

Our Historical Place in the Ages

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...knowing this hour of God there is none beside thee. Therefore, we direct ourselves to Thee, we know in Whom we have believed, we know Whom we're speaking to, that Thy art the Lord God of the Bible that manifested Himself in these last days. That showed Who He was, therefore, Lord, as we come to You we know exactly Whom we approach. Your Word told us that we ask in faith that you'd give us the desire of our hearts. And, Lord, tonight we're believing that You'd guide us in Your Word, that we might be truth tonight, O God, and not in any heresy, anything which is outside Your Scripture. We want that our minds, Lord, understand what You have placed there in Your Word in the end hour. Now grant, Lord, that our heart be lift up in You in great faith, Lord, be amongst this evening hour. In Jesus' Name we pray. Amen. You may be seated.

1. Sunday morning I was reading some Scripture in the Book of Matthew 24: and I was to read to verse 29 and I forgot to. We discussed the fact that those verses showed that Christ would have to be Present, which He is. But in verse 27 onward It says:

(27) For as the lightning cometh out of the east, and shineth even (to) the west; so shall also the coming of the Son of man be.

(28) For wheresoever the carcass is, there will the eagles be gathered together.

This verse of Scripture of course is highly misunderstood, because It seems to **change**. That the Coming of the Lord is instantaneous as a flash of lightning, this is absolutely erroneous. The actual fact is that Bro. Branham never gave us one thought of the Greek. Never gave us any insight. He said, "*The same light that shone in the east had to absolutely appear in the west.*" And that word 'coming' is 'parousia', which shows the Presence. "Where the carcass is, there's an eagle."

So, as I mentioned to you, he's the only man living, that ever lived outside of the apostle Paul of any books I've found extant, or any theologian that actually put the Greek words together, **many** didn't even try. I thought you'd be interested in knowing that, because that Light that Appeared under Paul, came back at the end proving He's Alpha and Omega, proving the Scripture entirely correct. Proving there was one at the end time who was able by the grace of God to restore the Word. Of course, this does not ring a bell with many, but that is alright. We believe, because of what we saw, and what we saw was the Scripture manifested.

2. Now, tonight I want to bring a message on 'Our Historical Place in the Ages'. And we're going to read from Daniel 9: our subject then is: 'Our Historical Place in the Ages', based upon what Bro. Branham taught. Daniel 9:23-27, will be our reading and many, many, Scriptures there after.

(23) At the beginning of thy supplications the commandment came forth, and I am come to shew thee; for thou art greatly beloved: therefore understand the matter, and consider the vision.

(24) Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city, to finish the transgression, and to make an end of sins, make

reconciliation for iniquity, and to bring in everlasting righteousness, seal up the vision and prophecy, and to anoint the most Holy.

- (25) Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah the Prince shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: the street shall be built again, and the wall, even in troublous times.
- (26) And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off, but not for himself: and the people of the prince that shall come shall destroy the city and the sanctuary; and the end thereof shall be with a flood, and unto the end of the war desolations are determined.

Now, there are four things that we'll have to notice immediately before we launch into our studies here, and that is the first thing have we have brought to our attention is that what I have read here is actually a thumbnail sketch of all time in history left for the world's systems, from the day of Daniel's visitation of the angels in Revelation, until the system's destruction. So, that's the first thing to understand. We have a thumbnail sketch of all time in history left for the cosmos's world system, from that time that Daniel received his revelation to the time those systems went into oblivion.

3. But secondly, must also be sure to see that though the systems run out at Armageddon, we find in Daniel 9:23-27 actually revealed the history of the church right up to the New Jerusalem, and we find that in Daniel 7:13-14. Because this also is part of the visions. It said:

- (13) I saw in the night visions, and one like the Son of man came with the clouds of heaven, and came to the Ancient of days, and they brought him near before him.
- (14) And there was given him dominion, and glory, and a kingdom, that all people, nations, and languages, should serve him: his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom that which shall not be destroyed.

Well, the everlasting Kingdom of course is the New Jerusalem, because the one on earth even during the Millennium is set to one side, while there's a dissolution of the elements. And the new elements are brought in. So, we can see here when we're speaking of the thumbnail sketch of history left on earth, the Bride doesn't stop there. She goes right one into Eternity, as we notice that.

4. And the third thing we notice all through is that though the earth be history of man as we know it today, ends at Armageddon. It' will reappear at the end of the Millennium, and then it goes on to the Lake of Fire after the White Throne judgment. And you can read that yourself in Revelation 20: we might just look a little bit at verse 11.

- (11) And I saw a great white throne, and him that sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away; and there was found no place for them.
- (12) And I saw the dead, small and great, stand before God; and the books were opened: and another book was opened, which is the book of life: and the dead were judged out of those things which were written in the books, according to their works.

- (13) And the sea gave up the dead which were in it; and death and hell delivered up the dead which were in them: and they were judged every man according to their works.
- (14) And death and hell were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.
- (15) And whosoever was not found written in the book of life was cast into the lake of fire.

Now, you can see then that though Daniel 9 is referring to the world system extermination, time has run out. There is definitely a reappearance due to the Second Resurrection, or General Resurrection where they all come before God again. And then there's a Judgment where those that are...they're judged as separated as a sheep from goats, and some were allowed to come in, and then the rest are set to one side to the Lake of Fire. So, this system, the world's system in what we know today must reappear at the White Throne judgment and be judged.

5. Then the fourth thing we want to realize and understand is: that the Seventy Weeks of earthly history is dealing only with Israel as It says over here in Daniel 9:24, let's read, just caught a little time ago.

- (24) Seventy weeks are determined upon thy people and upon thy holy city...(and so on.)

Now, you'll notice that the Seventy Weeks are cut into three periods of time that do not necessarily run consecutively all the way through to the end. That would be then if they were consecutive, the Millennium would have had to come into being in four hundred and ninety years. But it didn't. So, they do not run consecutively.

Now, the three periods of course are seven weeks, sixty-two weeks and one week. And each week is of course one year. And Ezra and Nehemiah were responsible for rebuilding the wall in troublous times about forty-nine years. And then they were to be four hundred and thirty-four years of nation history had to elapse as another period of time looking forward to the Messiah.

Now, there is no way that I could possibly understand the chronology of that. I don't know how it works, but there's a time lapse in between. There also shows that week...the seven weeks in the sixty-two are not necessary purely consecutive, or chronological order as we might think they were going to be.

6. Now then, after that those two have expired, the Messiah was to Appear in the Seventieth Week and therein be cut off. And this would leave a part of the Seventieth Week unfulfilled for another indefinite period of time. Now I think we can see this in Daniel 12:1-7. **[omit]** And here's where the thinking of many people is entirely different from Bro. Branham's and what we think.

- (1) And at that time shall Michael stand up, the great prince which standeth for the children of thy people: and there shall be a time of trouble, such as never was since there was a nation even to that same time: and at that time thy people shall be delivered, every one that shall be found written in the book.

Now that's not everyone, but everyone written in the Book. That goes right back to chapter 7 of Revelation.

- (2) And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt.

That's right, because after the Great Tribulation, (see?) after the Millennium they come up in a resurrection. **[verse 3 omitted]**

- (4) ...thou, O Daniel, shut up the words, and seal the book, even to the time of the end: many shall run to and fro, knowledge shall be increased.
- (5) Then I Daniel looked, and, behold, there stood other two, the one on this side of the bank of the river, and the other on that side of the bank of the river.
- (6) And one said to the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, How long shall it be to the end of these wonders?
- (7) And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, he held up his right hand and his left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; and when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

7. Now, you can see right here there's three and one-half year left to the scattered people. Not seven. Now, as I say that's a little bit of a problem there to some, but we understand there's only three and a half years to go. And I think that's not too hard to see, if we go to Daniel 9:26.

- (26) And after threescore and two weeks shall Messiah be cut off,...

Now watch, how many periods? There's six, there's a seven **[correction]** week period, and a sixty-two week period, and a one week period. Now if you add seven to sixty-two, you get sixty-nine. After threescore and two weeks, the seventh been fulfilled. After sixty-nine week Messiah is going to be cut off. Well after sixty-nine, what follows sixty-nine? Seventy. So therefore, during seventy Messiah will be cut off. (See?) So, there's three and a half years to go, because He's cut off within the middle.

Now, furthermore after Daniel 9:26, there is no more mentioned again of seven years, only three and a half. And there is no mention of seven in the Book of Revelation, only three and one half years. So, no matter how you look at it, there's three and a half years to go.

8. Now, as I said, there are many people today even in this Message do not believe that there are three and a half years left, but they believe there's seven. But as I read here in Daniel 9:25-26, which I can read again:

- (25) Know therefore and understand, that from the going forth of the commandment to restore and to build Jerusalem unto the Messiah... shall be seven weeks, and threescore and two weeks: ...(right?) (Seven weeks, threescore and two, and)... the street shall be built again...in troublous times.
- (26) ...after the threescore....(for remember, seven came before three-score and two. So, now you've got sixty-nine, right? So therefore,) Messiah (is) cut off...

When? Seventy coming next. He's got to be, He's cut off in the seventy. There's no place else to go in my understanding, because remember, He was numbered with Israel. And there's only three and a half left in Revelation, three and a half in Daniel. Except for Daniel allows thirty to

seventy-five days which could be the Resurrection period. ...?.. time, there's enough, but it could be. So, you have the three and a half years.

9. Now, with that under-standing we want to get a picture of God dealing with the entire world history with Israel and His time piece, because that's what it's all about. Israel has the time piece. Now, we go to Luke 21:24.

- (24) And they shall fall by the edge of the sword, and (they) shall be led
away captive into all nations: and Jerusalem shall be trodden down
of the Gentiles, until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled.

Now, right here you can see that after Messiah is cut off, which He was, Israel must be trodden down, which it was, under the Romans in 70AD, Jerusalem trodden down. And It says, that this must be so until the times of the Gentiles be fulfilled. So therefore, between the first-half of the last week, and the last-half of the last week, the times of the Gentiles must run their full course. Not that they weren't running before, because the Gentiles are in history. But remember, Israel is entirely left out period, and God will return to Israel later on.

