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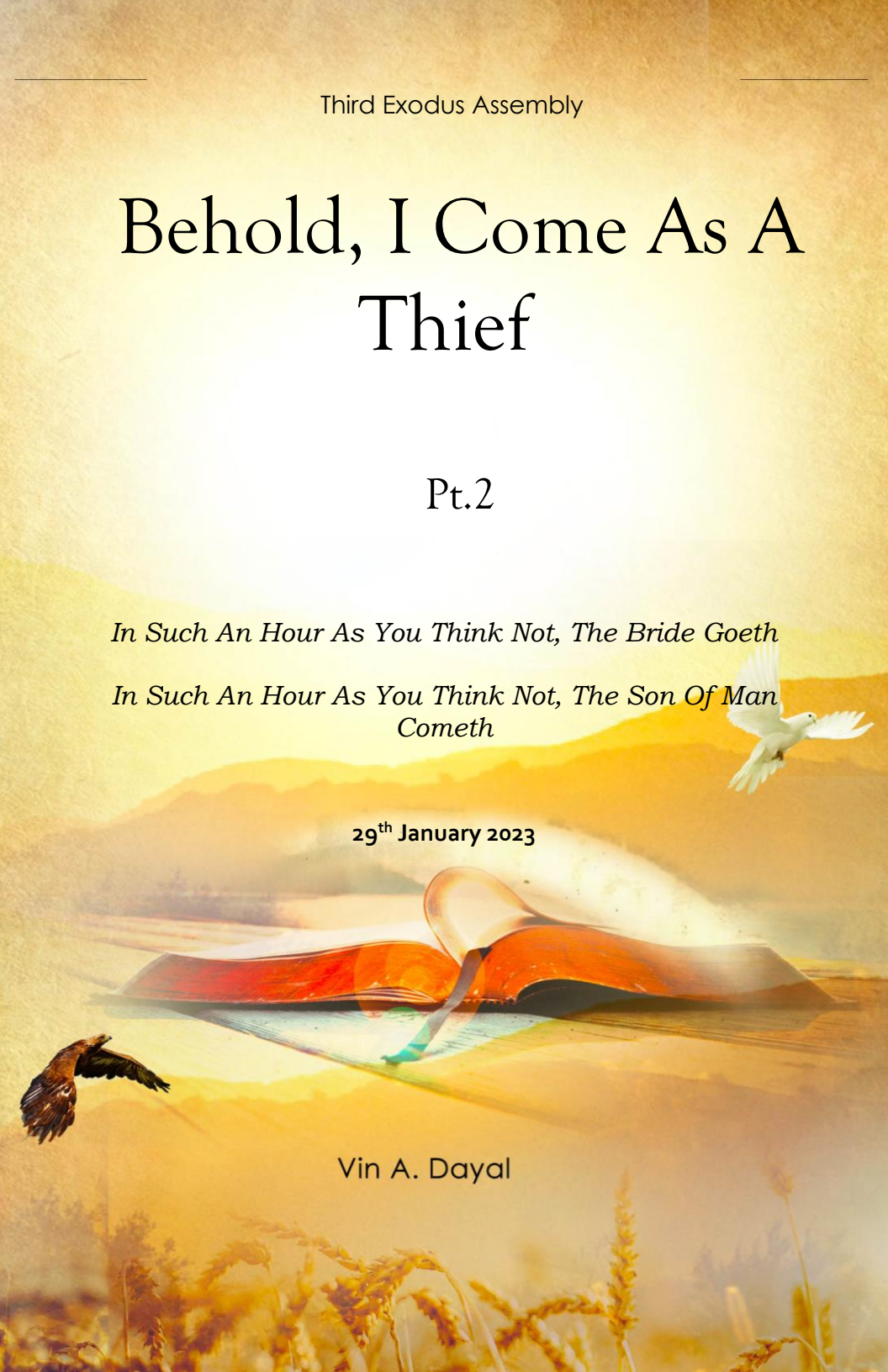
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... anticipating that He would have the preeminence, the oversight and the leading this evening, and He, the Omniscient One Who knows your every need, Who knows all about us. Amen.

I trust and pray that as we bow our hearts in His Presence for prayer now, you have a request, you hold it as we look to Him, the Author and Finisher of our faith. When you pray, believe that you have received what you asked for, and you shall have it. When you pray, you pray the prayer of faith. You believe because you know He is faithful Who promised. Amen. And He said, "Ask anything in My Name and I'll give it unto you." So, you don't want to forsake your own mercies and observe lying vanities. No, you want to recognize your mercies, what He has said He will do for us when we gather like this and we pray believing in His Name; believing in His providence, believing in His sufficiency, believing that every redemptive blessing (amen) has been made available to us, accessible to us, because it lays in the Atonement. He redeemed all these Things for us when He shed His Blood on Calvary.

He was wounded for our transgressions, bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon Him; by His stripes we are healed. When that blood cell was broken, the Life was released. That was the

Redemption Price – the Blood. He purchased us by His own Blood and the Life of that Blood is the Seal, the evidence that you were considered in that redemptive work, that that Life has come back to quicken you and raise you up into Heavenly places, set you positionally in Christ.

Think of these things, friends, as we go to prayer. Amen. And you believe in your heart looking to Him with faith for things that you are trusting Him and seeking Him for.

Beloved Jesus, we are so thankful, Father, once again as the evening shadows fall, to come and assemble in Your Divine Presence, Lord, coming with expectation, coming with anticipation because wherever You are something good always happens when Your children can come and draw near to You with a true heart in full assurance of faith; coming by that New and Living Way through Your precious Blood and It brings us before the Throne of Grace where You said we shall obtain mercy and find grace to help us in time of need.

And so, we know it's a needy time, Father, in this Hour when we see the time clock striking the Hour. We see the flashing red lights of the sign of Your Coming. We see, oh God, Father, it's a time of preparation for departure, Lord, for translation. Oh God, how we pray this evening that we could have that presence of mind, that we could be focused. Our hearts, Lord, can be so centered upon You that we could—our soul could move up into that channel of blessing, oh God. And Father, we can receive things, dear God, that are Eternal, oh God, the Spiritual blessings in Heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

May You grant it, oh God, that it would bring strength and power in the inner man to Your children. It will have their understanding to be enlightened, oh God, by the Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus Christ. It will cause them, oh God, to be strengthened with might and power in the inner man

where their soul could be so anchored and tied to the Absolute, dear God, Father, holding fast Your unfailing Words of promise. So let it be this evening.

And Lord, I pray that, Lord, Your grace will flow out: amazing grace, marvelous grace, rapturing grace can flow out to Your children this evening, Father.

Bless each and every one, dear God, that comes expecting, looking unto You, holding their prayer in their heart knowing that not one of these prayers that they are holding with faith—oh God, because faith connects with faith. And You Who have that Supreme Faith, that Perfect Faith, dear God, that You have given a measure to all of us, oh God, that are Your children, so I pray that that connection, oh God, that that faith would bring expectations in their hearts as they look, Lord, to receive the things that they are asking in prayer and believing that they have received it, and You say, they shall have it. May You grant it, dear God, I pray, for the glory of God.

May Your Holy Spirit lead us and guide us. May You forgive us of our sins, our shortcomings, everything, oh God, that could be a hindrance this evening, move it out of the way we pray, Father. Oh God, may You pardon each and every one if there is something that they are wondering about in their mind or so, Lord, may it be put in the bleach of the Blood of Jesus Christ. Let it go back on the devil, oh God, knowing that through confession and faith they are subject to all the powers of God that's in Heaven. So, let that faith strike their heart and their mind, dear God, and may it move them up close to You, Lord, knowing that *“Touching Jesus is all that matters, and our life will never be the same. And there's only one way we can touch You: just believe when we call on Your Name.”* [#13 Touching Jesus - Songs That Live -Ed.]

So, Father, we thank You this evening and may Your Presence continue on with us. And may Your Holy Spirit, Lord, move and bring the Word back to our remembrance and teach us all Things, and open up the

Mysteries of the Things, Lord, that we might be seeing blurred and wondering, oh God, that each one, Father, this evening could be blessed in Your Presence. Grant it, Lord, in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ we pray, asking these mercies and blessings. Amen and amen.

Praise the Lord. I would like to read, so if you want to stand with me. Revelation 16, I'm going to read from verse 12 to 16. It's a portion there between the Sixth and Seventh Vials, but it's something very special that is placed in between there.

I think the interpreters all have their copy of the notes and different quotes and so on. Praise the Lord. God bless you. God bless them this evening. They always have a work to do and, you know, when we do it this way, they become so good at what they do. I believe, you know, when you have an interpreter on the platform and he waits on you, and you wait on him... And in this way, I go and they go.

So, I tell you, they have become really good at what they do because God has blessed them and their hearts and purpose in the work of the Lord. And they're always at their post of duty for which we are eternally grateful to have laborers like these, you know, standing as a team, working together with one objective, one purpose: to see the Bride of Jesus Christ made ready for the going away by the grace of God. Amen.

Revelation 16, verse 12:

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates;

Now, when you read these things remember Revelation is a Book of symbols. Everything in this Book is symbols, symbols. So, you can't think with the human mind, you know, just in the natural sense. Because it's a Book of prophecy and the prophecy is sealed up in symbol form. It's encrypted and only the Holy Spirit could open those things, and that's what the Third Pull was – the opening of the Word. The Holy Spirit coming to His Servant and Prophet in this Day,

the Seventh Angel Messenger. Christ Himself in the form of the Angel of God, the Holy Spirit coming down with the open Book to him; Revelation 10, this great Mystery. And we see how that took place there.

So that's why when we stand here and we begin to read, we know we are reading from an open Book. We are reading from a Book that the Seals have broken off of it, and now we can read with understanding because that's the reason God opened the Book. Because the Spirit's objective is to bring His Church into a clear understanding. Because that Book of Revelation was written for the Bride of Jesus Christ.

So, it's a great thing to know that God wrote a Book like that—Ephesians is another Book like that. See, Daniel is another Book like that. Genesis is a Book like that; for a special class of people always – not just the normal person, but for a special class of people.

So Revelation 16, verse 12:

¹² And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

River Euphrates, water dried up, way prepared for the kings of the east; all of these are in that one verse. And every bit of it is important because it brings a picture together. All of these are pieces of a picture. It's prophecy, because It's a Book of prophecy.

¹³ And I saw [that's John writing] three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

Three unclean spirits, but it's not three mouths. It's one mouth it's coming out of. You get that? So,
... three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth (see?) of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.

Those are stages of the ministry of Lucifer. See?

¹⁴ For they are the spirits of devils,

These three unclean spirits like frogs,

... they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth...

We went through that many, many times in this church from way back in early 1984 when God started to open up those Seven Vials for us. And way back there you remember that that was when the type—the type of this was when Micaiah went up there and the kings of the earth, Zedekiah and Jehoshaphat—Jehoshaphat and Ahab rather; Ahab and Jehoshaphat. Zedekiah was the priest. And the priest had four hundred false prophets with him there. And they wanted to go up and fight in the battle and they wanted the will of God to know if to go into battle. And all those priests were saying, “Yes, go on up. The Lord is with you. The Lord will bless you. The Lord will give it to you.”

Then Jehoshaphat said, “Don’t you have another one?”

He [Ahab -Ed.] said, “Yeah, but he hates me. I don’t like him because he’s always criticizing me.”

So he [Micaiah -Ed.] came now and he said, “Yeah, go on up and the Lord bless you.”

But it’s the way he said it. You see? Because he knew that was what they wanted to hear and that was why they went to bring him so he could give support to their cause. You see? But he was not a man like that. So, watch this now.

And Micaiah, you know, had that Seventh Seal vision. All these things God opened way back early in the church for us. Micaiah was one of them in the days after Elijah went off the scene.

So watch here.

¹⁴ For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world,

See? The kings of the earth and the whole world. Now, before I go further, I want you to just look back at verse 12, because I don't want you to miss that in the reading.

12 ... and the water [of the river Euphrates] thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

That's verse 12.

Verse 14,

14 For they are the spirits of devils, working miracles, which go forth unto the kings of the earth...

These are two different things. One is kings of the east; one is kings of the earth here. So I want you to take note of that. Because the Bible speaks of the two in the Book of Revelation for the last days.

14 ... to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

What are these spirits of devils working and going forth unto the kings of the earth for, and to the whole world? To the kings of the earth and the whole world. All these governments, all these rulers of the earth and the whole world in this Age of globalization, this great population. What for?

14 ... to gather them...

See? It's a gathering time. And all these that are being described so far are tares. This is not the wheat; this is the tares. It's a gathering time. It's a harvest time, a gathering time.

