their doctrine is antichrist. The Baptist say the same thing. So do the Presbyterians and the Methodists. They are all chips off the old block of denominationalism. They have a limited capacity of what they are able to see, they dogmatically reject. Most of them do not even want to see anything their forefathers did not see. They take the name of the man that started up their brand of belief, conjure up an image of what they imagine he stood for; and when they apply that image to their own lives they think that Is all there is to being a Christian. No. If it was not necessary for you and I to be restored back to the same doctrine, principles and precepts of the early Church, there never would have been a Reformation. God would not have cared what the Catholic Church had done with the truth: if He had not intended for the raptured Church to be taken out of here believing the scriptures the same way those first

Christians did. Keep in mind, That old Dark Age system had ruled for a thousand years, substituted or perverted every doctrine the true Church was founded upon; and by the time Martin Luther protested, it was the very system Satan himself had designed to fill the world with antichrist teachings of the scriptures. Yes they use the name Jesus, when it serves a purpose for them; but He is not Lord of that system. Rather, He is going to burn it. His name is the object around which they build the system; but they could not care less about a true revelation of the scriptures. Those poor souls held in bondage to that old system of religions faithfully pray with their beads in hand: Hail Mary, mother of god. Pray for us now and at the hour of our death, and so forth. It is very sad. They are going to need more than that to pray for them. Anyhow after a thousand years of being hammered with that, the world went into utter darkness spiritually. God raised up a man by the name of Wycliffe, and they martyred him. Then came Martin Luther, John Calvin, John Knox, Fox, Wesley and all of those we refer to as reformers. God watched over them. Some were martyred, others were persecuted; but as long as they had a burning message to restore a truth, God was right there to protect them. He designed the whole thing so right here at the end of the Age, the Church has the apostolic truth of the word of God restored to her. That is why I said, Have we learned anything? I believe

we have. After Bro. Branham's death, naturally a lot of people were roaming around saying, *Well he will come back from the dead: he still has a work to finish.* Multitudes around this world believed that. Many of them still believe that. They do not like to hear me say this; but I have always said this, Once God takes His man, that man has spoken his final verbal word to the Church. Whatever he spoke that seemed incomplete, God has His ways of filling in the missing parts. Whatever he said, and regardless of how he said it, time alone will vindicate God's true purpose in allowing things to go as they did. God will make sure the bride Church knows what it all meant. The quoting element of the overall movement has said, Anyone else that comes along preaching something the prophet did not preach, is just trying to make himself something. They are hung up on that. That is why they say, If God does do anything He will have to do it through His prophet. They will say it like this, The word of the Lord comes only to the prophet. Now let us explain that. How many times did I hear Bro. Branham quote that! Many, many times. Do not forget though, he was under an Old Testament, Elijah spirit anointing. In a sense, he had to speak just like that Old Testament prophet would have. Keep in mind also, he was not a writing prophet. He was a preaching prophet. Therefore I want to show you something else. Nowhere in the entire writing of the epistles of the

New Testament will you find any of the New Testament apostles referring back to Jesus as a prophet. It was the apostle Paul in Hebrews, that spoke of Jesus as being the apostle and high priest of our profession. Coming from the Old Testament side, the Jews, through the Law, from their angle, as they look toward their Messiah, who was anointed of God and had God dwelling in Him, was the Prophet of all that those prophets had spoken of. Keep in mind, Jesus Christ was the end of the Law to every one that believeth. Therefore on this side of the Law, when we are in the second covenant, when He ascended up on high, He sent back a Comforter which was to dwell inside of us; and He is to be a teacher as well as a comforter. He set in His church apostles, prophets, evangelists, pastors and teachers. Prophets in that sense are not Old Testament prophets, but New Testament prophets. You can see in the teachings of the apostle Paul, he plainly tells you the body, the mystery, is built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone. Now since the Catholic Church was Satan's means of stripping the church from all these callings, even the gifts and things, then keep in mind, when God was to send that Elijah spirit again to restore us back to the faith of our fathers, that did not mean Old Testament fathers. It means we are to be restored to the faith of our Pentecostal, apostolic, new dispensation, new covenant fathers,

which we read about in the book of Acts, as well as in the various epistles. Therefore we look back through all of this to Christ, from this side. That is why we preached years ago, *The Two Sides of Christ*. From the Law side He was a prophet, but from the New Testament side, He is the apostle and High Priest of our profession. These critics of everything outside of what they believe will say, We believe in apostles; but I have to say to them, You absolutely do not believe any such thing. You are just like the Pharisees of old. You are legalistic; and you do not like to see anything take place that does not fit into your religious program. In reality you do not want apostles in this age at all. You every one know that New Testament prophets are going to come out with things you do not want to hear: because they are not confined to something God did thirty years ago. They are moving on with God; and they are presenting the revelation of God's word for this hour of time: just before the coming of the Lord for His bride Church. After 28 years of hearing these same quotations from Bro. Branham's sermons, it would seem like someone ought to begin to realize, We are not going anywhere spiritually. That is a fact: You are just going in circles. Well let us get down to business then.

HOW GOD DEALT WITH ME

In the month of March in 1966, Bro. Branham was already cut off the scene. The movement as a whole had already lit in on us by then, Stay away from that Jackson group. He is a dreamer. They think that is bad. Anyhow I had this dream, and when I tell it they say, There goes that dreamer. As far as they are concerned, You are not supposed to have dreams any more. Saints of God: Listen to me, God is not yet finished manifesting His spirit. You just stick around. Make every effort to get your life and mind straightened out on those things you believe is truth. Before His Church leaves, you are going to see an element of people that have the Spirit of God working in their lives, leading them in strange ways. No the outside society will never accept it: but it is the way God has chosen to lead you. There are going to be all these things in there. That element is against us because we have not allowed them to dangle us on a string like a bunch of puppets.

MY DREAM

In this dream, I saw myself out in the field working on a fence. I could see that I was feeling very discouraged. I

saw Bro. Branham walking up, and heard him say, Bro. Jackson. (You have heard this dream before; but I have to put it in the message.) *He said, I want you to go speak for me. I said, I won't do it. He said, Why? I said, They won't believe me. He said, I want you to go speak for me. I said, I won't do it. Again he said, Why? They won't believe me. But the third time he said it in a very firm way and pointed his finger: I want you to go speak for me.* When I saw him look at me that way, I saw myself take a piece of paper out of my pocket, and then I wrote seven sermon titles. *I said, If I can speak on this I will go, but if I cannot, I will not. When he looked at it he said, Perfect.* He turned and started walking away and I started following him. Then I awakened. People who still have that old denominational spirit on them will always say, I do not believe in things like that. How can they, when they are Christian's by mental belief only, without spiritual revelation? People like that do not believe much of anything that comes by revelation of the Spirit of God. Many of them have a great respect for what is written in the scriptures; but they are without any illumination, without any inspiration, so all they can get from them is what can be understood in the natural. They will read from the Bible, where Jesus said to a multitude one day, "Verily I say unto you, there are some of you standing here that will not taste of death until they have seen the Son of Man coming in the power and glory of

His kingdom.” Then they read how He took three of His disciples, Peter, James and John, and went up into a mountain. As they entered this summit, the glory of God came down upon all of them. In this glory realm the disciples see Jesus’ countenance change. His face was made to shine like the sun. His raiment shined likewise. He was a glowing image of something they had never seen Him like in His natural appearance down here on earth. While in that vision, and please notice that it was a vision, these three disciples suddenly see two Old Testament prophets coming and talking to this man called Jesus, who is the Son of God. These disciples heard them telling Jesus of the things He was going to suffer on the cross. I ask you, Is that spiritualism? Think of it. Is that spiritualism? That is how God does many things. Moses was dead. Elijah was raptured; but the Spirit of God is eternal. He is omnipresent, and omniscient. Therefore He took the image’s of those two Old Testament men, for what they stood for in the day and hour of their individual lives and used those images to speak to the Son of God of things He was going to suffer shortly thereafter. It had a far greater purpose than what is seen in the natural. The fact that they saw those two prophets in that image structure, also typed the fact that as Jesus comes again to the Jewish nation, His coming will be preceded by the appearance of two men that have the spirit’s of Moses and Elijah. Those two men will bring

them (the Jews) the revelation of Jesus Christ: who He really was, and who He really is. That is why you see in the first verses of Revelation 11, something that coincides with chapter 7, and chapter 14. It all lines up. I said that to show you that we are living in an hour when God is going to play a trick on this legalistic Branham movement just as sure as the fact that the sun rises in the east and sets in the west. I wondered, after the dream, What did those seven subjects mean? As I read the scripture, I could not see a thing. However in the months that followed, those seven things dropped right in place. The first one was the article we printed, *“The Testing and Fall of Satan.”* I will give you a little profile of it for the sake of this message. I have always said this, If you will read the man’s sermons right, and if you have the Holy Ghost, and you want to get back in the Bible with it, God will put you right there, so you cannot help but see it. I will never forget that statement the night he was preaching the seals. The statement was, (when the man had challenged him, somewhere, I do not remember where, but probably out west, about him believing in this six day creation story) *“I believe everything was laying right there from some other creation, and all that was needed was for the light to strike it, and up began to come the grass, the trees and things.”* When he said that, I said, Then that has to be a clue to something. Before his death, my wife and I along with our children,

had been in Illinois visiting relatives. We came back through Springfield Illinois. There they have a museum. IN there we saw these huge tusks and those petrified footprints from the Mississippi Valley. I looked at these footprints, the giant tusks of these Mastodon elephants, then in the wax museum part it showed these prehistoric cave dwellers and I have to say this, Yes they existed, but those cave dwellers portrayed there were not sons of God. They were part of the animal kingdom of that hour. There, it showed this cave man and his companion, and he had already knocked another cave man in the head and they were dragging him back to their cave for breakfast. Here it shows them in this part of the scene progressing back to the cave, but the next scene is in the cave and a little fire is burning. I want to ask you something. A nature that would make anyone act like that would have to be from Satan. Would you not say so? That is why, when I see modern, twentieth century mankind doing things that are just as ghastly, it lets me know the devil got hold of them somewhere along the line. That should tell you the devil learned all of this a long, long time ago.