10. Now, let's go to the Book Daniel again, chapter 7: and we're going to look at some of the four hundred and ninety years, and then that which is carried on into the future. Daniel 7: and we'll begin at verse 1. And this is the great vision,

- (1) ...the first year of Belshazzar (the) king of Babylon Daniel had a
(vision) dream and visions of his head upon his bed: then he wrote
the dream, and told the sum of the matters.
- (2) Daniel spake and said, I saw in my vision by night, and, behold,
the four winds of the heaven strove upon the great sea(s).

And the great seas of course we understand peoples, there's mighty influences coming, controlling the great peoples of the earth.

- (3) And four great beasts came up from the sea, diverse one from another.

In other words the...well we'll just keep reading, because the beast represents powers.

- (4) The first was like a lion, had eagle's wings: (and) I beheld till the
wings thereof were plucked, was lifted up from the earth, and made
(to) stand upon the feet as a man, and a man's heart was given to it.
(That's beast number one.)
- (5) (And the second beast came up out of the sea, which shows great
influence and power, like) a bear, raised up itself on one side, and it
had three ribs in (his) mouth...between the teeth, and they said,
Arise,
devour much flesh. (That's the second beast.)
- (6) (The third beast comes up) after this I beheld, and lo another, like
a leopard, which had upon the back of it four wings of a fowl; the
beast had also four heads; and dominion was given to it.

11. Now, number one beast was a lion with eagles wings. Number two, was a bear, number three was a leopard, it had four wings also. And we come down to number four which is verse 7. And each of these is world empires, dominions, given to the people over the world, the then know world.

- (7) After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast,
dreadful, terrible, and strong exceedingly; and it had great iron
teeth: it devoured and brake in pieces, and stamped the residue
with the feet of it: and it was diverse from all the beasts that
were before it; and it had ten horns.
- (8) (And) I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among
them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first
horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes
like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.
- (9) (And) I beheld till the thrones were cast down, (now, that's what
we're looking at there, then after) the thrones were cast down, the
Ancient of days did sit, whose garment was white as snow, the
hair of his head like the pure wool: his throne was like the
fiery flame, and his wheels as burning fire.
- (10) A fiery stream issued and came forth from before him: thousand
thousands ministered unto him, (that's Bride) and ten thousand times
ten thousand stood before him: (that's to be judge) judgment set,
the books opened.
- (11) (And) I beheld then because of the voice of the great words which
the horn spake: I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his body
destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

12. Now, you notice this is like a recap, going back a bit. He's telling you, he's bring you right up to the Millennium, Armageddon, the Millennium, Great White Throne judgment. And then he says here, now notice, he is talking about the four empire, the four beasts. Then he recaps to the others as concerning the rest of the beasts the other three. "I saw, (he said) and I'll just tell you frank, (although not much point) their dominion was taken away." Their kingdoms went down.

Number one kingdom went down. Number two kingdom went down. Number three went down. But number four did not go down. God allowed those other one, two, three to flaw prolong until He's finished. Notice he said,

- (12) ... (their lives were) prolonged for a season (at a) time.

Doesn't tell you when they started, when they stopped. Tell you when they started, didn't tell when they stopped. They just went on to number four. And number four goes plain plumb on to the White Throne. Just like I said. (See?) Goes right on, it's blotted out, but reappeared at the end. (See?) After the Millennium, comes right up in the Second Resurrection. Stands right there, says so. It'll be held till that time, see, a continuation.

- (13) (And) I saw in the night visions, behold, one like the Son of man
came with the clouds of heaven, and (come) the Ancient of days,
and they brought him near before him. **[omit]**

This One you see came on clouds, is the same One back here, the same mighty One entering now as I understand this, ...?..., eternal, ...?... eternal. This is where He gets,

- (14) ...dominion, and kingdom, all people, nations, languages serve
him:...(Something that's for the Millennium.)

I don't believe that's the Millennium. That's right down at the end where there's no passing away, because the Millennium does pass down. In a sense it doesn't. It's merely step, step, step. But I look at this and I can see here way into the future where God has done all things new. I'm looking at that in this way.

13. Now, as I mentioned a while ago, you notice that the first great power, and the beast is a power a first great kingdom, and Daniel recognizes it, is Babylon with Nebuchadnezzar as the head, He is a might man, he rebelled against God, he turned like into a beast, his hair on his flesh grew like feathers. He was an insane person, ate grass like an animal. Then God stood him upon his feet, gave him a heart of a man again and he recognized the God of heaven. (See?) That's number one. Then comes another great power, and another great power and so on down the line.

Now notice, this vision of Daniel's is identical to Nebuchadnezzar's vision which is in chapter 2. You're warned very strenuously by all teachers of homiletics if you never digress when you're preaching. I never obey any law of homiletics. So I can draw up a little something maybe that'll pin your ears back, or make your eyes go out like this. (Uh?)

There's a certain man from Europe that claims that Bro. Branham vindicated him by him having a vision first of stored up food. The appearance is a little bit greater than Bro. Branham at this time, I want to ask you a question: who had the vision first, Nebuchadnezzar or Daniel? Nebuchadnezzar. Daniel told him what the vision was. Then who was the great man? (Uh?) Well, a word to the wise.

14. So, back to our study. There's always a Scripture answer honey, if you look for it. If you don't look, shame on you. Shame on you right? All right, settle right down now, got your little time. Vision number two, is identical vision, I mean, chapter 2 is identical to vision the 7th chapter. So, let's take a look at it. We go to verse 37, (I think we'll start there, yeah) Here's after he had this great dream, this great vision in the night, and Daniel of course told him the interpretation. He said: [Daniel 2:]

- (7) Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.
- (38)the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of heaven hath he given into thine hand, and (He) made thee ruler over them all. Thou art this head of gold.

That's right, who is he? Nebuchadnezzar, where is he? King of Babylon. Good.

- (39) ...after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and (a) third kingdom of brass, shall bear rule over the earth.
- (40) And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron (breaks) in pieces and (subdues) all things: as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.
- (41) ...whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it (as) strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.
- (42) And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

- (43) And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men: but they shall not cleave one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

Now listen:

- (44) And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed:...

Now see, there it is right there. That kingdom is coming, you can't kill it now, it'll got right through to the Millennium, and on and on where it comes to eternity. Right to the end, and that's what all can pour into the great Holy City, and so on. Now, he said:

- (44) ...the kingdom shall not be left to other people, (no sir, the Bride's going to have it) it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, it shall stand for ever.

- (45) Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation (is) sure.

Now, right there we see that the very same thing that Nebuchadnezzar saw in a dream, God revealed again to Daniel in a vision to him. Which is a more thoroughly explanation perhaps than the original number one explanation.

Now, in verses 37-39 we saw "thou art his head of gold," (see?) what was it? The Babylonian empire under Nebuchadnezzar.

15. All right, let's go a little further now, we see here in verse 39,

- (39) And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass,...

Now, look it here, there's silver, and then there's this brass here. Now, there's two kingdoms mentioned there. Right? And who are they? What does history show? Medo-Persia, and Greece. Exactly. No other kingdom, because number one is pointed out. Right? Who is he? Nebuchadnezzar, Babylon. What followed Babylon? Medo-Persia. What followed Medo-Persia, Greece. Right? Okay, let's keep reading:

- (40) And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron:...

Now, what followed Greece? Rome. (Right?) Rome. Now, there's no need to ...?... If you don't believe the Bible it's okay by me, you won't believe **this**. But if you believe the Bible, if you believe the Bible, you might have to lay down some of your thinking. But that's alright, no problem.

Now, let's read a bit:

- (40) And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron (breaks) in pieces and (subdues) all things: as iron that (breaks) all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.
- (41) ...whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, (that's going way, way down, and) part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided;...

Now, what is the bottom part of the statue? Toes, right? So, he's showing the last part of the kingdom. Now remember, you got up here a head, and you got silver and brass. And from the sides down you got iron. And it goes down, down, down until it peters out into clay mixed with iron at the tail end. And the kingdom then goes into kaput, because the stone cut without hands comes down, strikes the whole thing upon the feet and it's all gone. That's Armageddon into the Millennium, great White Throne judgment, again there's destruction, and then the pure are all taken in to the Eternal City. (See?)

16. Now, this is what you're seeing right here. And there's no guess work, you don't have to let your thinking go and try to figure things out, it's already been figured for you. Right? Babylon and Persia and Greece and Rome, no guess work. And then you'll notice in here as we read along right to verse 44.

(44) And in the days of these kings...

Well, that's got to be the last king. (See?) Got to be the tail end, there's going to be a kingdom that'll not be destroyed.

(45) Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone (cut) without hands (come down) and brake in pieces... (the whole thing, God had shown you now what's going to happen. He says, the whole thing is going to run out.)

Now remember, these are Gentile kingdoms, they are not Israel. But Israel has a lot to do with it, because they have a lot to do with Israel, we're bound up together. Just like Paul said, "We're grafted into a single root or trunk." Just can't help yourself, we're all part of the whole thing. (See?)

17. Now, let's just go over something: the first kingdom is Babylon the lion. (Right?) Next is Medo-Persia the bear. And the third is Greece the leopard, and fourth Rome. Why? Her beast is not designated. It just says as all of these different differ from each other, the fourth differs greatly from all the other three that differed from each other. And It says, "This is the worse of the whole works."

Now, what beast is it? The beast is not mentioned here, but what is it? Let's go to Daniel 7:7, **[omit]** now here is this beast.

(7) After this I saw in the night visions, and behold a fourth beast,
dreadful and terrible, strong exceedingly; had great iron teeth:
devoured and brake in pieces, stamped the residue with the feet...
diverse from all the beasts that were before it; and it had ten
horns.

(8) (And) I considered the horns, and, behold, there came up among
them another little horn, before whom there were three of the first
horns plucked up by the roots: and, behold, in this horn were eyes
like the eyes of man, and a mouth speaking great things.

In other words, in this kingdom here he's given you a thumbnail sketch or great people arising within it who perpetuate this kingdom and are great and worthy note in the kingdom. And this one down here sounds like a very horrendous person. Now:

(9) (And) I beheld till the thrones were cast down, (now, the whole
thing then, the whole government of earth which expires under

government number four is finished, then) the Ancient of days...
(God can begin to take over.)

18. Now, let's read verses 11-12.

- (11) I beheld then because (the word) the voice of the great words which
the horn spake: (and) I beheld even till the beast was slain, and his
body destroyed, and given to the burning flame.

Now, you know right away that's in the Book of Revelation where the beast and the false prophets are thrown into the Lake of Fire.

