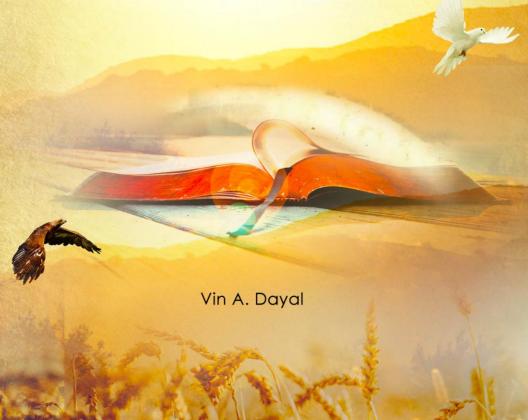
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But the thing is, when we say 'Roman Empire', what do we mean? Roman Empire is not just religion. The Bible says, "Every abomination in the earth comes out of her." With her cup she drunkens all the kings, all the nations with the wine of her fornication. The whole thing is a cage. Do you know what a cage is? He said, "A cage of every hateful and unclean bird; a habitation of devils." It's bringing it to a cage. (*Page 30 & 31*)

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BRO. VIN A. DAYAL

[Song #509 - Songs That Live -Ed.] ...ever before,
I want to serve You;
I love You now,
More than ever before.

Hallelujah. Let's just bow our heads and close our eyes, as we look unto Him more than ever before; as we see the things we seek being revealed and made plain to us by the Holy Spirit; as we see the time clock striking the Hour; as we hear the call of the Holy Spirit to walk closer, being fully persuaded in our hearts that this is the fulfilling of the prophesied promises; that God Who is so faithful has kept His Word.

This is the Hour of the Rapture, friends. The one is being taken and the other remain; this great gathering time, when He is gathering the Wheat together to be taken away, and will burn the chaff with unquenchable fire. More than ever before, with greater determination in our hearts tonight, with greater sincerity, more than ever before, we want to serve Him with all that is inside of us.

As we look to Him tonight in prayer, let's just believe, let's just expect to receive. Let our souls break through every veil, break through every realm of reasoning and imagination, break right into the Presence of Almighty God, where we can acknowledge His great Presence, knowing where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there I am in their midst.

So many times we come and we only reach as far as the geographical location. But like real spiritual astronauts, may we break through every veil, see this great Mighty God unveiled before us, standing unconquered by traditions, showing that He is alive, the same yesterday, today and forever, desiring to meet every need. Where there is faith in the heart of His children to confess that He is still the same, to confess that He is more than able to do the exceedingly, abundantly, above all we could ask or think; knowing He stands as a High Priest willing to intercede upon our confession of what we say that He is. Blessed be His wonderful Name.

Father, we bow our hearts in Your great Presence. Lord, we are so thankful for this blessed opportunity, Lord, to be living in this great Age, knowing that prophets of old, wise men, desired to live in this Day, dear God. Same as the mother of James and John asked that they would sit on Your right hand and on Your left hand, but You said, "For whom it is prepared."

So dear God, as they desired to live, looking and knowing that one of these days You will come in all Your glory and You will establish Your great Kingdom upon the face of the earth. Oh God, the saints will rise to meet You in the air. They will be changed in a moment, in a twinkle of an eye. And they knew that this time was coming, Father. They looked down through the Ages of time and they saw it and they prophesied about it. Even Your Prophet in this Day, he said, "Oh Lord, let me live to see this Day."

But Father, we realize that we are a part of this great ransomed Church that You have given this great privilege to, dear God. So, as we stand here tonight, Lord, we realize that we are a privileged people. Help us tonight, dear God, as we draw nigh unto You in Your great Presence. Lord God, we will realize the blessed opportunity that You have given unto us. You have come down in this Day and You opened up the Seven Seals, the hidden Secrets that were in the back-part of Your Mind that angels, nobody ever knew, dear God. You have come and You have put this in the heart of Your Bride in the last days.

How we draw nigh unto You under the influence of this Divine revelation, knowing, dear God, that You have come back in the form of the Headship to take the oversight, to take the leading, to take the pre-eminences Lord, in Your Church, dear God; to take Your rightful place Father, that You can lead this Church into the fulfillment of all that You have promised.

What an encouragement that ought to give to believing hearts tonight, people who are in need, dear God, people who have come to this place tonight; not just Lord, because this night is appointed for service but Lord, to realize where two or three are gathered together in Your Name, to know You are there, Father. You are there fulfilling Your Word. You are there brooding upon Your Church. You are there bringing back that genuine image, dear God, Lord, where a perfect man and a perfect woman can stand upon the face of the earth again.

This is Your great Masterpiece, dear God. This is Your great achievement, Father. Lord God, that You will build that Masterpiece, that You will step into that Masterpiece, that You will work through that Masterpiece, dear God. You will show Your glory and Your Power in this End Time.

Oh God, Father, I pray tonight that these things, Lord, will become so real in our hearts. When we look around and see this world falling apart, when we look around and see the gross darkness upon the earth and upon the peoples, You said, "Arise and shine; for your Light is come, and the Glory of the Lord is risen upon you and it shall be seen upon you." Oh God, this is the Hour men will look and see Your glory in Your Church again, Father. Lord, like those Philistines saw the Power came back upon Samson. When they saw the

very greater works in that Hour being displayed, they knew that wasn't the slave, that wasn't the man that they had in chains who they were making sport of. But Lord, something happened in secret.

And so, dear God, we are realizing it, Father; that something is coming back, Lord. Oh God, something is moving again, Father. A channel is opened up, oh God. Something is being quickened to our hearts. Something is moving us out into a sphere, where we are realizing by spiritual discernment, dear God, by spiritual revelation You have returned according to the time of life. Like You told Sarah, Father, You'll come back around a second time. "I will ride this trail once more!" Hallelujah! "The world will not see Me, but you will see Me. I will come to you. I will make Myself manifest unto you."

Oh God, we are believing, Father, that these things Lord, are the very Scriptures, Lord. As we examine It with the Token that You have given unto us, we see it is You in the fulfilling of Your prophesied promises. It's God in simplicity now being revealed in humility, oh God, identifying Yourself in the very Word, Father, showing that these things were to take place at this time.

Father, I pray tonight that You will take these things and You will inspire them to our hearts; Lord, that it will make that faith wax that much stronger within our bosom, oh God. It will cause us to rise up, Lord, into a little higher realm to look beyond Lord God, even the trials and the pressures and the little hardships, oh God, the light afflictions which are only but for a moment. It will cause us to rise up above these things, Lord, and look, oh God, and see Father, Lord, the things that are to be, Lord; the place where You are leading us; the things that You're bringing to pass, Lord.

Oh God, may it bring such an inspiration into the hearts of Your children. May the Holy Spirit sweep down and move us out into such a realm, Father, where

we can stand Lord, with anointed faith, oh God, and just submit ourselves completely Lord, without reservation Father, that nothing, no matter how precious it might be, no matter what kind of attachment we might have to it, no matter what kind of influence it might have upon us, Lord God, everything will be broken so completely, oh God, that You will be able to take a people surrendered to You in Your hand, that You could shake this world once more. Oh, may You grant it, Father.

We look to You tonight knowing that this is Your program, knowing, this is the very desire of Your Holy Spirit. And dear God, we pray that the Holy Spirit would unveil and make these things so real. Father, like Your Prophet when he stood there, facing the whole world, some were calling him all kinds of different names. Some were saying, "What is he trying to make himself?" Some were trying to come together to shut him out, oh God. No matter what they were doing, he stood there knowing he was Malachi 4:5. He stood there knowing he was Revelation 10:7. And though all the world and all the demon power came against him, they couldn't shake him away from it, Father. He knew it had come to that Hour. He knew he was standing in that spot, dear God. The Word was made real in his heart. He saw it in the Scriptures, Lord. Even though, dear God, Father, they said that he went off the Word and everything else, Lord God, he knew Father, it was You in him fulfilling Your Own Word.

And so, we pray that we could stand here in this Hour with the same kind of faith, with the same kind of realization. The same Holy Ghost that made it real to him Lord, may that same Holy Spirit make it real to us in this Hour that we can live under the influence and the power of these things. Grant it, oh God.

Bless each and every one tonight. Take full charge in this service. And dear God, may You just minister the grace, Lord God, that the Headstone came with shoutings, to each and every heart tonight; that every power of fear and every negative thing, oh God, every bit of guilt and condemnation, every little creeper the devil might have sown to try to hinder and paralyze faith, dear God, Father, may it be broken and cast aside. And may the people, oh God, flourish and blossom and thrive under the Supernatural Presence of the Holy Spirit that You might get glory in the lives of Your children in the midst of Your Church. Grant it, Lord. We pray and we ask these things tonight in the precious, wonderful Name of Jesus Christ, amen.

Amen. Do you love the Lord tonight? [Congregation replies, "Amen." -Ed.] Amen. We are certainly happy to be in His house and to take this time off to come and to gather together with Him.

Let's just open up the Word a little bit. We were in the Book of Daniel. I would like maybe to just go back there a little bit again tonight and try to just recap from Sunday and kind of work our way up. If we could just get past a couple of Scriptures – and that is why I say, it is kind of difficult when you preach messages like these, when you came Sunday and you leave a little space and you come back Wednesday. But, we are not just trying to bring you some little teaching. We are trying to place this more to post the believers to understand a little better what is happening by God's grace.

Daniel chapter 2. We're going to take from verse 31, like we had on Sunday. Amen. I'm trying to work my way to Revelation, but it just seems that Sunday I just couldn't get out of Daniel, and we had such a tremendous service. I just pray that God will just give us another great visitation tonight in His Word. Daniel chapter 2, (amen) verse 31. This is where Daniel was speaking the dream to Nebuchadnezzar that he had dreamt and forgotten, and God, by a Supernatural revelation had made it known.

³¹ Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form [of it] was terrible.

³² This image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,

³³ His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.

³⁴ Thou sawest [until] that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.

³⁵ Then [were] the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

³⁶ This is the dream; and we will tell [its] interpretation thereof before the king.

³⁷ Thou, O king, art a king of kings: for the God of heaven hath given thee a kingdom, power, and strength, and glory.

³⁸ And wheresoever the children of men dwell, the beasts of the field and the fowls of the heaven hath he given into thine hand, and hath made thee ruler over them all. Thou art this head of gold.

³⁹ And after thee shall arise another kingdom inferior to thee, and another third kingdom of brass, which shall bear rule over all the earth.

And I could imagine Daniel was so confident, knowing that these things came by Supernatural revelation; knowing that the Spirit that gave it to him couldn't make any mistake. He wasn't expecting Nebuchadnezzar to say, "No, no, no! That isn't like that. That part is not like that." No, no. He knew the power of Infallibility was upon him, speaking that because not only was he giving him the details of the dream, he was giving him the interpretation of what it meant.

⁴⁰ And the fourth kingdom shall be strong as iron: forasmuch as iron breaketh in pieces and subdueth all things: and as iron that breaketh all these, shall it break in pieces and bruise.

See, iron is the hardest out of the four minerals mentioned here. Iron is harder than gold, it's harder than silver and it's harder than brass. And so, God in doing that was revealing the character of the type of kingdom; the type of power that was going to take influence over the earth.

⁴¹ And whereas thou sawest the feet and toes, part of potters' clay, and part of iron, the kingdom shall be divided; but there shall be in it of the strength of the iron, forasmuch as thou sawest the iron mixed with miry clay.

⁴² And as the toes of the feet were part of iron, and part of clay, so the kingdom shall be partly strong, and partly broken.

⁴³ And whereas thou sawest iron mixed with miry clay, they shall mingle themselves with the seed of men...

Do you see the thought God has behind the iron and the clay? He said, "They shall mingle themselves with the seed of men" – marrying into each other.

...but they shall not [adhere] one to another, even as iron is not mixed with clay.

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

So, if we can look and see, the first kingdom came to pass exactly according to the vision, the second one came to pass exactly according to the vision, the third came exactly according to the vision, the fourth was exactly according to the vision, then the fifth is going to be exactly according to the vision. Do you believe that? [Congregation replies, "Amen." -Ed.] So, it's not strange to look for this Kingdom. We have received that Kingdom already. Do you know that? Hebrews 12, "We have received a Kingdom that cannot be removed." That's the third part of His threefold Mystery – to restore the Kingdom.