UNDENIABLE PROOF

Let me tell you of something found near our home that vindicates a prehistoric existence reaching way back beyond the creation events of Genesis. A few miles from where we live, down near Mauckport, Indiana, twenty some year ago, a gravel pit was opened up. Along about that time, the man operating the crane and filling dump trucks, as he emptied one scoop full into a truck bed, he saw something go in there that looked strange to him. He stopped everything and they got in the truck and began to sort it out. They come to find out it was pieces of bones. So they send to Purdue or somewhere, maybe Indiana University; and here came a bunch of archaeologists and scientists. What they had discovered were bones of the Mastodon elephant that lived so many thousand years ago. I thought to myself, Somewhere the Bible has to have an answer to this. Would you not feel the same way? This causes me to ask the question, If there really was a prehistoric earth with giant animals and such like, What was that era of time for? It has to be something that God used in relationship to testing his angelic beings. You may say, Well Bro. Jackson, I don't know about that. You have to take knowledge of this one thing, In the Genesis story, Genesis 1 and 2, when we find that Moses in the wilderness journey was commissioned to do so, and he sets this record in writing, notice how it is recorded. "In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth." Period. Now if we see

the light of truth in the Bible, that could have been a hundred billion years ago. If it all started with a bang, who was the chemist that put all those components together to create such a bang? I have to say it was the greatest chemist there ever was; and He still is. Our society has all these long hair scientists in their laboratories, pouring this into this tube, and that into another one, trying so hard to prove that this great masterpiece of creation was not creation at all; but rather something that just happened. They think they are so smart, but the truth is, they are blind as a bat. They can only do what they do because a great ONE is allowing it. Man can only operate and function in the realm of what his Creator has willed him to. When we look at what we have to look at, we know that is why it says in Genesis, "And the earth was without form, and void; and darkness was upon the face of the deep." What does that tell you? Void means it had been rendered useless. When you write a check, it does not matter whether it is for a dollar or a hundred dollars, if you render it void, it will still say a hundred dollars or whatever, but it will not be worth two cents to the person it was made out to. That is what the word void written across it does, it renders it useless. Therefore in dealing with Genesis 1 and 2, you are not starting with six thousand years ago. You are starting with the beginning of a different era of time; and what looks like six creative days, are actually generations of time

evolving over and over until a certain thing is accomplished within that span of time. When we begin to see this, then we have to realize as we look to the Bible for the answer and not from the quote books, that the Bible will take you right through in a very simple way. You just have to allow the Spirit of God to direct you to all the missing pieces of this great puzzle. When you go to Isaiah 14 what does it say there? Let us turn there. Isaiah was a prophet in Old Testament times. When he saw how certain kingdoms began to become exalted, he recognized the power of Satan in it all. That is what caused the kings, the leaders within nations to exalt themselves and become puffed up. It all comes from a spirit. Isaiah was allowed to look beyond the man, and beyond the kingdoms represented by man, and look beyond the material things and say this, (12th verse) "How art thou fallen from heaven, O Lucifer, son of the morning!" Well what does that mean, *son of the morning*? You and I think of morning as the time when the sun comes up; but you have to realize this, He was an angelic being, an offspring of God, created in the dawning of time, and he was perfect back then. The Bible will prove it. Let us read what happened. "How art thou cut down to the ground, which didst weaken the nations! (You wonder why the world is in such a case today? It is the devil's handiwork: the same old spirit Isaiah was seeing.) For thou hast said in thine heart, I will ascend into

heaven, I will exalt my throne above the stars of God: I will sit also upon the mount of the congregation, in the sides of the north: I will ascend above the heights of the clouds; I will be like the most High. (Yes, somewhere in ancient times he got that idea. He cultivated a thought like that.) Yet thou shalt be brought down to hell.” The Bible says hell is prepared for Satan and his kind. We call him Satan now; but before he sinned, he was a beautiful angel, a servant of the most high God that had certain privileges. In other words, we learn from the Bible itself, that long before you and I and our ancestors had our origin in our Garden of Eden, God had already placed him here on earth and there was an Eden for his beginning also. There is every reason to believe that those angels and that prehistoric creation of huge beasts could have lived here on earth for millions of years, in perfect peace and harmony: with no disturbance, no blood shed, no killing, and in a perfect climate, until Satan (Lucifer) got this great idea to exalt himself to a place of equality with his Creator. Without a doubt, God put the angelic family here, so that sooner or later they could be tested as to what they would do with the authority they had. Lucifer no doubt was chief of them all. That is the only scripture that really brings out his original name. From that time on he has been called Satan, the Devil, the serpent and all such like; but never again as Lucifer except by the saints. Alright, so this

has to make us believe that when the devil really began to think like this, that is when the animal kingdom in that prehistoric world began to head into those millenniums of killing and bloodshed. He was the instigator of all that caused God to have to judge this planet and render it void, with total darkness covering it until the time of Genesis 1:1, when God began to redeem it. In Washington D.C., in the Museum of Natural Science, there is a petrified animal. It looks something like a half grown hog; but it has a jaw something like a small crocodile. That animal had attacked another species of its own kind and had it down on the ground with its left foot on its body, and its neck in his mouth: chewing on it, trying to pull it apart and eat it; and God’s sudden judgment, whatever happened that brought that prehistoric world to an end, killed that thing like that and left it; and God let it become petrified as a memorial for this creation to learn from. God used that prehistoric creation to test His angelic beings and that is why Lucifer became known as Satan: he failed his test and caused a lot of the other angels to go along with him in this great act of disobedience to his Creator. After so long, when God saw that the test had accomplished its purpose He brought the whole thing to a sudden end and that is why certain species have been discovered in situations like we have just described. Furthermore this perversion Lucifer designed caused Jesus to refer to him as the father of lies

and as a murderer from the beginning. He is the one that designed the act of murder. Then when it came time for God to call upon him to give an account for his behavior no doubt it was a situation just like when He spoke to Cain, Eve's son who slew his brother Abel. You know how Cain talked, Am I my brother's keeper? In my mind, I can just see Lucifer as God called him, Come here. What have you been doing? I can hear a long speech Lucifer put forth; but God knew what it was all about. The point is, when God brought Lucifer in check, then He judged him as a fallen creature and reached out and judged everything on this planet. I happen to believe God let this planet be shaken maybe by a terrible earthquake that rocked it away from the sun a few degrees. No I realize the scientists all have their educated ideas, but a few degrees, happening within a few hours, sooner or later it is going to create a condition that would bring on an ice age. In some places, life no doubt ended in a matter of hours. While in other areas life did not end suddenly, but in a matter of weeks and months it eventually did end, because the creatures was not made to stand that kind of climate. What gives us a reason to say the things we are saying? Some may ask. Simply because of the various discoveries that have been made here in the twentieth century. There had to be an explanation for them. With modern archaeological equipment, a prehistoric creation has been verified.

Out near Lordsburg, New Mexico, while building a super highway, earth movers that were going down and scooping up earth, all of a sudden here goes large chunks of something in the trucks that had to be investigated. When they analyzed it, what did they find? There they find the bones of three Mastodon type elephants. They had evidently been walking on a trail, one behind the other, and something killed them suddenly. They died right there and were buried in the sand of a twentieth century desert area. God let their bones be taken up, and we have them as confirmation of a sudden end of life. You just have to realize, if the end of life came in a gradual sense, due to sickness and things like that, then the decaying of this in many places would have left it unrecognizable. I just have to believe the Creator Himself wanted this earth to have infallible proof that this planet has been here a long time. You will find that Ezekiel 28:13, agrees with what Isaiah saw: Only Ezekiel saw this years and years after Isaiah saw it. In Ezekiel it says, "Thou hast been in Eden (Eden in this sense is not your and my Eden. It was his Eden.) the garden of God; every precious stone was thy covering, the sardius, topaz, and the diamond, the beryl, the onyx, and the jasper, the sapphire, the emerald, and the carbuncle, and gold: the workmanship of thy tabrets and of thy pipes was prepared in thee in the day that thou wast created. Thou art the anointed cherub (No wonder Isaiah

referred to him as the sons of the morning) that covereth; and I have set thee so: thou wast upon the holy mountain of God; thou hast walked up and down in the midst of the stones of fire. Thou wast perfect in thy ways from the day that thou wast created, till iniquity was found in thee.” If you cannot take Isaiah 14 and Ezekiel 28 and put them together and see that these two prophets were looking beyond Adam and Eve’s hour, looking back to a time when this planet was first brought into existence, I wonder how you would try to explain some of the archaeological findings of our day and hour? From these examples, we will go to St. John 8. Jesus was preaching to a multitude and got a bunch of Pharisees all riled up. Their religious ego got disturbed. When He began to see their temper reach a certain pitch and their eyes begin to sparkle, then He said to them, *Ye are of your father, the devil.* That remark really lit them up. *The lusts of your father ye will do, for he was a murderer from the beginning.* It meant his beginning of such. *He was the father of lies because he abode not in the truth.* That is why we have to realize that somewhere way back, Lucifer, that anointed cherub, was perfect because sin had not entered into his mind yet; but then something came along as a thought and began to change his whole concept of how he looked at things. Then we take that and go right on into the New Testament: in the epistle of Peter, who was an apostle