14 ... to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

So, here we are seeing that this... Look what follows this.

15 Behold, I come as a thief. [Behold, I come as a thief.] Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

And verse 16,

16 And he gathered them together...

Verse 14, he says, they go forth, these spirits of devils, working miracles, go forth unto the kings of the earth and to the whole world too, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. To gather them. That was going forth to do that. It hadn't been done yet, but they were going forth to do that. Verse 16, "And he gathered them together." It's completed. "And he gathered them together." That purpose, that objective has been achieved.

16 And he gathered them together into a place called in the Hebrew tongue Armageddon.

See?

So watch verse 14, they're going forth to gather them, spirits of devils working, going forth unto the kings of the earth. Verse 16, they are gathered. And verse 15 tells us, "*Behold, I come as a thief.*" The Lord Himself speaks, the Lord Who was giving John the visions. The Lord Himself speaks from His Throne right here between them going forth to gather and accomplishing the purpose by gathering the whole world together, all these different nations in this Age of Globalization. See?

15 Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

The Lord speaks from His Throne, injects His Coming to claim His Bride for the Marriage Supper. Joseph, dismissing his bride to the palace so he can make himself known to his brothers in the time of great economic depression.

May the Lord bless the reading of His Word. You may have your seats. Keep your Bible open. I just want to make some comments before you put that Bible away.

This is an event being brought to our understanding. It's something taking place and we want to pay attention to what it is. The pouring out of this Vial...

12 And the sixth angel poured out his vial upon the great river Euphrates; and the

water thereof was dried up, that the way of the kings of the east might be prepared.

Now one of the great things about the Book of Revelation is, these things that we see in the Book of Revelation—which is the seed Book of the Bible. The first seed Book is Genesis and the last seed Book is Revelation because that is Seed coming back to Seed. Genesis, Genes-is means ‘*book of beginnings*’, the seed. Genes, the seed. Revelation is the unveiling, apocalypse, the unveiling.

And so, in Revelation, the last Book of the Bible, the end of the Bible, everything that was a seed in Genesis comes to its fullness in the Book of Revelation. That’s why it’s Seven Church Ages, Seven Seals, Seven Trumpets, Seven Vials sealed up by Seven Thunders. Seven is a number of completion. So all these things that started off in seed form, we are seeing all of this comes like a seed that went through stages of transformation. Just like the corn of wheat falls in the ground, and then up comes a stalk; that doesn’t resemble the seed, but that was in the seed. Then you see a tassel; that comes forth. That is not the seed, but that is the life that is in the seed going through a second stage there. And then you have the husk and that resembles the seed a little more than the stalk and the tassel, but that is not the seed. See? That is a covering around the seed. And so that is another stage of that life. And then finally it comes back to seed. So the seed that went down in the beginning comes back in the end.

Just like Jesus said, “If the Corn of Wheat doesn’t fall in the ground and die, it would abide alone. But if it falls in the ground and dies, it would bring forth much fruit. It would bring forth Itself in multiplied form.” But He is speaking of Himself as the Corn of Wheat because it takes all the Life to produce the image. That is why the stature of a Perfect Man, that’s the image of God; that’s the image of Christ. It’s not whether it is a black man or if Jesus is a black man or a white man or a yellow man

or a brown man; it's not that. It is the Life of Christ. That is the Life of Christ. And the Life of Christ coming from faith, virtue, knowledge, temperance, patience, godliness, brotherly kindness and then Divine Love, the capping of that; and that's the stature of a Perfect Man. That's a Mystery of Christ there.

Now that is what He calls the Corn of Wheat, that Life, because when That goes in the ground and dies, it brings forth more like That in multiplied form, every son coming forth in God's image and God's likeness. Jesus the first, the only begotten Son. See? Adam was God's only created son, but Jesus is God's only begotten Son, in that He came through a woman. See? And we all came through a woman. Because the only one who didn't come through a woman was Adam; he was created outright. Jesus, the Second Adam, came through a woman for the purpose of Redemption, coming through the human race and coming in a body of flesh to go through trial and temptation and sickness and suffering and all these things; it was for the work of Redemption. See? This is God Himself manifested in the flesh, the fullness of the Godhead bodily. And this was the outworking of God's plan that He had in the back of His mind because the Lamb was slain in the mind of God before the foundation of the world. So, that was God's thought before it was even spoken, before it even became Word, before it even came in a Bible.

So in the Scripture we see, way before the foundation of the world, God had this great Mystery, a Book with names, the Lamb being slain and these things, and all of this was for the outworking of God having a Plan by which He can make Himself known to His Family; Who He is, what He is, what kind of Person He is, His humility, His grace, His power, His character, His wisdom, all these things; His omnipotence, His omniscience, His omnipresence. We can see this great God; God being identified by His characteristics.

And then that same Life, God put a measure, a deposit of It as a Gene of God, as a seed in a group of people that He chose in Himself to be a Bride, a Family to Him. That is why it is not him that willeth, or him that runneth. It is not by might nor by power. See? It is not by works that any man should boast. It is the gift of God. You are saved by grace, not of your own works; not something that you can do for salvation. See?

And God had this... This is the sovereign purpose of God. This is the sovereign choosing of God.

Oh, my. That can make us pause and sing and worship a little bit before we continue to preach, because you mean to say, God chose us? You didn't even know you existed until you reached thirty years—until thirty years ago. And then you had to grow from about, maybe from birth to twelve and then you came to the age of accountability and understanding and these things.

So think of it, you just knew something about yourself a couple years ago. But before there was even a world, before there was an angel, before there was an atom, before there was a molecule, God's works were finished before the foundation of the world, Hebrews 4:2, showing that all of this was done, and only to find out that you were in consideration quite back there?

Well, then why do you want to look at yourself from here when you came through your mother's womb? I mean to say, God could have kept you in darkness of that pre-existence and just show when your earthly journey started. But God wanted you to know your pre-existence. Those whom He foreknew, He did predestinate. Those whom He predestinated, are them He called. Those He called, He justified: and those He justified, He also glorified.

So when you look there you realize all of that God had concerning you quite back there and you were born growing up and then you came in the Message about thirty years or so, or how many years it was, and you

came to hear about the Message and something touched your heart. That is not touching your body from your father and your mother, you know. That is connecting back now in these three dimensions on earth, what you were in the mind and thoughts of God before the foundation of the world where you existed in God; knowing that you can only be expressed on earth in God's designated time and season, that through His Divine wisdom and His sovereignty, He chose to put you in that time.

You had no choice which time you wanted to be born in. You had no choice which family you wanted to be born in. You had no choice, you know, in any of these things; which color you wanted to be, which language you're going to speak, which race you are going to be and which sex you're going to be. You had no choice in any of these things. God determined all of that back there. And it is such a great thing that we can think here.

Now as we try to go into this **"BEHOLD, I COME AS A THIEF"** and **"In Such An Hour As You Think Not, The Bride Goeth"**. Because when the Son of Man cometh, He is coming that a Bride will go with Him. He is coming for a Bride. You understand? When He appears; His Appearing first and then His Coming. He appeared in Theophany and then He comes in the glorified body and we will have a body like His own body. When we see Him, we will be like He is. We will be changed. We will put on glorification, those who are considered in Redemption.

Now remember, everybody doesn't have angels. No, only the Elect has angels, theophanies. He said, "Your angel beholds the Father's face in Heaven." He said, "That's your theophany." See? It's your celestial body. And that is not like a lifeless thing that has no intelligence or anything. No. Because science can tell you... Like somebody goes into a coma or something, you look like you're dead and not responding. They say,

“No, no, no. This person is alive, as alive as alive could be, but they’re in that state, a comatose state.” See? And so it is because their soul is still in that body.

Well, this body is a very complex thing, but this body is just a poor, poor, poor, poor negative to that other body. This terrestrial body came from the dust of the earth; that didn’t come from the dust of the earth. This came by sex; that one didn’t come by sex. This one is temporal; that other one is Eternal. This one lives here, eats and drinks and goes in the toilet and goes here and gets sick and so on. That one could never get sick. There is no toilet and things for that one there. You understand?

So when you put the two bodies together, I want you to see. And you, the Attribute, is that soul who was chosen in Christ. So that’s why when He thought of you, you bypassed that theophany to come here to be tempted and to be tried and proven and these things, and come to know your God in His seven compound redemptive Names; come to know Him as Kinsman Redeemer; come to know He is a God of love; come to know He is a God with a Plan of Redemption; come to know what part of the Plan of Redemption you are, where you fit in the Plan; what gifts He put in your life; what time and season He brought you in to make you part of that Mystical Body.

So, when you see these things, it does something for you. Do many of you think about these things? Sometimes when people tell me, “I have a quote. The Prophet said and the Prophet said.” Do you think of these things – sit and think?

Now you can’t think of it with your human mind, you know, but God comes to you and God starts to take you up in another realm. And when God starts to take you there, then the Spirit of wisdom and revelation (that’s the Holy Spirit) starts to come to you and then the eyes of your understanding begin to be enlightened, and then you begin to conceptualize and see it the way God

is presenting it to you. Not the way you're trying to figure out about it; the way God is presenting it to you to make Him...

Because anything God is presenting to you is for Christ to make Himself better known to you so you can know your God, because to know Him is Life; not to know about Him.

Anybody could want to read a book about somebody, you know, and then talk about that person like they know him. See? And this is what is going on today in the Message. People are reading a lot of books and they are talking about the Prophet, but they don't know the Prophet. They're reading about him (see?), but they don't know the man, yet the man is revealed his word. You see the kind of man he is; you see the humility of the man; you see the sincerity of the man; you see the Irish temper of the man; you see the nature of the wilderness to hunt and fish and these things like the man; you see a God Who designed this man.

His father and mother didn't say we're going to make a prophet. They can't make a prophet. "Jeremiah, before you were formed in your mother's womb, I knew you, I sanctified you, I ordained you to be a prophet over the nations." See?

And so, when we see that in the Bible how God does that, then we begin to understand this. And when we begin to understand this, that doesn't mean he is a perfect man, everything he does he can't do anything wrong. No, no, no.

He said, "I made many mistakes." He said, "I did some wrong things and..."

Why? He knows it's because of God's election he is what he is. So he doesn't have to hide that. He doesn't have to pretend that. He could acknowledge that. Because of God's election and God's predestination, he knows he can't be lost according to God's Word. Because he is part of God. He is an Attribute of God.

God would be incomplete without him. That Eternal Life can't be lost. You understand?

Now when you know that, you could openly talk about your mistakes and your failures. You don't have to hide, you don't have to polish up, and these things. You could be humble. People might laugh and think they have the upper hand on you now; now you're a sinner, you were hiding that all the time and now they have... That doesn't change what God made you. And if they want to use that now to come against you, it just shows, well, that life is not like part of God's Life. That's still an unconverted life. But if that same person comes and gets the New Birth, they treat you differently. But when they think they're better off than you, that is when they're falling apart. You understand?

So, that's why as we think—and I want to kind of go—maybe I don't know if I started and I'm going at a pace already, but you know, remember I preach by inspiration, so when I come and I'm getting a surge, if I try to stop that... The thoughts that are coming to me to open a picture—because sometimes the thoughts are coming and I'm just saying it as it comes, watching to see what it's going to unfold into, where it's going to go. Because it's like a leadership thing; you're under direction of the Spirit in ministering, you know. So, we're all made up differently. Now, you might not do that. You might not be able to do that. You stand up to try to do that, you wouldn't even talk for five minutes. I start to do that, I can talk for five hours. You understand? It's a make-up. Now this is the thing, you know.

So when—we have to understand each other and appreciate that a finger is not a tongue and an ear is not a big toe, yet they are all part of the body. You understand? They are all designed differently and they are all placed differently and they all have different purposes for the work that the body is designed for. And that's why Paul used the illustration of the human body

to illustrate the Body of Christ: this natural body and the Spiritual Body. Because the same One Who created the natural body is the same One Who created the Spiritual Body, the Bride. You understand? So anything God has with a natural, there is a Supernatural to it; there is a Spiritual to the physical. You understand?

So, that's why, you know, we're growing in grace and in knowledge. And as we grow and our understanding becomes more and more enlightened, it increases our faith. It increases our faith. Because it brings us up to a plane to see Things, to understand Things, to relate to it correctly because the Spirit of revelation is making the Things plain. Now that's why he told you, you need that more than your own food. Because that is the thing that is going to bring you into the image and likeness of Christ. That is the thing that will allow you to fulfill God's will and purpose for you in the place in the Body where He has set you. Because what is the use you are just going to church; come home, go to church, come home, go to church, come home, go to church, and you don't really know your place in the Body, you don't know your function in the Body, you don't know your gift in the Body, you don't know how God wants to use you, you don't know what are the needs God wants to accomplish by and through the members of the Body.