- (12) As concerning the rest of the beasts, they had their dominion taken
away: (and) their lives were prolonged for a season...

Now, the reason I've take you through this in here at the end, is to just let you know that those other three great kingdoms with their great rulers...well, they just had their time too. But you'll notice in this fourth one there's a succession of headship. (See?) And it's different from any other. It's diverse, and it's worse than any of the rest.

19. Now, let's go and compare Revelation 13:1-10. We got to do that to see what this is all about.

- (1) And I stood upon the sand of the sea, (there we are again, watch)
and saw a beast rise up out of the sea, (there you are again, another
beast) having seven heads and ten horns, and upon his horns ten
crowns, upon his heads the name of blasphemy.

(2) And the beast which I saw was like (what?) a leopard, (ho, ho) and
his feet were as the feet of a bear, and (the) mouth the mouth of a
lion: the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great
authority.

- (3) And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; and his
deadly wound was healed: and all the world wondered after the beast.

Now, you know right now, that this beast is a different beast from all the others, because this is a composite of all the beasts that Daniel saw, and Nebuchadnezzar saw. (See?) Tells you right here. He's not...he is different, because he's a combination, (or a composite) of all the rest. And you'll notice that this fellow lived all the way down. That is this government goes all the way down, because when he should have died as the rest died, he gets healed. Do you follow? That which would have killed him. You notice how it's brought in here? Well, back in Daniel, he said now this one here goes all the way, the others had their time, but this one doesn't have a time, he goes all the way.

Now, here's a secret: he should have had his time, but he doesn't have his time, because something happens to him, when he should have expired. When he should have gone. When it should have been Rome no more, with the fourth empire no more. He's healed. Now, he's not talking of a man, per se, he's talking of the beast which the government, the great power. And the last one is the great beast empire, and It tells you what he is. And what Daniel left out describing him, we're told here by John. He's the lion, the leopard, and the bear. (See?) Just exactly.

20. Now:

- (4) And they worshipped the dragon which gave power (to) the beast:
they worshipped the beast, saying, Who is like (to) the beast? who
(can) make war with him?
- (5) ...there was given unto him a mouth speaking great things and
blasphemies; and power was given unto him to continue forty and
two months.

And you trace that right down to Daniel 12: you got the same thing right there again. The same thing is going to hound the holy people.

- (6) ...he opened his mouth in blasphemy against God, to blaspheme his
name, his tabernacle, and them that dwell in heaven.
- (7) And it was given unto him to make war with the saints, to overcome
them: and power was given him over all kindreds, and tongues, and
nations.

Notice there again, the great empire.

- (8) And all that dwell upon the earth shall worship him, whose names are
not written in the book of life of the Lamb slain from the foundation
of the world.
- (9) If any man have an ear, let him hear.
- (10) He that leadeth into captivity shall go into captivity: he that killeth
with the sword must be killed with the sword. Here is the patience
and the faith of the saints.
- (11) And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; and he had
two horns like a lamb, and he spake as a dragon.
- (12) ...he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him,...

Now watch, this fellow here is coming out after he saw verse number 1, he sees verse number 11. And verse number 11 is like this old boy back there. (See?) The fellow we got, his deadly wound healed. He tells you what's in there, and he tells you the same thing is right down here. No difference. (See?)

- (12) ...he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, and
causeth the earth and them which dwell therein to worship the first
beast, whose deadly wound was healed.
- (13) And he doeth great wonders, so that he maketh fire come down from
heaven on the earth in the sight of men,
- (14) And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those
miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying
to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to
the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.
- (15) And he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the
image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as
would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Now, he's giving you the secret of how this old empire that died, that should have been gone, actually lives on today. This is what he's telling your right here. (See?)

21. Now, here in according to what we read in this Book of Revelation chapter 13, (the first ten verses were really sufficient) here we see all earthly Gentile pagan religious government poured into one power which is Rome. Because Rome was the power. Not Italy, per se, Rome. (See?) Although Italy was under Rome. You don't need to worry about Italy, per se, it was Rome.

It is just exactly like the Seals, for the Seals are masks or disguises. There was a white horse, a red horse and a black horse, turned into a brindled horse. It was the same thing coming on down. So, we see Babylon religious, ...?... Nimrod, religious empire coming on down into Babylon, into Medo-Persia, into Greece, and finally into Rome. And now at the very end time. And at the very end time you have this system poured into one which is Rome.

22. Now, notice her further description and the revelation of whom she really is. Now, that over here in chapter 17, of the Book of Revelation and in verse 9, and It says:

(9) And here is the mind which hath wisdom. The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman (sits.)

Now, you can't say that that is communism. You can't do it. Some people say, "Well, that's over there in Russia." Well, I got news for you, when did Russia rule the world? When is Russia the fourth empire? Never was. Well they say that's Cincinnati. Well, Cincinnati is nothing, that's a hundred and something years old. That never was. Say, what of Jerusalem? That's got seven hills. Has it? How do you know, because somebody said so? Pretty well that's about all, because somebody said so. I've never heard, nor the geography Jerusalem had seven hills. When did Jerusalem ever run the world? When did she ever have a great empire? She is merely a local empire, but she was never a great worldwide empire, never was. (See?) Now, we're talking about great empires, Babylon, Medo-Persia, Greece, then comes Rome, right down to the end.

Now, seven mountains. Who's got seven mountains that was a world empire? Rome! It's known as a city of seven hills. Everything shows us that. Now he said, "Here's wisdom." And he said, "This great world empire is going to be consolidated in to one spot, a city, so therefore a city with tentacles as an octopus running, ruling and controlling." (See?) In other words, this will be able to govern the hearts and minds of men as not even the power of politics, although it combines.

23. Let's go back to Daniel 7: this time I'll read 15-27.

(15) (And) I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.

(16) (And) I came near unto one of them that stood by, and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.

(17) These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.

See, the empires are always embodied in one person. Always headed up in one, but then if he gets it petered out, peter out, then it goes down. Peter out. (See?) Notice, after Nebuchadnezzar came another king. (See?) Then, and pretty soon it goes down. Listen:

(18) But the saints of the most High shall take the kingdom, and possess the kingdom for ever, even for ever and ever.

- (19) Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast, which was diverse from all the others, exceeding dreadful, whose teeth were of iron, nails of brass; devoured, brake in pieces, stamped the residue with his feet;
- (20) And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell; even of that horn that had (the) eyes, and a mouth that spake very great things, whose look was stout than his fellows.
- (21) (And) I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them;
- (22) Until the Ancient of days came, and judgment was given to (him, to) the saints of the most High; and the time came that the saints possessed the kingdom.
- (23) Thus he said, The fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms, and shall devour the whole earth, and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.

24. Now, It tells you right there that the fourth kingdom will go the very end and has an absolute control. And that fourth kingdom will boil down till one city that has mountains on, and is going to control the world from there. And it's positively going to be against the Truth of Almighty God, against Jesus Christ. In other words, there's going to be an antichrist setup.

- (24) And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise: and another shall rise after them; and [omit] he shall be diverse from the first, shall subdue three kings.
- (25) (He'll) speak great words against the most High...wear out the saints of the most High, and think to change times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time.

So, you've got your three and a half years in there at the end time. It takes you right to the end time when God turns back to the Jews and three and a half years.

- (26) (And) the judgment shall sit, and they shall take away his dominion, to consume and to destroy it unto the end.

There you are back to the Book of Revelation where they're thrown into the Lake of Fire.

- (27) And the kingdom and dominion, and the greatness of the kingdom under the whole heaven, shall be given to the people of the saints of the most High, whose kingdom is an everlasting kingdom, and all dominions shall serve and obey him.

And that takes you right to the very end, past the White Throne judgment up to the...even eternities of God.

25. Now, we can see her description right here, this is Rome. Also notice that God says the roots or Rome, and the head of Rome was in Babylon not in Jerusalem. Let's go back to the Book of Revelation 18:1-2

- (1) And after these things I saw another angel come down from heaven,
having great power; and the earth was lightened with his glory.
- (2) And he cried mightily with a strong voice, saying, Babylon the great
is fallen, is fallen, become the habitation of devils, the hold of every
foul spirit, and a cage of every unclean and hateful bird. (See?)

Just what I said a while ago. Just like the Seals, it starts with a white horse, red horse, a black horse poured into one. You got Babylon, you've got Medo-Persia, you got Greece, you got Rome poured into one in Rome. The whole thing gets poured into one at the very end time. And that which was in Babylon is going to come to the very end here, and we'll see it in our day. And it comes right to Rome, and Rome will always has done the very same thing that Babylon did. It traces right on down. Ending not only now, in one nation of Babylon that controls perfectly what it had under its clutches. It had physical, political, spiritual domain.

You watch now, and the same thing reappears at the end time. That's why it's called 'Babylon' at the end time, or mystery Babylon, or spiritual Babylon. (see?) Not Israel, not by any stretch of the imagination.

26. Now, we're going to keep reading on now, verses 3-39. Now, let's watch this great thing Babylon. Well, It says here it's:

- (2) ...the habitation of devils, the hold of every foul spirit, (the) cage
of every unclean and hateful bird.
- (3) (And) all nations have drunk of the wine of the wrath of her fornication,
the kings of the earth commit fornication with her, the merchants of
the earth are waxed rich through the abundance of her delicacies.
- (4) ...I heard another voice from heaven, saying, Come out of her, my
people, that (you) be not partakers of her sins, and that ye receive not
of her plagues.

Now, this has gone to simply a nation to a church. Now Rome is a church today. You show me where she hasn't got powers somewhere.

- (5) ...her sins have reached unto heaven, and God hath remembered her
iniquities.
- (6) Reward her even as she rewarded you, and double unto her double
according to her works: in the cup which she hath filled fill to her
double.
- (7) How much she hath glorified herself, and lived deliciously, so much
torment and sorrow give her: for she (said) in her heart, I sit a queen,
(in other words, I'm the husband of the king, I'm the Bride of
Christ,
I'm) no widow, and shall see no sorrow.
- (8) Therefore shall her plagues come in one day, death, and mourning,
and famine; and she shall be utterly burned with fire: (now, what do
you burn with fire? Whores) strong is the Lord God who judgeth
her.
- (9) ...the kings of the earth, have committed fornication (with her) and
lived deliciously with her,... (delicately, and so on, luxuriously)

shall bewail her, lament her, when they shall see the smoke of her
burning,

- (10) Standing afar off...saying, Alas, alas that great city Babylon, that
mighty city! for in one hour is thy judgment come.
- (11) And the merchants of the earth shall weep and mourn over her; **[omit]**for
no man (buys) their merchandise any more:
- (12) The merchandise of gold, and silver, and precious stones, and of
pearls, and fine linen, purple, silk, scarlet...all manner of ivory...
[omit] precious wood, brass, iron, marble,
- (13) ...cinnamon, and odours, and ointments, frankincense, wine, oil, fine
flour, wheat, beasts, sheep, horses, chariots, slaves, souls of men.