to the Church of the living God in this dispensation. He speaks like this, *angels which kept not their first estate, how they have been cast down, where? Into hell, and reserved there until that day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.* Cross right on into the book of Jude, and he speaks of the same thing, how angels are not only cast down, they are chained, never to be loosed. Not until their final judgment. That lets you know there are some angels down in the pit. They are chained there forever, because it means somewhere in that hour of time when they were all tested, they did something that was so bad God would never let them have another chance to repeat their evil work again. While it is true that others are loose, going about as demon spirits, those are chained up, spiritually speaking, and are reserved there until that day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men. Let the man in this movement disagree, and the educated preachers rave about it, we still have good reason to preach and publish this. There again they said, You are just trying to be somebody. We are not trying to be anybody: we are just doing what true children of God ought to be doing: getting an understanding of why there is so much confusion among professing Christians. I am required by the grace of God, either follow God or admit that I am no better than the worse sinner that walks the face of this earth. I enjoyed the privilege of sitting under Bro. Branham’s ministry; and I will be

forever grateful for that privilege. I have said many times, That man made Jesus of the Bible stand head and shoulders above every other man. These doctors of divinity have their diplomas, they hang their plaques on the wall; but they do not have a revelation worth two cents; but that man made Jesus stand so tall, and so real, if you had the spirit of God in you, you could not help but get a revelation on certain things. I have seen doctors of divinity who would sit on the platform behind the man, when he would stand there and begin to look back across the crowd and begin to tell a certain person, You do not live here, you are from such and such a state, and live on such and such a house number, and say, Isn't that right? When their hands would go up and they would begin screaming, those great men would have tears streaming down their faces. That is the same thing Nathaniel saw when he came up before Jesus. He had already asked Peter and Andrew, Can anything good come out of Nazareth? However when he came up the road to meet Jesus, and Jesus, when He saw Nathaniel coming, cried out, behold an Israelite in whom is no guile. Nathaniel looked at Him, How did you know me? *While you were still under the fig tree, I saw you.* That was all Nathaniel needed. That changed the whole picture right there. Therefore there is no excuse for some of these people of this movement to still remain in spiritual ignorance: They have seen enough, if they had looked at it the

right way, they should be doing what we are doing: preaching and teaching the revelation the Church started out with, instead of becoming idolaters. God hates idolaters. The Bible says so.

INEXCUSABLE DEEDS AND ACTIONS

I am saying once again, The Branham movement has shut themselves off from God; and they have no acceptable excuse for such conduct; but I believe there are other people the world over today, like this brother here, that can tell you they appreciate the stand we have taken through the years. He not only speaks for those in Nigeria, I can say he is speaking for thousands in the continent of Africa that saw the same thing he saw. When the Contender started going there, we never intended to publish this thing to outdo Bro. Branham. I said, Lord, Take it wherever you want it to go. It has followed those Spoken Word books wherever they have gone. It is just like two blocks of wood on a river: They do not get very far apart. This paper has helped answer many questions among true saints and I do not take the credit for it: Simply because I know that except for the grace of God, I could be in the same boat with a lot of these others who idolize the man that God sent to turn us back to the faith of the

fathers, instead of worshiping the God that showed us such mercy. I have to say it is the grace of God. It is not a myth. It is real. When we did come along, after Bro. Branham left certain things about serpent seed unclear, and present by the grace of God a clear picture of it, we had to take a lot of verbal abuse. When I heard the little man say the things he did in the Church Ages, like, The ministry of the Church in this end time will do their utmost to approximate to the likeness of the apostle Paul. Do you know what that tells me? It tells me this. There will be men who want to be just like the Lord Jesus Christ in respects that whatever Paul saw and he stood for, then he was so determined that what he had taught was right, that he could say, *Though we or an angel from heaven come preaching any other gospel than that which you received, let him be accursed*, that lets me know there has to be something in this book that can give you confidence, a feeling of truth that puts you on a foundation. It is not something you purposely yourself can make, it is something that God, by His grace though you, has allowed you to see something that gives you a firm foundation that your faith is anchored to. That is why I have said this, When no less than five states in the past twenty eight or thirty years, in this United States, have had cases where families did not want their children taught this evolution theory, but they wanted to hold to the Bible concept, watch what happened. Not even a

Catholic priest went to their defense. Not even a Jewish rabbi went to their defense. I wonder why? I have always said this, and I do not mean to be bragging, but if any judge ask me to come and speak on why we believe what we believe, first I would have to say, You give me one hour and I will tell you what this Bible really says; but if I cannot have one hour for that, then I plead the fifth amendment. I will sit here like a duck and not say a word. I am either going to defend the Bible or sit here in silence. I do not think you have to be ashamed of it either. Anyhow when Bro. Branham came to serpent seed, here came the dual statements. In my heart I said many times, I will never preach the serpent seed until I know what the fruit of the tree of life was. It was in the fall of 1966, in the month of October, when we were in North Carolina, that I finally got it settled. I had already been asked when I was going to preach on it and I just said, Well, whenever the Lord leads me, I will; but I was really just trying to get away from them because I did not know what the fruit of the tree of life was. However on this particular night, I went to bed with my mind plagued, Lord I will never preach the serpent seed until I know what the fruit of the tree of life was. I went to bed that night disturbed. *Again somewhere after two in the morning, I saw myself like I was in a hospital. I was on a bed. Then the bed began to move and I knew I was being taken to an operating room. As I was rolled into*

this operating room, the bed was positioned. Then I saw these two figures in white step up on each side of my head. I saw a large hand reach over and as it touched my head (This may sound silly to you, but I am telling it exactly as I saw it in the dream) it was just like my skull was on a hinge in the back. When a hand touched my skull it was just like it opened up. Gently with the two hands, my brains were lifted out. Now my spirit is out of my body and I am over in the corner of the operating room watching the process. The one hand held the brain and the index finger began to trace certain lines on the brain. While I stand looking at it, I am saying to myself, When he is finished, and when my brain goes back in my head, I am going to know something I did not know before. When the last line was drawn, gently my brain was laid back in my head and the minute the skull went shut, I was laying in bed wide awake.

Genesis 3:16, Let us turn to it; and let me say this, I say this with all godly respect, for I realize I am standing before a mixed audience. If I was a professor, I would think a long time before I taught sex education to unwed teenagers. That is not for school teachers to teach. If the Gentile Church had taught these things like the Jewish people taught their children, your mind would not be embarrassed. However when you really begin to get your eyes open and look in the Bible, and see what the devil was after, you cannot deny the fact he was out to do one

thing, ruin man and how he was going to carry out the commission to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth. Replenish it with what? With bastards? With devils? Idiots? Is that what God was after? No. If Eve had not listened to the serpent, and she would have listened to God, every little baby that a mother would have given birth to would have been another son or daughter of God, just like Mary gave birth to that little Bethlehem baby. But when the devil did what he did, he was on his road to what he thought was victory for him. Listen to this, and if you can see apples or any kind of plant life in this, you write it on a piece of paper and hand it to me. "Unto the woman He said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow (The word sorrow, when He said multiply, it means to add to. When you multiply something you have to have an original beginning. Will you agree with me? If you have zero, you cannot multiply zero. You have to have something already, in order to multiply. First God said, I will greatly multiply thy sorrow, which is going to affect her physically, emotionally.) And thy conception." The word conception has a medical term, we have to understand what it is. Basically it means the woman's ability physically, to conceive seed for the purpose of child bearing. I want to challenge the critics of this movement, the doctors of divinity of denominationalism, and ask them, Why did God curse her reproductive organs if it is the fruit of plant life they

have eaten? That is the challenge; and I defy anyone, young or old, to give me a scriptural answer that points to plant life fruit. You simply cannot do it: The true revelation is too clear for that. That is a hypothetical preposterous assumption, to ignore the facts and keep millions in ignorance. When He said I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception, actually that is when that period that young girls have when they begin to come into womanhood. Naturally that is the Creator's law which He has put in her body for reproductive purpose. One day when she finds a companion, a husband, in God's ordained plan, and this period comes about, it is in this period that she will be able to conceive and have children. Let us tear down all of this anti scriptural theory so many are holding on to, and look to the Bible for the truth. How come, in Old Testament times, there were so many women going through life childless? (We are living this side of the fall; and the Old Testament bring out the fact that many of the old patriarchs wives were barren. How many understand me? They were barren. That lets me know, in that period that was an infertile state about their egg, or something. The point is, she and her husband could have intimate relationships, but there were still no children. That was the state of Zechariah's wife Elizabeth. She was getting up in years, but she was barren. It does not necessarily mean she did not have any periods, but it meant there

was an infertility about her. That is what you have to look at. So when God said, I will multiply thy conception, it means God is going to multiply periods and it is an addition to something she is already endowed with; and this multiplication will create discomfort, physically it is misery. "In sorrow thou shalt bring forth children." How many times down through the centuries women have died in childbirth. At the outskirts of Bethlehem is a little grave. It has a memorial over it. It is called Rachel's tomb. Rachel, one of Jacob's wives, died giving birth. How many realize that? That is where it all comes from, in sorrow thou shalt bring forth children. Then the doctors of divinity want to tell you that eating an apple caused all of that. You may say, Bro. Jackson, why do you teach such as this? If you get your eyes open, it makes you realize why Jesus had to be born of virgin birth. One thing we have to understand if we are going to look at this picture in a clear understanding. The garden where God put Adam and Eve is not something that you relate to like your flower garden, nor your vegetable garden. The garden God planted, as I said at the beginning of the message, was a little bit of heaven down here on earth because God had placed His presence in that geographical spot. In that place God set in motion the process for how man would repopulate the earth with children in his own image, as well as the animal kingdom. Remember, it