Now all of the members of the Body aren't doing the same thing at the same time. You understand? When your foot is taking you into the bathroom and your hands now start to soap yourself and bathe and everything and put on your clothes (you understand?) there are members of the body that maybe are not even participating in that too much. So you have to realize it is God Who is using certain members of the Body to accomplish certain tasks. Could you get that? You should be able to see that.

That's why God had elders, seventy elders. He took the Spirit off of Moses and put on them. He didn't put That on all the twelve tribes, He put That on seventy

elders. Because they had a certain role to assist Moses in the affairs of the people and help the people with their burdens and different things. Then God had the priests now who were doing certain work, sacrifices and these things: morning sacrifice, evening sacrifice. Then you had different—other members of the Body, like Bezaleel and Aholiab and different ones who made the tabernacle and the instruments and all the different things.

So God's Body is a unique Body. This Body, the Bible says, we are fearfully and wonderfully made.

When you see a man, a human being could make a plane, they could sit and work out things to go to the moon; when you see the type of buildings that they build to help in times of earthquake and different things, and the science and the mathematics involved in doing those things; when you see the kind of surgery surgeons perform, different kinds of heart transplant surgeries and different things; keep that person alive still on a machine or something while they are working their way around to save that person's life, you realize all of this is knowledge and design that God gave people and made them up so that they can be useful.

And when you see there are scientists and people who are studying viruses and these things and searching for a cure; like Salk with the vaccine, a Christian gentleman, Jonas Salk, when that polio... And that's why when people didn't know what to do and they were going to raise some money here and different things and people were so discouraged – the epidemic was moving fast, and he said, "There has got to be something to smite that thing!" And he went and then he discovered the vaccine, the Salk vaccine, and polio was stamped out.

So, when you see now, no matter what circumstance it is, what realm it is, that knowledge is coming from somewhere.

Now sometimes a person could have knowledge but use it the wrong way with the wrong intention and the wrong purpose, for selfish means, for financial gain, to be destructive to other people instead of assisting them and helping them. All of this is in human life. So that's why you and I as human beings and we have come to understand the time, we've come to understand the season, we've come to understand the Plan of God.

If God didn't open the Seven Seals, we wouldn't know the Plan of God. We wouldn't know our Age. We wouldn't know which part of the Plan is happening now. We wouldn't even know which anointing is the anointing for this Age. We wouldn't even know the prophecies that are allotted for our Age. But God laid out His Word in such a way and that was only really opened up and made clear through the sounding of the Seventh Angel in the last days.

Because denomination had a program. Everybody had a program of how they were going to carry out the program. But when the Prophet came, this wasn't coming out of the Prophet; this was coming to the Prophet from God. Then when the Word came to the Prophet, then he speaks God's Word, because God opened it to him, God showed it to him, and now he is ministering it to the people who are part of the Body of Christ. Because God is not working through denomination, God is working through a living organism, a Mystical Body, an elected group of people (you understand?) who have the ear to hear what the Spirit is saying for the Age. That God comes to the Messenger, the Messenger preaches, and God puts something in them to hear and recognize that's God's Voice, that's God's Word. And they see it back in the Bible, they see that's a prophecy, it's promised for the time that they are living in.

The Rapture is a prophecy for the time that we are living in. That is why Christ came down. That is why all these Supernatural things were around the Message

and the Messenger. All of these signs were God attracting our attention; attracting our attention to recognize the Day. Because a prophet only comes when one is needed. That's why every Age doesn't have a prophet.

When the people get away from God and they go into politics and the Church goes into the world and these things, God sends a prophet to bring that Church back to the Word, to bring correction to the Church, to realign the Church to the God that Satan seduced them and enticed them away from and bring restoration. Do you understand? So, this is a great thing.

So, that's why we had a Prophet in the last days. Why? Because this last Age is blind, wretched, naked, miserable and doesn't know it. God had to call a people out because this is the Age of apostasy with the blackout of Truth. So many different denominational voices. Do you understand? So many different man-made religious programs. The church is so divided with all kinds of sects and isms and everything else. What started off as one group of people in one mind and one accord, filled with the Holy Spirit, became thousands of denominations, fighting, all kinds of programs, in politics, in the world, women preaching, this one doing what they want and it went into chaos.

If, with all the evangelists and all the teachers, Bible schools, all the teachers the seminaries are producing and these things, none of them ever brought it back. The thing got more and more rotten. It became political. It became going after financial gain.

But then we see a man coming and a man coming not out of a Bible School, out of the wilderness. And a man giving a testimony that the God Who appeared to Moses and appeared to Paul appeared to him. But anybody could claim anything. But when the man began to speak, and say, "Father, if I have told the Truth to these people, would You come tonight and confirm that I am

Your Servant?” And when he said that, that Supernatural was in attendance.

Now other people aren't operating in their ministry that way. Why? Because they know where they are at. They know what kind of life they are living. They know why they are in religion and what they are using religion for. And then if it's some man-made religion, then it has no faith attached to it. So they fear to even say something like that because they are not in connection with God. Because if they were in connection with God, they would have been preaching the Truth in the Bible, not a denominational thing out of a seminary.

I am sure you can see that. I am sure this is making sense to you. I am sure this is becoming plain to you. You see?

So that's why now we call ourselves the Bride. Now God calls a people the Bride. But by virtue of revelation and experience, a person can say, "I am part of the Bride." Then there are other people who can say, "I am part of the Bride. We are part of the Bride," and they don't have any experience and any identification, no characteristics to identify; they have no testimony to give of that reality. But they are claiming something without evidence and identification and without God's vindication attached to it. Those two are not the same, you know.

You know God has a people and some people would like to be the people of God, but they are not chosen and identified by God as His people because all God's children have His characteristics. God is identified by His own, not somebody else's, by His own characteristics. So it's not cosmetic surgery either; to put on somebody else's characteristics or change up the characteristics to make it look like God's children's characteristics. No, it's not that.

It's a species: what they were born from, a Seed that they were born from. The Seed-Word for their Age is

what they are born from. Are you understanding me so far? Praise the Lord.

You see, we are speaking about the Rapture. Why? Because we know that we are in the Hour of the Rapture.

Now, by reading, a lot of people... Why are Pentecostals looking for the Rapture and it has nothing about the Seven Thunders, it has nothing about the Seventh Angel Messenger, it has nothing about the Seven-Sealed Book being opened to them, but they are looking for the Rapture? Isn't that so? All Pentecostals, they are going in the Rapture; they are talking about the Rapture and preaching about the Rapture on the television and everything else because they know 'Rapture' is in the Bible. But they don't even know the requirements. They don't even know the Scriptural identification; they don't even know the time and season.

So you have people in an organization talking about going in the Rapture and they got birthed by a theological doctrine from a man-made seminary. That does not fit you to go in the Rapture. It's a Truth for the Day when the Rapture is promised, that Seventh Seal, the Coming of the Lord; that is a secret, it's a Mystery. It is only for the foreknown and predestinated Bride who is going in the Rapture.

Those five girls, those sisters who wanted to catch the ranch boss' son and come into marriage, they had no word from him and they had no promise from him. They saw him, they knew he was looking for a bride, but they had nothing personal, no assurance given to them. And the one who had it, and was holding to it, she heard it, she recognized it came from one who is the truth, that it wasn't a lie, it wasn't a fabrication. And when she heard it, she recognized that it was the truth, she went into acting upon it.

And she started to make the dress and the bouquet and everything else to get ready. And then she knew

even the time and season when he was coming, that on that day she put on the dress and went out there knowing any moment now those horses were coming. And those other ones had the biggest laugh at her and thought that she was just hoodwinked, that she was just confused, that someone just messed up her mind, but she knew that she was as sane as anything else.

She knew that she had confidence, she had assurance. Their laughter, she broke that sound barrier. That couldn't affect her in her mind. All their jokes and their little remarks that they were making, trying to humiliate her and laugh her down, because they see her now dressed for marriage and departure. But that was as real to her as she was alive and could know that she wasn't dead. Oh, my!

That is how you have to know, and if you know, your preparation is identification that you don't just know, you believe. You don't just know about it, you believe, and you believe that you are going. And you are 'hath made Herself ready'; and they that were ready went in with the Ranch Boss' Son, the one that was ready. Do you understand? And she moved from her world to his world. And in his world, he had a beautiful place prepared for her, and he came to receive her unto himself.

He came like a thief in the night. He said, "When I come, you'd better know how to watch, you'd better make yourself ready, you'd better be prepared, you'd better not be falling asleep, you'd better have your lamps trimmed and filled with Oil." He is giving so much of things that, in other words, this is a time appointed for this, this is going to happen, you are being foretold, you are being forewarned and you are being shown examples in the Word of God where He did that before.

Remember the people went looking for Enoch and they couldn't find him? Remember when Elijah went up and they went looking for him and they couldn't find him? [Bro Vin chuckles. -Ed.] You understand? But Elisha

knew that he was going. And before Elisha could know he was going, Elijah himself knew that he was going, before anybody else knew he was going. Because he is the one that was going, so he is the one God revealed where to go: leave Gilgal, go to Bethel; leave Bethel, go to Jericho; leave Jericho, go to Jordan.

Now when he crossed the Jordan, he was at the extraction point. He was at the extraction point and he told Elisha, "Ask quickly what you want because any moment now I'll be gone. [Bro. Vin chuckles. -Ed.] I'll slip from time here into Eternity. They are coming forth to carry me Home, to pick me up. This is the rendezvous point." Do you see?

So when you look and see in the Word, you realize before all of that came to its climax in the chariot sweeping down between him and Elisha, and Elisha looked and he was gone; he looked up in the sky and saw him there and the mantle falling back.

So when you look and see how that is, then you realize, no, this is something of how he was in constant communication. Remember my message years ago on *Preparation For Dimensional Travel* [2005-1225 -Ed.]? Back in 2005 I think it was when I first preached it. That was about eighteen years ago, *Preparation for Dimensional Travel*, and we sang the song. And when we look now and we see how these things are, how it takes place because this is the Hour, this is where our thoughts are.

You could imagine those astronauts who were training for that moon flight and for years they were training, years they were training, until finally they came down to the place that the scientists worked out the atmosphere and the pressures, the type of suit they needed and different things, how to stay in communication with earth while they are away in another part of the universe.

And so it is, all of this they had to go through and test by test of how long they can stay and survive in this shuttle and these things, and not be sick and how they

are going to survive. They can't cook food and eat food everyday like when they are home on the ground. That's a different kind of preparation; that's a different place that they are going.

And then when they come out of earth's orbit and earth's atmosphere and they are going to another planet, then when you look, you realize now that these people had already disconnected from a lot of social things because of the demand of the preparation for that space flight. They had to be constantly living in there day and night for a couple of years getting them ready. More and more they were being detached from the natural life in the world. They had to understand outer space. This is not getting in your car and driving down and going by the stadium to see baseball or American football or something. No, no, no. This was something now where they were actually in preparation.

There were soldiers who were going to fight in Vietnam or whatever thing they had there too, they were preparing for war on earth and they were going through different things. But these men were going into a place where they don't have any record of other men having gone. And so all the fears, all the uncertainties, all the wondering, all the different things, they had to break through all of this and start to see this as a reality. That is why with us here, it is not just a thought like, "Well, we'll go in the Rapture. Hallelujah! Glory to God!" Excitement about "The Rapture is on, boy. The Rapture is on!" We jump and shout and then tomorrow we are doing something else and next day we are going in a different direction; next day we forget what we were in the day before; next thing we don't understand what preparation and how you are coming into this condition through your preparation to be able to operate There. You have never gone There. You never even went maybe in a hang glider. You go up maybe a few feet and you glide over by the sea and that type of thing. You know how people have this hang glider.

But to go in a rocket out there, a spaceship, that is a different thing. When you get up in the morning, what do you do there? You are not on the ground, you are not in your home, you are not in your house. But they already foresaw that kind of training and that kind of conditioning and being able to operate and try to be as normal as everything else. And then when they start to look and see how far away they are from earth... And especially when they saw the earthrise and they saw the earth up in the air like that, and they realized, but wait a minute, "We are not on the ground. Earth is a planet in space just like Saturn and Mars and Jupiter." To sit and realize, "What on earth did we see there today! I always thought I was on the ground and I was looking up at the sky. What is this?" Their thinking changed. Their thinking moved into realms they never even had human thoughts of. And while all that preparation is going on they are going through these exercises.