...and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.

So, the fourth kingdom is going to break the other three kingdoms, but this fifth Kingdom is going to break all these kingdoms. So, there will be a lot of upheavals in the political realm on the earth in the last days. When it begins to take place, it's whether you can see kings and kingdoms passing away. But there is something about that Name revealed in the Seven Thunders, something about that King (amen) that comes down with that open Book. Amen.

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

Even before it came to pass, Daniel knew it was certain because it came from God. Did you realize that Daniel lived to see Babylon fall and see the next kingdom come in? Sure. So, he actually saw the vision in the process of fulfillment. Let us pray.

Almighty God, this Book of Daniel that You gave almost 2,600 years ago, realizing that every prophet and apostle after that, looked in that Book Father, to understand the Ages as they unfolded. Even in this last days when the Seven Thunders uttered their Voices, that which was sealed up by Daniel has been unsealed and brought into plain view to us. And these Divinely revealed Mystery Truths contained in these Seven Seals are what will literally turn the hearts of the children back to the faith of the fathers.

Lord, I pray tonight You would take these things and make it real to our hearts, not so much as information, Lord, but to see the modern events being made clear by the vindicated prophecy; where we could see the time-clock striking the Hour; where we could see the end of all things is at hand. And may it strike a desperation in our hearts and bring us to such a sincerity, Lord, Father, that Your Church would be without leaven, fully surrendered to You. Grant it, Lord. We pray and we ask these things in Jesus' Name, amen.

God bless you. You may have your seats. I was speaking on Sunday, "THE REVIVAL OF THE ROMAN EMPIRE," and I want to speak a little bit on it again. I'm taking these things, little bits and pieces, I'm trying to pick around because of the things that are happening.

You see so many things happening out there in the world and you see the evidence of the Word coming to pass. And there is nothing greater to bring confidence in your heart and to bring expectation when you see the time that you are living in. First, you must know what time you're living in and then know what is promised for that time. And once the time is identified, then the things that are promised for that time, when you see it coming to pass, you can have expectation.

To think that Jesus told them, "When you see Jerusalem compassed with armies, let not your flight be in winter neither on the Sabbath Day." Men seeing those things coming to pass had to make great decisions. He said, "Don't go back in the city. Don't come off the house top. Don't go back for your goods. Flee to the mountains." [Matthew 24 -Ed.] Because when those things begin to come to pass, He said they would say, "Let the rocks and the mountains fall upon us. Blessed are the paps that didn't give suck in those days." [Luke 23:29-30 -Ed.]

And to think that those people, who had followed that Message knew that one day the people of the Prince was going to come and the sanctuary was going to be destroyed with a flood. And because of the Message of the Hour that they were under that pointed out those national signs, pointed out those religious signs, pointed out the signs in nature; pointed out to them what part of the program of God they were living in when they saw Jesus come and the Feast of the Passover and the Feast of the Unleavened Bread and the Feast of the Firstfruits and the Feast of Pentecost were all identified as being fulfilled, and then they saw out there, the signs of the people of the Prince and the fourth kingdom that Daniel spoke of, come, and the sanctuary shall be destroyed with a flood, it put them under such expectation that when the enemy moved in there, not one Christian was caught inside there.

Why? They believed the Message. They saw their sign and they moved. People had to root up house and land and family and friends and associates and everything and flee for their lives. And they were doing that by faith because a Message instructed them that Hour was coming. That is where we're at friends. The same Word, the same ministry, it tells us, is repeating itself again.

While that was happening, the Prophet said, "Those priests ran in the temple..." We were in Israel and we went to Masada. And Masada was the last stronghold that the Jews had under that Roman Power, moving in to break the church. Jesus had said the time was going

to come that they were going to come in there and scatter them into the four corners of the earth. People didn't believe that. "After all, we are the church. We are the nation with light. The entire world is a heathen world." From China all the way to Egypt, to the Assyrians, to the Babylonians, every nation, the Africans, the Indians; all those on the earth were all heathen religions.

But, Israel for fourteen hundred years had the Law, had the prophets, had the ordinances, had the feasts, had the statutes; had prophet after prophet coming with 'Thus Saith The Lord'; had the manifestation of God among them. But, in the last four hundred years, before the Messiah, they began to get Sadducees and Pharisees and all kinds of denominations. The Word of God was being replaced by the Torah and the Talmud. And then they began to have this kind of institutionalized religion, different to what Moses had established among them, what David and Solomon and they had continued among them; what Hezekiah and they had restored in times of apostasy.

And so, when Elijah came at the end of the Old Testament and began to blast that Message, people were settled down. And he began to preach and warn them. He began to shake the nation. He began to wake them up to expect a promise that for four thousand years they had heard about. And he began to tell them, "It is already standing in your midst." What do you think the normal Sadducee would think? "I didn't hear that in my church." What do you think the normal Pharisee would think? "We don't believe that, *that* way." What do you think the people out on the streets would think? "We're hearing that for years and it has not happened yet. Could one man alone have all that Truth?" See?

Do you think he had any influence on Barabbas? He was the 'Abu Bakr' of his day. [Leader of the Jamaat al Muslimeen in Trinidad –Ed.] Sure. Pilate and they were trying to play their politics, trying to get the church and

influence the church to back them up and support what they were trying to do in the region and everything else. They had economic problems. Herod was playing his politics. Jesus called him a fox. He said, "That old fox, Herod."

And Jesus, looking around in the region and seeing what was happening, He knew according to the Bible where He stood. He knew the prophecies, He knew the shadows, He knew the types; He knew the condition of the church world where they were at. He knew where they fit in the Bible. He knew where John fit in the Bible. He knew where the Roman Power fit in the Bible. Is that right? [Congregation replies, "Amen." –Ed.]

And that's the world He lived in. In that world He produced healing. In that world He produced power (amen) to forgive sins. Amen! In that world He broke the powers of darkness from around the people. In that world He brought them away from tradition to a reality that the Word was coming to pass right in their midst. In that world, where it was opened up to Him by revelation, and He saw where He was standing in the Word. He preached the Hour – that the Kingdom of God is at hand. He preached a people who looked like nothing, to be greater than the greatest man ever born of a woman. He said, "These here are greater than John, and there was never a man born as great as John."

Could you imagine a man standing there looking at the Bride and people are saying, "Like I can hardly see anything among them"? And He said, "There was never a people as this people upon the face of the earth." Amen. There's something about spiritual eyes, friends. It moves in certain channels. It moves you into certain realms. It stirs you to certain promises. It brings certain kinds of convictions.

There is something about religious life, it does not get you up there. It keeps you bound in traditions. It keeps you bound in human works. It keeps you bound in trying to build a system. Amen. But something in spiritual life keeps pushing man out into those cycles (hallelujah!) as the Holy Spirit begins to minister an entrance and bring people into that realm of faith, to convince them: "That's yourself you're looking at. That's the Hour you're living in. These are the things that God wants to bring to pass. This is where you fit in the Bible."

And as they begin to yield and submit to that, as they begin to get convinced, and every time they get convinced, they lay aside things, they lay aside things. As they learn more and understand what is required to co-operate with that Word and to come into harmony with It, and to see that Word work through them, (amen!) they lay down their thoughts. They die out to their ideas. They submit to the will of God. They praise God for that kind of election and calling! It opens a channel to anoint them. Hallelujah. And Jesus was sent into the earth to do just that.

He knew his preaching was not to produce Pharisees or Sadducees. His preaching was to open up a channel to bring a New Birth. He was talking about a New Birth. He was talking about a kind of preaching that cuts man loose from the natural world and births him into another Kingdom, into a Supernatural atmosphere. Hallelujah! That's why He could teach you about angels, and dimensions, and theophanies, and demonology, (amen!) and operating God's gifts! Hallelujah! Glory.

He's not thinking about an institution. He's not thinking about a religious group of people keeping traditions. He's thinking about a people operating in Supernatural realms, operating by a Spiritual power. That is what He's thinking about. He's bringing a people into a condition where He could work in and through them because His Church is He Himself revealed. His Church is He Himself coming back – Who

was with them and in them. Hallelujah. His whole purpose on the Cross was to purchase them so that He could sanctify them; so that He could come back and indwell them, and have many more vessels instead of one vessel. Amen! Hallelujah! He could work through a many-membered Body.

He came out there and He understood. He knew the people on the earth did not know the Roman power. They felt that it was just maybe a nation that stumbled in to certain things because nobody down through there could have opened up that Book of Daniel. Those Sadducees could not do it because it was sealed up when Daniel left. Daniel sealed it up. It was sealed up until Jesus came.

John came to remove the daily sacrifice. John and they were pulling inspiration out of that Book – the time when the daily sacrifice was going to be taken away; when the Real Lamb will be introduced among the people. Jesus knew that Messiah was going to be cut off, but not for Himself. He knew He was that Messiah; (amen), the going forth to build the wall and build the temple and so on until Messiah comes. Glory be to God. He moved in the rhythm of the Word. He moved in an Age.

And that is what people miss in this Message. The coming of the Message, the coming of the Messenger, when It began to break, he said, "The very same day, the very same hour that they hoisted that six-point Star of David, after World War II, after they signed the peace treaty, is the very same night..." He said, "I took the Pan American chart and I watched it. Amen. It was the very same hour, the very same time the Angel of the Lord appeared to me over here in Green Mills, Indiana." But when you see what put him into the meeting place to meet the heavenly Angel, God brought conditions around him just in that hour to birth him into that realm.

From the little Baptist preacher to the servant at supper time going to call the halt, the lame, the maim and the blind, (hallelujah!) go out there in the field... Amen. Glory be to God! When the fig tree begin to put forth its bud, and then all other trees – Gentile nations, will begin to be revived. And brother, that Prophet was catching by revelation, "Look how all these things are moving according to Scripture. The Angel waited until it was dark to come to me. Though He spoke to me on the river, He would not come down that much closer. Though I was wondering about these Pentecostals, 'How could a man speak in tongues and then live a life like that? How could the Holy Ghost do that?"

Though he was going through in his mind all confused during that time, that Angel would give a vision now and a vision again but many times not on the Scripture: vision about a bridge breaking down, visions about people getting healed; visions about different things. Hallelujah! But He's holding back for when He comes down Himself. When He steps out of the Ball of Fire, (hallelujah), then he takes the Bible, "Hand me your Bible," (amen, glory) and He begins to go through the Bible from Genesis to Revelation, and He referred to him Scriptures.

And here was the Author, the Word Himself taking the Word Itself to show him his name in the Book; to let him find out he's not the son of Charles and Ella Branham (amen); to break that thing from around him and put him in the channel where Supernatural faith could work in him. Hallelujah! What is it? preparing a Minister. God preparing a ministry. God anointing a man, (hallelujah!) giving him skill and wisdom to understand God's great Mystery plan, to send him forth to wage war against the Goliath of that Day! He said, "Like David, I'm taking the slingshot of prayer and faith. I'm stepping out (amen) to wage war against Goliath." Hallelujah. He was moving in the Word.

So, Jesus and John when they came, they were moving in the Word. And this Book of Daniel was sealed up. They did not know where they were. But Jesus knew exactly where He was at. He knew exactly what was going to happen. That is why He looked at the temple that day and said, "Not one stone." He said, "When you see Jerusalem compassed with armies; when they begin to dig a ditch around this nation..." Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.] He was placing it by revelation exactly according to this Bible.

He knew it was tied to His Coming and to His Message. He knew that power had to be there on the earth. When the people didn't even understand the kingdom that was in the earth! When they did not understand the power! When they didn't understand what was going on. They said, "Let us make this Man king. Let us make Him king. Wow! This is the kind of king we want." He said, "Pray, Thy Kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth, as it is in Heaven." He knew it wasn't time for the Kingdom because He knew according to the Book of Daniel it is going to come in the days of the ten toes. And that time hadn't come yet. Amen. Yet, He knew that He was the King.

Pilate said, "Art Thou King of the Jews?"