was while in the garden, God gave him all the animals that He made from the dust of the earth. Adam named them. To go with the other animal kingdom we were talking about, the prehistoric world, the animal kingdom you and I have today was in our original garden of beginning. We did not have dinosaurs in our Eden. Neither were they in Noah's ark. The dinosaurs belonged to another age, but all the animals we have today were in our garden. When that serpent, which was the highest intellectual being of our animal kingdom came and yielded himself to the devil, to entice Eve to commit this pleasure act with him, the devil knew what he was doing. He was going to bring about a genetic fall and decay of the human race, which actually begins with the descendants of Adam. Therefore the serpent did not tell Eve this was going to get her in trouble. He told her it is not wrong to eat of the tree of knowledge. The day you do the gods will know that you also shall be as the gods, to know good and evil. Now let me bring that to modern tense time, just to show you how the devil works. In our colleges and universities today, now that sex education has been in their teaching process for thirty some years, (And I might say, You could not by any kind of legislation get it out of there.) What do these intellectual philosophers teach young people? Do they tell them it is wrong? No sir. They do not want you to use the word that it is morally wrong to have this sex relationship

outside of wedlock. The further they go with this, you can see it is bringing the human race into a worse catastrophic dilemma every year that passes. That is why I say, What you see today in our modern society is none other than a repeat of what happened six thousand years ago: The devil is still after the same thing: the demoralization of the whole human race. In Genesis 6, when God looked down upon the earth and saw that mankind had multiplied themselves to an hour of almost total violence and immorality, He said, It repents me that I have even made man. Why? Because he ate too many apples? No, it was because he had corrupted his ways. How to make liquor? Was that the problem? No. That is only an attribute that follows all these other things. Likewise we have crime in the streets today like no generation this side of the flood has ever seen. That is an attribute of what has been going on, after all of this other stuff that has been introduced to this modern society has had time to open up to all of this magnificent knowledge of sex and entertainment for man's enjoyment. It is all a diabolical plot of Satan; and the world in general is just flowing with the current: not even stopping for one minute to count the cost. Now when Eve gave herself to the serpent, she knew in her mind, and Adam knew in his mind what they had been told in the beginning. They already know in their mind's that this relationship was to be strictly for the purpose of bringing

forth life; and if it had only been used for that; every child born into the world would have been in the sight of the Creator, a sinless, innocent child of His just like Jesus was. That would have constituted the eating, or partaking of the tree of life. The law of the other tree there in the midst of the garden was sex for pleasure. Regardless of which tree mankind partook of, they still fulfilled God's purpose as far as replenishing the earth. The only thing is, the law of sex relationships for the purpose of reproduction only, would have filled the earth with pure seed of God that He could have fellowshiped with like He did with Adam and Eve before their disobedience; but when that first couple yielded to the wishes of Satan and chose to partake of the other tree, or law, which was sex for pleasure, every little baby born into the world has those fallen attributes in it: making redemption a necessity in order for their to be any fellowship or communion with the Creator. That is why I find it necessary to preach and teach on this subject: to let predestinated children of God know why it was, and is necessary that they submit themselves to God's plan of redemption. We do not present this subject as a salvation message: to the degree that a person would have to understand it to be saved. However it does clear up our mind's to have an understanding of why it was necessary that Jesus, our kinsman Redeemer, had to be born into the world from a virgin womb; and why the cell of life in her

had to be a created life, totally apart from the seed of any man on earth. The seed of every man on earth after Adam's fall, has carried that fallen attribute that was imputed by the Creator as a result of their disobedience. Adam was a created son of God without any attribute of sin and evil in him; and his wife was taken from his very own body: so they were both without blemish spiritually and physically. God did not want a family of puppets though, so His design for man was that He would have the freedom of choice, whether he would obey his Creator or give himself over to be a servant of the adversary of God. Remember the scripture that says, *Whomsoever you serve, his servant you are?* Predestinated children of God, those foreknown of Him before the foundation of the earth were never children of Satan, no matter how wrong they may have conducted themselves; they were servants of the devil, standing in need of receiving the word of God that would bring about their redemption and put them in a place of fellowship with Him. God will not fellowship us while we are in that lost condition, serving sin at the beck and call of Satan. He will speak to us, and place conviction upon us from time to time; but He will have no intimacy with us until we come to Him through His perfect plan of redemption that was made available to all that would ever believe the gospel of the Lord Jesus, which was called the Christ. He took our sins and sicknesses

upon Himself and went willingly to Calvary where His innocent blood was shed as an offering to God for our release from Satan's bondage; but that redemption benefit is of no use to us until we come to realize (and that by the hearing of the gospel of our salvation) what our inheritance in the family of God really is. It is just like money in the bank, placed there in our name: If we know nothing about it, we will never write a check to draw from that account. That is what the gospel message is all about: to let lost children of God know they have an inheritance waiting for them to come home and claim. Hallelujah! What a Savior! How can so many go so far in life before they come to realize what their purpose for being on this earth really is? Foreknown children of God are saved from a life of sin and degradation through the hearing of the gospel of Jesus Christ; and all the rest of mortal mankind is judged by that same gospel. As for Adam and Eve, they chose to go against the will of God and use the sex act for pleasure: as if they thought they would not be caught up in any bad situation. When Eve yielded herself to this serpent creature, she then went to her husband with this wonderful experience. The Bible does not tell us how many times she approached Adam, Come on honey: you need to know about this. He finally gave in to her persistent invitation: knowing full well what God had said to them about it. Finally when God cursed the ground for Adam's disobedience, He said to

him, Because you hearkened unto the voice of the woman, Thus and so. You look that word up and see what it means. Adam was not in the transgression. It was Eve who allowed herself to be deceived. In her mind she knew it was wrong, but she went ahead anyhow. Transgress means to go against the law of God. So when Adam did this, immediately they fell under guilt. Immediately, they went about to hide themselves; but they first took fig leaves and laced them together: trying to cover their sex organs. Yes you heard me right: They covered the part of their bodies they knew they had sinned with. Where did they put these aprons made of fig leaves? Was it over their mouth? Over their eyes? Think of these things. Those fig leaves were of plant life. Then the cool of the day came, which is the evening time when the sun is setting, God comes in with His presence to communicate with His children as He often had before; and they are hiding from Him. They knew in their minds that they had done wrong; but it was too late to do anything about that; so there they were, trying to hide from their Creator. When Adam and Eve finally came out of the bushes, here they were with an apron of fig leaves around their loins. God called out, Where art thou? Adam replied, I heard thy voice and I was afraid because I was naked. God did not say, Where have you been? That caused you to realize you were naked? He said, What have you done? Have you eaten of the tree of knowledge of

which you were forbidden? Adam then began to pass the buck, Well, this woman you gave me to be with me, she gave to me and I did eat; (or partake would be a better translation of what really happened) and Eve did the same thing: She tried to pass the buck to the serpent. She said, The serpent beguiled me and I did eat. God did not ask the serpent anything: He just simply stripped him of his arms and legs and made a crawling reptile of him; and he will remain so even in the Millennium when everything else is being restored to what God intended it to be. Isaiah tells us that dust will still be the serpent's meat, even in the Millennium.

GOD'S TWO LAWS **FURTHER EXPLAINED**

Let us bring our thinking back to the tree of life. Some of you may be thinking, Well would the sex act not have been pleasure to them, even by the law of the tree of life? You have to understand in what way this knowledge was going to be understood in the sense of pleasure. If Eve would have said to the serpent creature, Get away and leave me alone, then when the proper time came, which she herself would have known as the law for this time began to set up in her body, then is when she would have

said to Adam, Now we can have this relationship; and in their mind's they would have known it was strictly the perfect act, done at the right time, to bring forth conception; and a perfect child would have issued forth from her in due time; and that child would have been another son or daughter of God, free from any attribute of sin. When that period would have been over, (Young people, listen to me) there never would have been any feelings of passion. There would not have been any lustful drive in the makeup of the human spirit. In both their mind's they would have known that this act was strictly for the purpose of reproducing life; and it never would have been put on display to entertain the world. The animal kingdom goes ahead and functions just as pure today as they were six thousand years ago. It is man that has corrupted his ways of repopulating himself here. Young people, listen to me. I know the thought will come, Bro. Jackson if that was wrong for pleasure back then, it seems like it would still be wrong to have the relationship for any other reason than to bring forth offspring. You who are thinking that are not listening to me right. It is not just one tree looked at from two angles. It is two trees, two laws; and it is how you participate in reaction to the one. If Adam and Eve would have waited until that law of conception would have set up in her body, that law may have lasted two or three days. During that period of time they could have

lived in that relationship; and even though it was pleasure they still would have known what it was for. When that period of time was over, she would have definitely conceived and there would have been a child born of that relationship: which would have been pure and sacred: not something filthy. Diabolical human beings have taken the very act that brings them here and desecrated it even further. Adam and Eve were not guilty of anything like that. They partook of the tree of knowledge, sex for pleasure; and God has been dealing with mankind on that basis ever since. When God brought the guilty parties into account for their deeds, the first thing He did was curse that serpent creature. Scientists and evolutionists have been looking for him throughout time; but since they do not believe the Bible they have no other place to look. They do know there is a missing link between mankind and the highest present form of animal life; but they do not know where to look for the missing link. He is still here. Isaiah 65 tells you he is. Isaiah 65 tells you he will be in the Millennium; but he will still be a crawling reptile. However he did leave some seed in the earth of his original form; and to the surprise of some of you I must say, WE every one have some of those attributes in us: simply because of what the Bible speaks of in Genesis, chapter six, when the seed of Cain, the serpents son began to mix with the seed of Seth, which was Adam's son. This is the part the