Now it is the same way in the natural because remember Bro. Branham when he preached these things, he preached *Countdown*; John Glenn and the countdown and man going to space. He said, "Look, they are trying to put a man on the moon. God wants to take a people into Glory." See? He said, "We are in the astronaut Age." Spiritual astronauts. Spiritual scientists working by spiritual laws to achieve spiritual things to bring a Church into a rapturing condition. God, the great Scientist is giving messages. He is leading men to discover the materials in the Word as these scientists are discovering materials in the earth to make the shuttle, to make the space suit, to make the different things. God is opening things in the Word to bring a people in a state of rapturing faith.

This Hour we have come to, this Age that we are living in, the expectation that we should have, the focus, what are we looking for? These things need... What I am saying, I am saying it in a way to show you the kind of deep consideration, the places where you are looking

into—then these things do what? Come up into your prayer when you are talking with God because, “Lord...” You want a clear revelation, you want to understand.

I know we just quote the Word: “We shall be changed in a moment in the twinkling of an eye.” Well, think of you. If some of you are forty, fifty years old, you are trying to change certain ways and you can’t see change yet; forty, fifty years have passed and you can hardly see change in certain areas of your life.

You say, “Well, so I am. That’s my sign. That is my birth sign. I’m a Scorpio. I am an Aquarius.”

And then you want to show people like you have some knowledge of astronomy or astrology. [Bro Vin chuckles. -Ed.] But the thing is, to go in the Rapture it takes more than a birth sign. It takes a New Birth first to begin with. That is the real assurance somebody is going somewhere. And then the concept, you have to get the concept, because remember, imagination and reasoning can give you a lot of concepts. But those concepts are not reality if you can’t see it in the Word. So that means that you, yourself can’t even have faith in it though in your imagination the thought is like a nice thought. But faith cannot rest on imagination. Faith only has one resting place – that’s the Word of God. Faith doesn’t rest on reasoning. Faith is holding to a promise that God has given. And when that promise, which is a prophecy—because the Rapture is a prophecy to be fulfilled in the lives of certain people, and that’s a promise to them. And when they start to deconstruct the Mystery of the sex-born man and the man who has the New Birth, who comes in the image of Christ, they are two different men, because the man who comes in the image of Christ is a Word man, a Word woman. They have the character of God.

How did they get that? Not from their father and mother; not from taking a course in psychology or something and positive thinking and these things. No. That is by Spiritual revealed Truth given to them and

God giving them the capacity to receive that. And God put the hunger and thirst in them for the reality of this promise that God made for an end-time people in this Hour.

Can you catch a little bit that there is a seriousness about this? This is not just a casual thing. There has to be a Divine understanding and a Spiritual concept in a Spiritual mind to understand that this has Spiritual laws to do with it. A law of immortality that this mortal shall put on immortality. A law of transformation that you will be changed in a moment in the twinkling of an eye. A law of gravitation that gravitation wouldn't be able to hold you anymore. A law of resurrection for those coming to pick up a body that they left here and be clothed upon, and your change in the twinkling of an eye, traveling at the speed of thought.

This is not science fiction. This is Scriptural reality. This is God's Eternal Promise, God's Divine Promise. This is—God is the One Who made us to begin with, and is the same One Who has the means to remove us. The same God Who gave us a New Birth while we are in this earthly house of this tabernacle; the outward man perishing day-by-day and we can't stop the man from getting older. Yet, there is a faith in you and a promise God made that your soul is tied to and examples of others who did that and then showed you your time and season came and that's why the Word is opened, that's why a Prophet came, that's why Seven Thunders uttered their Voices, that's why Truths unknown to man have come to a last-day people of the Things that God has prepared for them that love Him. Eyes have not seen – the invisible; ears have not heard – the inaudible; neither have it entered into the heart – the inconceivable, the Things that God has prepared for them that love Him.

And if you're growing up, who is the real love in your heart? Your wife? Some lady you are seeing, who likes you too? Your job, that you're earning a certain amount

of money from your job? What is it that you love? Where is your love? God prepared these things for them that love Him, and that He loves. And when you can begin to break through all the humanism, and the temporal world and the temporal life, and begin to see an Eternal Word and an Eternal Life, and a new creation, and you begin to understand...

Now these are the places in this time, like a woman when she's having a baby; she never had a baby before. She was going to parties, she was dancing, she was doing things, she was jogging, she was running, then she comes and gets married. She's married, she settled down, she finds that maybe she might not have any children because the husband, I don't know what he's doing because she's not conceiving anything, [Bro. Vin chuckles -Ed.] you know. They just are going along happily, and you know, enjoying life and you know. Going to the park and stretching, and doing little exercises and these things, and trying to keep healthy and fit, and eat right and so on. And then next thing she conceives and she's having a baby.

And this is a mysterious thing. She starts to experience things in her body she never experienced before. She heard other people talk about it. She had friends and family who went through that, but she never went there and now she's going through this, this is another world. And then she wants to know how on earth a body comes out here with eyes, hair, foot, nose, everything with resemblance of the parents and all these things? And all that went in... All of that material went in there? They were just having a privilege. "Due benevolence," the Bible called it. Marriage is honorable and the bed undefiled; a husband and wife that is normal. Those are the laws of marriage. But when they see that baby comes out, it's like, oh my gosh, this is like a creation. What is this?

She turns to her husband, "We had the materials to bring out something like this? Oh, my God! The child is

prettier than you and me.” [Bro. Vin laughs. -Ed.] You understand?

Gideon [Bro. Gideon Boisson -Ed.] is laughing, you know, because He’s thinking about his little girl.

So when you look and see, you’ll realize how these things are.

You see, I’m just... As I tell you, I am just going. If you want to call it rambling, I am rambling. But I am dealing with the mind coming into a place to break you out of temporal to Eternal. Temporal is one kind of life. This is all we know since we were born because we came by the same birth. But now we’re in an Age and a time and season, where the last set of people who really went alive in a Rapture would be Enoch, Moses and Elijah and Jesus and the group there. Because they all raised back to life and went in a Rapture.

Well, that’s about two thousand years now. Nobody has done that. And this is to happen to this last-day group. And we have the basis and the principle where this happened before that we can examine. So you have to put yourself in Enoch’s place. He had a job, he was building pyramids, he was doing different things. He had a family, he had a wife, he had children. You understand? He was a busy man. But God’s sovereignty chose him for that, to be an example for those in a Rapture Age to look and see.

Then we had Elijah. And God chose him as a specimen also and put him in the Word. We see the man’s life. We see the time and the—we see Enoch the seventh from Adam. We see Elijah in the time of famine, depression, drought, war; a Jezebel, pagan woman took control of the nation, killing out the prophets. We see how idolatry came in and took over, immorality spread through the land. And then Elijah now, under persecution, running for his life. Because they saw him as a threat and they saw him as somebody they had to get rid of because he had power to influence others.

And the reason God showed us that is because in this Rapture, just like Enoch, we are the seventh from the Second Adam, and then we in the Hour of this Rapture are being faced with all of this. And the same spirit of Jezebel and the same laws that they are passing, the same people they are targeting and they want to hunt down are all here, and then the famine is increasing. You understand? Depression, war is rising. Of course!

So when you look in the Word now you are seeing the conditions that existed in those times. And I feel the Spirit is giving you a way here, giving all of us a way here, to look at these things from a certain perspective and understand why it is put there, because that's a picture of the Rapture. And if you are going in the Rapture, you want to know how God did it before because Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and forever. And that's why God put those things in the Bible so His children will not be left without understanding. But you know for a fact the ones foreordained to go will search those things, they will want to know those things, they will want to live in those things especially when they feel that time and season is coming.

Now you see us in Trinidad, we just deal with wet season and dry season. You understand? In those other countries, they have four seasons: spring, summer, autumn and winter. So they have to keep in constant (awareness) of the seasons. Because when a certain season comes, there is flu season and all kinds of different things in the spring. Next thing when it is autumn and the trees begin to fall, they have to make sure they have things stored up for the winter because they'll be going through a winter. You understand? And when everything is going to die, and all the leaves on the trees (fall), nothing is bearing. See? The life goes back into the ground.

So that's why when we come to the Word, the Word has seasons, and the Word really is not dealing with a

Trinidad wet and dry season, because the season God showed in the Bible is when Noah came out of the Ark, He gave four seasons. There are four seasons. You see? And those four seasons are what go on. You see?

So it won't stop us from going, but we, because of the knowledge of the Word, even though we have two seasons, yet we who live more in a tropical place, we understand the revelation locked up in seasons. Why? Because to every purpose under Heaven is a time and a season. Seasons mark junctions. Times mark junctions. So you learn to follow God's way, God's plan in doing things.

That's why Job looked for resurrection. He knew that life that goes into the ground will come back up. And then he started to understand, "If a man dies, shall he live again? Look, it happened to the tree here." Do you understand? So, it is the same way—because nature was the first Bible.

So, in everything, God always had a way to reveal Himself, and His works, and His Plan to His people. And they who were in alignment with God and in harmony with God, and had fellowship with God, God being the very Spirit of Truth, and God is not leaving His children in ignorance, in darkness, God comes to them and teaches them.

That is why He says, "Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled. Give us this day our daily bread." Not just the natural bread for the body; there is another man, he needs a certain Bread, too. The inward man, he can't eat the natural things. He needs the Word in It's season, Spiritual Food in due season. Are you catching? I trust that it is making sense to you because I think it is something very pertinent here.

Okay. So, now, at present, since January 24th last year... We're on the 29th [January], so that is a year and five days. A year and five days that war in Ukraine has been taking place. Millions of people have died, tens of

millions of people have been dispersed and had to flee from their country when the war was taking place, and ended up in other places. People's lives have been disrupted, who were working, eating; what they used to do: rearing animals and different things. Farmers, everything, who had to flee for their lives because of the war in their area. They're war-torn countries. Cities that people used to go along and have a nice time, you know, on the weekends, and they'll go here, and they carried their children there, and they'll go in the malls, and they went to different places, and they'll go to the parks and these things; with that war, with millions dying, and bombs flying and these things, these people's lives have been disrupted.

Now, in the same time frame, we didn't have that. Do you understand what I am saying? No bombs were falling on anybody's houses, none of these things; people were scared to go outside because everybody was trying to be indoors. Sometimes, people were hungry, they had nothing to eat in their houses. But all kinds of missiles were flying, and they were seeing people dying, you know, and the neighbor, maybe next door to them, got blown up or something. And then somebody down on the other street, they heard that that whole place got destroyed. Well, they've been in a nightmare for a year, so far.

And then you have these people now, who are not too careful about human lives. They are just sending in more tanks, more bombs, more planes, training more men, hiring more mercenaries because so many soldiers died. Millions of people are dying. And that is millions now... Millions are dying more than what was in the pandemic, you know, in that war there for a year. And in the pandemic, they said that over ten million or more, (could be twenty million), they said, died in the pandemic.

Friends, we're in the midst of this. All of these are signs for the end, under your Fourth Seal. By these four

things: by the sword, by famine, by pestilence, and the beasts of the earth, one-fourth part of the earth will be killed.

Do you recognize that you are watching some of this? Do you recognize that famine is on the increase? And so many millions of people died over the last six years or so in famine on the earth. It's not on your popular news, but when you do research, and you go and you see...

Why are you doing that research? Why is that important to you? Because the Bible tells you that by these four things one-fourth part of the earth would be destroyed. And you know that you are under the Fourth Seal, that is the Eagle Age, you know that is what the Message is, you know that is the uniting time and sign when the pale-horse rider is uniting, and you know what power that is. And his name is called what? Death. And you are seeing the death, you are seeing the destruction. It is the Word that makes you want to go and research things because that's prophecy in the Word, and that—Heaven and earth will pass away; That cannot pass away! That will come to pass whether you believe it or not. That is God's Word! The Word shall not return unto God void! It shall accomplish the purpose whereunto It is sent!

So that is why mature people in Christ, not babies in Christ; mature people in Christ. Not church members in Christ; in Christ – they think about what the Word says. Because a Word is allotted for a time and a season, and there's an Anointing that comes down to fulfill that Word. But God, by foreshowing it, by God's foreknowledge, making it known before it happens, it gives us something to prepare, to see what is happening, to know how to move, to know where to put your emphasis. Doesn't that make sense to us? That makes a lot of sense.

This Christian life that I am talking about here is not like church on Wednesday again, church on Friday, church on Sunday, and we go to church, and we sing,

and we're nice, and we, you know, we text somebody and tell them "Praise the Lord! You are so and so and so." You know, just living, bubble dancing around and not knowing where you are at in the Word, not knowing where your focus should be, not knowing where your emphasis in life should be.