He said, "Thou sayest." He said, "Who told you that? Did somebody tell you or you know that for yourself?" Hallelujah! "My Kingdom is from Above. If My Kingdom were of this earth, (amen) then My servants would fight. But when My Kingdom comes, it is a Rock cut without hands." Hallelujah. He understood where He was at.

Now I was telling you on Sunday, this Book of Daniel here, there was something about it. Because this first vision is the foundation vision of the Book. I was telling them in the Library to try to get some more of these charts printed. I do not know if you still have yours but we will be looking at some things in the Word that we need to keep focused on. And the little visuals kind of

helps us get zeroed in where we need to be so we could follow and grasp a true concept as to what is happening.

Because friends, let me tell you, people are looking for things with their natural eyes. They are not going to see anything with their natural eyes. Until the Tribulation, they will see things with their natural eyes. Because then, you would not need revelation to see meteorites hitting places and leveling buildings and tidal waves covering islands and they're disappearing. And when you're there on the earth in that time, you know you're not an Elect.

But what you are to see here in this Hour is gross darkness upon the earth and upon the people, you're going to see with your eyes anointed with eyesalve. Outside of your eyes being anointed with eyesalve you are not going to see it, because you must even have the Holy Ghost, the Token to examine what's going on in your midst, otherwise you can't even see it.

And more and more, daily, I'm realizing that people are sitting there looking for something. And then, what happens to a lot of people, they have the wrong concept of what they are trying to find. They fail to understand the symphony of God's Word, the junctions, the changes of the beat, how it's unfolding and what is to happen.

And that is what the Holy Spirit down through the years has been trying to teach the people, to anchor them; to let you see what time you're living in, what is promised for that time, where those things fit in the Bible, how you are recognizing it; where all these modern events, how it is being made clear by the vindicated prophecy. The people without the Prophet's prophecy cannot understand anything. But to those who have Thus Saith The Lord from a Prophet when he opened the Seven Seals, every modern event becomes clear.

Though it is supernatural devils unseen to the eyes, you can see what they are doing. Why? Because you

know what Satan's plan is and you know the channels that he has to work to bring it to pass. And you know under the Fourth Seal how he united religion, politics and demon powers together; how he united those powers. And you see those realms in the world, and you see what it is heading up to in those realms. And when you see what it is heading up to, then you understand what is happening in the spiritual realm. He said, "I can show you those unitings there but there is another one here." When you see that out there you understand what is happening in here because they're going together. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." –Ed.]

You see, sometimes people get desires, sometimes people get driven into certain things, sometimes things look appealing to people and they do not know why? Because if they understood the Word, they would know why that spirit is anointing them. It's on the Age. It becomes so normal. It's like you are standing up in the rain. If rain is falling in Abel country and you stand up in the yard, you will get wet because that is where it is falling – upon that place. And there is an anointing that's sweeping the earth.

People are not choosing... Everybody had a chance to accept or reject the Word that was presented to them. To accept It is to make a decision that the Word can come down through the channel of your mind, because your mind is the gate to your soul. The battle is fought in the mind. What is the battle? To accept or to reject. Satan is bringing intellectual voices to confuse you of the Real Voice, to hold you in a realm of reasoning where you're undecided. But decisions are made in the mind! And the decision is, "What shall you do with this Jesus that is called Christ?" That's the decision.

Because it is a warfare. We were told that. That is why you don't have a neutral mind. To reject the Message is to accept the devil's lie. Because the power that makes you doubt and wonder and holds you in uncertainty, it is the other power that is competing for

control. That is why God told Cain, "Sin lieth at the door." But as long as that Word comes down through and you become a pregnated child of God with a germinatized seed, the germ that comes through the Body, (amen!) you're having spiritual intercourse in your mind. Amen! But that Word is the Spirit quickened Word. When faith can find its bedding ground, no circumstance will be considered. Because in that Word, friends, it's not you doing anything, you know. He said, "The Life is in the Word!" You receive the Word and the Word is producing Itself after its kind! You have prepared ground! That is what you have - an egg. You have a bedding ground for that faith to fall into. That is what you have. But the Life to produce the promises is in the Seed.

That is why, if you're born of a Baptist seed you will bring forth a Baptist life. If you're born of Methodist seed, you will bring forth Methodist life. Methodist life will not make you look for anything that is coming. Methodist life will make you look back to the past and learn God according to history. But if you're born of this Seed, it will stir you through a channel of Scripture to see the part of the Word you are!

In your life, you would not be trying to concentrate on not drinking, not smoking, not cursing, not wearing bad clothes, not getting influenced. You would not concentrate on that, you know. When you are born of that Seed, you begin to look to see what is prophesied concerning you. It becometh you to fulfill all righteousness. You are led by the Holy Spirit to quicken that Word and bring that Word to light. It's not a defensive life. It's a progressive life! You're going forward, led by the Holy Spirit. Because you're pregnated with that Word, you have a repellant, you have an immunity, because you're inoculated with That. It repels everything else off of It.

So, if tonight you're living that kind of life, "I hope I don't do that. I'm watching this. I'm afraid of that. If

this comes I don't know how I will deal with it; I wonder what I might do." No, no, no. You're in the humanistic realm trying to serve God. You might be sincere but a pregnated child of God is different.

They did not know what was happening but Jesus knew. And that is why when Jesus came to a certain place in the ministry, He began to look at certain things. He began to speak, "Woe unto you, Chorazin! Woe unto you, Bethsaida! Woe unto you! Oh Jerusalem, how often have I gathered thee!" And because He was there, He was no longer in the healing revival. He was no longer trying to discern people's heart.

They even said, "Prophesy and tell us who hit You. Prophesy. We heard that You have discernment. We heard that You know things. Even though Your back is turned, You can still discern. Prophesy who hit You."

Herod said, "Send Him to me." He said, "Do a miracle, let me see. I've heard You are a great miracle worker. Oh my! My court is so dull these days; all these jesters juggling this, juggling that; all these belly dancers. I want to see something phenomenal. I heard You could do some illusions, great powerful illusions." He was not going to clown around for anybody because it was the wrong attitude towards the Word to begin with. He was into another part of His ministry. He was in the part where He was telling them, "You've missed your time." He was telling them, "It's gone."

Which part of the Message are we in? Are we looking for a healing revival? Are we trying to stir people for a healing revival? There is always healing, but we're not looking for a healing revival. No sir. Healing has been in the Old Testament and it has been in the New Testament. He always has an outlet for healing. If it was under the blood of bulls and goats, how much more it's here. See? It's here, friends.

So, if you sit down and say, "I'm looking for this. I'm looking for the power," and you're identifying the power when you see a lot of healings. Find it in the Bible. Do

you want to go and heal a Serpent's seed? If it's a believer here sitting down under the Seven Thunders, they're catching faith. It's taking away their fears and their doubts and showing them who they are in the Word. It's giving them faith beyond faith for healing. So, healing would be secondary because it's giving them faith to be changed.

This Message did not come to give faith for healing. It came to give faith to be changed. The elementary part of this Message gives you faith for healing; teaching you how to approach God, teaching you that it's a finished work, teaching you that Jesus cannot heal you if He comes in this very same suit of clothes. It's teaching you that a gift of healing does not mean that somebody has a gift of healing but it means a knowledge of healing, knowledge of how to approach God; knowledge of which Scripture you go to, to get the anointing for healing. Amen.

So, a person not looking for that... Now, you have to know what you're looking for, you know. That is why people do not get things because they're looking for this, they're looking for this, they're looking for this, they're looking for this; and they should know exactly what they are looking for. What are you looking for? You could only look for something correctly when you know what time it is. You will be looking for what is promised for that time.

When God told Abraham, "According to the time of life I will return," he was looking for that. Is that right? Sure! When God told Noah, "Go in Noah," and He shut the door, he was looking now for the rain to fall. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.] When God told Moses, "Go under the blood," he was looking for the death angel to move. Is that right?

You have to find in the Word what time it is to know what you're looking for, to know if your expectation is correct, because it is impossible to have correct expectations unless you know the time you're living in and you know what is promised for that time. You have to know the junctions of the Word, where we are posted and then you're asking according to His will; then you're asking according to His Word; then you're pulling for what He promised to do at that time.

Isn't that why Jesus took the Book and found a certain place? Didn't they, when they knew what time it was and what part of the Word was being anointed, they knew what to expect and could receive that at that time? Didn't they, when they tried to pull for discernment at that time, it was the wrong time to pull for that? Wasn't there a time for the man to go into water when it was troubled, and when it was not troubled he could not go in? Didn't Abraham, knowing what time it was, that's why he went at the tent's door and sat down, leaving the cattle to starve, leaving the water to dry up and everything else? How are you following tonight?

That is why Jesus could not be shaken, friends. He was locked in the Word. Where He was speaking It out from, It was where He was placed, where He was walking in. You see, it is not like we are outside the Word and we are saying, "You know, I'm looking at this, I'm looking at this and all these things are going to happen in this Age." No, no, no, no. Because we are part of the fulfillment of the Word, all that is going to happen has relevance to us. And why we can speak accurately, precisely, authoritatively, is because first we are understanding where we are at and what is happening with us!

So, when we look out there, we understand how we should behave because it's a double confirmation. It comes back and confirms what is happening with you. Like He said, "When this happens, they will be making a road though your yard." See? There are things that happen with it. You know what to look for.

John knew, "When I see that Dove come, then I know I must decrease now. You would not see my ministry

going further, it will be dropping back." And all John's disciples hung around waiting for something to get greater with John: "I feel, I know God will use John, you know. I tell you, things will get great, you know. John seemed so inspired the other day." No, no, no, no. If they understood John's message, John had to drop back. That is why he said, "Friends of mine, I cannot go any further. I'm dropping back." He said, "It's not anything sinful but I have to drop back here now." See? He's watching that in the Word, friends. And he knows, when that catches up with this, inside of here you will see certain things. Why? It all ties together.

That is how you relate to the Word. That is how you follow the Word. That is where your expectation, your faith is substance. That is where it puts faith beyond understanding. With understanding, you sit down there and you say, "Yes, we're in this Age. That is going to happen in this Age. That is supposed to take place. That is supposed to happen here. I know God could heal. I know God could do such and such so, I know God would do it." But faith goes beyond that. Faith says, "Today is the day," and faith steps out. Like David knew God would do it, not could do it. There was an element with David's own that stepped out there. That is the difference.

That's why we are not sitting here saying, "You know, God could do this and God could do this and God could do this if He wants, and God could do that." No, no, no. We are saying, by the fact that this is happening here and this is taking place here, you can have that so move for it now. If you don't move for it now, that would be unbelief as good and as clean as your life is; as faithful as you have been a church member all these years, trying to do all the do's and trying not to do all the don'ts. But moving with God in season; being anointed with the Word as It opens and It anoints you. See?

None of those churches in those days understood what was happening in the Book of Daniel. So, they were not looking for the Roman power. So, they ran in the temple.

And they felt, "What do you think we should do?" Said, "Yes, I think we should go in the temple. Remember, Jehoshaphat that time?"

If they knew the Scripture they would not have gone to any temple because that temple had no sanctuary, had no refuge because the greater Tabernacle had come, the greater Lamb had come, the greater Priest had come, the greater mercy was revealed. So to go in that temple, there was nothing. But they missed their day so they did not know what to pull for.

I'm trying to bring something to you for you to see how precise the Word is; for you to see that when things come to a certain spot, friends... As Bro. Branham said, "Now He has confirmed it to me." He said, "I was waiting for that Third Pull and He told me, 'What are you waiting for? I have confirmed it to you. Step out." He said, "So, I'm stepping out now and feeling for that Anointing because He told me He has already confirmed it to me."

In other words, when God reveals certain things to you, God wants you to get moving. So he came and preached, *Hearing, Recognizing, Acting*. [1960-0221 - Hearing, Recognizing, Acting On The Word Of God -Ed.] See? That is when Jesus told them, "I would meet you in Galilee," and they went back to Emmaus, He had to go and find them and turn them back around because it was not faith in the Word for the season. So, those people could not catch what was happening and Jesus knew with that Roman power...