modern world is ready to climb a tree about. Listen carefully, When the Lord cursed Eve in this respect, Now that you know the sex act can be used for pleasure, you are going to live under the pleasure law from now on. When He said I will greatly multiply thy sorrow and thy conception and thy desire shall be to thy husband, what is He talking about? Ironing his shirts? Cooking his dinner? No. That word desire means your desire now will be to please your husband in this law of living in a pleasure relationship. Well Bro. Jackson, I still do not understand. Let me define it this way, Once God has judged them, they were going to be placed under a sexual relationship for pleasure the rest of their lives. That means they are going to live together now knowing that it can be used for pleasure, but the woman will never know when she will conceive and bring forth a child. However under the tree of life, if you had just kicked that serpent out of the picture, she would have known exactly when to say to her mate now we will have the relationship for the purpose of fulfilling our commission. I have done my best to try to illustrate to you how the laws of the two trees worked; and not one time have I said anything about them being plant life trees. They were not: The two trees were spiritual laws set there in the midst of the garden of paradise; and even though God already knew, because of His foreknowledge, which one His son and daughter would partake of, they still had to be given a

choice in the matter because they were created in the spiritual image of their Creator. Listen sisters, I say this with all due respect, but through the years I have had five stallions on the farm. That is part of the animal kingdom. They are dumb beasts, but they have sense enough to know that the intimate relationship is for the purpose of mating, and only at a certain time, and that time is appointed through the workings of the female body: not through the male. It is the female that knows first when to consummate the act. Any farmer, any horseman, and any cattleman and such like, all know how this law in the body of the female works. Just look at the wild animal kingdom. Why do they call it the mating season? At a certain time of the year here will come the male deer. He has an instinct to know this season is coming around. It is then and then alone that the male begins to seek out the female companion. It is the female companion, as she feels this law set up in her body, only then does she give herself to this male for that mating period of time, and she knows it is to bear an offspring. Another deer, another elk, another moose, another cow or horse. When that period is over they will go their separate way. On the other hand, look at man: when he took the act for knowledge, for pleasure, what does God do? It is followed up in the latter part of the 3rd chapter. 22nd verse, "And the Lord God said, Behold, the man is become as one of us, to know good and evil: (Sure he

did. They know when it is right, and they know when It is wrong.) and now, lest he put forth his hand, and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever:" What did He do? The point is, in this little bit of heaven, God's glory and presence was there, and Adam and Eve were able to see the spirit world. They could see angels just as easy as they could see each other, or a cow or anything else. They had access to two worlds, a natural world and a spirit world. Therefore what God was faced with, was the fact that He could not allow them to live in that place having access to both worlds, so to speak, and them living in that sex relationship from the tree of knowledge. They had lost the innocence that enabled them to fellowship both in heaven and earth, when they came to realize they were naked. In other words, When they chose to eat, or partake of the tree of knowledge of good and evil, they automatically cut themselves off from the heavenly realm because God had already told them that was how it had to be. (Genesis 2:16-17) "Of every tree of the garden thou mayest freely eat: (natural, plant life trees) But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die." God did not mean, maybe you will die: That was their sentence. You cannot be allowed to live in sin and still have access to that heavenly realm at the same time. It does not work that way. That is why there are two basic laws that has guided the

universe: There is a right, and there is a wrong. What is a lie? It is the truth perverted, or truth turned around backwards. What is fornication? An act committed out of wedlock. What is adultery? Is it two people, with at least one of them breaking their marriage vows. It is the same act, but in the wrong relationship and purpose that God ordained it to be used for. Now that man was driven out of the garden, he was not driven out of the Middle East: He was driven from the presence of His Creator, and from fellowship in that heavenly realm. (Genesis 3:23-24) “And the Lord God said, Behold, the man has become as one of us, to know good and evil, and now lest he put forth his hand and take also of the tree of life, and eat, and live for ever: (23) Therefore the Lord God sent him forth from the garden of Eden, to till the ground from whence he was taken. (24) So He drove out the man; and He placed at the east of the garden of Eden Cherubims, and a flaming sword which turned every way, to keep the way of the tree of life.” History tells you the Middle East is the cradle of civilization. That is where this present civilization had its initial beginning. Therefore I ask you, What was Adam really driven out of? The presence of God, which is a little bit of heaven on earth. Do not think heaven is forty million light years beyond the galaxies. It is not. It is just right out there somewhere beyond our familiar sphere. Therefore when God separated heaven, man from that hour could not

see into the spirit world. That is why angels were placed at the east of Eden to guard the way to the tree of life. When God separated Himself from them and set up guards so Adam and Eve could never again enter into that heavenly realm at will, no woman from that hour will this hour can know exactly when she can conceive by having a relationship with a man. Therefore being denied that privilege, they were unable to ever again plan their sexual union solely for the purpose of reproduction. Every man and woman since that time has had to have the relationship from the standpoint of pleasure and accept conception when it came about. If the doctors, or I should say, the medical world, with all their technology, still cannot pinpoint the exact time when a woman can conceive seed, you just have to realize that God ordained it to be like that. They have tried their best to experiment around this thing, but ever once in a while it goes haywire; so in spite of all their technology, they still do not enjoy anything near perfection in this matter. On the other hand, if we were still living off the benefit of the tree of life, I want you to know, every woman that would choose a companion, would know exactly when to consummate the act because the law would work through the woman's body; and there would be no accidental pregnancies. In the eyes of God, their sex union would be just as sacred and pure as it is in the animal kingdom. The animal kingdom is not

ashamed to be seen in that act; because they are obeying the law of reproduction placed in them by the Creator. Neither do they parade themselves up and down the highway of life for photographers. If you want a good look at what the serpent might have acted like in his word, look at all these genetic professors, what they are trying to do today. They are trying to clone mankind, all kinds of artificial insemination, experimenting with the gene to produce this and that. If God lets this thing pass out of this decade and go another hundred years, God only knows what these scientists will be doing. I have to say, God will not allow it. We are destined to remain under this pleasure relationship; and only God Himself knows for sure when it will produce an offspring. Now that the whole human race is living under this law of sex for pleasure, let no one say, Well we should never have this relationship unless we are entering into it only for the purpose of having a child. You are not looking at the Bible right: if you take such a stand: Pleasure is still pleasure, and mankind cannot go back to the perfect act. Since sin and death is imputed, there is no way you can go back and partake of it in the right way because He drove you away from it. Once sin was imputed to the human race it became a hereditary law carried through the genes. You cannot purify the genes no matter how many laboratories you have. Because of that, we find here that the Corinthian church came to an hour when there were

problems among them and they wrote to Paul, What about this thing of marriage? If you will read the first six verses of chapter 7, it will plainly tell you what the will of God is in this matter. "Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. (He is not forbidding marriage) Nevertheless, to avoid fornication, (which is partaking of the same act outside the bounds of a legal relationship between a man and his wife.) let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband. Let the husband render unto the wife due benevolence: and likewise also the wife unto the husband. (The apostle Paul is talking about this pleasure relationship.) The wife hath not power of her own body, but the husband: and likewise also the husband hath not power of his own body, but the wife. Defraud ye not one the other, except it be with consent for a time, that ye may give yourselves to fasting and prayer: and come together again, that Satan tempt you not for your incontinency." Meaning lack of self control. Saints: If it has to be written in any clearer, plainer language than this, I certainly would not know what else to say. I hope all of you understand. It is going to stay that way. The reason I said this, is because man in himself just simply cannot hear certain things and put them into practice the right way. The Puritans, before the new world was discovered, thought they saw something in the

scriptures too. They thought, well this relationship is only to produce children, therefore a man and wife should never have a relationship, only when I want a child. That is wrong. You see how long the Puritan message lasted. Where are they today? Then the Quakers hung on to it for awhile, then the Shakers took it up. They went to complete celibacy; but where are they at today. Their revelation died with them: because there were no offspring to carry on. Let me say also, Look what the Catholic priests are getting into. They established a law of celibacy; and you everyone know it is not Biblical. It is not according to the word of God. IT is man, under some kind of spirit control; and that spirit is of Satan. Those spirits are motivating them through their conscience; and they are looking for some kind of religious shield. They think, if they get in that shield they will be protected. The devil is absolutely going to zero in on every one of them. That is why you have priests today by the thousands over this world, living in such perverted ways; and now that it is coming out of the closet, the perverted society of news media are just exploring this and exploding all of it in a way to make it look like Christianity is complete nonsense. Well if you look at it in truth it is blessed: but if you get off on some perverted revelation of some kind, you serve their purpose well. You give them exactly what they are looking for.