Some people don't see they need to restructure anything. Then you've missed what I was trying to explain with the astronauts and they. They are detached from this world and life and normal people going to the grocery and going there, doing this, doing that because they are going on a space mission, to another world that other people didn't go to. And they are the ones selected for that, and that requires a certain amount of training. And then the knowledge and the science to move into another world, they...

Do you remember that time the astronauts went up, and the thing blew up, and about seven of them died, a few years ago? But they keep persevering, because as far as they are concerned, we want to know, we want to know what is happening there, we want to understand. Because when you look on earth, everything is dying here. Trees are dying, animals are dying, fishes are dying—piles and piles of fish on the seashore; birds are dying. All of the toxic waste that they are putting out in the ocean and these things, breaking laws to make money, killing out the marine life; changing the ecological balance on the earth. And all the industries and the cars and all the different things that they're pulling out again. And the crooked politicians, they are digging up the earth and they are weakening the fiber of the earth and everything; pulling out everything so that as soon as a little shaking comes, big buildings are collapsing and falling down, but for man's greed. The spirit of natural man, unconverted, carnal man, who has power as politicians and Prime Ministers and Ministers of Economics and all these different things,

and they figure it is their policies that are controlling the world and running the world, so they are important.

And God said, "I will destroy those who destroy the earth." And God said, "It grieves Me. Look at what they do to the trees and nature. Look what they do to the animals. Look at all the cloning and hybridization, and they are killing these things, My creatures that I made in the garden where Adam walked in a faith civilization." Look at what man is doing with it today; they are things for experiments, they want knowledge, trying to find a way. And then, they make it so important. Then professors in universities are teaching, "You know, we need men like that for the society." No, we need God in our lives. We need the New Birth; that is what we need.

You see, we have to see through all of the darkness that they pollute the airwaves with. So many channels, so many different things, and all of it is of the world and worldly, and it's just taking people into more sin and bringing them into such a hideous condition. Because that is what their souls, the inside of them are feeding on. The world's gotten more violent, the world's gotten more promiscuous and lewd because of the things the people are feeding on. That's why God is taking a people out, because of the judgment that is coming. That's why the Rapture is so important. All the years in the Message mean nothing if we don't go in the Rapture. The Message came for preparation. That Message couldn't come in Luther's time; that wasn't the time for the Rapture. It was for this time. The Rapture comes at the end of the seventh from the Second Adam, like it came at the end of the seventh from the first Adam.

Here, we have a picture before us: Revelation 16: 12-16. Now, this that we are seeing here, the kings of the east, the great river Euphrates, and the water was dried up. Now, the water is a symbol. The river Euphrates is a symbol. 'The kings of the east' is a symbol. 'Three unclean spirits like frogs' is a symbol. Dragon, beast and false prophet are symbols. 'Kings of the earth' are

symbols; to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.

Here is a portion of Truth being placed here and it's a preparation for war. It's a gathering together in the earth, and the kings of the earth and the whole world are involved. And these spirits of devils are going forth to the kings of the earth and of the whole world to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. That is a prophecy too. It has a battle at the end there. Like in the days of Noah, "The end of all flesh is come before Me," it has that coming there – Armageddon; the Third Woe. "Behold the Third Woe cometh quickly. The second woe is past; and, behold, the Third Woe cometh quickly."

And between the Second Woe and the Third Woe (the Second Woe was 1939-1945), a Prophet was commissioned to go out, a servant at Supper Time, to call the halt, the maimed, the lame, and the blind. A Messenger went out with signs to attract the attention of the people. And when the people's attention was attracted, then there was to be a Voice of the sign; a Message to come forth. And that Message wasn't any message; it was a Message that was promised in the Bible. Seven Thunders were going to open up the Mystery of the Seventh Seal, because the six Seals were revealed under the Seventh Seal. You hear what I'm saying?

The Seal is shown from the first Age: First Seal, Second Seal, Third Seal, Fourth Seal, but the revelation, *the* revelation is not coming to the Church about these things until the Day when the Seventh Angel is sounding. And the Seventh Angel is *the* Messenger of *the* Seventh Seal because Christ would appear to him and the Book would be opened. The Book that...

We have a thousand and something different denominations where everybody's trying to preach about Jesus; everybody's seeing a different Jesus, preaching about Him. And we have so many Jesuses all

over the world, different religions of Jesus, when Jesus has only one Truth: “I Am *the* Way.” Not *a* truth, or *a* way; “I Am the Way, I Am the Truth, I Am the Life. No man comes to the Father but by Me.” And when that Book is going to be opened, all the Things, from way back when God was God alone, the Self-Existing One, from there, what was in His thoughts, this Book, this Lamb’s section, Lamb’s Book of Life with two sections and names—and we’re coming to find out, we are in that Book. And we’re coming to understand how we can see the Mystery of our name and our life in that Book, and understand that when that particular Word was coming to pass—Like Mary, a particular Word was coming to pass in her time.

When God said, “And the woman shall have a Seed and the Seed will bruise the serpent’s head,” God was talking about Christ – immaculate conception; the Word coming through a woman without sex. The Messiah, the Kinsman Redeemer, the New Creation was going to come forth. Because in Adam we all die. Every one of Adam’s children came by sex, but Jesus, the Second Adam, in Christ we are all made alive. Because, in the New Testament, the birth is not a sex birth; it’s a New Birth by the baptism of the Holy Spirit: any man in Christ is a New Creation. Everyone in the New Testament that is born of Jesus is a partaker of His very Divine nature. And he who doesn’t have the Spirit of Christ is none of His. Scripture! “He who doesn’t have the Spirit of Christ,” the Bible says, “is none of His.” Because in this Age, we all come by sex, but the ones who are elected, in the course of their earthly journey they come into a New Birth. “You who were dead in sins and trespasses hath He quickened.” He came down and quickened you and raised you up in Heavenly places; a new realm of existence.

Yeah, your body and foot are on the earth still, but the inward man—that’s a resurrection of the inward man, raised him up into another level of thinking; now

the mind of Christ is coming into this man, now this man is a partaker of this Divine nature, now this man is recognizing what he went through, this metamorphosis, this change, this transformation, from an ugly caterpillar to this beautiful butterfly, it is a miracle of God. It's the wondrous works of God in the life of an elected Gene of God.

So that person, from the time that happens, that person now, is linked to Christ by the New Birth, by the Holy Spirit, because he has part of Christ's Spirit. That's why Christ could contact him at any time and transmit things to him at any time, because he has the same life. They are connected together in the Spirit world. That is why, when the man speaks and thinks and acts, he's not acting on human impulse and with a carnal mind and energy of the flesh, and hate and resentment and fighting. No, no. It's the Spirit of Christ. When he looks, he understands. When he doesn't understand, he asks God for revelation. Why? He has access to That. And he gets an increase of faith, of revelation in his life. The eyes of his understanding are enlightened so he understands better now, what that is. It is shown to him in the Bible. The Spirit of Truth is teaching him, "Look, that in the Bible is this. Look, that in the Bible is here," so he stays in harmony and unity with Christ. He stays under the Headship, linked to Christ because he is a member in the Body and the Body is connected to the Head, and the Head is the Intelligence that comes down into the members of the Body.

Oh my, this is wonderful. This is marvelous when we think of these things. We are talking about the Rapture. And I'm taking this here, out of Revelation 16. It looks like it has nothing to do with the Rapture; it has to do with war. It has to do with the kings of the earth and the kings of the east. It has to do with the Babylonian power. But inside of there, He said, "Behold, I come as a thief. Hold fast your garments." What! If the good man knew what hour the thief would come, his house

wouldn't be broken into. So, that means we will be seeing things in the earth moving to Armageddon. We will see the gathering: "And they went forth to gather them."

And what is bringing the gathering? It's coming out of the Roman system: the dragon, the beast, the false prophet; (you get that?) that Red Dragon in Heaven who fell, Lucifer, who incarnated in a man (you understand?) as the false prophet, popes, and then who is going to become the Beast, stand there and set down the mark and claim that he is God, and will be worshiped as God – the god of this evil Age who has blinded the minds of the people. All these years, from radio to television to internet—and now, they are so communicated with and they are so influenced with the knowledge from the tree of knowledge, and all the universities and all their places of learning and all their higher learning and all these different things, while God and His people stay simple, hidden, unknown, walking and living in the realm of faith, in the realm of the Supernatural; while they are from one university to another university, from a bigger car to a bigger house to a bigger plane, a private jet and they are in that world – the cosmos. And the greatest Message that ever came, and all the Truths that are opened, and revealed to take a people out...

No wonder the world will never know it – the sudden secret catching away of this elected people. They will not know. Why? He's coming like a thief. He is coming in stealth. He is coming in the cover of the darkness that covers them. And He's coming with an objective and purpose. He has an intention. He knows exactly who He is looking for: "The one shall be taken; the other shall remain." He isn't coming for the two; He is coming for one of those – the predestinated one, always. It's always the predestinated. He is not dealing with the ones that are not in the predestination, that were not in His foreknowledge. He's dealing with the names in the Lamb's Book, and He knows where everyone is in any

part of the earth because He put them there. It's He Who watches over them.

His eyes are on the sparrow. If two fall to the ground and are just worth a penny, how much more are you than a sparrow? Every hair on their head is numbered. He's so in His infiniteness, watching over them, taking care of them. The birds neither sow nor gather in barns, He said, how much more are you than them? You worry about what you are going to eat and what you are going to drink and what you are going to wear? Come on, man!

Isn't God, the Eternal God, your Father? Isn't He the One Who called you? Isn't the Life that is inside of you, part of His Own Life? Didn't He put you on the earth to be a Light; you're a child of Light?

So, watch. Just let me read a couple quotations so I don't find myself back. I want to read out of *The Uniting Time And Sign* [1963-0818 -Ed.] because this is going right into that prophecy there, between the Sixth and Seventh Vial. *Uniting Time And Sign*.

Notice, they're right now uniting. You say, "Brother Branham, is that true?"

This is in 1963; 18th August 1963. I am 1951. He preached this a day before it would've been my birthday, and I would be twelve years old on that birthday. He said,

They're coming to the Battle of Armageddon; exactly what they will do. See? And they're uniting for that right now.

1963, 18th August; they are uniting for that right now. We are on the 22nd of January—29th rather, January 2023. That is fifty years. Fifty years ago he said that. So, what do you think... If he was saying that right now they were uniting, what do you think happened in fifty years with that? He is the Messenger. He is the one who was sent to open these things by the Angel of God, who was the One revealing it to him. And he's God's mouthpiece; he's the Voice of God. And he's bringing this, not to the world so much, but to the Church, the

real Church, the Bride, to awaken Her. Because that Mystery, when He said, “I will come as a thief,” which we read out of Revelation 16 there, verses 12-16, it is telling us about the kings of the east. And we know the kings of the east. That is the Iron Curtain (see?) – communism. You have Fascism, Nazism, Communism. We have these three ‘isms’, and this trinity of spirits that are coming out of the mouth of the false prophets, the beast—and it tells us, these are three unclean spirits like frogs, which are lying spirits.

Now, why does somebody tell a lie? To deceive somebody. Because, they can tell the truth if they want, but the lying spirit is a spirit of deception that is deceiving the people who may think they are being told the truth, but they are really being deceived and told a lie. And what is a lie? It’s the truth perverted. Who perverted the original Truth? Genesis 3: “You shall not surely die.”

God said, “The day you eat of that tree, you shall surely die.”

He said, “No, no, no. You have it all wrong. You shall not surely die.”

And then, she started to see the tree as good for food, pleasant to the eyes, desiring to make one wise. She wanted wisdom, she wanted to come up to a higher level of understanding, but she wanted to do that with a perversion of the Truth. Because she was so mesmerized, she couldn’t see. See? She was so deceived, enticed, her mind messed up, that she didn’t know what was right from wrong then, and then she took and ate and gave the husband to eat too, and then death entered into the earth. And since then, it’s there until this Day. But in the last days, the Truth on those Things have come to us.

And we know it’s not an apple Eve ate. And we know that that was necessary for the Plan of Redemption. Man had to fall, because if man didn’t fall, then, how could God show His Redemption? It must have a man

who needs Redemption to receive Redemption. And then, God had a plan of Redemption, a way designed, and that way, no man on the earth could stop man from dying. That would require a New Birth, a New Life, a new nature. And no person on earth could provide that; that would be the work of a Creator. So, God Himself had to come down. And the way for Him to destroy death was to come and die Himself, to destroy the power of death, because He had a power to raise from the dead and make a way to bring those of His who were trapped into death, to bring them back into Life; partake of His Own Life.