27. There you are:

- (14) ...the (fruit of) that thy soul lusted after are departed from thee, all
things which were dainty and goodly are departed from thee,... **[omit]**
- (15) The merchants of these things, which were made rich by her, shall
stand afar off for the fear of her torment, weeping and wailing,
- (16) And saying, Alas, alas that great city,...(and so on.)

What we're showing you here, is that this world empire is not based upon armies and militancy, it's base upon the ability to deal in the lives of people and control them regardless of the government over them. And to manipulate them, because of the power of the dominion ...?... That this church at the end is going to absolutely control the world by the manipulation and gold and silver and those things, because It says right here. In other words, the lying signs and wonders of the antichrist first off the bat to straighten out the money system. (See?)

Now, this great money system is what's going to control the world. Now listen: the Babylon head of gold, golden calf cosmos empire mixed with religion is still here. (See?) It started its present form under Constantine, Revelation 13:3.

- (3) And I saw one of his heads as it were wounded to death; ...

One of his heads, what does that mean? One of the men of great authority in the Roman Empire is able to revive the Roman Empire. He is Satan when he was going down. Now, when did that happen? When Constantine turned to the Christians and then he decided to help the Christians and show them how to run their business. So, he said, "Everybody get together and I'll take care of you. We'll dip in the taxpayer pocket and finance you, and we'll set up a kingdom in this respect."

28. So, the Roman Empire got its second wind and its reprieve from entire destruction by going into religion instead of armies that control the whole world. And if you study history you're going to find that they have done it, and done it by every way they can. Even armies destroying nations, over that was in a minor way, until at the end time as a city of power, its tentacles' through religion. And manipulation of finances will control the whole world.

Now, if you think they can't do it, you take a trip to Mexico. And you go to the huge basilica there, and you'll find (I understand, I believe it's twenty-seven, or twenty-two gates, something like that) that's just before the altar that contain roughly fifteen tons of gold apiece, and that's just the start of it. And when gold skyrockets, (which it will shortly) to perhaps a thousand dollars an

ounce, you'll see they're going to run the whole world and no one is going to have a prayer. It's the financial system doing it. Remember, they have the gold.

29. It's hardly a few years ago I was reading there's hardly a Roman Catholic church that doesn't have cross worth seventy-five thousand dollars. That was at thirty-three dollars an ounce, about a hundred and twenty-five right now. I'd say roughly four times the price, two hundred thousand dollars in one church alone. When I was in just across the line in Juarez, they had gold leaf on basilica there which was one million dollars. And that was thirty-three dollars an ounce. It's over four million now. And they just were playing along at that time, they had so much more.

So, here we can see what it is, it's not a militant empire with vast armies. Not for one minute, it's something far superior. And what is superior? That which controls the hearts and minds of men. Because if you control those hearts and minds you'd have a successful army. But if you cannot control it, you have no army. An army though great with no will to fight can be routed in a minute. They'll run. That's why America made so many mistakes and tried arm certain nations. There's no will to fight, forget it. Just leave be. Anybody come and take them over just fine, they don't care as long as you have a bowl of rice or something. Oh, they do care, but they don't really. So, this is the control that is vastly different from what went on previously, because this is different, the Bible said so. But it's just a horrible and even more so then was the others.

30. Now, and the fourth beast runs this all. The last stage of the last empire is controlled by a religious dictator who takes over the whole world by his ability to force all nations, (see?) by his power within the nation. Remember how they said that we have a fourth column? They had a fourth column, because there were people dedicated to the cause of exterior nation. Rome has a fourth column in every nation in this world, a quisling, if you want to put that way. And if you don't think so, kindly read the history before you answer back in your mind. Kindly read your history. And ask yourself, why was Trotsky killed in ...?... Mexico and who did it?

And you will find he was killed by a Roman Catholic, granted absolution by the pope if he would kill the man. A immediate **tether** for killing him. And they killed him. (See?) Now, that's a word to the wise. Read your history. Four nations only, and the last identified with a city of seven mountains. A woman, which is always a church controlling and nothing controls like religion. Nothing. Because you have a conscience of men and destiny of the future in your hands. And they're doing it. (See?) And they're different from all the rest, and in it, it's as horrible and cruel and ...?... in Jesus.

31. Now, you Canadians know enough what happened years ago before Rome smarten up to try to win the prostitute back. The Baptist preaching ...?... was stoned or killed. My landlord was shocked, he's married to a Catholic girl, and he was shocked when he saw a Roman Catholic priest egging the Vietnamese's on to destroy the Mohammedans. Not saying they're all that way, but the roots are there. (See?) Right back to Babylon where it came from. We'll see a little more about shortly we'll see it.

Now listen, the last stage of the last empire is controlled by religious dictator, who takes over the whole world by his ability, and he'll force all nations and commerce to join into a complete world alliance, [Revelation] 17:8

(8) The beast that thou sawest (which) was, and is not; shall ascend
out of the bottomless pit, go into perdition: and they that dwell on
the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the
(Lamb's) book of life from the foundation of the world, when
they behold the beast that was, and is not, and yet (shall be.)

Now, that's exactly what this empire is ever since it went religious. Of hope, he was God to the people. Died off the scene. He was not. Another one comes on the scene, he is. And the same one shall be in the future. Always a secession of people who say, "We are it." Now, you find any Protestant that ever claimed to the exclusion of all others that they were it. No, they were ...?... As the Roman Catholic church stands and said, "We are it."

32. And until recently she would not accept any Protestants, until she finally remembered that she was the one that innovated that doctrine, 'Father, Son and Holy Ghost' baptism. So, now any Protestant that's baptized in Father, Son and Holy Ghost, you're a Catholic. I'm sorry, you better look at your records now. Trace your pedigree back, there's something wrong with you somewhere. Rome will tell you flat, that is her baptism. Look at us. And if you haven't got enough understanding to read your Bible, then write 'Time Magazine' and you say, "Please send me a copy of what you once printed concerning the genealogy of all churches for every organization have come out of Rome." Go and see it, I got it a home, see for yourself.

Ask them also to send you a copy of when Marcus the woodcutter ...?... a communicant in the church in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Never ever Father, Son and Holy Ghost. It's a Roman doctrine. (See?) So, daughters are going back to mama.

You don't think they are, let me just tell you something: I was in London not long ago and over there is a great Full Gospel Business meeting. And a Roman Catholic priest, (charismatic) speaking in tongues, (wonderful man, fine man) stood before the people, and he had a great ministry praying for the sick. He looked down at the Gospel men there, he said, "Well, well this is ...?... My, (he said) look a Roman Catholic priest praying for Pentecostal ...?... it was once otherwise.; why don't you come home to mother?" Ring the wedding bells, you're already home and don't know it. Dance in the streets.

33. Daniel chapter 2, now here's something Bro. Branham brought to us, we're going to take a real good look at it. Daniel 2:46-49

(46) Then the king Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, and worshipped Daniel,...

Oh my, when Daniel brought that dream ...?... isn't this beautiful, here's a fellow had a dream, he said, "Oh, (he said) I had a dream, oh I had a dream. Oh that dream it was some dream, but I don't know what it was." He said, "I think I'll call the wise men. They'll tell me if they're real wise men, because, come in boys."

"What is it O king, bacon and eggs breakfast?"

"No, (he said) no breakfast this morning. I'm puzzled I've got a dream."

"Well, tell it."

He's said, "That's asked the whole thing, (he said) I forgot, I want you to tell me."

They said, "What's going on here, and so early in the morning? Nobody ever heard this nonsense that we're supposed to tell you a dream you forgot. You tell us the dream we'll tell you."

He said, "Ha, ha, caught you, you tell me and then I'll know you got the answer. Now, (he said) you get down to business there boys or you're going to have your heads lopped off."

"Well..." they said... they were in terrible shape. Somebody said, "Say, there's a fellow called Daniel, I think that he might have the answer."

Daniel's dream said, "Oh king, live forever, and I'm going to live with you." He said, "I know, I got answers as God is going to tell me your dream."

34. Now listen, everybody talks about one man who recalled one dream, for one man that forgot it, and it's here in the Book and everybody screams about it, but they forget William Marrion Branham recalled many dreams for many people.

And I saw myself in Waterloo Iowa, when Paul Boyd came in to Bro. Branham, "I've got a trouble dream I want to tell you."

He said, "*No Paul, I'll tell you, and I'll tell you what it means.*"

And I heard him tell the dream. Paul stood there in amazement. (See?) Showed him the dream. So you see, if I should quote William Branham tonight you can see why. And I'll quote you, and see if you can tell me what I dreamed this afternoon, and I lay down on my bed and I slept. It's a very crazy dream. I'll even give you a hint. It's about my raincoat. Do you want to take it from there? [laughter]

And a brief case. Want to take it from there? Now, where was I? And I was in an elevator. What did the elevator do? (Huh?)

35. Now, some of you might disagree. I'm putting you on the spot now. You've got answers? You haven't got any answers. Not trying to hurt your feelings, but let me tell you something, I've been through these books for years and years. And one man had an answer, his name is William Branham, he was ...?... They don't want his name mentioned. Why? Why? Well, I'll tell you why, when people can't produce fruit like one man can produce fruit then you've got to ...?... So, that's not here of course.

Now, It says here:

- (46) ... (that this fellow) Nebuchadnezzar fell upon his face, (because you know Daniel gave him that answer and that they bring) an oblation (unto him) sweet odours, (and get the whole bit.)
- (47) (And) the king answered unto Daniel, Of a truth it is, that your God is a God of gods, a Lord of kings, a revealer of secrets, seeing thou couldest reveal this secret.
- (48) Then the king made Daniel a great man, and gave him many great gifts, and made him ruler over the whole province of Babylon, and chief of the governors over all the wise men of Babylon.
- (49) Then Daniel requested of the king, and he set Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, over the affairs of the province of Babylon: but Daniel sat in the gate...