GETTING THE MESSAGE STRAIGHT

At this time, I would like for us to go back to the chart we are using and let me point out a few things to you. As I have already said, By the time Bro. Branham was taken off the scene, the message he brought to this age for the purpose of restoring to the Church, the faith of our apostolic fathers, had already been delivered. The faith of the apostolic fathers had been restored. Many things had been said, and it was not always clear how to understand them; but the overall body of the message had been delivered to this age. The message had been made available to all; and I have to say, It now becomes the voice of God to be carried, to be proclaimed, to be preached through this period of time between then and the end of this age. We are living now thirty years, in a sense, since the Lord took him off the scene. It still leaves one seal to be broken and seven thunders to utter their voices. I believe we are getting very close to that time; but when you look at 1994 plus, on our chart, and see the question mark after it, please do not go away and say, Bro Jackson said the Lord is coming in 1995. If you do, you are misunderstanding what I am talking about. You will never point the finger at me and truthfully say that I said that. I have been accused of many things I was not guilty of; so it would

not be the first time; but I have not said anything like that. We have people who are so impatient, I want to know when I am getting out of here. Please, Saints, let us not get our minds in that shape. That is where Satan play tricks on people. You just walk on in what you know already and realize that time is running out. Walking with God in truth, in this day and hour, is just like if you were driving down a highway and you begin to see a multiple of signs begin to appear. That is not the time to speed up. If you do, you will very likely pass some of them and not know what information was on them. You could have a wreck because of it. When you get close to your destination, it should be time to slow down and watch, there could be some unknown turns ahead. Saints: That could also be true spiritually. When Bro. Branham was taken off the scene, it left the seventy weeks of Daniel hanging in mid air. It was one of the first subjects I felt led to deal with. The minute we did, bingo, the movement launched their barrage of artillery at us. *That Jackson! Pay no attention to him. He is just trying to be something.* I will never forget, I think it was about 1972, when we printed our first article on this subject, that is when a certain man that works for Spoken Word saw me in a store in Corydon, and wanted to have a talk with me. As I walked into this store he said, *Bro. Jackson, could I talk with you just a minute. I said sure. We stepped out on the sidewalk. He told me, Bro. Jackson, I saw your article on*

the seventy weeks of Daniel. He immediately demanded of me, Bro. Jackson: Don't you believe the prophet? I said I sure do. Well you are saying there are seven years left. I said, There absolutely is. Well how do you explain this three and one half years. I said, Brother, when he preached the seventy weeks of Daniel he took two complete weekends to deal with it as a subject, but in this other one he did not deal with it as a subject. He just threw it out there, three and one half years. I said, I ask you, or anyone else, if you can take history and the Bible and prove to me there has been enough years of time expire already, of Daniel's 70 weeks of years, for there to be only one half of the last week left? You can only account for 483 prophetic years to the time when Christ was crucified; and that gives you only 69 full weeks. You would have to have 486 ½ years of prophetic time to leave only 3 ½ years to be fulfilled; and you just simply cannot stretch it to that point. Nevertheless they insist, simply because they do not know how to lay their Bible alongside recorded history and follow it to the crucifixion of Christ. Through the years we have dealt with it on three different basis: which should have been sufficient to enlighten any true seed of God; but I still hear ever so many people say, I just don't understand this seventy weeks of Daniel. . Well I grant you, it is a subject wherein you are dealing with time; and not everyone is able to follow it through; but one thing is sure,

If you were looking at the same thing placed in the structure of a yard stick, you would not try to make a 36 inch yard stick measure 42 inches. You just simply cannot do that. When the decree of Nehemiah already establishes the beginning point of that period, and you have 33 A.D., as the point when Jesus was crucified, which is the fulfillment of the 26th verse of Daniel 9, followed by the destruction of Jerusalem, there is no way you can get 69 ½ weeks of years out of that span of time. If you go into history and figure time down correctly, you are going to come out at the crucifixion of Christ with only 483 prophetic years. It is not that many calendar years, because calendar years are 365 ¼ days each; but when you take all of those years that have transpired since the beginning point, and convert them into prophetic time, (which is only 360 days to each year) you are going to have from the 14th of Nisan in 445 B.C. to 33 A.D., when Christ Jesus was crucified, only 483 prophetic years. WE have sent that out all over the world; and I am sure my brother in Nigeria, as well as a lot of other brothers and sisters in the Lord, do not have access to history books and other mechanical means like we do: They have to depend on something from some source they are able to trust, to clarify issues like this. It would be detrimental to their spiritual growth to be caught up in this spirit that says, I do not believe it: because Jackson taught it. Let me use a Biblical picture

here: to go along with this statement. This is just like the issue of proper water baptism. You have all these people out here in the world church, if I may use such terminology, that denounce the apostle Peter for telling those Jews on the day of Pentecost, (Acts 2:38) “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost.” They say, I am going to be baptized the way Jesus said in Matthew 28:19: I am not going to pay any attention to Peter. On that day of Pentecost when Peter stood in the streets of Jerusalem and began to preach the first message he had ever preached, he reached back in the Old Testament, the only source of records they had at that time, and preached that wonderful message; and three thousand souls rushed forward and said, men and brethren, what must we do. Peter did not stand there and clear his throat and say, Well now let me see, How did Jesus say that about baptism? He knew exactly what to say: because he knew exactly what Jesus meant when He spoke what is recorded in Matthew 28:19. He knew the word FATHER is not a name. He knew the words HOLY GHOST is not a name; so the only name Jesus could have been speaking of was the family name JESUS, which is a compound name; Therefore he did not hesitate for even a moment to proclaim, “Repent and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of

sins, and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Ghost. Imagine the confusion that day, if people in that crowd had begun to say, That is not what the Lord said. I am not making fun. I am just illustrating people's attitude in this hour. They have theology in their heads crammed up to the Adam's apple; and if you step on that theology you have a wild cat by the tail. This is just my way of saying, Our teaching on the seventy weeks of Daniel is a vindicated fact: that it is right; and I pray to the Lord that we never have to deal with the subject again: other than to get that teaching into the hands of those who have not yet heard it. All they should need is one of our published articles on the subject: for it is proven by the scriptures all the way through. To me, it is not a point of argument: it is a point of understanding. Even Jesus in Matthew 24 said, *And when you shall see Jerusalem compassed about with great armies, then whosoever readeth, let him understand.* He did not say, Whosoever fasteth, or prayeth enough: He said, Whosoever readeth: let him understand. We know a lot of prayer and fasting should go along with it; but that is not where the stipulation lies. That means, if you are really interested in knowing the truth, you are going to get your nose into history, as well as what has been said in the Bible, and trust God to reveal it to you. God is going to help you put the picture together if you are willing to go about it in the right way. I welcome any other

saint of God that is willing to lay what I have taught alongside the Bible and the necessary history of ages past; for I am persuaded that the Spirit of God will not bring division between two of His children that are both desiring to know the truth: by giving them each a different picture of the same thing. The trouble comes, when some just want to quote what someone else has said: not even caring whether the Bible will vindicate it or not. The Bible vindicates what Bro. Branham taught on the seventy weeks of Daniel when he taught it as a subject and proved that there are seven years left to be fulfilled when God again turns to the Jews. That should be sufficient for true children of God. Therefore having said all of this, I feel that I can now say that we have an understanding of the subject. I do not say that you as an individual have to understand every detail of it; but you should be able to affirm in your own heart and mind that what we have been teaching on the subject lines up with the scriptures. If you can at least see an overall profile of the main thing we are talking about, that is what will keep you from heading down a wrong trail just for the sake of pleasing someone's human flesh. That is the thing that keeps you in a body of fellowship and makes you one in the Spirit with other saints. I know as you pray, as you walk with God, being content and feeling at peace with yourself and with your Creator, if there is any more within a particular subject He wants you to understand more clearly, He will

reveal it to you. He can speak to your soul in many ways. If there is something you do not understand, do not throw it all away; and do not lose sleep over it: Just put it in the filing cabinet of your mind and one day you may be washing dishes, riding a lawn mower or something like that; and all of a sudden the Holy Ghost within you will say, Do you remember when this was said and you did not understand it? Go look at it again; and when you pull it up from your remembrance, your spiritual eyes will take a look and you will say, Why did I not see it like this before? Now I see it clearly. That is why I say, Man can say things using verbal words and illustrations to express them; but the Spirit of Almighty God within you, the Holy Ghost, He is the teacher. He is our guide. When everything looks dark to your spiritual walk in this religious world, and you do not know which way to go, if you will pray earnestly, Lord I want to know you in the way of truth, the Holy Spirit in you, somewhere along the line, even though you may hear two or three things pointing in two or three different directions, if you just purpose in your heart, Lord, I want only the truth, after awhile the Holy Spirit will show you, This is the way it is; and your doubts and confused thoughts will flee from you. The Holy Spirit is a guide you can have complete confidence in. When you must depend on a guide starting across desert country where you have never been before, you better have

confidence in that guide you select. If you go into a jungle, and especially at night, you had better have a guide that knows where he is going: That is just common sense; and you do not dare cast that guide aside or start out without one. It is the same spiritually: You do not get spiritual revelation without first you have that COMFORTER and GUIDE dwelling within you. Anything you get without HIM is resident in your mind only; and will always be subject to change back and forth, or even to be cast out altogether. ON the other hand, a child of God that has a genuine revelation given by the Holy Spirit cannot possibly throw it away. That is the confidence you can have as a child of God. He will never require anything of you beyond what He is willing to make available to you. Praise His name!

WHAT ABOUT THE MILLENNIUM? WILL CHILDREN BE BORN?