That is what we received. That's what we have. And this what we have, it's not, well, "Oh! I got saved now. Hallelujah. Boy, I used to be a sinner, you know. I am serving the Lord now, you know. I am serving the Lord now." No, we are part of a Body of believers, a living organism that Christ works through; that Christ works through. He is coming to live in you, give us part of His Life so His purpose can be continued on. He's an Intercessor; He made you an intercessor. You understand? He's a Revealer of Truth; He put that same Spirit in you that could reveal the Truth to others. He has compassion; He puts that characteristic in you to have compassion. So, He now, everything He is... Because, one spoonful of water in the ocean has all the chemicals that the whole ocean has. And if that is inside of you, all the potential that Christ has is in you. So, that's why, by and through the members of the Bride He is finishing the work, He is finishing the Plan of Redemption, He is finishing the Great Commission.

And hear what the Scripture says. Hear what the Angel told him to pick up his pen and write. He said now, "By and through the members of the Bride, God is going to finish His work that He left for this time." He said, "They who are in the Bride know that it is He in them doing the works." Not them doing the works, you know. They know it is He in them, having preeminence

in them, doing the work. “In that day you will know as I was in the Father and the Father in Me, so I in you and you in Me.”

When the Father was in Him, He said, “I do the works that My Father gave Me to do.” See? “And I do nothing except the Father first shows Me.” Then, that same preeminence is coming now, into His Bride. All that God was He poured in Christ, all that Christ was is now poured in the Bride. And every member in the Bride has a measure for the service they are designed and called for.

So, look at this time here. If we are understanding this war, this war has to do with the great river Euphrates. Now, the great river Euphrates, being dried up in the Book of Revelation, that has—the answer for that is in the Book of Genesis and the Book of Daniel. Because in the Book of Genesis, you find that Nimrod built Babylon on the river Euphrates. Then, you find in the time of Nebuchadnezzar when Babylon was the mightiest power in the earth and Belshazzar, the grandson of Nebuchadnezzar was reigning—because God said, “You, your son and your grandson, I’ll give you the three generations, and then you will be fed to others.” See? Because God is the One Who rules in the affairs of man on earth. God is the One Who rules in kings and kingdoms. The Book of Daniel teaches us that. It is not any big powerful nation. God permits all those things in the permissive will of God. God could stop anything He wants in the morning. See?

Like Nebuchadnezzar, He blessed him, He used him, but then what happened? He got proud; he got lifted up. “I, Nebuchadnezzar, built all of this.” Next thing, he’s eating grass like an ox. He’s out there like an animal, and the man had a big palace there and he couldn’t sit inside of it. Insanity. And God told Daniel that He takes down kings and puts up kings. He rules in the kingdoms of men. He determines what kingdoms it will have, and He determines when the Rock will smite the

thing and finish the thing and when His Kingdom will come in. All of that, He taught us in the Book already. And we know we are in the Age when these things are to be.

That's the great thing about prophecy. That's the great thing about revelation. Because, to the end-time people that God gave the Spirit of God and opened up the Scriptures, they have access to the Things that will prepare them and get them in the condition to leave this world. Not in an airplane or something but to change dimensions, to come into that kind of faith, to come into contact with a part of them that they bypassed; that the New Birth has reconnected them to – their theophany. That's why they have a House made without hands, Eternal in the Heavens; an Intelligence There that they draw from. That's right. That's why he said, you have heard from your theophany.

When those revelations come to you and line up with the Bible, you know that's your theophany. When those revelations that you have don't line up with the Bible, you know you are getting it from underneath – Satan. Your representation is in a fallen angel. You're getting a lie. You're getting a misinterpretation. Understand. Oh, my. Umm!

And while Jesus was talking this, about this drying up of the river Euphrates... Because Euphrates in the Bible represents Babylon because that's where Babel was built. And that was a city where Satan was exalted. When we come to Revelation, it's called Mystery Babylon. And then it talks about the four angels bound in the great river Euphrates. Euphrates is in Genesis 2, and Euphrates is in Revelation. It comes all the way through the Bible. When you go to Daniel, you come to Hiddekel and Euphrates. And when you come to Revelation, you come back to Euphrates in the last days.

So, when we look there, we see the Mystery Babylon. Babylon in the beginning of the Bible, Babylon in the

middle of the Bible, Babylon at the end of the Bible. And every time that Babylon power rises, they set up a forced worship and they persecuted those who refused to bow. Nimrod had it; Nebuchadnezzar had it. Is that right? And the Hebrews boys and they said, "We are not bowing to that. Whether they take our lives or not, that's in God's hand; not your hands." When they saw that Fourth Man in the fire, it shook them up. That's why, when they threw Daniel in the lion's den thinking they were getting rid of him, it shook them up. Because God is giving witness to His children in the time of persecution when men are framing law for mischief.

Remember my messages on those things. *He That Frameth The Law For Mischief* [2020-0517 - They Who Frameth Mischief By A Law -Ed.]. Find a way to get rid of Daniel so they made a law: nobody prays for a certain time of the day and these things. See? Anybody who refuses to bow here, take them; fiery furnace for them. Using fear and things to threaten them and bring them under control, because they were showing them they could kill them. They had things to bring their lives to an end or their families. And then people got shaken up there.

Let me tell you, this may even have to come to the place where you'd have to see one of your children, your father, your wife, husband, who has to die, and you'll have to stand there for the Word and say, "Honey, I'll see you in the morning. On that morning of the resurrection, we will meet again by the grace of God."

That's how they were in the Dark Ages. They weren't like, "Oh God, oh God," and started to get hysterical. No. That is unprepared people. That's why in this Day we've come at the end of the Age, so we can look at all the history from Genesis right up to this present time. Right up to this present time, from Genesis all the way to here, so we can see every day how God moves to take care of His people. Some, He let die. Some were tortured and refused to accept deliverance. Some were sawn asunder like Isaiah and them. Some were burned at the

stake. That's right. Some were torn apart limb by limb. And they went through those things because the Corn of Wheat had to go in the ground and die and come back up.

Isn't it strange? I want you to consider. We are finding Jesus saying,

¹⁵ Behold, I come as a thief. Blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked, and they see his shame.

And that is coming between the spirits of devils, which went forth to the kings of the earth and the whole world, to do what? To gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. And then, verse 16,

¹⁶ And he gathered them...

In other words, a gathering was put into motion in verse 14, and the gathering was completed in verse 16. And in between verses 14 and 16, the Thief. Jesus said, "Behold, I come as a thief." And He dropped the promise in there, of the Rapture.

I'm going to close up here, so I want to go straight to... Just let me finish reading this here. I was reading it for you just now, in *Uniting Sign And Time*.

Notice, they're right now uniting. You say, "Brother Branham, is that true?" [1963] They're coming to the Battle of Armageddon; exactly what they will do. See? And they're uniting for that right now.

How did he know that? He's watching the prophecy in the Bible, he's watching his position in the Bible and his Message, and then he knew the time and season of the nations that are in prophecy. He knew the beast that came out of the earth and the beast that came out of the sea. Those two beasts are Ahab and Jezebel; he's Elijah in the time of restoration. That's how he's knowing these Things. That's how he knew that religion is going to deceive the politicians, because they are the men of God giving spiritual advice. Like Ahab and they had their prophets, and the prophets and they were prophesying, "Go on up, the Lord is with you, the Lord

bless you. You will possess the land. You will have the victory,” and it was a lying spirit in their mouth. And that was to deceive them. But it had a true prophet there who knew that was their destruction. Do you understand? Watch the Scripture. Watch the Scripture with understanding.

That’s why we got the U.N. and everything we have. The Western World’s uniting against the Eastern World, communism and so forth [see? Eastern world; communism], it’s all uniting together. The churches are uniting together. Everything seems to be uniting. Uniting, uniting themselves together, we see that.

Also, while all this uniting of the nation, these signs, national signs, we see out here in the world, earthquakes in divers places, different things uniting; bringing the world together, bringing the people together, all the churches together [ecumenical move], all these things. And while all this uniting’s been going on, there is another uniting going on. Amen! That’s what I want to point to you now.

God is uniting His Bride. She is coming together, from the East and the West, and the North and South.

You mean to say, all these meetings we are having with these people in the east and the west and the north and the south, over sixty countries in the last set of meetings; before that it was fifty countries, forty-five countries, and we’re having these meetings and these things, you mean to say, that is how God is uniting His Bride? There is an invisible union among the Bride; that Life connects with Life in the Bride. Certain people hear that Word in another country and say, “My, that is something. First time I see that. I read it in the book and never understood it. Look how that comes out and becomes plain.” But that is not somebody right in their country; that is somebody in another country, far away. But God is making a way.

How did the tapes come to us? How did I get to hear *Looking At The Unseen*? Why on that particular night

did that play? I would have heard another message if I had gone there another time. Why, when I heard that, I looked at all the people, I said, “Hmm, they look strange to me. They look kind of queer. I don’t think I want to be here with these people”? I said, “But what that man said on that tape, that man is talking about my life.”

Then he said, “I am led to say things to people.” I came across that in the Message. He said, “These Messages are going to foreign countries and I’m led to say things. This Word will fall in the hands of the predestinated.” That is my experience. That is my experience.

Look what came out of that. Look at that ministry for the last forty-seven years that came out of that. That went around the world about five times; that at the end, just a couple of weeks ago, we preached to about sixty countries? And I wasn’t even preaching; we just arranged the meetings. I didn’t even conduct the meetings. I came to the last service to introduce Bro. Peralta, because that was the closing of the meetings.

But look at the unity of men, whether it’s in Indonesia, whether it’s Peru or Ecuador, whether it’s down in Chile. We had people in the Philippines, people in India; all these different places. What is bringing about this union? It is an invisible union. You are not seeing them physically here, but when you look there, you are seeing them and you are hearing them, and they stand up there and they are preaching. Then you realize, there is a unity of Spirit because they are not saying a lot of different things, contradicting each other; they are all looking at the same thing. One has gold, one has frankincense, one has myrrh. They’re bringing out different aspects as they’re made up and designed and being used by the Spirit. And we realize, wait, what is this?

When you look, what do you see? He said, it depends on what you are looking for because your eyes see through your heart. If that heart has some kind of

negative thing there, hate and resentment or something, you are not going to see anything clearly. But if your eyes see through your heart and your thinking is filtered, oh my, you are seeing the Word coming to pass.

So, watch the Prophet. I am reading it here for you.

God is uniting his Bride. She is coming together, from the East and the West, and the North and South. [See?] There is a uniting time, and that's on right now. What is She uniting for? The Rapture. Amen!

Why do we have these meetings? Because of the time and season; because we came through the pandemic. We are seeing the war. Millions died and millions are dying. We're seeing the lying spirits. We're seeing the media blinding the people. The rulers of the darkness of this world are confusing them as to what is really going on, influencing their thinking another way, because the people are so conditioned to believe what they read in the newspaper, what they see on the television, and what they hear on their radio. They are conditioned for that. Because that is the tree of knowledge of good and evil. That's Satan at work – spiritual wickedness in high places, rulers of the darkness of this world; principalities, powers. Sure! That is the battle we are against – Ephesians 6. Paul told us that's what we are warring against; not flesh and blood. Because it's demons in these people. And the people who will overcome, the only people who will overcome is the Holy Ghost in the people. So, it is not flesh and blood. It's not flesh and blood at all.

God's getting Her ready. Yes sir, uniting! What is she uniting with? [The Word.] With the Word! "For all heavens and earth will pass away, but My Word shall never pass away." She's uniting Herself with THUS SAITH THE LORD regardless of what any denomination or anybody else says. She's uniting Herself. She's getting ready. Why? She is the Bride. That's right. And She's

uniting Herself with Her Bridegroom, see, and the Bridegroom is the Word.

And the Church and the Bride and the Word is becoming so one, until the very Word Itself is working out the works of the Bridegroom. Amen! You see it? A uniting! Not no more, “Join the church”; not more of this, but flee from everything and tied to Jesus Christ. See? It’s the uniting time. God uniting His Bride together, bringing It back; just exactly. Uniting the Words of His promise.

See? God’s Word of His promise is what? Prophecy – something He promised for the future. And when He gave it—and then, you know He showed you time and season, when it’s going to come to pass, how it’s going to come to pass, because He has shadows and types in the Bible. So when you see how He did it the first time, you’re seeing how He’s doing it in this time.

And that’s why believers now, have an enlightened understanding that the other normal layman does not have. You understand? Because, why? They are understanding by the Holy Ghost, the Spirit of Truth that leads them and guides them into Truth, brings back Things to their remembrance, teaches them all Things and shows them the Things to come. Not argument and debate. Not that; (see?) Spirit of Truth. And Bride is uniting with Bride.