Remember, when we went in the Book of Daniel I told you, God had revealed the first three kingdoms to Daniel but He never revealed the identity of the fourth kingdom. But Jesus, in His time... You see, the fourth kingdom was going to be the one that was going to kill the Messiah. Because when Alexander, the Great kingdom breaks up, then it was going to come to the

other kingdom, and the people of that Prince was going to come and Messiah will be cut off, but not for Himself, and the sanctuary shall be filled with a flood.

That fourth kingdom was the one that would be diverse from the others. That kingdom was the one that Messiah's death would come by. So, it means to say that people in that Hour had to have revelation to know, "We're in that kingdom." Now, the people who didn't even know who the Messiah was could not have known the kingdom. Do you know that? Because if you didn't know who the Messiah was, then you could not have identified who the kingdom was.

So, that prophet John, when he came and he started to identify the Messiah, it was a work of God that was necessary to be done for the believers of that Age, because that revelation was not going to come to everybody. It was going to come to one man to reveal that Messiah, and introduce that Word to the people. And the same way, in this Hour and that Word that has come to us...

Why do you think God had tried to show you this Message? Because friends, when the Message comes, that Messenger begins to reveal to us where we are at, and what to look for. Like Jesus posted them by telling them, "When you see these things begin to come to pass, then you know what time it's going to be." He said, "They're going to surround this place, and when they surround this place they're going to cut off everything." They're going to starve then out. He said then they're going to scatter them into all nations of the earth. See?

And the people could not accept that those things that were coming in was that dreadful thing in the making. "A little inflation, well that isn't bothering anybody. That will cool off after a while. A few people are protesting and rising up and discontented with their wages and different things." See? John said, "Be contented with your wages." John spoke about police

brutality. He said, "Don't ill-treat each other; all this violence and different things." See? The oppression was doing that.

We see it today. Teachers are striking. This one is striking. They closed down Petrotrin [local oil company – Ed.]; they closed down over here; did this over here. Why? Do you think that's just a little thing? That is demon power. That is the characteristic of the Age – people's rights. That just shows you the activity of the spirit. How could we sit here and recognize that, and see the activity in the natural realm there and then people look at the activity in the spiritual realm and cannot recognize it? See? It makes you wonder.

Now, every successive vision out of this Book of Daniel only develops the original vision. God doesn't give one revelation and then gives a different revelation. But God gives more information to better understand the first revelation. So, then we took Daniel 7, which I'll try to bypass it because of time, to take something else tonight. In Daniel 7, God shows four beasts, (we took it Sunday) to correspond to the four minerals. The minerals showed the outward glory of the kingdom. Babylon's glory was greater than the Medes and Persians' glory. The Medes and Persians' glory was greater than Greece's glory because it kept descending but the nature of it was changing. It was becoming more evil, more cruel, harder, until that last beast was diverse.

And I said, watch in the natural. If you go in a city, you'll see the parks, you'll see the avenues, you'll see the buildings, you'll see the stadiums, you'll see the shopping centres; you'll see these things. What are you seeing? The outward texture of the thing. You'll see their house of Parliament, you'll see their twin towers, you'll see their Jean Pierre Complex and National Stadium, you'll see their West Mall and their Grand Bazaar. You're seeing the glory of the nation, the glory of the kingdom. But behind that is a Beast. At carnival

time it shows up; how vulgar it is. The gambling spirit is all over the nation. Every day is lotto and all kind of different things – the superstition. See? It's a different spirit behind it.

So, God began to show Daniel the nature of the spirit. And he began to reveal them as beasts. Now, this is very important. These things are not just superficial things like that, you know. Let me tell you, when Daniel understood the beast, he had to study that beast. And the more he studied that beast, the better he understood that kingdom.

Look how Bro. Branham in this Day when he looked at America, he was the only preacher who stood up and spoke about America in that way. Do you know why? He looked there in the Word and he saw that beast coming out of the earth. He saw it revealed in the Word. He saw the outward glory. He even saw the church in America, a beautiful woman rising up but cruel in her heart who is going to guide that nation to its ruination, that the only answer for it would be the atomic bomb to clean it off.

And he was studying that beast in the land, how that beast is going to come out there and brother, it's going to speak with the voice of the other beast that came out of the sea. And so, in the spirit world he knew to watch for Catholicism coming in. He watched how she wormed her way in. He watched how she switched and bewitched the nation. And when the beast started to unfold and the influence started to come upon the nation, he went back there and saw how Jezebel was behind Ahab because that was those two beasts too – the beast that came out of the sea, Jezebel, and the one that came out of the earth, Ahab. And he saw the characteristics of it.

Because when he went out there that was the thing that had the whole nation under darkness because it was midnight for the people. They killed the prophets. It was a strategic move to put the light out so that paganism could flourish in the land; that altars could raise everywhere. And so, he better understood what kind of preaching he had to preach; so, he better understood what kind of Anointing... And when it bothered him for a while, he said, "Honey, is something wrong with me? Why do I wade into those things like that? Why do I jolt and shake those people like that? He said, "After a while I found that it wasn't me; it was the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Elijah fighting that thing." He said, "My commission is to strike that Serpent that is biting into those people."

Now watch! Why? Because, he was anointed to go forth with Truth to combat that thing. So, preaching for him was not going out there like Oral Roberts to gather people in a stadium or like Billy Graham, going out there to become the most popular evangelist in America or something like that. Preaching for him was another realm. He worked and lived in another realm. And that is what I'm saying – your Christianity has to be different to the church member.

The people out there in denomination say, "We are Christians. We are this, we are that. We love Jesus." You don't get trapped in that kind of business. God doesn't love those things. God hates those things. God said, "I will kill Jezebel's children with death! I'll cast her into a bed!" He said, "I'll fight that thing with the Sword of My mouth." Why? When God unveiled it, he said, "They're worshipping the devil in the name of Christianity. Demon powers move in Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

So, that is why you as a believer, you don't just kind of go along there in a same church realm like those things. No. These things have opened to you by revelation. It identifies itself in the Scripture. It's presented in a certain light to you that when you see it, you see the ecumenical move, all denominations coming together. It's actually those fallen angels who were with Lucifer in those men trying to build a more beautiful

kingdom than Michael had! Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.] He said, "It's life and death at their final struggle."

That is why, you as a thoroughbred Christian, God is trying to show you, "I'm making you the Word. I'm building you up to the place, (see?) purging you from all leaven; bringing you to a place" where (brother) it will be a complete reflection of God Himself. That is why we don't settle down for a nice church and all these things. No, no, no. That is not having faith. See?

So, when God gave those visions of those four beasts, God was now revealing something further to Daniel than what Nebuchadnezzar saw. And we took it Sunday, how there is going to be something coming in the End Time that was going to be so different, because that fourth kingdom never went out of existence. It was going to stay right down until the End Time. And I want you to see something. What is happening on the earth today, people look at it but it's designed to deceive. It's put out there in a realm that outside of revelation, not even the Bride could have known it.

Let's turn to Revelation 17. We'll pick it up over here, this same fourth kingdom that Daniel saw. Remember what we are speaking of - The Revival Of The Roman **Empire**. Notice something about the Bride's revival. What brings the Bride's revival? The loosing of the Holy Ghost. Is that right? It revives us to what the apostles had, and brings all that they were promised in the fullness. Well, when they stood there friends, they lived in the time of the Roman Empire. It's the Roman Empire that cut that Church down. It's the Roman bug that ate that Bride tree down! And if the loosing of the Holy Spirit brings that, then what are the loosing of those demon powers going to bring? It's going to bring the same thing back. See? It will bring the same thing back.

But the thing is, when we say 'Roman Empire', what do we mean? Roman Empire is not just religion. The Bible says, "Every abomination in the earth comes out of her." With her cup she drunkens all the kings, all the nations with the wine of her fornication. The whole thing is a cage. Do you know what a cage is? He said, "A cage of every hateful and unclean bird; a habitation of devils." It's bringing it to a cage. He's caging up the whole world. Every bird is being brought into that cage. Only you have been freed from that cage, because people don't know it. Now, look at what takes us out, okay? Let me show you. Revelation 17:

¹ And there came one of the seven angels [who] had the seven vials, and talked with me, saying unto me, Come [here]; I will shew unto thee the judgment of the great whore that sitteth upon many waters:

² With whom the kings of the earth have committed fornication...

Now, don't get to a place where you're not relating to the Word as we go along. In Daniel 2, those ten toes were ten kings. And the iron went right down. From the legs down into the toes were iron and clay. The iron never went out of existence. The iron went right down even though it changed from pure iron to iron and clay. Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen." -Ed.] Alright! Now watch the kings of the earth here.

...have committed fornication, and the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

[Bro. Vin repeats] ...the inhabitants of the earth have been made drunk with the wine of her fornication.

³ So he carried me away in the spirit into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.

And you know the reason God put it in symbols is because He didn't intend it to be revealed to everybody.

He sealed it up by putting it in symbols so that it will remain a secret. So John said,

- ³ ...he carried me away in the spirit [capital S Holy Spirit] into the wilderness: and I saw a woman sit upon a scarlet coloured beast, full of [the] names of blasphemy, having seven heads and ten horns.
- ⁴ And the woman was arrayed in purple and scarlet colour, and decked with gold and precious stones and pearls...

And scarlet and purple are the official colors of the Vatican, if you didn't know that.

- ...having a golden cup in her hand full of abominations and filthiness of her fornication:
- ⁵ And upon her forehead was a name written, MYSTERY, BABYLON THE GREAT, THE MOTHER OF HARLOTS AND ABOMINATIONS OF THE EARTH.
- ⁶ And I saw the woman drunken with the blood of the saints, and with the blood of the martyrs of Jesus: and when I saw her, I wondered with [a] great [wonder].

And, we always say that John typed the Bride here in the Book of Revelation. That's exactly right because John was the Eagle. And he's typing the Eagle Bride because that's when the revelation comes because John was transported into a future Day, which was the Lord's Day. It wasn't Saturday or Sunday. It was a future Day when He is wigged with a White Wig between His Priesthood and His Kingship. That's the time when the Book of Revelation is to be revealed because the Book is to be revealed after denominational Ages run out.

That's why, for Seven Church Ages nobody could understand the Book of Revelation. It was a Book of prophecy but the prophecy was not prophecy like Matthew 24. You know Matthew 24 says, "And there

shall be nations against nations; and there shall be famine and there shall be pestilence and rumors of wars and wars." But in the Book of Revelation it's, "And there is a woman sitting on a scarlet colored beast, and she has a cup and the kings of the earth are drunk, and it's a city seated on seven hills."

The prophecy is given in the form of a symbol. That is what they call an apocalypse. See? That is why the Book of Daniel is like the Book of Revelation of the Old Testament because the Book of Daniel is sealed up in symbols too. And the reason that God gave it in symbols is because it is going to take the Spirit of wisdom and revelation to come back to unseal those things. It will have to tie all Scriptures together and it will have to be revealed by the Scripture. See?

So, when people say, "Which part talks about a prophet in the last days?" It just shows the ignorance that they speak with because it was sealed up by a prophet. God gave it in the form of an apocalypse, in the form of symbols; and it's going to take a prophetic gift to come back on the earth as was promised to make these things plain, because there is no higher order to reveal the Word but by prophets. See?

Now watch! So John, who is a type of the Bride; just like how John ate the Book, just like how he was caught up after the third church Age, here again we see John seeing this woman, but when he sees this woman, he wonders. He sees this beast and he wonders. He doesn't know what it means. He's looking at it, yet he's seeing her drunk with the blood of the saints and the martyrs, but he doesn't know what it is; yet that is the very same power that put John on the Isle of Patmos. Now watch, friends. But there was an Angel who said, "Come, I will show you this woman." This Angel was one of the seven angels who had the Seven Vials.

⁷ And the angel said to me, [Why] didst thou [wonder]? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman, and of the beast that carrieth

her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

Now, the only way that John could know it, this Angel had to reveal it to him. Now do you get where I'm coming from? This fourth power that is on the earth today, that comes right down and is going to be here until Jesus returns. According to the Book of Daniel, it never went out of existence. The iron went down to become iron and clay. And then, here John is seeing that power, but because of the way it is symbolized; because that power had to go through things that Daniel did not show in his vision. But when John begin to see some of the same things that God was showing him pertaining to this kingdom, it was going to unfold more about this Beast - how it almost died from a deadly wound and rose back up, changing the outward texture, though it's still the same kingdom.