I remember, after Bro. Branham was gone off the scene, how the things he preached about the Millennium were treated. He preached it in the message, "The Future Home of the Earthly Bride and Heavenly Bridegroom." He preached about the Millennium; but he said nothing about nations repopulating the earth, and some of the

things we presented in a message later on. The movement, as a whole, thinks the Millennium is to be a time on earth when Jesus Christ the King of kings and Lord of lords will come back with His wife, which is His Church, and set up a kingdom here on earth, (and that much is right) but they seem to have the idea that He is going to rule the earth with a rod of iron over a bunch of stones or something. What are they going to rule over? Do they really think Immortal people are going to rule over rocks? Or trees? What will they rule over, if there are no people on earth other than immortal saints? When you go to Zechariah 14, it will plainly tell you of a remnant of all nations that are saved in that day of wrath and judgment: Which speaks of those who have physically escaped the wrath and judgment of God, and are counted morally worthy to be brought into His kingdom. That is why when we go further into Matthew 25, we see a judgment of the nations, and Jesus brought the parable out, that when the Son of man comes to sit on the throne of His glory, (Which is the throne of David in Jerusalem, but the bride is going to set on thrones of the nations they were redeemed out of.) This judgment of sheep and goats will take place. That is why you see in Revelation 20:1-4, the bride on thrones. The bride of Christ will be invested with the same authority: to sit on thrones among the nations they were lifted up out of; and there will definitely be mortal mankind living

under the rule and reign of the immortal bride saints. The devil is going to be bound in that period of time: for a thousand years. Little babies are going to be born and grow up into full adulthood. When you compare that with Isaiah 65, that in that day the lion shall eat straw like a bullock, you see that God is going to change that old lion's appetite. Instead of the lion coming out of the darkness and grabbing some small sheep or something, it plainly tells you, and the wolf and the lamb shall lie down together, the cow and the bear shall feed together. I am not taking the time to go into all of this, other than just to mention it; because we have every bit of it in messages where we have fully explained each thing, using the scriptures that the revelation comes from. I want you to know, we are not going to have some of these nature scientists come along and change their nature. It is going to be wonderful to see how the Spirit of God will move upon the animal kingdom; and change their nature back to the way it was in the beginning: before Adam's disobedience. From out of the bushes where they used to chase the deer, they will come out of the bushes wanting you to pet them and such like. A child shall lead them. You would not think of turning a little three or four year old child loose in a zoo today, would you? What a wonderful thing to see, when a child that is born into the world will grow up in the midst of an animal kingdom, bears, tigers, elephants,

wolves and all such like; and they will all play together. Not even the rattlesnake will have venom to spit at you. "Nothing shall hurt nor destroy in all my holy mountain." It is going to be a wonderful hour. Jesus referred to it as the age of regeneration, which means to repopulate, and to renew a social order of mankind on the earth. That, as wonderful as it will be, still will not yet be the perfect age. It is just another step toward it. Keep in mind those people born in that hour are still mortal: just as you and I are right now; but the devil will be bound, unable to test them or cause any trouble. That is why in the 19th chapter it speaks how Christ is seen coming with his armies to execute judgment and wrath on the earth. The judgment and wrath is definitely God's way of destroying wicked, sinful mankind that has polluted their ways on earth: Yet out of all that there is going to be a remnant of mankind that will be physically, morally, and mortally preserved to carry into that Millennium age: to become the remnant of the nations. That is why that Millennium age is not yet the perfect age. He shall rule the nations with a rod of iron; and He will have to do it; because, even though the devil is bound, those mortals still have that same inherited nature that is present in all of us. We can take that to Jeremiah and other scriptures in the Old Testament, when He takes that throne which is in Jerusalem, on Mt. Zion, it is the position that King David who established that royal system of

kingship in the nation of Israel, held. Jesus, the seed of David, is going to take that rightful throne, which is the seat of David, and from that time on the law shall go forth from Zion and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem. It is not a salvation message they will be hearing, it is a time when God's knowledge and God's word and authority is being proclaimed to the ends of the earth: how to lift the nations out of their ignorance and stupidity. When I think of that, I think of some of the places I saw during WW2. We spent four months on an island 32 miles off the equator. It was hot, it was doubly hot. They moved all the natives off the particular island we were on, over to some other islands. There is where their main village was set up. A little later they began to bring them back in small groups and they built their huts along the coast line. Those natives, until the Japs came and took the island, had virtually never even seen a white man, or anybody from the outside world. They had lived on coconut and raw fish. That was their diet. I remember one day we saw this nation pushing a boat at a certain point on the beach. He anchored it there. Another man and I were on guard duty, walking along there, when this native and his wife and a little girl came to the boat. They had some stuff, coconut, all wrapped up in coconut leaves. They put it in the boat. We learned to talk to them a little by sign language. Where were they going? He pointed to his wife, going to another island to visit

her people. How long were they going to be gone? Three months, three moons, they had no such thing as a calendar. How far away? He began to count the days. It all boiled down, that he was going to go about three hundred miles in a little canoe made from the log of a coconut tree. It had one little sail in the middle and two little seats. Now how would you like to go on vacation in something like that? I thought to myself, I would get lost as sure as the world. That is why they always set sail at sunset. There are certain seasons they set sail. They set sail when they know it is going to be fair weather; because their weather is not like it is here. You can have rain, snow, sleet, any time; but over there they have periods of rain, when that is done it is over. Therefore they are going to have stars at night. That is the way those natives through centuries of time have traveled from place to place. I will say this, Those natives in those islands, had a better moral code among them than our white American society that is so educated they knew how to put man on the moon: Yet are unable to control the violence in our streets. Over there we were told their moral code was, if a woman that has been wed to a man, and for some reason or other she is unfaithful to him, the entire tribe judges her. Then they put her on the outside of that tribe, and she cannot re-enter it again. She wanders the rest of her life, having to catch her own fish and exist the best way she can. Our modern society would say, That is just

not right. Maybe not: but it kept those tribes pure. If a native killed another native, the tribe judged him. Among those natives tribes they had no gangsters nor anyone that needed to be put in jail, so they had no jails. It is only educated man that has to have jails. When we think of the jungles of New Guinea, and of the islands, and think of the remote places where the gospel has never been able to penetrate, we still have to remember that it is the Creator that judges all of that: We do not have to. That is why when Jesus rules and reigns in Jerusalem, with His Bride, and the law goes forth from Zion, and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem in those days, I want you to know, during that thousand years called the Millennium, when the knowledge and glory of God shall cover the earth as the waters that cover the sea, think of all these tribes of people that have been left out in the wilderness of darkness until then. There is one thing sure, This modern day Mafia will not be around to go out there and take advantage of them. That is why there has to be a perfect Millennium, with a perfect law; and when that thousand years are finished, again Satan is turned loose for a little season. Why? To test those mortals that will be born during that 1000 years. That is what the Bible says. What would he be turned loose for, if there were to be no one left here other than Christ and His immortal bride? Let us keep it with the Bible. Let us forget all of this denominational,

theology nonsense. The Methodists say, Oh the Bible does not say this same earth will be repopulated: It says the earth will be burned up and we will go to heaven to live forever. That is just the opposite of what the Bible says. Sure the earth is going to be burned: the heavens too: but not to get rid of them: it is for cleansing purposes; and the earth is going to come right out of it and still be the place where God's human family dwells. It was destroyed by flood, but the planet came out of that. It is going to be destroyed again by fire; but the planet will come out of that. That is why through the Millennium, it is the final stage of redemption for the planet. That is why in Revelation 21 and 22, John saw a new heaven and new earth. It means literally, that it is the same planet renewed by God's redemptive plan.

THE FIRST RESURRECTION EXPLAINED

Let us now take another subject that was never made completely clear to a lot of people. That is the first resurrection.

I think of the many times I have heard it said, When Christ rose from the dead, (You read this in Matthew 27) the scripture says that there was an earthquake and many of them that slept in the dust of the earth came forth and appeared, where? In the city. Now think, seriously. We can ask ourselves the question, Were the resurrected in literal bodies? They sure were. Were they mortal bodies? No. If they had been resurrected in mortal bodies they would still been subject to death: which would mean that they would have lived a little while, and then die and be buried again. Keep in mind, Out of that ground came a number of Old Testament saints and appeared in the city of Jerusalem where this terrible thing had happened, the crucifixion of Christ, and they appeared to many of the living people. That is why it was recorded like it was. When we pick that up and bring it over to the 4th chapter of Paul's writing in Ephesians, concerning the body of Christ, He wrote, *He that ascended, meaning He that ascended on high to be the High Priest, (Which was Jesus the Christ) is the same that descended first, where? Into the lower parts of the earth, hell itself. And He led captivity captive, meaning the spirits of the righteous souls of Old Testament saints that had been held there through all the law and Old Testament period, because the perfect sacrifice had not yet been offered that they could come into the presence of God in heaven: Then Jesus took them captive Himself and*

transported them into the heavenly paradise. Therefore we must recognize that there was a resurrection of those Old Testament saints at that time. When He went up, they went up with Him. That is what Paul's revelation was based on. Then when we come to Paul's revelation in 1st Corinthians 15, he describes the next resurrection as being that of the Bride of Christ: which is the Church of the living God. However in describing that he says, Every man in his own order, meaning there is an appointed time for this. Remember, Paul was the apostle to the Gentiles that will see the Church changed here at the end time; and the dead in Christ brought forth, and together they rise to meet the Lord in the air. As the bride saints rise, remember, that leaves the 70th week of Daniel to be finished out. In that week of Daniel's prophecy, the antichrist is going to unleash a blood bath, an uncontrolled fury against foolish virgin Christians and Jewish believers in God. It is found in Revelation chapters 7 and 12. That is where the foolish virgins of Matthew 25 really stand out. They have the faith of Jesus Christ, but it is the Jewish people that have the word of God. The Gentiles foolish virgins have the testimony of Jesus Christ. When we come to the 20th chapter, then we can see, watch, we know that Christ, when He comes to set up this kingdom, He is going to be the supreme Judge of all the earth. He has that authority given to Him of the Father. As His Bride takes her

position, then John first saw the thrones, plural. That is the Bride. Jesus will only sit on one throne: the throne of king David; but the Bride of many members will require many thrones. Someone may say, Bro. Jackson, I thought we were going to sit on His throne. Will you let me illustrate that? To show you how that looks? When you read in the Laodicean Church when Jesus says to John, to him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I am overcome and am set down with my Father in his throne. How do you think the Millennium would look with all the Bride of Christ out of every nation going over to Jerusalem to sit with King Jesus on His throne? You just have to realize that expression is figurative. As you see the Lord Jesus on the ancient throne of David, it means your Lord and Savior is going to position you in a throne to execute and carry out authority in the very area of the world you were taken from. God has delegated all authority to His only begotten Son Jesus for that hour of time, to be Judge and King and so forth; and He delegates the same ruling authority to His wife, His Bride. Therefore He gives her a position of authority in the country she came from. It plainly tells you, I believe it is in Revelation 5, for He, meaning Christ, hath made us unto our God, kings and priests, and we shall rule and reign on the earth. The Bride is definitely going to take her position over the nations she is lifted up out of. Then John said