If a man has Truth, he will unite with people. People will see it and thank God for it. If you see Spiritual people are not being identified with that and identify themselves with it, you know it’s the wrong thing, because they know right from wrong. ‘Spiritual’ means ‘*Spirit-filled*’. You can’t be Spiritual if you are not Spirit-filled. You are called Spiritual because you are Spirit-filled; filled with the Holy Spirit. See?

Watch, *The Fourth Seal*. [[1963-0321 -Ed.](#)]

Now, what did he say they were uniting for in *The Uniting Time And Sign*? For Armageddon right now. You mean to say, the Third Woe hasn’t happened yet but quite there it’s happening? Of course. When you

understand how the politics, the economics, the religion of this world operates... See? Religion is the First Seal. Second Seal – government; politics. Third Seal – economics. United together; information – the Fourth Seal. It brings all as one, a global village, and they are all controlled by information. And regardless of what part of the world they are, everybody is present because that information superhighway, the internet is open for this Day, for this Age.

Understand the world. Understand the Seals. Understand the symbols. Understand these things. And in between the gathering and gathered: “Behold, I come as a thief.” What is the Thief coming for? For the Bride. Romeo coming for Juliet.

Are you seeing the gathering going on? Bro. Branham was seeing it. He was seeing it, and he said it has a next uniting. Christ comes there, to unite with His Bride to take Her away – the ranch boss’ son. But those girls were not even looking for his coming. They didn’t know anything about the coming. The evil servant who was drinking with the drunken, he didn’t even know. He thought the Lord delayed His coming, so he started to eat and drink. Now, that is Spiritual. It’s a symbol. And when you look and you see where we’re at, where we are at...

Now, *The Fourth Seal*. The Fourth Seal, okay. Watch the Fourth Seal. These four things will happen; one-fourth part of the world will be killed and so on.

Notice. What is this all coming to? Now, we just got about twelve, fourteen minutes here, I guess. Look what this is all coming to. What is it? It’s going right back the way it did, and started in Heaven. It’s coming to the end-time battle.

The first thing, in Heaven, was a battle. Lucifer was kicked out, and come to the earth. Then he polluted Eden; then he’s been polluting ever since. And now, from the battle in Heaven, it’s coming to the battle on earth; and it

is to be finished on earth, at the end time, in a battle called Armageddon.

You mean to say, all of that was working quite back there in that time... Bro. Branham's in '63 and he was preaching these two. This was when he opened the Fourth Seal and he's bringing that out with the battle of Armageddon; how it's going to take place. Then, in '63 there, in August, he's bringing *Uniting Time And Sign* and he was saying they're uniting right now for Armageddon.

Now, this war here, as we have told you down through—well, it's a year and a few days now. But when this started and we started to remark and bring some of these things out—then I had shared a lot of this in the Ministers' meeting with the brothers and them. Then, also, I preached a series for Bro. Samuel there, for a program he had from the Book of Daniel and these things.

Now, watch where this is coming to, here. Watch where this is coming to here, on this *Fourth Seal*; how he said,

... from the battle in Heaven, it's coming to the battle on earth; and it is to be finished at, on earth, at the end time, in a battle called Armageddon. [He said,] Now, anyone knows that. The battle started in Heaven, holy, and so they kicked him out. Michael and His Angels overthrewed him, was run out. And when they did, dropped right down [in] Eden, and here started the battle down here.

Now, the battle started in Heaven. It'll be finished on earth, in the form of Armageddon.

Now let's watch and see it unfold. And maybe we can unfold it [if] the Lord help us right now to do this now. Watch it unfold.

Bro. Branham, (oh, my!) he had it now. He's going to bring this revelation to the church. He said, "Let's watch it unfold. Let's watch what we see is going on in the earth right now." Because remember, he is the eagle in

that Fourth Seal. Eagle is prophet. He is that Prophet anointing and he's there. Because the Rapture, he tells us, takes place in the Fourth Seal. See, the Fourth Seal there, that goes all the way to the end, you know. See? Because Armageddon... Hell following death – they are uniting for Armageddon. And Armageddon takes place down there – the Third Woe. This is after the Gentiles are raptured, the Jews are sealed, Moses and Elijah die and are raised and these things, and the Roman system is destroyed when the kings of the earth and all of them gather to make war with Christ; then they are destroyed. And then Satan is put in the bottomless pit, back there.

So, when you watch and see now, look how, as we are watching this here, in this Book of Symbols, we are seeing now, how those things are.

So, you can follow up with that in *The Fourth Seal*. It's a long piece of reading here, so I'm just... Just let me take this little part. He said, paragraph 304,

What did the Holy Spirit tell me, about thirty-five years ago? And all you old-timers know it, of seven things that would happen before [the end]. And this is the last, next to the last thing, coming up. Everything else hit just exactly on the dot, to the wars and everything else. And now she is right in the hands [of the woman], to rule the nation. Jezebel!

But, remember, in the days of Jezebel, someone really told them their colors.

Which was Elijah, of course. And so, he was seeing; he was putting himself in the scene. And here, Elijah was watching that Jezebel system, watching the United States; the beast from the sea and the beast from the earth. He knew they're in prophecy. He knew they're going to unite. He knew this nation is going to sell their birthright to the Vatican by allowing the Vatican to pay their debt that they can't pay, what they owe in taxes and these things. And that is how she will come and take full control of the nation. And she has full control

of that nation for a long, long time, and it's her behind this war. Because she is that fourth beast that is devouring the earth and breaking it up in pieces, stamping the residue and doing these things. And then you watch and see how they are just...

Millions of Ukrainians are dying and they just keep sending billions of dollars; more tanks, more bombs, more planes. And it's going on for a whole year. And then, in Europe now, they start to fragment in Europe – United Nations. As the Prophet said, under the auspices of demon powers but we can see what they are doing. And they're coming now, and the Germans are sending tanks and different weapons. And then France is sending theirs, you know. All of this is going on and they're suffering there because of the winter and these things.

How could people fight war in that kind of winter; in those kinds of conditions? And many of them, a lot of the trained soldiers already died out in the first year of the war. And tens of millions of people fled their country. Some are in Poland, some are in other countries who are taking in refugees.

When people are running, they can't carry a motor car; they can't carry different things. They're running for their lives. They can't carry their furniture; their bed. You know how many things people have to leave to run for their lives?

You see, we sit here; the newspaper is not giving you all that news and that intricacies, you know. You have to know, if they're fleeing, where are they going? Who is taking them in? How many there are? How many people are displaced? What is happening? What is the morale of the people when so many of the people left; have to leave their country – people who had loved their country but people interfered in their country and are fighting this proxy war?

America and NATO [The North Atlantic Treaty Organization –Ed.] are fighting a proxy war. When they started to see

Ukrainians dying like that in the war, they started to put boots on the ground. They started to send in people to be trained. Plus, endless mercenaries they are paying two thousand dollars a week or how much it is for a day to fight. They have to support all of that. And this conman who is the President of Ukraine is just bleeding them billions, and having markets at the side: black market and all kinds of different things. You talk about chaos and pollution.

You are looking to find sincere people? This is dog eat dog. This is man in the end time becoming brute beasts. This is chaos in the world that the atomic bomb... The world is filled with violence like it was in the days of Noah. The earth is being destroyed. All these things are going up in the air, like when they had those things in Iraq when they bombed them back to the stone age. They say that radiation will be there for over one hundred and something years.

Do you think the couple of years that passed, the place is clean? No. It's there in the earth. All this thing that is going on here, you think it's just so? No. When children start to be born and different things, what do you think? And this is so dangerous where it is right now, because everybody is only talking nuclear, nuclear. And like the insanity in the White House, in the United States and in the Vatican. They don't care how much blood is shed of people, as long as it's not their families. Oh, my. "Send in more! Send in more!" And this is what is going on.

Friends, when you really understand what's happening and you see human life, and you see the Scriptures, and you see the prophecies, and you know the time, these things bother you deeply because you realize, look at the world that you are living in. Who has rights in this world? They will take you and lock you up and lock you away and different things; persecute you. Look at me. I didn't do a thing. But I stand up here preaching to you. Do you know how much grace that is

to stand up and preach to you still? Then somebody, “Ah, Bro. Vin, he is always on those kinds of deep things. And, ahh, so and so and so and so.” I trust none of you wake up in the Tribulation, you know, and realize the Rapture is gone, you know. And realize, “Wait, that man stood up there, pouring his life out, sick; come back preaching.”

They say, “He isn’t a pastor, you know.” I am no pastor for them. They think a pastor is a piece of paper you get in a theological seminary. If it comes like that, I’m just having conversation, keeping you alert, vigilant, watchful, keeping you sensitive, keeping you understanding the working of evil spirits in the earth, understanding your time and your season, knowing positionally where you are, where you need to be, what kind of conviction and courage you are supposed to see in your own life when you look inside of there, and what is your stand, and to what extent you believe and identify it and walking in it to help somebody around you. Because without faith you can’t help anybody around you. You have to have the faith. You can’t just say, “Oh sis, God bless you, okay. Trust the Lord, okay. Trust...” You know sometimes a person needs more than that, and if you don’t have more than that to give, well, you could imagine.

So, this is a time, you know. When we look at these things, it’s really, really something tremendous.

I have to stop, but I just want to take Matthew 24:42-44. I come here but I can’t finish these things. I’m bringing it from another side for you.

You see, when you go to 1st Thessalonian 4, you’re getting the Shout, Voice and Trump. The Shout, the Voice... You’re getting the Message part of it. But when I take it there, from Revelation 16, between the Sixth and Seventh Vials, and showing you, since... The Prophet said, when he opened the Fourth Seal, 1963, when he preached *Uniting Time And Sign*, all back there he’s saying they were already gathering together for

Armageddon. Because when he watched the Scripture, he's seeing that that's exactly when they gather, Hell's following death – the ecumenical move and these things. The mark of the Beast, all these things are coming through that ecumenical move, because all these religions are coming together, all these nations are coming together. You understand? And while you are not watching them and seeing what is happening, that Babylonian power is right there. And the Lord slips in there, "Behold, I come as a thief, and hold fast your garments lest it be taken from you."

Verse 40. I am reading Matthew 24, verse 40.

⁴⁰ Then shall two be in the field; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

⁴¹ Two women shall be grinding at the mill; the one shall be taken, and the other left.

⁴² Watch therefore: for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

⁴³ But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known...

"If the goodman of the house had known..." You see, knowledge is important in this time – knowledge of the plan and program of God. That is why he said open the rock beneath the rock that we might see Jesus and His program. See? And any faithful and wise servant should be seeking this knowledge because of the Day and the Hour. He said,

... for ye know not what hour your Lord doth come.

⁴³ But know this, that if the goodman of the house had known in what watch the thief would come, he would have watched, and would not have suffered his house to be broken up.

If the goodman of the house had known, if he had the knowledge, if he had the revelation of the Coming, the Seventh Seal...

... what watch the thief would come,

The Thief has come, friends. He has appeared. The one shall be taken and the other one left. Where, Lord? Where the carcass is, there will be the Eagles be gathered together. A gathering place in Christ, feeding on the Lamb, the fresh killed Word – an elected people; the Spiritual Food in due season. Like Elijah in the time of famine and depression and war, he entered into a secret place and he was taken care of by God in a Supernatural way. When? Before Elijah was translated.

Elijah is a type of the translated saints. Moses is a type of the resurrected saints. When the ones come up, the dead in Christ, the resurrected saints – the Moses group coming up. We who are alive and remain, who will not see death – the Elijah group. Moses and Elijah represent the resurrected and translated saints. Together, that makes up the Mystical Body.

*... if the goodman of the house had known
in what watch the thief would come, he
would have watched, and would not have
suffered his house to be broken up.*

You see? The importance of seeking to know, to enquire of the Lord the Divine revelation of His Coming: how He will come; when He will come. It is necessary, friends. It is necessary for our preparation in this time of transition. We are in a time of transition, moving from this temporal world to the Eternal World.

*⁴⁴ Therefore be ye also ready: for in such
an hour as ye think not...*

You heard that? He said,

*⁴⁴ Therefore be ye also ready: for in such
an hour as ye think not...*

In other words, knowing your time and your season; the Son of Man cometh. The ranch boss' son's coming, but that girl knew. That girl knew when he was coming. She was connected. And the bridegroom whispered secrets. He said, "Not these flirts," but the bride. The girl he's going to marry, he was whispering those secrets

in her ear. The secret in the back part of God's mind is being put in the heart of the Bride now. When the Prophet was here on earth, he said it's being put. Why? The Mystery is being opened to him by the Angel of God and he's speaking it. And that Word is going down into the heart of the people who have the ear to hear what the Spirit was saying in this last Day through His Messenger.