And that's what makes the last day Bride wonder at it, until that Angel comes and begins to reveal it to Her to cease Her wondering. That's why we don't wonder whether it's a computer or some tattoo on our hands or on our forehead and all this nonsense. That's why we don't wonder about that. Do you know why? This same Angel who had one of those Seven Vials has come and has spoken, and uttered his voice and uncovered the Mystery of that Beast, that power, to us here on the earth.

And that is why when we look at that power on the earth we see how she is serving out and mingling her wine. We see how she is putting on her garments. That is why the Holy Spirit can come and show us: "Look at how he took Poland. Look at how he took Russia. Look at how he broke them economically. Look at how he's taking those nations; how he took the whole Caribbean here. Look how he's taking the whole world. See? It's showing how she is getting them drunk with the wine of her fornication, all the kings of the earth.

Now watch something. Was the fourth kingdom a world power? Then it means that every nation was under its dominion on the earth in the time of Jesus. Is that right? She swallowed up the whole earth. Then when she almost died, and she rose up as an ecclesiastical power, every Protestant church as well came out of her afterwards. Not before, afterwards! While she was a pagan nation, she had all the world inside of her. She had Egypt, she had China, she had England; she had all of them. That is why, if you go in Egypt and China, all of them, they have that woman with that child. Is that right? Now, be spiritual right here.

Then when she was wounded and it revived, (I'll read it for you just now in Revelation 13) and she revived and became an ecclesiastical empire. Because today we don't see people walking around with big swords as the Roman Empire, as how we saw it in pictures from long ago. Now, you see Popes walking around, now you see Catholic churches everywhere, now you see Protestant churches; now you see media stations; now you see big industries, now you see the air industries; now you see the sports arenas, but the thing is, we are still in the Roman Empire.

I know some of you can't even break in to see what I'm saying yet. And it just shows how people in the Message, when they talk about Catholic Church what they mean is Father, Son and Holy Ghost, and this and that. And that is why they get tied up with it economically, politically and everything else. With all the demon power, they get tied up with it, but the thing is, they are not going to genuflect in any church. That kind of form of it doesn't influence them but the other forms of it, tie them up as tight as it could be and it's still the same Roman power. So where is the revelation of the overcoming? Do you understanding what I'm saying? All the abominations on the earth.

When she was with Hitler and Stalin and those men; all these powers on earth there, did that look like the Catholic Church in that form? It looked like Nazis, it looked like Communism and Fascism. Is that right? When she is trading with all the merchants of the sea, and all this ivory and all these different things; and all the gold and precious stones, all this silver, wheat, oil, all the motorcar industries, all these football clubs, does it look like the Catholic Church? It don't look like the Catholic Church. Do you know why? Because people doesn't understand the power. They don't understand the power that they are dealing with.

But watch what I'm saying. As the fourth Empire, every nation politically was subject to her on the earth. They were all within her confines, within her jurisdiction under her dominion. Then it was wounded and begin to rise up again. Then all the ecclesiastical powers came out of her when she became Papal Rome. So, what on the earth is not under her? All the Protestant churches originated from inside her. All the nations of the world were in her, before she became Papal Rome.

What I'm saying is, that's why it is normal and it is logical and it is happening, that every power is going back. And that is why her control will be total! That is why it is not hard to accept her control as total because the seeds of the Catholic... The Prophet went so far to say, "Any woman who cuts her hair and cannot be subjected to her husband, the seeds of the Roman Catholic Church is in that woman." See? He says, "Whenever you see a dominating female, the seeds of the Roman Catholic Church is in that woman." He said that she might not admit it but it is. Sure! [An Exposition Of The Seven Church Ages - Chapter Six - The Thyatirean Church Age, para. 215-1 -Ed.]

Why did we get so quiet? I'm not condemning people here, I'm trying to talk about Rome. I'm trying to bring out something here from the Scriptures. I'm trying to enlighten you to what is happening. People are so sensitive today that a Minister could hardly even preach to try to bring a point and say something. People come to church so defensive-prone, like they want to protect; as though somebody wants to take away something from them. You are coming here it be built up, to be strengthen, to be motivated, to be filled, to be inspired, to be perfected. That is why you came here. You do business every day with the Catholic Church or with her children and don't even know it; all of us. Now, let's read a little further. Just get back verse 7 and we'll read a little further.

⁷ And the angel said unto me [why] didst thou [wonder]? I will tell thee the mystery of the woman...

Now, that is this Message friends, you know that. ...and of the beast that carrieth her, which hath the seven heads and ten horns.

Well, that Angel who revealed the great whore, is the same Angel who revealed the Future Home. It is the same Angel who measured the City. Is that right? That is the same Angel that John bowed down to worship and that Angel was a Prophet. So then we are seeing that this very Message that came to us, and this Angel has come to us because it was necessary for us in this Age to have that revelation. It's that Angel that uncovered water baptism, it uncovered different things.

Then it uncovered to us this thing here, about this woman and the Beast that carrieth her. Because, when he uncovered the Beast that had seven heads and ten horns, that is Revelation 12, that red dragon that was in Heaven who had seven heads and ten horns. So it tells you Lucifer himself is the very power behind this system. The angel of the bottomless pit is the very one that is the power of the system. That is the very channel through which he works. That is why a Prophet could say, "That spirit of those fallen angels is in those men."

Now, I want to show you the things that you read and the things that you see, and that which you can't really accept sometimes; and you don't associate together because sometimes the revelation is not quickened to you as it ought to be quickened to you and you are not watching... Sometimes, your scope is so wide you don't know the areas you are supposed to be watching and the things as it comes on that tells you, "See where you are standing. See if your lamp is trimmed. See if it is filled with oil. See how clear you're seeing. See if you recognize what they are doing. See how far you are walking, whether it is time to not go back in the city, whether it is time to come down from the housetop. See what time it is. See where the boundary is." Because after Jesus said that He said, "And so like a snare it shall come upon the whole world in the last days."

8 The beast that thou sawest...

Now, watch this Angel reveal this now, this beast with seven heads and ten horns. He said:

⁸ The beast that thou sawest was, and is not; and shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition...

It was and is not; and it shall ascend out of the bottomless pit, and go into perdition. So if it was and is not but shall ascend, it doesn't mean it is not in existence – it yet is. But it is not what it used to be, as pertaining to its form. It changed its form but its nature is still the same. Just like God en morphe – He changed His form, but His nature is still the same. Now watch.

...and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder...

Now, watch this. This is the part I read all of that to get to, you know.

...and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder...

Remember, John was wondering too, (right?) but the Angel came and unfolded it to John. Now remember, I'm not talking about the Catholic Church here in the sense that you think of the Catholic Church because if we get personal with it, I could show many of you, you're influenced by the Catholic Church. But we're not trying to hurt tonight. This is not to hurt anyone. This is just to throw light on certain things because we are looking at it a little wider out here. So, sometimes you say, "Yes, I know that. That's Rome he's talking about. That is Revelation 17, the mother of harlots, and the Protestants. I'm not speaking about that. I'm going a little further than that.

...and they that dwell on the earth shall wonder, whose names were not written in the book of life from the foundation of the world, when they behold the beast that was, and is not, [but] yet is.

Now, here we come back to my point. What am I speaking on? The Revival Of The Roman Empire. What am I emphasizing? It never went out of existence; it just changed its outward texture but it is still here with us. It was, is not, but yet is. And once your name is not in that Book - because if your name is in that Book, that Angel with those Vials came to you to make you stop your wondering. By revelation he shows you who it is; he shows you where they work. We quote it many times, "The Seven Seals uncovered the schemes of the enemy." That's a quote but, he starts to show us: Lucifer had five 'I wills' in heaven; how he dropped down on the earth; how he opened a door to himself in the human race; how he came down through six thousand years; how he's going to sit in the temple in this hour as God and be worshipped as God. Why is he going to be worshipped as God? All they that dwell on the earth doesn't know him. The Bible said when that devil comes, he will deceive the whole world.

Now, we're getting into something here. The names written in the Book are people who are going to have a revelation, because if it was possible, even the Elect was going to be deceived. What is bringing the deception?

The system. Why aren't you deceived? Because that Angel came and uncovered that thing to you. He identified that thing in the Bible, showed you where it never went out, showed you where it is here, showed you where it just changed its form, showed you the realms it's working in, showed you how it's uniting its powers together, showed you how he's getting ready to be enthroned as God, showed you how he has great success in carrying his threats, showed you where he has deceived the whole world, because they have rejected this Message which came to give them eyesalve, to anoint their eyes to see.

Watch! So far we are reading here about one of the angels with the Seven Vials. That by itself is a revelation. Then we're reading about a woman that sitteth upon that Beast. Then we're reading about the Beast that carrieth the woman. Then we're reading about they that dwell on the earth, but their names are not in the Book. There's no representation. Do you know how you would know them? You just preach the Scripture and show It to them, and they would say, "No! That can't be that! How are you all so sure that is right?" See! Why? There is no place for the Word inside there.

Now look at how it goes a little further here. Look at the next verse. Let's all read the next verse.

⁹ And here is the mind which hath wisdom.

That's the first gift of the Holy Spirit. "Wisdom," Solomon says, "is the principal thing." [Proverbs 4:7 -Ed.] When Paul was writing, he could not contradict Solomon. He had to put it first.

...here is the mind...

Where is that mind going to get wisdom from? That Angel is going to come to rightly divide the Word. What is wisdom? Fitting the Word together. Sure. The Spirit of wisdom and revelation in the knowledge of Jesus Christ.

...The seven heads are seven mountains, on which the woman sitteth.

I don't want to get too far with it. I just want to read a little more. Quickly! Time is up already.

¹⁰ And there are seven kings: five are fallen, and one is, and the other is not yet come...

And so many people get confused with these things because when John saw that vision in AD 95, there were five kings. He says, "There are seven. Five are fallen. Five of them are gone and one is." One was there presently, Domitian.

...and the other is not yet come; and when he cometh, he must continue a short space. And watch this now!

¹¹ And the beast that was, and is not, even he is the eighth, and is of the seven, and goeth into perdition.

The Beast that was Pagan Rome, is not Pagan Rome, but yet it is still Pagan Rome even though it is Papal Rome. 'The Beast that was' – it was Pagan Rome. 'Is not' – it's not Pagan Rome now, it's Papal Rome but yet it's still Pagan Rome. That Beast that was and is not, you see, they had Caesars, Caesars, Caesars, as a Pagan Roman Empire, a political empire. When it became an ecclesiastical empire, it changed from Caesars or kings to Popes.

Just let me read a couple of quotes for you now to show you that Pontiff Maximus, the Prophet says, is still with us. The Roman Empire, he said, "When that Berlin Wall is torn down, it's going to bring it right back to that Roman circle of the old Roman Empire." He said, "When those demons from the river Euphrates was loose, it revived the Roman Empire that was bound, and could not let loose.

Though it was the same Beast, because it was Papal Rome, an ecclesiastical empire, it couldn't just rush out there and kill millions. So what did they do? The spirit let loose through the political realm, but it was the Catholic Church because the demons that was doing it, was the same demons that slaughtered millions. When Titus came, they slaughtered sixty-eight million in the Dark Ages, and then it had come back and killed six million systematically, and it is going to come back in the last days when he makes war against the saints. When he's waging economic war to bring on the Squeeze, when he's waging industrial war to shake up nations, do you think it is the Pope out on the forefront. Now, think of it, you know.

When it came out of Revelation 13, that is America. And out of America came investors, out of America came the DEA [Drug Enforcement Administration –Ed.], and out of America came the Secretary of State and the signing of treaties! Do you see it is ministering angels coming out from that Beast system that came out of the earth? What do you see when you look? I'm talking the Scriptures. How do you relate to it, or do you see it and it doesn't mean anything to you or are you not interested in it? Are you looking for Jesus to come and looking for the Power and these things? Is that right?