36. Now, [Daniel 3:]

- (1) Nebuchadnezzar the king made an image of gold, whose height was threescore cubits, and the breadth thereof six cubits: he set it up in the plain of Dura, in the province of Babylon.
- (2) Nebuchadnezzar the king sent to gather together the princes, the governors, and the captains, (and) judges, treasurers, counsellors, sheriffs, (and) rulers...(they) come to the dedication of the image which Nebuchadnezzar the king had set up.

- (3) Then the princes, the governors, and captains, the judges, the treasurers,
the counselors...and all the rulers of the provinces, were gathered
together (to) dedication the image that Nebuchadnezzar the king
had set up; and they stood before the image that
Nebuchadnezzar had set up.
- (4) Then an herald cried aloud, To you it is commanded, O people,
nations, and languages,
- (5) That at what time (you) hear the sound of the cornet, flute, harp,
sackbut, psaltery, dulcimer, and all kinds of musick, (you) fall
down and worship the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king
hath set up:
- (6) And whoso falleth not down and worshipping shall the same hour
be cast into the midst of a burning fiery furnace.
- (7) Therefore at that time, when all the people heard the sound of the
cornet, flute, harp, sackbut, psaltery, and all kinds of musick, all
the people, the nations, and the languages, fell down and
worshipped the golden image that Nebuchadnezzar the king had
set up.

37. Now what was that image? Daniel's. You know why? Because, "In you Daniel (he said) is the spirit of that great God." Now, he couldn't see God, nobody can see God. But he saw Daniel. Well naturally, he made an image of Daniel. And he set the great image right up there and said, "Now listen, I'm going to tell you something: you got to worship that image, (because you see, Daniel can't be everywhere he set up his image up there ...?) and you'll have to worship God through that image which you see right there." And of course they did it.

Now, the reason he did it was because here was a great man of spiritual stature. A man that could literally be worshiped as God, you literally make him God. See, that was what was doing.

38. Now, with that in mind let's go back to Revelation 13:11-18

- (11) And I beheld another beast coming up out of the earth; (having)
horns like a lamb, and spake as a dragon.

Now, notice in here that the beast over here came up out of the waters. That's typical of back in Daniel. But over here he comes up like an lamb, which is showing you very few people. Now, what great nation at the end is here? Close to L-I-P Europe, because it have to be to Rome, the whole bunch, because it would have to the people of Europe in it, in majority. And there are very few people in the beginning that's United States of America. And the beast comes up and he has two horns like a lamb, but feet like a dragon. That's America. Civil, ecclesiastical horns. He exercises now.

- (12) ...he exerciseth all the power of the first beast before him, causeth
the earth and them (that) dwell therein to worship the first beast,
whose deadly wound was healed.
- (13) And he doeth great wonders, (and) he (makes) fire come down from
heaven on the earth in the sight of men,

Now, what was that? The atomic bomb. True. America that made the atomic bomb. Now, It says He maketh fire come down. That's where it came, right from heavens, ...?...

- (14) And deceiveth them that dwell on the earth by the means of those miracles which he had power to do in the sight of the beast; saying to them that dwell on the earth, that they should make an image to the beast, which had the wound by a sword, and did live.

39. Now, let's take a picture here. You're going to notice that this is mentioned twice. Not just once, that a wounded beast. Now, let's face it, who came to the rescue of Rome when Hitler could have walked in, and after Hitler, Stalin. America. American money saved Europe for the Roman ...?... for the Catholics, but he gave Asia into the hands of the communists.

Under Roosevelt, and then under Truman and the great arch enemy, (what's his name again now?) [Henry Morgenthau Jr.] and Harry Dexter White... refused to give the gold the American government allotted.....?... he refused to give the money, the gold, and ...?... Joe Stillwell the then commanding general said, "I signed away with one stroke of my pen, ...?... But anyway, he actually signed away the army of Chiang Kai-shek. And from that time on the communists has taken control.

Remember, Bro. Branham vision was, the kings of the north was communism. It would be my thinking it would be kings east then the way it's going, would well also be communistic in some type of alliance there.

40. So, what did America do? America by creating the World Council of Churches with the American Council of Churches, and American money, and American knowhow has saved for the very end time the Roman Empire.

Now, let's take a look at it. What will Rome do in order to honor America? Just as king Nebuchadnezzar...we're looking at it now, he made an image because of Daniel. Daniel has certain ...?... Daniel was a great man, did a great thing. We're going to put an image to him, we're going to worship. And he will be a regular pope, because here we have a vicar of Christ, he stands in the place of Almighty God.

Now, the pope has always said, "I the vicar, I am in the stead of Jesus Christ." Now, what is he going to do at the end time here in America? From this Scripture He will positively allow America to have a pope. That's right. America will have a pope, because It says, "He comes out of here."

41. Now, whether he is the antichrist himself I am not prepared to say. But if he is not the antichrist he will certainly be a forerunner. Because It tells you right here it's going to happen. Another beast comes up, where there are no vast people. Now, what can he come up out of? He has got to come up out of what was the fourth empire. Right? What did they come over here for? To get away from the fourth empire. But they can't do it, because they are of the fourth empire, they're in it. **[end of side one]**...will be honored, because it's the Americans. It's the Protestants that are going back to Catholicism.

The pope stood still. He never said we're going to bow and come to you, nor has he ever come to them. It is been the Anglican head of the church that went to Rome recently. And he said, "I will hand over my headship to the pope, because he has precedence by being head of it." Right. But where did the pope go? To one meeting, he went either to Zurich, or was it Geneva? He went to Geneva to the World Council of Union Members, and he addressed them. Looking for union. What are the Protestant's doing? They're all coming back and going to Rome. All coming back and going to Rome.

42. Now, one day when they all get together, (which they will) and they're all but there now, because Rome has changed drastically, (see?) they come together for the people. They will have it very shortly a pope rise up out of America who could well be the antichrist. I don't know that he is, but he sure will forerun it. And Bro. Branham getting it right from this chapter here said, *"You watch when that pope comes out of America."*

A certain brother prophesied not long ago near Montreal, (a brother out of New York) he made a very great boo-boo of course, because he prophesied a pope coming to America. And a pope didn't come. Now, we don't care two cents about the newspaper telling about a pope coming to America. But the prophet said, *"Watch when he comes out..."* (See?) A big difference. Anybody can talk, but the thing is, better go to your Scripture. Now, Bro. Branham said in 1955, or '56, he said, *"You watch when he comes out of America."* And you can see right here from this Scripture he is either the antichrist, or he will certainly forerun.

43. Now, we're going to keep reading here, [Revelation 13:] verse 15,

- (15) ...he had power to give life unto the image of the beast, that the image of the beast should both speak, and cause that as many as would not worship the image of the beast should be killed.

Now, what's an image? It's something looks exactly like it. And denomination with its head is exactly like it. And America way, way back, when ...?... Goss was still living, (the **ex-convict**) who knew more what was going on than most people ever thought was going on. He had the secret documents was already lined up where anybody outside of the World Council would not be allowed to give any, or comfort to any prisoner under sentence of death.

And Bro. Branham correctly quoted that what will happen if that man is caught. They said, "We will kill him." That's right. Religion is going to be so tied up again, you can be killed for having something opposite to what It says here. Outside of that image, outside of the organization the mark in your hand to do the will, the mark in the forehead is believe the will. You will end up dying. They'll not necessarily kill you, they'll just give you ...?... kill themselves.

"Well, why, what do you mean?"

"Well, you could give them all this good food, but he wouldn't eat it."

"Well, what do you mean, was something wrong with his mouth?"

"No, he wouldn't come into us, and join us."

That's what it is. (See?)

- (16) And he causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand, or in their foreheads:
- (17) And that no man might buy or sell, save he that had the mark, or the name of the beast, or the number of his name.

What's the number of the name? Six hundred and sixty-six. You show me one person outside of the pope who's got six hundred and sixty-six ...?... It's the number of a man, (See?)

44. Now, this is the very same thing you find in 2 Thessalonians 2:3-4. I wish the old timer Phillips book was still on the market, called 'The Black Pope' ...?... I don't think anybody's got it now, so likely nobody's got one anymore.

Listen, [2 Thessalonians 2:] 3-4, **[omit?]**

- (3) Let no man deceive you by any means: for that day shall not come, except there come a falling away first, and that man of sin be revealed, the son of perdition;
- (4) Who opposeth and exalteth himself above all that is called God, or that is worshipped; so that he as God (sits) in the temple of God, shewing himself that he is God.

Now, you tell me, when did they get mad a Jesus? When he forgave sin. And they said, "Haw, haw, He made Himself God." Who forgives sins? Pope, Roman Catholic church. (See?)

45. Now, on 'Look Away to Jesus', [63-1229] Bro. Branham...I'll just read this part, I won't read it all.

19. *There's coming a time in this nation, to where this nation **is going to exercise all the power** that the beast had before...(now, Revelation 13's book is America, which it is, it's going to do it, don't think it won't)...which was pagan Rome, when it become papal Rome, and this nation will do that. Revelations 13 plainly explains it. The lamb came up out of the earth. The other beast came up out of water, thickness and multitudes of people. This lamb came up where there was no people. (That's right) A lamb represents religion--the Lamb of God. And remember, it spoke like a lamb; it was a lamb, then after while it received power and spoke like a dragon, and exercised all the power the dragon the dragon had before him; and the dragon is Rome always.*

I'm going to tell you something right now, I never had much to do with the **policies** in a lot of Protestantism. And I have found Protestantism isn't just as tough, or tougher than Catholicism. Until I'm ready listen to mama more than her daughters. And take a chance on the old girl than the Protestant. (Yeah) They got everything and arguing everything, identical to what they came out of. Because the ...?... is there, and they'll do worse. Because they are making the image. Not Rome, let's get this straight, it is not Rome doing it, it is America has done it, with all the denominations in coming together.

And in Canada as I said to you many times here, man you'd be ...?... When I was a little tiny gaffer they ...?... the Methodist and the Presbyterian together in United, and out of it came the C.C.F. [Co-operative Commonwealth Federation] This is stronger Catholic nation than America was, you always were a Catholic nation. United States only became Catholic a few years ago, when fifty one percent of the population are designated Roman Catholics, or some type of Catholics, for the first time. So, you should know what I'm talking about.