And when faith finds its bedding ground, when the Seed of promise finds a place to grow inside of you, Holy faith and Holy works begin to increase inside of you. You're growing in faith, you're growing in courage, you're growing in understanding. You are becoming more sensitive. You're walking with discernment. You're not just going along, "I'm in the Message." No, no, no. You are showing that the Message is in you and the Message comes alive in you.

I want to read just one more piece of Scripture here, and close, because it has to do with what I was just saying. You see what I just read for you in Matthew, right? "If the goodman had known what hour the thief would come..." What am I talking about? BEHOLD, I COME AS A THIEF. The Thief, in Revelation 16; we see in the drying up of the river Euphrates. In other words... I have gone through that in the church many times, but maybe some of the new ones might not grasp it. But, Euphrates speaks of Babylon, and that is why Euphrates comes through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation. And Babylon, papal Rome—Mystery Babylon is papal Rome. Pagan Rome, that is the beast that was wounded but revived as papal Rome. From a military power, it became an ecclesiastical power. Now the United States and all these other nations are the military power of the Vatican. But the Vatican, the people, is an ecclesiastical power who's controlling everything from behind the scenes – that woman Jezebel; (see?) that place that is going to burn in one hour.

So, watch. So these things we are seeing... Now, 1st Thessalonians 5:1,

¹ But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you.

² For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

“You yourselves know perfectly that the Day of the Lord [see?] so cometh as a thief in the night.” This is when the Son of Man is being revealed as the Supreme Judge. Because the Lord’s Day is between His priesthood and His kingship. His priesthood was Seven Church Ages; He was the Son of God. Kingship is the Son of David. Priesthood was Seven Church Ages; kingship is the Millennium. Between the Church Ages and the Millennium, He is revealed again as Son of Man. Son of Man is Supreme Judge. All judgment is given to the Son of Man. That’s why, when He appeared in this Day, He appeared with the white wig as Son of Man, the Supreme Judge of the earth. And that is what Paul is dealing with here.

... the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night.

³ For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape.

Remember peace and safety? Remember peace and safety? 2001 – peace and security. Everything is security. The Age of terrorism. It’s all what they use to deceive the people. Revelation 12:9 says, Satan will deceive the whole world. Thank God you are not part of the world as a believer. I trust you have been called out of the world and you live in another... “I’ve come from another world; a parallel universe.” [#1117 I’m Not Of This World - Songs That Live -Ed.] And you are being quickened and raised back up now, back to that World that you came from.

You dropped down here, in time, and then you watched this world... We live in our lifetime... Our parents died before this, but we live in our lifetime and have seen what the world has become: Hell created on the earth. Demon powers, two hundred million are loosed among the people. We see the darkness of this evil Age and we see the condition of people has become so godless and everything else. The scientists have gone so crazy. And we are seeing all these different things with transhumanism and all these different things. We see all the different things with the pharmaceutical companies and Pfizer and all these different things – the evil that Satan united his people there, together. Why? They are all the tares. They are that false vine. But you, little children, are children of Light.

Verse 5,

⁵ Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness.

⁶ Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

That's why He said, "Watch." If the goodman had known the hour the thief was coming, he's going to watch. That day cometh like a thief in the night – the Day of the Lord.

You see how this is consistent. Because before... This is 1st Thessalonians 4. I bypassed 1st Thessalonian 4 because of the time I'm taking to read all of this. But I showed you—the Scripture I used first is Revelation 16. And we are seeing this war here. And this war, you hear me say it a few times in the pulpit, I call it the pivotal point to Armageddon – this war. Because this is where everybody now, they are saying the only way to overcome or win this or stop this and take back control is nuclear – nuclear war.

Friends, but that can't come yet. The Bride has to go first; the 144,000. America will have to get destroyed

somewhere and burnt too, then the Vatican is going to get burned after, too. You understand.

Go back to the visions. He said, “Those visions never fail.” He said, “Remember those seven visions.” Remember those three isms. We found that right there: three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth. Bro. Branham said that’s those three isms. Because it came out of Catholicism; it came out of Romanism. She is the mother of all these abominations that came out. She has been here for the last two thousand years – the Roman empire. It has no other governing power.

Since Jesus was born—Jesus was born under the Roman empire. Jesus died, was killed under the Roman empire. Jesus comes back in His Second Coming, His Appearing, and then will take His Bride under the Roman empire. That’s right. And then the Roman empire finally gets destroyed at Armageddon, because she brings the whole world under her through the ecumenical move. She’s right at the head. He said, “Though many cannot envision it now, Rome will be at the head of this thing.”

Because you see, that’s the Bible. It only has four earthly empires so it can’t have a next one. And God is going to put it out of existence when that Rock comes down.

So my brothers, my sisters, let’s stop for tonight. God bless you.

See, messages like this, you can’t just preach it; you have to teach it a little bit. You have to kind of break it down, simplify it; give you places in between to think so you could make the connections.

So, watch this. Jesus’ telling the parable in Matthew 24 when He’s doing what? Opening Seven Seals. And He’s saying, if the good man had known what hour the thief would come, his house wouldn’t be broken into. He said, so watch and pray because you know not when the Son of Man cometh. The Son of Man is the Thief He’s talking about; He Himself. He said, “What is He coming

to steal?” He’s coming to steal Juliet like Romeo stole Juliet. He’s coming to take His Bride. The sudden secret catching away to take His Bride out of this world. That’s right.

So, how close are we, Bro. Vin? Where are we at? How long again? Friends, that Day and that Hour would be revealed. Let me tell you that. Maybe we don’t know that yet. You heard me preach that years ago quite a lot. I said the time came, did Noah know the day? Noah knew the day and the hour. Did Moses know when the plague and death were going to pass through Egypt? The time came, he knew the hour. Did Elijah know the day he was going up? He knew the day he was going up in the Rapture. You understand? So, God is not going to withhold that from His elected people. Because the very elected people are who He sent the Prophet to. The very elected people are who He has elected and called and anointed and placed in the Body of Christ. That is His Bride; part of His Wife. He is taking Her, so that’s why She will know. She will know. He will reveal it when He’s ready to reveal it. Because Noah built that ark and still didn’t know the day. Then the animals had to come in, then God brought them in; everything. Then God said, “Go in now.” Then God Himself shut the door and then God told him, “In the next seven days the heavens will be opened and the rain will start.” So, God has everything under His control.

But where I took that Scripture from with this war and these things that are happening... Because the kings of the east are there and the kings of the earth are there. Understand. And the Roman power, the unclean spirits like frogs that come out of the mouth are there. And that is changing the world right now, where all those military generals, since for the past year, they are saying, “Like this is the third war. This is World War III.” They are all scared about it because they’re seeing the insanity of these people, how evil spirits are like driving them for war and more bloodshed and these things. And

when you see that, you know it's gathering them. It's forming alliances. It's breaking unions too, but yet, forming other alliances. Everything is moving positionally into the place where the Scripture says. But before they were fully gathered, the Thief was there. He said, "Hold fast your garments." And when the gathering started, 1963, he said, "They are already gathering now," and then the Thief was there. And then we are seeing this war.

How did Babylon fall in the Book of Daniel – Daniel Chapter 5? The kings of the east, Cyrus and them. How it's going to fall in the Book of Revelation here? The same way. One is shadow; one is reality here.

Watch and see. These sayings are faithful and true. Listen back to these things. When you get a little time, listen to it back. Get your Bible quiet in your home, and take it piece by piece and try to digest so you can conceptualize, by God's grace.

Let's just pray. (I want *Leaving's On My Mind*. [#1031 I've Got Leaving On My Mind - Songs That Live -Ed.])

Father, I thank You for Your grace to take this time with Your children this evening, and look into these things that have been delivered to us by Your Prophet; everything, Lord. It's he who spoke to us about these three unclean spirits like frogs coming out of the mouth, the mouth of the chief false prophet, and the false prophets, Matthew 24:24, under that prophet, Lord – lying spirits, spirits of deception taking the people into darkness, misplaced and mixed-up theology and fabricating their own ideas and different things because they rejected the true Prophet. Seven Thunders came out of that mouth, and three unclean spirits like frogs came out of this other mouth, gathering the world by its lies and deception. But Seven Thunders out of the mouth of Your Prophet are gathering Your Bride together into Christ, into Heavenly Places. The Wheat's separated from the tares because of Harvest Time—You said, let them grow until harvest and then You will

separate them. As Your Prophet said somewhere between the binding of the tares and the revelation of the antichrist, the Rapture will take place and must take place.

So, Lord, when we see these things happening, it makes us consider. Thinking of how many, way back in 1977 were looking for the Rapture, thinking everything would have ended there. And here we are in 2023, so many years after, but now more in season, and the Scriptures and the prophecies and the world is in the condition that it's in, Father, the people are in the darkness; the deception and the lies.

Oh God, may You be mindful, Father. The Bride in this Hour is not some little baby with pampers and drinking out of a baby bottle, but She is eating the strong meat of the Word. Her understanding is enlightened because She is a Spirit-filled people; a people, dear God, who have, down through these years, even in this assembly, Lord, coming from 1976 to this present Hour, to see the things that we went through, to see the things that You have done, to see people from all over the world whose lives have been touched and how many have come to this place down through the years, Lord, because of the grace and the blessing.

We see young people, Lord, rise up and You use them. They can sing in so many different languages: in Spanish, in Portuguese, in French and Creole, and in Russian, and Shona. And no matter where we go, Lord, and we take different ones and the Word is going forth and the songs are written from the revelation of the Word that was preached is being waved back, showing a people with a history, a people that is called out and had a journey. And in that journey, dear God, we see how the junctions of that journey started out in Fran Street and Cocoyea Village, and then Barataria, and then to Abel Country.

Oh God, it is something that is unique in the realm of the Message in the earth. It doesn't make us anything

special but just, maybe, we needed that kind of experience to be able to follow in the unfolding of the Word as You had foreknown and predestinated to give it to us in this way; that we can see the unchanging God in the unchanging continuity; that we can understand, Lord, that something happened from 1966, from the going of Your Prophet to 2023. Because when he stood there, he looked back in Genesis from Adam and brought the Message right down to 1965, and then prophesied the other part that was yet to come, all the way into the Jewish part and into the Millennium and into the New Heaven and Earth; that You give him those messages and he opened up all these hidden secrets of Redemption.

But we, Lord, as Your Bride, we just have this other part, Lord, from Revelation 10:7 to Revelation 10:8-11, because the next part goes over to Israel. And this part that has been happening, how we have followed this by the leading of Your Spirit. And the experiences, knowing that it was not just words because You caused it to become songs that can be sung over like the Psalms. Like David wrote of the Psalms and the Psalms spoke of the history that they had coming through the wilderness and the things that they experienced and coming into the land so that the people could rehearse these things to the young generation and they could keep these things alive as an elected and called people, Lord, a people that You have made great promises to: that You Yourself would come as the Messiah one day; which You did.

And, dear God, when we come over into the Church Age we see how from that first Age with Paul, right down to the Seventh Messenger, he opened up those Seven Church Ages, those Seven Seals and brought those things out so that we can know positionally where we are. But, Lord, right among us, You take that part, a Mystery between the Gentile Prophet and the Jewish prophets, and You showed to us, Lord, this that has

been happening and how it has happened. And it was not a local thing in an island, Lord, because it went around the world. And people around the world have come to know this little place, Lord, that we call Abel Country.

Oh, gracious Father, help us as members, as believers who have walked in this and followed this. Let us grasp this, not from their own view and how we conceptualized it, but from how it was presented, with the Spiritual understanding of how the journey was made, because we have not followed cunningly devised fables but we have had the Word of prophecy made more sure. And we know prophecy is the highest form of revelation. It is Your foreknowledge. It is revealing things to come, the things that are to be; that we can walk, Lord, under the leadership of the Holy Spirit Who is the Author and Finisher of our faith, to bring us to that expected end.

Bless Your children, Father. Bless every family that is represented. Bless the young men and the young ladies growing up. Bless the elders, dear God. Let them be real elders. Bless the deacons and the trustees. Bless everyone, dear God, that has their roles. Bless the singers and the musicians, seeing the constant efforts and sacrifices being made to keep things, Lord, functioning in a way so that Your Word can continue to go forth and Your people can continue to grow and see their faith perfected and come to the place, dear God, where even the Day and the Hour You can reveal to us.

Oh, may You grant it, Father. We thank You, Lord. We praise You. We give You honor and glory tonight. Bless each and every one, Father, and may Your Presence continue in every home, every family in every way. We thank You in Jesus' wonderful and precious Name. Amen and amen.

Amen. Let us worship the Lord a little bit. I think leaving is on the mind of all of us.

It'll Take The Rapture after. [#807 - Songs That Live -Ed.]