Now watch what we're talking about. The Seven Church Ages. We're closing up here. I just want to bring that revival of the Roman Empire to show you. He had read Revelation 13. I didn't get time to read it. But you know Revelation 13:1-8 speaks of the beast that came out of the earth, and It gives you the description. It was a composite beast: lion, leopard, bear, all mixed together, going back to the Book of Daniel because John saw the same vision that Daniel saw. All of the preceding kingdoms were absorbed into the last kingdom and that is why the beast was diverse from every other beast.

And I'm saying if you are on the earth in this Hour and there is a Beast that comes out and is moving on the earth and an Angel came to you to reveal to you that you will not wonder after that Beast. And that Angel has come and has sounded and has gone and is not here. Should we be wondering? That Angel is gone, you know. Have we understood the Message? Do we know what we are looking for? Think of it. Are things happening around us that we're stumbling over: "It could be, I don't know, I can't make it out; it looks like a man like trees; I'm not sure; I need a next anointing?" Or, "When I look there I can see it. I see the Scripture coming to pass. I see the power rising."

When Paul and they looked back there and they saw that, Paul said, "What is the matter with you all! Do you want to go back to Judaism standing there? He said, "Those priest standing there ministering the daily sacrifices can't take away sins, and that Roman Power is coming, those slaughtering angels, to slaughter that whole thing and scatter the people throughout the earth. And Israel's blindness was in part. The Gentiles are being called out now. Do you remember the message when I dusted my feet and when I shook my raiment?" Do you remember when the Prophet said, "Remember when I threw the rock up in the air?" Just like those Jews could have said, "Do you remember when Moses poured the water on dry land?" What has followed that?

Paul knew that that was that Beast. Do you know what Paul said? "The mystery of iniquity had already work." He said, "Do you remember when I was with you I told you those things?" Do you mean that Paul was watching that power there and knew that power will work right until Jesus came; when that Rock came without hands in His Own time, when the blessed and only potentate, King of Kings and Lord of Lords is going to come, He shall destroy with the brightness of His Coming and the Spirit of His mouth?

Because Paul saw in Daniel that he shall be broken without hand, yet Paul could say, "That power in the earth there is what Daniel spoke about." And yet Paul knew, "This Holy Ghost that is coming to me is revealing

these things to me. This Holy Ghost that is sending me to break the power of darkness and turn them to Light, is bringing them to an inheritance of saints in Light. This very power is sealing them up. Why? Because the slaughtering angels are going to follow my Message and blood will flow through Jerusalem according to what is prophesied in Ezekiel, according to what is prophesied in Daniel, according to what is prophesied in Jeremiah, it is going to come." Paul understood that!

And here Bro. Branham knew, he said, "Though they can't envision it now, she's going to control politics." He said, "She's going to take over the whole world. She's going to trap the money of the Jews. She's going to bring all those things in." He said, "She will change laws, she'll change times." See?

And we see it coming in. We see it happening all around. Every day when we read the newspapers we see the empire being revived and yet you look for the church and it's like she's falling asleep. And she's drunk out of the same cup and it's like she is dizzy. When we're supposed to be believers, sports have some of them dizzy. Fashion has some of them dizzy. Money has some of them dizzy. What do you think is happening? They are drinking out of the cup and getting drunk.

Sex – people are backsliding back and forth and falling in the flesh. Where do you think that is coming from? Fornication came out of Babylon, the cage of every hateful and unclean bird. The spirit of organization is the spirit of fornication. Don't you know that? Don't you know that fornication is idolatry? Don't you know that idolatry is covetousness?

Babylon is confusion, friends. There is religious Babylon, Revelation 17 and there is commercial Babylon, Revelation 18 – two realms of the same power. She's controlling trade and commerce. Here she's a spiritual power on the earth; gave her official colors, and is controlling the kings of the earth. Sure. Over here

she's wielding the merchants to trade by the sea with all the different commodities. She's right here.

Listen quickly. [An Exposition Of The Seven Church Ages - Chapter Six - The Thyatirean Church Age, para. 236-1 to 236-4 - Ed.] [Revelation 13] shows the power of the Roman Catholic Church and what she will do through organization. Remember this is the false vine. Let it name the Name of the Lord, it does so only in a lie. Its headship is not of the Lord but of Satan. It finally ends up completely identified with the beast. The whore riding on the scarlet beast distinctly shows her power is the god of force (Satan) and not our God, the Lord Jesus Christ.

In vs. 17, it emphatically shows that she will gain absolute control of the commerce of the earth, for no man can buy or sell apart from her.

Do you know why God promised the Third Pull? Not to show that we have power you know, but to meet that challenge because God is so certain that *that* is prophetic and that it is going to come to pass. You will not be able to eat or drink. You will not be able to buy or sell, but He said that there will be something to multiply the bread and fish again when the press comes down to force you into that. Don't you see why God had to open up the Mysteries to take the fears and the doubts out of people to perfect their faith? Why? Because He knew absolutely, surely, positively that system is going to move in and take control of everything. And she will control the very elements that cause man to survive here.

As far away as you put the Third Pull and these, you put those things. So if you are looking for the Third Pull now and you want to see the power now, and you're looking to do something, the first thing you have to believe is that the Church is being perfected now. Then secondly, you have to believe that she already has that kind of control now. Then could you believe that you are being perfected, she has that kind of control now,

but you are entangled with the affairs of this life? Sober! Think of it.

Christianity is not about blocking the subconscious. Christianity is about walking, looking, seeing and weighing these things in the Word. That is why the Word came – to filter our thinking. How are we thinking about things? When we look at them, what do they mean to us? What value does it have to us? It will be determined by our revelation. It is our revelation that makes the difference.

In Revelation 13:14, we learn that the Beast spreads his influence through the image which was built *for* him. Do you mean all the World Council of Churches is being built *for* him? And that image is coming out from where, friends? The United States of America – thirteen colonies, thirteen stars, thirteen stripes; Revelation 13, that is where she's placed mathematically in the Bible, the United States of America.

Remember, years ago we went through that with *The Third Angel's Message*. It couldn't come until this time because she's just about two hundred and something years old—two hundred and twenty years old; that is how old she is. It was like a little lamb that came out of the earth. He says, "It's not a real male sheep, a ram yet. It was still young." When you're talking about Rome and Egypt and India and all these different nations, you are talking about thousands of years. When you talk about America, that's a couple hundred years ago when they fled for freedom of religion out of Europe, and came there and colonized that place, yet look at her influence that has gone into the earth. She's the global cup today.

She says, "Don't have anything to do with Castro," and everybody is scared. Anybody goes bankrupt, they call the U.S.A. Everybody needs her. Saddam Hussein wants to misbehave right there, so they throw some bombs there, "Behave yourself and get back in line." One minute they're over in Ethiopia, one minute they're

over in Suriname, one minute they're in Panama, one minute they're here in Trinidad, one minute they blowing up Grenada; one minute they are in Haiti. See? The U.S.A, all our technology. Look, her influence is going to go into the whole earth.

Now, when we talk of this in this way, we are talking of ourselves as the Church, you know. That is why your Christian life cannot be a church life. You have a work life, you have a school life, you have a next life, so when you come in church, you think of yourself as the church so you say, "Yeah, we are against Rome. Outside in the world, this is not my Christian life, this is my work life. Here, I can't speak against the system." Do you understand what I'm saying?

...we learn that the beast spread his influence through the image which was built for him. The image that is made is a world-wide ecumenical council, wherein all the organized churches will get together with the Roman Catholics (they are doing it even now.) It is quite possible this union will come in order to stop the power of communism.

They already broke up those states there already. Spirits are still there trying to let loose again but is bound for a season. See? But, you watch those people in Russia. If you follow the news, you watch and see. Yeltsin, [Boris Yeltsin, former Russian President -Ed.] right now has to give the Prime Minister power to take charge of the army though he's still holding on to the trigger they say, on the nuclear weapons. Why? Because he's ailing and dying. On the other side, Pope John Paul is ailing and dying. Every time something happens, they try to pump up themselves and make a press appearance, but they are fragile. Their health is almost gone. They have one foot almost in the grave right now.

As I told you with these elections that moved this year in Israel and different places. Do you see how Israel's Prime Minister came out first with all that retoric, "Yes," and people got all, "Well maybe things are going to

happen." And I told you that is the laying of the foundation for the fifth coming of the Spirit of Elijah. Forget what they say. That's just politics. Look at them last week, right there, shaking hands with Arafat. [Yasser Arafat - Former Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization –Ed.] They are going forth with the peace. Do you know why? The Scriptures cannot be broken.

You see, friends, when you know the Scriptures, when you understand the Hour, you don't get carried away with what this man says and that man says. People could say what they want. What man says has no power. It's what God says. See. What the great political analyst sat down and draft out, the man has nothing. The Seals are open. We know what is happening. We understand what is happening. Anybody who could speak with the Spirit of authority is the Bride of Jesus Christ. Do you know why? The same Spirit that opened the Seals is the same Spirit with the Bride saying, "Come." And what She says is already said by the Prophet. And what the Prophet said is already said in the Word, and She being under Her Messenger becomes the Final Voice for the final Age. Sure! You see, it's coming to place, you have to know what you're looking at.

He said: Take note that everywhere the Romish church went, communism followed. It has to be that way. And let me warn you now, don't get thinking communism is your only enemy. No sir. It is the Catholic Church also, and even more so.

Then he goes and he reads a little bit of Revelation 13 about this beast coming out of the sea, which is multitudes of people.

He said: Satan and his Satanic religion are in both of these beasts. [Bro. Vin repeats] Satan and his satanic religion are in both of these beasts.

Beast is what? Power on the earth. This power is religious power, political power, demon power, economic power, industrial power, is what it is.

In Rev. [13:1-4] the beast that was wounded unto death, but lived again is imperial pagan Rome that fell to the onslaught of the barbarians, and thereby lost her temporal power. But she regained it in papal Rome. Do you see it? The nation that ruled by crushing all and which became the strongest empire ever known, was finally wounded to death. [Revelation 13:1-4 tells you that.] Her power was gone physically as to control by armies etc. But under Constantine she came back to life, for papal Rome has infiltrated the whole world, and her power is absolute. She uses kings and merchants...

So, here is a religious power that is still that Pagan power, working through kings and merchants. Have you ever watched how kings and merchants go together? Have you ever watched... Let me show you a little simple thing. You sit down right here in Trinidad and see it. Did you see what happened with Grand Bazaar? Did you see what happened with the last government when the thing wasn't passed; where they built the place by the road there and it was contrary to the law? Did you see when the U.N.C [local political party –Ed.] came into power and all the big businessmen came in there, hoteliers and different people, and come right into ministerial positions, merchants in the earth?

You see, sometimes in your mind it is so far-fetched, and the thing is all around you. And that's where you are walking friends, so understand. Because if you say, "We are part of the Bride, we are part of the Bride;" well if we are part of an elite group of people that is the Bride who operates by spiritual power, the Holy Ghost, God Himself, then, they are part of the merchants. Then the others are part of the politicians, the kings of the earth. So, everybody is in their category, and each category is anointed by a certain spirit, and that produces the activity in the different realms. Whether it's a political realm, a religious realm, spiritual realm, economic realm, it's the same. It's different spirits and each one is anointing a realm.

Don't you realize this last trial that went here, now look at the abomination there. That's connected up with the power of the State. That is connected up with the kings of the earth. That is connected up with the merchants of the earth, because it is operating behind legal fronts of other kinds of businesses. So the merchants of the earth are trading, and talking about the Syrian Mafia, and the Indian Mafia, and the next Mafia. See? And they are trading in all kinds of different things; who has their different businesses: security business over here, restaurant chain over here, clothing chain over here, this chain over here, but behind that it's linked up with different species.

Do you see how Bro. Branham said America is honeycombed with communism? You could have a little something and it's honeycombed with Babylonism. Sure. You have your little school, you have your little business, you have your little different things – honeycombed, because all different waters are flowing in that one river. Some sewer water could come in here, some other kind of water could come in here, some canal water could come through here, and all is flowing here. I have to stand up here and make sure that what flows here is one water. You see, your vision is what influences you – how you see it.