So don't you see, Roman denomination, a marked Protestant denomination, an image unto the beast, making a power that'll force all Protestants like a union. (And it will, it's doing it.)

46. Carson Blake said many years ago, "The church hand must and will control the finances of the world." They will. What happened to United States many years ago when Teddy [Robert?] Kennedy was blowing and snuffing really hard about the commies, and putting on a big front? And so, he went to **[omit]** the universities, and (you know) kind of a little witch-hunt or something, trying to mark the communists and they got away with it. What he said, "Now (he said) we're going to take a crack at the pulpit."

Carson Blake in his ...?... said, "Very nice, very nice Mr. President, Mr. Attorney General, I got news for you, you investigate the Pulpit and we'll boycott every senator and congress, good

day Sir," last word said. The church has got power. The same power lies in Rome that controls the hearts and minds of the people. When it's exhorted, when it's exerting, and it certainly is exerting.

47. Now, **[omit]**

You'll have to be into this council of churches, or you won't be able to have fellowship. Well, it's practically that way now. You can't go to a church and preach, 'less you have a fellowship card or some identification. (Well, we know all about that.)

And now, on persons like ourselves, we're going to be cut out of all that altogether. That is exactly, because they won't be able to do it. It is tightening; and then when that time comes, and the press comes to a place to where you're pressed out, then watch (what I am fixing to tell you) watch the third pull then. It'll be absolutely to the total lost, but it will be for the Bride and the church.

So, you see...right down there by a man who was vindicated as a prophet, absolutely tells us what's ahead of us.

48. Now, let's go back to Daniel 8:15-26. I have nothing against the Roman Catholic people in the church, it's against the churches. As I say, and I'm much against the Protestants church in the sense of their hierarchy, as I am against any other, because it's all the same mess. People can say what they want, but it's a pot calling the kettle black. They got to give it, see? That's where the Scripture says, "Come out of her My people." [Rev 18:4] Out of what? The system. (You see?) If you're in there, get out. **[omit]**

- (15) And it came to pass, when I, even I Daniel, had seen the vision, and sought for the meaning, then, behold, there stood before me as the appearance of a man.
- (16) And I heard a man's voice between the banks of Ulai, which called, and said, Gabriel, make this man to understand the vision.
- (17) So he came near where I stood: and when he came, I was afraid, and fell upon my face: but he said unto me, Understand, O son of man: for at the time of the end shall be the vision. (Not right now, but later on.)
- (18) Now as he was speaking with me, I was in a deep sleep on my face toward the ground: but he touched me, and set me upright.
- (19) And he said, Behold, I will make thee know what shall be in the last end of the indignation: for at the time appointed the end shall be. (In other words, this at the end time.)
- (20) The ram which thou sawest having two horns are the kings of Media and Persia.
- (21) And the rough goat is the king of Grecia: and the great horn that is between his eyes is the first king.
- (22) Now that being broken, whereas four stood up for it, four kingdoms shall stand up out of the nation, but not in his power.

49. See, he's telling you how these kingdoms will go down through the ages, hadn't even happen yet. That's why he could ask, call My Sheppard Cyrus, and Cyrus was born four-hundred years later. That's the Book of Isaiah.

- (23) And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.
- (24) And his power shall be mighty, but not by his own power: and he shall destroy wonderfully, and shall prosper, and practise, and shall destroy the mighty and the holy people.
- (25) And through his policy (shall he) cause craft to prosper in his hand; magnify himself in his heart, and by peace shall destroy many: (and) he shall also stand up against the Prince of princes; but he shall be broken without hand.
- (26) And the vision of the evening and the morning which was told is true: (therefore) shut thou up the vision; for it shall be for many days.

Now, he tells you right here what's going to happen at the end on the confrontation of antichrist at the end time. There's a long, long, long way off. And remember, Israel becomes deeply involved at the time of the antichrist, but not before. She becomes a nation just before that time. Now notice, in each case the entire kingdom is reduced to a man, or embodied into a man, or personalized in a man spiritual dictator at the end time with full force of a world empire. Daniel 2:38, we saw that back here. "Thou art that head of gold." You, symbolize the empire. End time, the antichrist does the same thing.

50. Let's go back to Revelation 13:2 and see the same thing there. He said here,

- (1) (I saw) the sand of the sea, and a beast rise up...
- (2) And the beast which I saw was like unto a leopard, feet (like) a bear, mouth as mouth of a lion: and the dragon gave him his power, and his seat, and great authority. (See?)

There he is right there, simple it's personified in the man heads-up in one man.

51. Now, we'll just get a little insight into further here by going back to Daniel 2:40-43. I hope you just caught my point there showing you how you can talk of a man, you can talk about Rome signifies the whole thing taught by antichrist signifies the whole thing taught by Nebuchadnezzar signifies the whole thing. Now, Daniel 2:40-43.

- (40) And the fourth kingdom (that you saw, was) strong as iron:...

And then goes down here in verse 41,

- (41) ...the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, part of iron, kingdom shall be divided; (it) shall be (as strong as) iron, (not be as strong as iron, but it'd have some strength of iron in it, because it's) mixed with miry clay.
- (42) And the toes are part... (clay and part of iron, and so on.)

And then It says here:... that he will...see, it's a different thing. It's a different kind of an empire.

52. Now listen, there are two legs to the Roman empire, but he knows it. The eastern and the western. That became also Eastern Greek Orthodox, Catholic, and then there was also the Western. And we know today that **[correction]**communism is nothing but Greek Orthodoxy, Catholicism gone to seed, because of the corrupt priesthood. And hardly four percent are unbelievers, or atheists. So therefore, they're still Orthodox Roman. Rome has her tentacles there, and already with dialogue with Moscow. When the pressure's on, and Moscow cannot succeed without the world system.

Now, it's a known fact that anybody that missed it, that without the United States he foes and her friends cannot exist. I know it might be quite a blow to your pride, but if United States pulled out of here with all her industries where would you be? You might as well admit it. God has set America up and there's nothing you and I can do about it, it's in the driver's seat. And her foes cannot do without her.

53. What I've been preaching for years finally one of the brains of the world, (we call them that, the journalists, you know the all seeing eye of the universe, they think they are anyway have finally written an editorial) isn't it strange that America who controls the bread-bins of the world, and could also control the rest of the bread-bins, has not said to communalism, you will die in your tracks, because we're not giving you anymore food. But we give them all the food they want, give them all the credit they want. ...?... You see? It's a very peculiar situation, the communists are living because of us. They're sending their wheat, the money, see, grain, industrial equipment over there. They know they have to play ball with us, before they can finally destroy us, which they will.

Like Eisenhower said, "It's a foolish calf who picks its own butcher, and a group of people fatten the cobra so it can bite harder and deeper, **this time get your head off, tells you just a little thing. [not sure on this line]** We've done it, because it's been raised up of God as Nebuchadnezzar came against Israel for what they did, so America have been grossly and deeply, and they're going to get paid for what they've done.

54. Now, this nation will put the whole North American Continent has been blessed as no people on earth has ever been blessed. Had the chance to serve God, and tuned down flat. Had the spoil of the land in such rap rapidity as to stagger your imagination. Where are those lakes that were pure and clean when I was a kid? And quite a bit more than a kid too, let's face it. Over the last thirty years, that's really gone down, destruction. Even God's obligated to destroy those that destroy the earth.

But you see a situation here, there's no use saying, "Well this is communism." It's not, it is Catholicism, because communism is not religion, it is anti religion. And the word 'anti' does not mean 'against,' it means 'instead of '. Antichrist is not against, it is 'instead of '. Now, who is instead of God? The pope and the Romish church, and the Protestant have done the same thing identical. They come right together again, it's all been worked out perfectly. So, you've got America is in the Western side, the Eastern side it's all part.

55. But notice, this part, miry clay and iron do not mix. Certainly, it doesn't need to. It doesn't work upon ...?... , it works upon détente, on talk, some kind of liaison. Religion is permeating the whole thing. It doesn't matter, the whole spirit's there. You can be a rough and tumble nation, you can be more or less democratic, you can be dictatorial, the whole thing runs through there, they are governing, they are controlling. And when the world finances **bust** and Rome takes over, there'll be nothing anybody can do but join. I don't care what the commies say, it matters not to me. They'll be forced to it.

I remember back in the thirties when communism was just beginning to perk up and go places. Oh they sneered, and they said, "What you Americans want gold? We'll send you gold." Sure they did. They sent gold to get our merchandise. How come you can send it over for merchandise? Then a few years ago, what was it, two-hundred tons of gold or something, they released in Europe to buy the wheat. ...?... they can't do without us. There's no nation survive alone now, it's everything going into one big pot, one world affair, and the churches behind it, it'll be done with the money that Rome has. Too bad America let the gold go. They had all the gold after the Second World War, and Mr. Roosevelt foolishly peg it at thirty-nine dollars an ounce or so, because the economist was blind **picking** something else, the let the gold all go. If America had kept that gold and raised the prices to two-hundred an ounce she could have blessed the whole world with the blessings of God. But she let it go to the devil.

Brother/sister let me tell you, don't have any faith in anything anymore, because the silver and the gold is corrupted. They'll never work ...?... You better trust God, don't trust that buck, live in your houses and enjoy them, you don't own them anyway. You say, "My mortgage is paid off." I don't care if it is, there's a government that collect taxes. They'll take you out in fifteen minutes if you haven't got that plug nickel and pay your taxes. Better wake up. Get close to God, because who knows when that squeeze comes down. We'll be here for part of it. There's not a doubt **about it**.

56. Now, here we are, now then that is the history by revelation of God dealing with Israel at that time and showing how she's left out of the picture, and what nation, what government are going on and on, until Israel comes back for three and a half years. That's the picture right there, (see?) for the three and a half years.

Now, what was Israel's history during the three and a half years...I mean, before the three and a half years, or the times for the Gentiles were going on? That means that the time of Titus until now, what is her history? Her history is Romans 11:13-38. Now:

- (13) For I speak to you Gentiles, inasmuch as I am the apostle of the Gentiles, I magnify mine office:
- (14) If by any means I may provoke to emulation them which are my flesh, and might save some of them. (That's just Israel.)
- (15) For if the casting away of them be the reconciling of the world, what shall the receiving of them be, but life from the dead?