also, *And I saw the souls of them that had been beheaded, martyred for the word of God, (Jews) and the testimony of Jesus Christ, (which is Gentile, foolish virgins) And they had not received the mark of the beast in the palm of their hand or their forehead. And they had not worshiped the beast.* That proves those people that are resurrected at that time are not people that were martyred back in the Dark Ages. That is people that have been martyred for their testimony in that dark tribulation hour, which is the last three and one half year period of Daniel's seventieth week. When that element of believers are brought up out of the ground, their spirits are actually in heaven; it is just their bodies that are in the ground. When that is constituted, that complete the first resurrection, because as you continue to read it plainly says, "Blessed and holy is he that hath part in the first resurrection, for as of such the second hath no power," meaning it has no life. The second resurrection is a thousand years later: at the end of the Millennium. It goes to show that by the time the Lord has come and set up His kingdom, to start that thousand year reign, His wife is with Him, and then out of the ground comes forth the bodies of those just recently martyred because of their faith they refused to denounce during the persecution of the great tribulation time. They are saintly people the devil has been after. That takes out of the ground all the bodies that pertain to people that at one time lived on this

earth with faith toward God and reunites them with their bodies in a glorified state. They are going to live and reign with Christ for a thousand years. No, the foolish virgins and martyred Jewish saints of that last hour are not going to be His wife; but they are going to be in the kingdom, somewhere in the realm of His authority. When the Millennium goes on and you have all these people multiplied and such, then at the end you have to have a testing of all those people that have been born during the time when Satan is bound. Otherwise, if there was not a testing, then God would be an unjust God to let all those people that have been born during the Millennium go into eternity without having to choose which they would give their allegiance to. When the third phase of the first resurrection is completed though, going into the Millennium, there will be no more righteous people left in the ground. The only thing that is left in the ground then, is the wicked of all ages, from Cain who slew Abel, right down to the last hour of time when wicked are dealt with in death. That is why, when that second resurrection takes place, it has no life in it; it is just wicked dead being raised to stand before the great white throne judgment before being cast alive into the lake of fire. That is why it says, and death and hell is cast into the lake of fire. That is why you have to see that hell is not an eternal place. There is nothing in the lake of fire yet: That come later: except for the beast

and the false prophet, after the second resurrection. When we talk like this, it gets the doctors of divinity all up in the air. I know that is blasphemy, they will say. When you line it up with the scriptures, you see that all that is in hell is going to be resurrected one of these days. Is it so they can live forever? No. It is so they can be judged at the great white throne judgment. Then what is going to happen Bro. Jackson? They will be cast into the lake of fire.

WHO THE MYSTERY WOMAN IS, OF REVELATION 12

Another point that has always left a question mark in the minds of some, is the woman of Revelation 12. Let us turn to that scripture and read it. "And there appeared a great wonder in heaven; a woman clothed with the sun, and the moon under her feet, and upon her head a crown of twelve stars: And she being with child cried, travailing in birth, and pained to be delivered. And there appeared another wonder in heaven; and behold a great red dragon, having seven heads and ten horns, and seven crowns upon his heads. And his tail drew the third part of the stars of heaven, and did cast them to the earth: and the dragon stood before the woman which was ready to be delivered, for to devour her child as

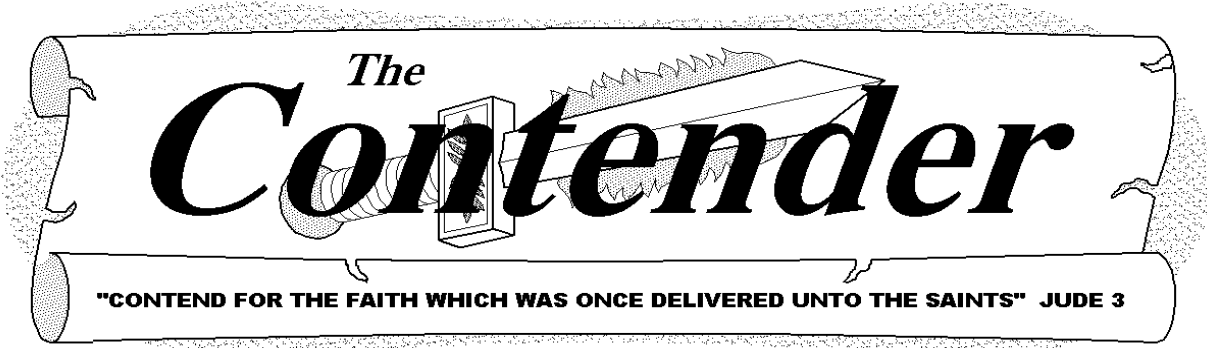
soon as it was born. And she brought forth a man child, who was to rule all nations with a rod of iron: and her child was caught up unto God, and to His throne. And the woman fled into the wilderness, where she hath a place prepared of God, that they should feed her there a thousand two hundred and threescore days." I am going to break this picture down for you. Bro. Branham never did take this chapter and preach on it. When he was asked on different occasions, Who is the woman of Revelation 12. One time he said that was the Bride of Christ crowned with the gospel of the twelve apostles. Another time he said that was Israel fleeing for her life. Two statements were made concerning the same thing; and you cannot put the two together to line them up with scripture. There is just no way. It has to have only one meaning; but God did allow the man to make both statements; because He is using one of them to act as a fan: like a fan on a threshing floor, to separate grain from waste matter. That is exactly why so many of those people go after the first statement saying, I heard the prophet say so: They are being fanned. Well yes, the prophet said this but he also made this other statement and you can take it to the scriptures. It is Israel fleeing for her life in the last half of the seventieth week of Daniel. You can call me a fanatic if you wish; but after Bro. Branham's death, this was one of the seven messages I looked at. I saw myself in a dream, back in the

Tabernacle, he was gone already; but I was sitting there in the Tabernacle like before. It has been announced that Bro. Branham would be there to preach that day. We were sitting toward the front. After awhile Bro. Branham came and stood right before the Bible platform, and was getting ready to speak: when all of a sudden I heard to the right of the building, a swishing noise. I looked through one of the windows; and out there, like in the parking lot, stood a beautiful tree. I saw twelve robins come and light in the branches. I thought, That is strange, there is no tree there. Then suddenly the same swishing noise to the left of the building and I looked to that side. Again in that side there was another tree of the same size. I saw twelve robins come and light in that tree. I am sitting there thinking, What is that? Then I hear him as he opens his Bible and says, I have come here this morning to preach to you on the 12th chapter of Daniel and the 12th chapter of Revelation. Two trees, belonging to two different dispensations, and the 12th chapter of each one. As I began to look at this, naturally there was a lot of confusion. Now let us look at it. Who really was this woman? It is a symbolic picture of the entire nation of Israel. It does not just portray Israel at any one time in history. The first six verses carries her from her beginning, from the call of Abraham, to and through the advent of Christ. That is why the woman herself is the nation of Israel, Jehovah's wife, as you see it in Hosea.

When you see the moon under her feet it means she has already passed through the law age, which was a shadow of something yet to be. The moon is none other than a reflection of the light of the sun, which is in another position in the heavens. How many realize that? Now she is clothed in the sun; so that puts her in another dispensation of time. As she is crowned with the crown of twelve stars, that does not mean the twelve apostles at all. That means it is the twelve tribes of Israel. That is why you have to associate it that it is the entire picture from the time she passed through the moon age, to the time when she is crowned in her Millennial glory. Keep in mind, this is not how she appeared in the gospel age, because all twelve tribes were not back there in the gospel era. Therefore she goes from the Law Age, which is not only foreshadowed the Grace Age, but it also foreshadowed and typed the Millennium. Therefore she is in the Millennium and the glory of God shines through Israel and she has all twelve tribes. However when we leave that side of it, he sees her with child. Now may I say this to ex-Catholics, You know the Catholic Church interprets this woman as the virgin Mary; and to them she is appearing around every street corner in this day and hour. People are going haywire. That is not the virgin Mary. That is still the same Israel: the woman that gave birth to Him, but the virgin Mary does not symbolize this particular woman

here. We know that Israel was that feminine nation that has conceived of the prophet word of God, the seed, that out of Zion would come a Deliverer and would deliver Israel in the last days. Therefore when the Romans were in power, portrayed in the red dragon, watching her, then the time came the little nation of Israel, there was a little woman in it, and from the town of Bethlehem she gave birth. But the dragon is looking at this woman; and soon as it began to be noised around that this child had been born, it is true the Jewish nation was more or less confused about what was going on; but the main point is, as we come to the 5th verse, try to take a look at the nation of Israel at the first advent of Christ. See the child Jesus born in Bethlehem. See how the devil used Herod to try to get at Him, but he missed Him because the Lord told Joseph to take Him to Egypt to escape that. Watch this child grow up. The devil is after Him, it is right out of that old clergy system, Judaism, who finally God permitted to arrest Him and bring Him before Pilot; and have Him condemned through a kangaroo court. Then because the Jewish people, under Roman law, were not allowed to carry on public execution, they demanded of the Romans, Crucify Him, crucify Him. So when you see this dragon standing before the woman, ready to devour her child, take a good look at the devil. Yes, he antagonized and aggravated the old hierarchy system and they finally

condemned Him in their religious court of law. But it was the old dragon spirit, through the Roman Empire, which is portrayed as the red dragon, that finally led Him to the hill of Calvary and there they crucified Him, the Lord of glory. Amen



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