If the Book is open—Remember when we were talking about the Book is open, we are not talking about the Book is open and showing organization is false, and we came out of organization. It's demons all through the earth. And that is why friends, two can't walk together except they agree. Light can't fellowship with darkness. You don't patch an old garment to the new garment. Birds of a feather flock together. Fellowship is like with like. And that is why you see, it's coming up to a place, and we have to know the power that influences us, that moves. Whenever it comes it will go to the Word. It's a tremendous time. A lot is happening. See?

That Roman Empire as I was speaking on Sunday, look at what the arenas have become. The arenas have become the Olympics. The theaters became Hollywood. Could you imagine how they cultivated and developed those things, until they became a zillion dollar industry? The Grand Prix that they have were the chariot races. Ben Hur's chariot races, that has become the Grand Prix today. Do you see what we're talking about? It's still here.

End Time Sign Seed [1962-0319, para. E-63-Ed.], this is the one that really struck a lot of people in the Message just recently where Bro. Branham was speaking here talking about: There's been a national teaching rain, communism sowed amongst the people, every nation.

There's been a Roman revival. Do you know what happens?

Now, in 1962 I think it was when they began to put up the Berlin Wall, and hear what he says.

He says: Do you know what happens? If they give the western part, or the eastern part of Berlin back, that puts communism just, or I mean the Roman empire, just exactly in the old circle it was in the time of Jesus. Certainly it does, perfectly.

When the Roman Empire—You see, when that wall was built up, do you know what that was? That was communism, and everybody got scared and said, "Watch communism, watch communism."

He said, "Don't you watch communism, watch Romanism."

Because he had already seen the thing worm its way in America. In 1960 Kennedy was elected. In 1962, they put up this wall here now. Cold War, we went into the Cold War. Remember, when they had the Bay of Pigs, when John Kennedy wanted to blow up the Russian ships there and they wanted to launch some missiles on Cuba? See? You read the Message. And then what happened? The whole world was shaking. Why? Because they had the weapons right there in the

arsenal, and it wasn't time because not one atomic bomb could drop there. The Seals weren't opened yet. That Angel didn't come down and break those Seals yet to gather a Bride and pull them out, and so the winds couldn't let loose. There were angels holding back those winds, lest it blow on the earth. You see?

And then when that happened, watch something. When that happened and began to move on the earth here, all those years right up until this hour, it's came to a place where in 1989 here, and that was the same when I got the privilege and went Czechoslovakia, went into Poland and these places and preached on the Jubilee; preached on the wall being broken down and Rahab coming out and these things there. I testified on that. We have the tapes in the library too, how going in there, God gave me the messages right there traveling with the brothers on the road; how, I preached the year before on the Vatican/Washington alliance and the special agents and them were in the service and the brother was afraid to interpret. And at that time Poland was falling.

Then afterwards, in 1989, the wall came down and when the wall came down, I began to show, I said, "Look, what happened is, all they did, they took down this wall now because they have made it bigger." I said, "It's like people have people fenced in, in a small wall here so what they did, they built a bigger wall and then they just break down this wall, and they say you are free." Everybody was running everywhere because they felt they were free now, so they could move back and forth. But that wall was only torn down after they had the bigger wall.

Because the Age changed from an industrial Age to an information Age, now every individual, brother, they are tracking every cow in Europe. Satellites know every cow on every farm. If you have a certain amount of acres and a certain amount of cows, they know every cow they are tracking by satellite from there. Everyone is marked and everything. Sure.

Look at all these things that came in here. Like, for instance, years ago we couldn't get to go out with a little foreign exchange. Now, everybody wants foreign exchange. Brother, people has it in their shoe, people has it posted out in envelopes, people are doing all kinds of different things; paper move. You're still the same person and you travel the same way. Where has it gone? It's just some new paper. They just remove certain things in place. They say, "They take off this thing and apply to Central Bank." They take off this here and you're free now.

Are you really free? See? They manipulate the public like that. It's false freedom. They come in a way now: credit card, this here, linx – link up the bank, all these different things; visa, master charge all these different things came in and they take a whole lot of people who are already in debt into further debt. And after they cultivate you for years, under American lifestyle and American influence through cinema, through television, through everything, then they come and give it to you. So, do you know what happens? Then people begin to start to spend for what they haven't worked for yet. But the Word says by the sweat of your brow you'll eat bread. Do you understand what I'm saying?

You see, walking in the Word friends, it's long passed, "I believe the Message. Thank God for the Prophet. Bro. Branham came and we have the Truth." It's long passed that.

He says when that Berlin Wall is broken down it will bring the whole thing right back in the cycle where that Roman Empire was. Do you know what that Roman Empire did? That Roman Empire is what slaughtered the church that rejected the Messiahic Message. That Roman Empire is what the church had united with to crucify the Word. Isn't that what is coming back? The church is giving their power to the State—The church

and the State rather is coming together like, "We have no king but Caesar." And then the church united with the State because the church couldn't kill anybody so they needed the power of the State to do the killing. Is that right? Sure.

And that is why what you see happening and developing all around you, you want to wake up to know, "Are times getting better? Is it really getting better? Prosperity is going to be for everybody who doesn't have a revelation. You see some people, (as we were talking last night,) some people get a little blessing a little prosperity and you figure, "Oh yes, the Squeeze is not coming again," and you take your mind off of what the Word says, and you take your mind off of what is happening around you. You see? But remember when the Squeeze comes...

When we are talking about Squeeze coming and you can't buy and sell, it's not that you will have nothing to eat you know. That is in the Tribulation period. When plagues start to destroy the economy, when the sea becomes like the blood of a dead man, when the heavens is shut up for three and a half years and famine starts and there are widespread diseases, that is the Tribulation period.

But going up to the Squeeze it's becoming more prosperous. That is why everybody is getting trapped into the snare. It is your revelation that is making you walk away from the elements, and that is why a Squeeze is coming upon you because you are not submitting to the trap. The Squeeze is coming for the people whose revelation keeps them out of the system. Because they become offensive to the system and a threat of constant exposure of the system, then they have to be removed. That is why the Squeeze is coming.

But remember, trade and commerce to bring the whole world, is a kingdom based on economics, peace and security. He'll come in preaching peace, bringing them all together; destroying them by peace. He's going

to come and cause craft to prosper – the economy. See? And then by his laws that he's raising and bringing, where nobody can do anything outside of the church to give them security. To remove all these cults and all these people with these strange and different things, who have done so much evil to the society, have broken down so many families, have separated so many people and everything else, and led people astray with all these false doctrines, to give them security. So for the world it will continually get better. That is why they are thankful for the system. That is why they are happy. Their jubilee has come.

But to you friends, He said, "I will keep you in the Hour of temptation; because you have kept the Word of My patience which shall come upon all the earth to try them." Because all that dwell on the earth is wondering tonight. They can't recognize it. They enjoy it. They are drunk. They gave them sports channel twenty-four hours a day and they are drunk with sports out of the cup. They give them violence, who likes violence and they are drunk with that. They give them pornography, for those who like pornography and they drunken them with that.

What do you think the Internet is? Her big cup. It appeared in the papers today. You can adopt children through the Internet now. You see, when you know what adopting children is and how it gives it even more protection. You don't even have to show up. You're getting the child's picture, you're getting the child's name, the sex of the child, the history of the child, (all of that is on the Internet itself,) and you could make up your mind which one you want. Then you send your electronic mail and everything. You go through all the channels, everything and you get the baby. It's coming to make sin legalized.

The Prophet said Satan legalized whiskey, he legalized smoking; he legalized all these things. He legalized prostitution. He said he built a kingdom where

sin is legalized because he's a vulture that feeds on his own people. He came to corrupt, destroy and pervert everything that he can take in under that influence. But the Word has come down to uncover that to you.

Do you know what he has done? He has perverted their taste for it and then he gives it to them. So, they actually in truth and fact, it's they who call for it. They want it because he perverted their taste to thirst after it and then he gives it to them. He says he makes them thirst for success, he makes them thirst for ambition, he makes them thirst for beauty, he makes them thirst for these things and then he perverts it. Then science brings a way that you could have it. That is what they long for. Their dream, their crave is now answered. It's being satisfied.

And that is why you keep these things out of your life, because you know it's coming in to pervert your taste. You want a holy man's taste. You want to thirst to be like Jesus. Why? God gave you revelation to see the other Kingdom that is coming; things that are to be. God gave you revelation to see what a man is in God's hands in this Day. God gave you revelation to see the difference between church and the Word. God gave you a revelation to see the difference between religious and spiritual, and because of that you see the evil of all these things. The evils of the evil Age has been uncovered to you.

The Prophet said that he put a lust veil on them, that they are lusting for it. He took off the holy veil, stripped them completely, and they have a lust for it. They are desiring it, they want it, they are looking for it and then it's coming into them. A better standard of living. He is going to raise the standard of living: "We are going to bring you into this great market here. We are going to remove taxes. We are going to remove customs. We are going to remove all these things. Once you're there, all these goods will flow around freely. You don't have to study [think how -Ed.] to get this."

What are you seeing? A great future! You are seeing betterment, advancement, to hold you in this realm. But God is showing you, look away to Jesus. Look up and see Him there descending; your redemption draweth nigh. And until you see the cry in your heart saying, "Even so, come Lord Jesus..." Remember the same John after he saw all those things, the effect of the revelation at the end was, "Even so, come Lord Jesus."

Until that cry doesn't come into your heart as a cry to burst out of this pesthouse, you know that you are not ready to go yet, because God is not going to come to take people who doesn't want to go. It is that cry to leave here. It is that groaning friends, to burst out of this. It is that faith that is ignited in Her heart, seeing the last sign before the change of body, seeing it come back around a second time, perfecting what's lacking in Her faith to bring Her to that place, a Rapturing grace sweeping over Her. That is the thing that is getting Her ready to go out. That is what you're craving for tonight.

I want to go. I want God to stimulate that more and more friends, that I could rise up. I want to see a real desire for that Land beyond the river. There's a curtain that is drawn between earth and Heaven. I want to see that Place. Like the Prophet, he wanted to see It.

The Angel said, "Would you like to see that?"

He said, "God, that would do me so much good." He said, 'Where is Jesus? He's been my life. I lived for Him." He said, "I want to see Him." They were trying to lift him up and exalt him but he didn't want that. He said, "I want to see Jesus. Where is he, Who has been my life; Who I lived for; Who I preached for?"

That's Who we want to see friends, when He is outside the body. That is what we want tonight by God's grace. That is what you want inside of you. You know you're living for Him daily. You know this Word that has come in these last days has called your name. You know these things has been opened to you by revelation that you are not of this world, you are of another group of people.

When you look there in the world, you see people, they don't want God, they don't want this Message. A lot of people want religion. A lot of people want to go on the radio. A lot of people want to be heard. A lot of people want their picture in the newspapers. A lot of people want to become popular. A lot of people want to be talked about. A lot of people want to get further in their education. A lot of people want to get greater wealth. A lot of people want to get greater wealth. A lot of people want to get greater power. People want to go out in this world and have a good time. People want to advance. People want to prosper in all these things. But there's a people who want to see this Word become Spirit and Life inside of them; who want to see this 'once more Lord'. They cry out for that tonight, by God's grace!

Let's bow out heads and close our eyes, as the musicians come. This great thing that is happening, that the people are stumbling over. We talk about the Fourth Seal: we see religion, politics and demon power uniting. We just use terminology after a while. The very thing we use blinds us. We get stagnated in our thinking. But friends tonight, look how this world is changing before our eyes. Look what is happening all around us. Can we see the Scripture coming to pass? Can we see the lateness of the Hour? Has that channel opened up to us to stir our faith into a realm that we see something moving us to anoint the promise for this Age; a desperation to carry out this commission, to tell everyone we could tell, to give a witness; to see a real standard raised? Not to see us succumbing to the pressures, bursting apart under the pressure, but to see us becoming that Word. The things of this world growing strangely dim in the Light of His Glory and grace.

As we bow our heads and close our eyes tonight, ask God tonight to anoint your eyes with eyesalve that you will see. As our brother was preaching last night in Princes Town, "Elisha prayed, 'Lord, open the boys' eyes." He said, "He didn't bring the angels down; they were always there. He just changed the boy's seeing." He said, "And that's what I'm trying to tell you: Jesus Christ is here, but in another dimension like television." He said, "We can see all the natural things going on, but there are great happenings in the spiritual realm, friends."