Now remember, Israel is blinded, not dead. So, this means when the Resurrection, when Israel goes back to Palestine and God begins to look down upon them, there has got to be a resurrection from the dead. Any time now can be a resurrection.

- (16) For if the firstfruit be holy, the lump is also holy: the root be holy, so are the branches.

57. Now, I like what he says there, Now don't try to fuss about it, just believe it.

[keep verse 17 as is]

- (17) And if some of the branches be broken off, and thou, being a wild olive tree, grafted in among them, and...partakest of the root and fatness of the olive tree;

- (18) Boast not against the branches. (Say, what about Israel, those crazy bunch of Jews, they ain't nothing, no now. Now, you watch now, listen:) But if thou boast, thou bearest not the root, but the root thee.
- (19) Thou wilt say then, The branches were broken off, that I might be grafted in.
- (200) Well; because of unbelief (they're) broken off, and thou standest by faith. Be not highminded, but fear:
- (21) For if God spared not the natural branches, take heed lest he spare not thee (also.)
- (22) Behold therefore the goodness and severity of God: on them which fell, severity; but toward thee, goodness, if thou continue in his goodness: otherwise thou also shalt be cut off.
- (23) And they also, if they abide not still in unbelief, shall be grafted in: for God is able to graff them in.
- (24) For if thou wert cut out of the olive tree which is wild by nature, and grafted contrary to nature into a good olive tree: how much more shall these, which be the natural branches, be grafted into their own olive tree?
- (25) For I would not, (have you) ignorant of this mystery, lest (you) should be wise in your own conceits; blindness (not death, they're not dead, they're blind, it) happened to Israel, until the fulness of the Gentiles be come in.

Willfully blinded by God that the Gentile Bride come in. Listen:

- (26) And so all Israel shall be saved: ...

Not one elect Israelite will go to the Lake of Fire and suffer loss, not one. For at the White Throne judgment they'll come up and be judged as blinded under the Fifth Seal. Why? Because there was a Deliverer during the ...?... And though they did know Him, the flood still stands there, and by grace they'll not be one.

- (27) For this is my covenant unto them, (yet) I shall take away their sins.

Yes sir!

- (28) As concerning the gospel, they are enemies for your sakes: but as touching the election, they are beloved for the father's sakes.

God loves us, and there won't be one of those elected will miss out. They will not be in the Bride, but they'll come up to bring their glory into the Holy City. But under the Fifth Seal every single elected one will come in.

58. Now, where are we in that period we looked from? Way back there Gentile one through four great empires, three and a half years to go. Now, what are we in the period that we're looking at this minute? Where do we stand in relationship to the three and a half years that Israel is going to start into? Well, let's just bring it up, just take a look at It. Go back to Matthew 23:37-39

- (37) O Jerusalem, Jerusalem, thou that killest the prophets, and stonest them (that) sent thee, how often would I have gathered thy children

together, as a hen gathereth her chickens under her wings, and (you) would not!

(38) Behold, your house is left unto you desolate.

(39) For I say unto you, (You) shall not see me henceforth, till (you) shall say, Blessed is he that cometh in the name of the Lord.

Now, that is going to take something to make Him say that. You know who's going to do it? The Spirit of Elijah and Moses and the two witnesses preaching the Gospel, is going to make them safe. Going to do it. I know right now they're groaning and they're crying for Messiah, but they're going to have get something coming greater than just that, because God is going to come.

59. Now, Matthew 24:1-2,

(1) Jesus went out, and departed from the temple: his disciples came to him for to shew him the buildings of the temple.

(2) And Jesus said...See ye not all these things? verily I say unto you... not one stone (left) upon another, that shall not be thrown down.

That's going to happen. The temple is going to be destroyed, and Israel is going to be scattered, scattered, scattered.

60. All right, Luke 21:20-24 which we read, same idea, just read the picture ...?... a bit. Now:

(20) (We) see Jerusalem compassed with armies, then know the desolation thereof is nigh.

Now listen,

(21) (Don't) let **them** which are in Judaea (go further out, go) to the mountains; ...in the midst of it (get out of) the (country entirely, get away, see?)

(22) ...these be the days of vengeance, that (what I told you are going to) be fulfilled.

Now, here's the sign, when you see Jerusalem encompassed with armies, (70AD Titus) you can hear mountains, he said, "Go further in the city, go further till you get out. Get out of the city, get away from it entirely." Because he said: "This is when Israel is going to fall and be carried away into all nations and trodden down to the time of the Gentiles."

61. Now, let's go to Acts 13:44-48, here's where God turned from them. Blindness sets in.

(44) And the next sabbath day came the whole city together to hear the word of God.

(45) ...the Jews saw the multitudes, filled with envy, spake against those things which were spoken by Paul, contradicting and blaspheming.

(46) Then Paul and Barnabas waxed bold, and said, It was necessary that the word of God should first have been spoken to you: but seeing (you) put it from you, and judge yourselves unworthy of everlasting life, we turn to the Gentiles.

- (47) For so hath the Lord commanded us, saying, I have set thee to be a light of the Gentiles, that thou shouldest be for salvation unto the ends of the earth.
- (48) And when the Gentiles heard this, they were glad, and glorified the word of the Lord: and as many as were ordained (unto) eternal life (amongst the Gentiles) believed. (And the Word of the Lord went to the Gentiles.)

62. God turned from the Gentiles. Let's find out about it. Deuteronomy 28: 63-68 **[omit]**

- (63) And it shall come to pass, that as the LORD rejoiced over you to do you good, and to multiply you; so the LORD will rejoice over you to destroy you, to bring you to (nothing); and (you) shall be plucked from off the land whither thou goest to possess it.
- (64) ...the LORD shall scatter thee among all people, from the one end of the earth even unto the other; and there thou shalt serve other gods, which neither thou nor thy fathers have known, even wood and stone.
- (65) And among these nations shalt thou find no ease, neither shall the sole of thy foot have rest: but the LORD shall give thee there a trembling heart, and failing of eyes, and sorrow of mind:
- (66) And thy life shall hang in doubt before thee; and thou shalt fear day and night, and shalt have none assurance of thy life: (That's what they've gone through for all these years.)
- (67) In the morning thou shalt say, Would God it were even! and at even thou shalt say, Would God it were morning! for the fear of thine heart wherewith thou shalt fear, and for the sight of thine eyes which thou shalt see.
- (68) And the LORD shall bring thee into Egypt again with ships, by the way whereof I spake unto thee, Thou shalt see it no more again: and there (you'll) be sold unto your enemies for bondmen and bondwomen, and no man shall buy you.

In other words, they ...?... to them.

63. What does He say in Jeremiah 31:10> Let's go back and look at It. That's what he said is going to happen, it happened. Now, let's see what else he said, because you see, Paul said something. Take it out, grafted back in. **[omit]**

- (10) Hear the word of the LORD, O ye nations, and declare it in the isles afar off, and say, He that scattered Israel will gather him, and keep him, as a shepherd doth his flock. (There you are. Israel has got to come back, which she does.)

Now listen, Israel is back in the home land after nineteen hundred years, and it its own nation after twenty-six to twenty-seven hundred years. It is therefore time for Revelation 10:7, because It says right here:

- (7) ...in the days of the voice the seventh (messenger), begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as (God) hath declared (the good news of His Gospel by) his servants the prophets.

The Gospel has to wind up. That means, the time of the Gentiles got to be entirely finished, the mystery of Israel must be completed, they got to be turned back to God. Zachariah chapter 12, must be completely fulfilled, (I won't take time to read it, you can read It for yourselves) and placing us into the Millennium.

64. Now, where does this place us in the plan of the ages? We've seen the ages in a thumb-nail sketch. Try to show what's going on, what will take place at the end time. Where are we in the plan of the ages? We are right here in the hour of the Resurrection waiting for our change, because Israel is back in the homeland. And what shall be the receiving of her, but life from the dead. Israel is not dead, (uh uh) no sir, they're blind. Blind men aren't dead, so it's resurrection time. We are right here moments from the last half of the Seventieth Week. We are as a virgin Bride amongst harlots; eagles amongst all filthy birds; true branches amongst the grafted in branches waiting for the Lord to descend; for the Voice of the Trumpet to carry us to the Wedding Supper.

All ready we have heard the Shout and have been summoned to the Supper, putting on wedding garments. We have disassociated ourselves from Babylon and cosmos. We have had our old marriage dissolved by death from creeds and dogmas. And now stand united with the sinless Son of God Who is the Word. As the souls of men and women cleave together...so our souls are joined to His Soul now.

65. We are under the Seventh Seal of Revelation 10:1-7, truly, and you know what that is.

- (1) And I saw another mighty angel come down from heaven, clothed with a cloud: a rainbow was upon his head, his face was as it were the sun, his feet as pillars of fire:

That mighty One came down. They saw Him on the Ohio River, He was seen by thousands of people. The Voice that said to the prophet, "As John the Baptist foreran the first Coming, so your Message shall forerun the second." People of course don't agree with that, but he's vindicated. He had 'Thus saith the Lord', and God answered back to him. What God would answer back to a man and be God, the God we know if he was a deceiver? Truth, He can't do that.

- (2) And he had in his hand a little book open: and he set his right foot upon the sea, and his left foot on the earth,
- (3) ...cried with a loud voice, as when a lion (roars): (didn't say the lion was roaring, said as when he roars) when he had cried, seven thunders uttered their voices.

Where were the seven thunders? Not in heaven but now on earth. All right:

- (4) ...seven thunders had uttered their voices, I was about to write: and I heard a voice from heaven saying...Seal up those things which the seven thunders uttered, and write them not.
- (5) (Then) the angel (stood) upon the (land and) sea...(raised) his hand (to) heaven,
- (6) ...(said,) time (should be no more, and so on.)

- (7) But in the days of the voice of the seventh (messenger), when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, as (God) hath declared (the good news, the Gospel by) his servants the prophets.

66. Now, It says ...?... He says, "The mystery of the Gospel will wind up." Now, just hold that finger at the end of that Revelation 22:10.

- (10) And he (said,) Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

Just before Jesus comes the Book that was sealed must be unsealed, and cannot be further sealed. (See?) That's when, "That's when he's that's filthy is filthy still, he's that's righteous is righteous still," [Rev 22:11] and you cannot add or take from the Book, because the Book is finished during that period now.