How we want to live there! How we want to live under that influence like Jesus lived. He looked at that power on the earth and he studied it. Paul looked at that power on the earth and he studied it. He longed to go to Rome to see that church that God had raised up, to let them know the place where God had raised them up. Right in the heart of that, the Beast had his throne set up there. He said, "The mystery of iniquity doth already work." He saw its influence moving on the earth.

The Prophet who people called crazy and said he went off in the end; "God used him in the beginning but he got too lifted up" and everything else – every evil thing they could say, but look what it was friends. God came down and every hidden Secret, every Mystery: In the days of the Voice of the Seventh Angel, when he begin to sound, the Mystery of God would be finished.

I see such a great need for people to wake up in this Hour. We are coming to church. We have learnt the art of church services. We have perfected going through the rituals. We have rehearsed our prayers and become very eloquent in reciting them before God. We have learnt how to dress to impress people, and can even make a great show of modesty and morality. But there's a deeper something than that. We can have all of that and lack spiritual power. We can have all of that and lack spiritual discernment. How we need to walk and live in that realm where there's a conscious realization.

Bro. Branham prayed, on *Leadership*, [1965-1207 -Ed.] he said, "Lord, bring us to the realization of the insane

Age that we are living in when we see all these hideous sights coming in; all these plagues in the Book to fulfill the Book of Revelation." He said, "It's coming. It's in the making right now. The world is one degree from total insanity. The lid is taken off of hell. Demon power is streaming out."

Do we see that? Is that what is happening around us friends or have we learnt to adjust and become comfortable and blend in to what is taking place; or when these things happen, it causes us to rise up with greater faith, greater expectations knowing that time clock is striking the Hour? May God stir our souls! May He shake us to that realization; not to fanaticism but to conscious realization that our eyes could be peeled, our faith could be zeroed, our thinking can be clear and our steps can be certain.

Oh gracious God, Father tonight just breaking in on the Scripture, barely scratching the surface here, Lord, and trying to hold a little picture here before the church, Lord Jesus that they could see the things that we are bumping into every day; the things Lord that is growing to be accepted by everyone; the things Lord that people express in glowing terms of progress; the things that make people rejoice and become a greater ease and becoming more comfortable and more adaptable to the present society. God, we are seeing that it is the very fulfilling of the Scriptures. It is the very snare in the making. It's the great net, as it were, being spread across the people here.

And here Lord, like a voice trying to cry out, "Watchman, watchman, what of the night? The morning cometh, and also the night." Oh, it's good to talk about the morning coming, the great things that are going to happen when Jesus comes, and the dead in Christ shall rise first and we shall be changed. But the night also comes with it Lord, the blackout hour when hell is here; another darkened chaos when the hearts of men are so hardened, when the world is matured into that insanity,

when gross darkness is upon the earth pressing the people into such a hideous condition where they have passed, Lord, natural affection. We see the insanity of the mind.

Oh God, we see the hideous condition that the people Lord, are being deformed into. Your Prophet says, "Satan's power to deform. He won the battle in the mind of the majority of the people of this Age." You said all that dwell on the earth whose names are not in the Lamb's Book of Life will worship the Beast. If it's possible, even the Elected would have worshipped the Beast too. But dear God, You sent that Angel. Oh God, he came and told us, "Why are you wondering? I will show the Mystery."

Father, how thankful we are for a seer, one who could have seen and unfolded this great thing, dear God; one who had the Spirit of wisdom, the very Intelligence, the Capstone revelation of Seven Thunders, that Lord God, brought these things to light, Father. Things that light never shone on, oh God, You made it so plain that we might see the trail of the Serpent – the Beast at the beginning and the Beast at the end, dear God; how Lord, he achieved his five 'I wills'; how he had great success, how he's coming in oh God, Father to be the God of this evil Age; how he built up his Eden, dear God, bringing it from the agricultural revolution to the industrial revolution and now in the information revolution Lord, where the whole world is being transformed.

That world united under the Fourth Seal is coming to a world state; a new world order, Lord God; an Age of trade and commerce, when all the money of the world is being tied up, dear God. Father, and the people, Lord, because of their love of money, which is the root of all evil, Lord God, they're trusting in uncertain riches in this Age saying, "We are rich and increased with goods." But You said, "You're poor. Come and buy of Me gold tried in the Fire that you shall be rich." Oh my God, the day when the rich men will howl and the gold will be

cankered, dear God, (hallelujah!) and the Lord of Sabaoth, the cries of the oppressed will come up into His ears, hallelujah; when that great crash of the stock market is going to come and the howls in Maktesh, dear God, oh God, and the system falls.

But there'll be a people, oh God, who'll have such character, gold tried in the Fire, that the Power of the Living God could come to them Father, the Kingdom they have received that cannot be removed. The Word will flash like lightning. Oh God, they will display that dominion that Adam had. That ministry of St. Mark 11:23 will go to operating, oh God, because of that unfeigned faith, faith as a grain of mustard seed - oh God, the Power and their character together, dear God, character fit to rule; character, oh God, that was tempted in all points and yet without sin. overcame the lust of the flesh and the lust of the eyes and the pride of life (hallelujah) to prove that they are not like Eve, dear God; to prove, oh God, that they who overcome will sit with You in Your Throne. thank You. Father.

In this great Hour, in this great testing time, in this great Hour, dear God, when everything is being defiled, when everything is being corrupted, but there'll be a Bride Father, who will keep Her garments. She will not be found naked, dear God, like Adam and Eve did, when they lost that garment in the Garden of Eden. But this Garment that You gave unto us, the Robe of the baptism of the Holy Spirit, It will go beyond our flesh, It will go beyond our spirit, It will go deep down into our souls, dear God, bringing a New Birth Father, changing us from the inside; changing us from glory unto glory, until the very outside will be transformed in a moment, in the twinkle of an eye. Such a faith for Rapturing grace, working in the hearts of Your children. You said wait until those Seven Thunders utter Its voices to that little group, who could take the Word and hand It there,

giving Her faith to be changed. Lord, we thank You, Father.

We believe that that is what is happening. We believe that's the Message of the Hour. We believe that's the While the Roman Empire is being Bride's revival. revived, there's a revival in the Bride. Hallelujah. While the same, Lord God, filth and the evil and the darkness, Lord God when the world fell apart, when the Light shone in darkness, and the darkness comprehended It not, when the whole world was falling apart in that day, dear God, here we see the same thing repeating itself. But oh God, the same way the Son of Man, (hallelujah!) oh God, the Word and the Spirit united together produced Father, the very Life of God made manifest, having pre-eminences, is going to come back again in these last days. Hallelujah! We thank You Lord. We thank You dear God, that You waved it in the life of a Prophet. We thank You it's continuing on in a manymembered Body, oh God. By and through the members of Your Bride You'll fulfill these things.

And I pray tonight Lord, that these things will move in the hearts of Your children. It will go deep down on the inside. It will raise the people up. It will anoint their eyes that they will break beyond the natural realm of things. They will break into the spiritual realm. They will see the demon powers behind the glory of the kingdoms of this world. They will see the evil Beast, ravening Beast, dear God, devouring everything. Lord, that they will have something Father, Lord, a greater power, oh God, a greater life, dear God; something far greater, something that this world doesn't know anything about, that great Power of the Holy Spirit that comes to us night after night; this great Supernatural Power of the Holy Ghost, that opens up the Word, that quickens the people, that creates faith on the inside, that raises them up into healing, raises them up into deliverance, breaks the power of darkness around their life, opens the prison doors, this great power Lord God,

that started us on our journey, this same power, Lord God that's coming down while we want the dynamics in a measure until, oh God, a full blast will lift the Church into Glory. Lord, we pray tonight, that Lord, we'll just press in. You said the Kingdom of God—men were pressing, men were taken by violence.

I pray, dear God, there'll be a determination tonight. I pray, oh God, there'll be something persevering in the hearts of Your children, Lord, that they will see Your Word so clearly; no obstacle Lord. The lust of the flesh, the pride of life, the lust of the eyes; the world and the things that are in it, no kinds of influences will be able to keep them back, Father. They will bore their way through these things. Oh God, they will rise above it, oh God, flying high with the wings of faith that You have given unto them, that Lord, they would live in the heavenlies.

I pray, oh God, tonight that Lord, You will give Your Church another blast of the Holy Spirit. You will give Your Church another wave of Divine revelation, oh God, Father, another quickening, a waking up, oh God, to see the end is here, Father; to see it in such reality like we never saw it before; to see hell is on the earth, dear God. How much more worse can it get, dear God, Lord, when we see what people have been deformed into, when we see the very condition, when we see the very laws politically, religiously, everything being put in place; when we see the darkness covering the people, oh God; when we see the religious world, Father, stumbling around in the dark, blind – they don't know where the door is, oh God, groping in the dark.

When we see the hardening of the hearts of the people like in Sodom, how they were crying for those angels. They were so perverted in mind, their thirst was so perverted that they wanted to have pleasure with those men. They didn't want those two virgin girls. We see the people in the days of Noah, scoffers and mockers. Oh God, they laughed and ridiculed and did everything

they could Lord God, to ridicule that prophet and scoff at that message and kill the effect of it. When we see the people in the days of Jesus – so religious, straining at a gnat and swallowing a camel; whitened sepulchers full of dead men's bones, Lord God, how they wrapped themselves in their vain traditions and crucified the vindicated Word. And then in these last days, lovers of pleasure, heady and high-minded, lovers of the world and the things that are of the world, oh God, we see it all round about us. What a condition Father! It's here, dear God!

But. You talk about a Bride who will have that same kind of love that Your Prophet saw beyond the curtain of time, is going to come here, being shed abroad in the heart of Your children, dear God. As Lord, they see this great thing that You have in store for them, I pray tonight, souls would rise up in that realm, dear God. Lord, that there'll be Supernatural strength move in the inner man to strengthen us, giving us might and power to pull down every stronghold in the mind and stir us into the channel where we could walk by faith, looking to the things that are Unseen. Not looking to the things that are seen, Lord, not walking by sight, not having our paralyzed, but Lord breaking into Supernatural realm, where we see that Snow White Dove leading us, oh God, step by step, day by day, dear God; living under the Leadership of the great Jehovah in this Hour, the Pillar of Fire. May You have Your way, Lord.

May You bless Your people, tonight! May You strengthen them, Lord! May You lift them up on higher ground. Oh God, and Lord Jesus, may we mount up Father into such a place that the things of this world would grow strangely dim, Father. Oh God, there will be a cry coming forth from every heart, "Even so, come Lord Jesus." Oh God, what a day that will be, Father! Oh God, let not state of emergency bring us into desperation. But, oh God, let the very love of God, let

the very grace of God that comes down in our midst Father, let the very grace of God that comes and shows us things ahead of time even before it gets in close so that we could prepare and make ready, oh God, Father, that we could get into the place of safety. We could be sheltered, oh God, before the storms begin to rock and shake this sin-cursed world; begin to blow it to pieces oh God, that we'll be anchored in that Secret Place, in that Hiding Place. May You grant it, tonight.

I pray, oh God, that You'll hear our prayer, Father. We ask these things Lord, believing that we are part of Your great ransomed Church. You began this great work inside of us, oh God, when You caused us to hear the Voice of that Angel saying, "Come out of her My people and be not partakers of her sins, because her sins have come up into Heaven, and strong is the Lord that judgeth her. She sit as a queen and say I'm no widow', but strong is the Lord Who executeth judgment." Father, we realize Babylon is fallen, is fallen. That Angel has already pronounced judgment upon that Jezebel and upon that Ahab.

Oh God, may we wake up, Lord. May we be like that little seven thousand, oh God, who didn't bow down their knees, dear God; who wasn't eating at Jezebel's table, Father, but oh God, who was standing like Elijah stood, oh God, standing dear Lord, with the Voice, the Voice of many waters foaming out in judgment. That's the voice of the Ministers thundering out in judgment, oh God. When that white wigged One comes, the Voice of many waters foaming out Lord, oh...

[Tape ends abruptly –Ed.]