67. Now, let's just remember, look at this here: [Revelation 10:]

- (5) And the angel which I saw stand upon the sea and upon the earth lifted up his hand to heaven,
(6) And swore by him that liveth for ever and ever, who created heaven, and the things that therein are, and the earth, and the things that therein are, and the sea, (and so on) that time (shall be) no longer:

Okay,

- (7) But in the days of the voice of the seventh (messenger), when he shall begin to sound, the mystery of God should be finished, (and God said, by) his servants the prophets.

68. Let's go to Daniel 12:7. Okay, to look at It. All right:

- (7) And I heard the man clothed in linen, which was upon the waters of the river, when he held up his right hand and left hand unto heaven, and swore by him that liveth for ever that it shall be for a time, times, and an half; when he shall have accomplished to scatter the power of the holy people, all these things shall be finished.

In other words, it's all over. Three and a half years to go.

Now, in the Book of Revelation It says the same thing, just before the three and a half years. Of course doesn't mean instantaneously. He said, "Just between that period, after a period of time." There's got to be One who is able, comes down. The One Who opens the Book, declaring the Seals, placing It. He's got to... in other words, what Daniel did here by sealing up there has got to be a prophet come and take over to unseal in order to bring in the last three and one half years. Because that's what it seals in. Now, at the end time, someone will come. At that time the Pillar of Fire descends. (See?) What's the Pillar of Fire do? And in Moses' day, spake verbally, and in Paul's day, spake verbally lip to ear. Same thing Appears at the end time, a vindicated prophet. Has to be vindicated, otherwise how can you have Him? It's got to take place at the end time.

We believe by faith, by the vindicated which we have seen. It's in my heart, I think most of the hearts here believe has been vindicated, faith enough for me to believe that we had an end time prophet who was able to do these things, open the Book to us.

69. Now, let's compare Revelation 22:10, which we just read a minute ago here. Keep your finger back there in Daniel, and It says here:

- (10) ...Seal not the sayings of the prophecy of this book: for the time is at hand.

Go back to Daniel 12:9

- (9) And he said, Go thy way, Daniel: for the words are closed up and sealed till the time of the end.

That's what It said, "Seal it there." It says, "Don't seal it here." Therefore, what was sealed up back here in Revelation 10:4, is unsealed before the end time. It's got to be. (See?)

Now, what is It sealing to? It's the sealing to the three and one half years. Because soon as that's opened, (the three and one half years) it's all finished. So, there would be then evidently a prophet stand upon the ...?... land, who'd have it?

Now listen, what's It say about the end time

- (10) Many shall be purified, made white, and tried; the wicked shall do wickedly: none of the wicked understand; but the wise shall understand.

What's I say over here in Revelation 22:11-15?

- (11) He that is unjust, unjust still: filthy...filthy still: righteous...righteous still:

What's it say? "Wicked, wicked still. White, white still." [Daniel 12:10] (Sure) At the end time you've got the same thing.

70. Now listen, Daniel is love. Why? Because one king had a dream and forgot. (Right?) Beautiful. And Daniel said, "I've got the Spirit of God, I'll tell you your dream okay, have no problem. God gave me that dream, I'll tell you who it is."

He [Nebuchadnezzar] said, "Wonderful, that's the dream, now tell me what it is."

"Why, (he said) certainly I can tell you what it is."

And the king said, "I know you can tell me, not problem there, because you told me what I have forgot."

Any man can recall a dream, could tell what it means. We had a man do that dozens of times. But better than that, we had a man according to Deuteronomy 18, who had 'Thus saith the Lord', and It never failed.

You say, "Bro. Vayle, you can believe it." Thank you, very gracious of you, I do. But I invite you to believe it too. If you don't, It's alright. I don't try to force anybody, it's up to you entirely. But I say, "What are you looking?" What are you looking? Oh, you ask for a sign at the end time. We're at the end time, let's face it, Israel's back in the homeland. We're not guessing any longer.

71. And remember, the Scripture says, "Israel is going to be a thorn in the eye of every nation." And you show me a nation that Israel's not a thorn in any right now. If we can get rid of Israel for our own good, (humanly speaking, you better shake me right now) for that's where all the trouble is. H.G. Wells, that miserable so called great historian...he might have been a great historian but he's miserable. I say that with contempt, and I'm not fooling.

He said many, many years ago, "In Palestine nothing ever happens, it is no consequence and nothing will ever happen." I wish he could resurrect right today and see what a fool he was. Yeah, this Scripture doesn't mean a thing. Scripture is all but over. We're at the age of the three and a half years. (See?) Because that prophet appeared according to the Word of God, and once He Appeared restores the Word there can be nothing but destruction. And when that Sixth Seal opens which belongs to Israel, where and a half years under the two witnesses, a prophecy and place it'll go right on, hammer, jolt, jolt, jolt, till Armageddon. The earth is cleansed, and a Bride comes down. One thousand years of peace, then chaos again with the Second Resurrection. Satan trying to take over, he'll never do it. And a Bride lifted up to the very Thorne of God till the earth is completely renovated. And the Bride comes down for eternity.

72. Brother/sister, let me tell you something: you might not know this, but you ought to know it, we're in It now. Not tomorrow, where men are looking down that road looking for some great thing, let me tell you know, you're either in it now, or you ...?... Because that stone made without hands has started to descend. And It will break and destroy everything that is against the Word of Almighty God.

Not because I say so, I've nothing to do with it, but let's go back to the Bible and find what other way could have come, for It's already come. That's really ...?... Now, the Gentile days are numbered, the Great Tribulation is ready to set in. True.

Now why have I brought this message? I bring it of course for a certain type of people that believes this type of message, which we're all in together, the majority I suppose here for one reason. Bro. Branham said, *"You will never understand the ...?... until you understand Daniel's Seventieth Weeks, nor can you."* There had to be an opening of that which was sealed. What was sealed? The time of the Gentiles to the three and a half years.

73. Now, our history's over. The Gentiles are winding up, there's not much left, I don't know how long, month, could be this month, any sixty to ninety days I believe could put us in a resurrection. Sure. You say, "Why?" Well, I live in 1929 when the bottom fell out of the market. Overnight they jumped out of windows in New York like hailstones coming out of heaven, it was risky to walk in the streets someone could land on you and kill you. Not just a guy jumping, the fellow he jumped on falling down. What if the market broke tomorrow? Who knows what tomorrow could bring? Nations fall overnight, you don't have to wait years, they fall ...?... Dictators arise. (See?) Who knows what it'll take?

Tomorrow's dawning, maybe the dawn of a criminal day a score on tragedy, a pressure. (See?) Oh, we're happy tonight, very happy lots of money, lots of food, lots of everything. What if it suddenly stopped? Do you think people would stand still for one minute when the food goes down in America? They'll take it over, America would. Nobody in Canada or United States will stand still to see food stored up and then not get it. (Uh?) The churches will not stand still, they'll unionize overnight. I don't know, it won't take long. And we're right here at the very end, and you can see history has been fulfilled.

74. And I'm looking myself, I don't know what's going to happen with this next pope on the throne now. He's just trying to promote somebody else, but over the period of years he's been touting for years now an American, the pope's body guard could be the next pope. This pope is not infallible that the college of cardinals general override him, they're the ones that have the vote.

What if that next pope comes out of America? I don't say he will, what if he would? Then you're right in Revelation 13: (what is it, verse 10?) What if he's to be the antichrist? What if he wouldn't? I don't say he'll be, sure looks like in having read the book. (See?) Now, what's the next

step? Well, there's got to be squeeze. How long will that be? Not very long. When could that take place? Sixty to ninety days. Could there be a Rapture in 1977? Sure, I don't say there will be, but could. You see brother/sister history has run out. Literally. We're in the last throws of history as we know it, the next thing the earth's got to be purified, so God can have that day He lost, because He never got His day. This time He'll get it. So, I trust you'll understand now Daniel's Seventy Weeks, a period of history is we're into ...?... but now we're at the end, that's all summed up. The Lord bless you. Shall we rise at this time.

Our dear Lord, we praise and thank You for Your love to us, Your mercy, Lord, which is extended, some might not think it's mercy to be in the end time when these things come upon the earth, diabolical, cunning pressure, a repeat of all diabolical cunning as the prophet told us. Vindication, but, Lord, it is a great time, because You put us here for it, and so we thank You in Your wisdom that You reserve at this hour. And I pray, Lord, that not one fail in any way, That, You have set us here to minister the manifest that these are Your children. No way, Lord God, to miss that which is ahead of us, which is glory, and to surely miss what also is ahead which is the Great Tribulation, because we know that You said, come out of her, that you be not partaker of her plagues, which is the Great Tribulation.

Lord, we have come out of her we know that, because we have nothing to do it whatsoever. And we believe, Lord, at this time though we cannot tell exactly how we perform when the press is down. That we do believe, my God, that we are out of her, and to have no place in a sin ridden death someway. Father, it's a rough thing to say, because we don't know what will come, we don't, we don't just know how we receive it by grace. Be believe, Lord, that Your grace is sufficient. What You did for Daniel in that day, Lord, was to give the three Hebrew children wouldn't bow, You can do the same for us. You can take us out, O God, I believe Your hand is with us.

So Father, we praise You that You made known that this is that day. That the Spirit of God has come amongst us in order to reveal the hour in which we live. And show the deep secrets things of Almighty God which was sealed up. And here we are, Lord, not caring what anybody else, no, not for one minute. But only, Lord, because of Thee, do we know these things You've sent a prophet in our day. And we thank You, Lord, that he which is merely Your servant, not somebody great that we look to, in a way that other men might look to great religion ...?... We look to him, Lord, only as a voice, as a mouth piece, as one that You used and we thank You for him.

And we pray, Lord that the Word that came from him which we stand upon tonight might be ...?... on our lives, and then manifested, O God, as time goes on until we could be part of those who are just ...?... and holy ready to go into the Rapture. For, Lord, we know of ourselves we have nothing, never will be anything, but because of Thee, Lord, and all things ending we can look to You for this also. So, Father, bless Your people today, may they have strength, may they have great courage, determination, O God, ...?... better than ever, day by day until we meet at Jesus' feet. Now, unto the King immortal, invisible, the only wise God, be all honor and power in glory in Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

'The Lord bless you.'