

From the Prophet to the Prophecy pt1

61-0316 THE.CHURCH.CHOOSING.LAW.FOR.GRACE

E-69 I want to tell you, whi--while we're singing this song, the... I was standing, five hundred at the Jeffersonville, thirty-one years ago, my first revival, singing, "On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye, to Canaan's fair and happy land, where my possessions lie." And I walked out baptizing five hundred that afternoon, as a Missionary Baptist preacher. The seventeenth person I baptized, all at once I heard Something say, "Look up." And I looked, and here come that Pillar of Fire circling down out of the heaven. Stood right over where I was at and said, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming of Christ, your message will forerun the second coming of Christ." When the Baptist preacher laughed at me... That went on the Associated Press. "A Mystic Light Appears Over A Minister While Baptizing." All up into Canada and everywhere else it went on the Associated Press. Hundreds and thousands of people saw it. Look at it today, brother. Look, its promise is true. "On Jordan's stormy banks I stand, and cast a wishful eye." We been in this wilderness long enough; let's go towards the promised land.

58-0109 THE.CALLED.OUT

E-24 Jesus said, "When the Son of man is revealed from heaven." Let me close by saying this: that the Son of man is now being revealed from heaven.

"Will it come after while, Brother Branham?"

It is now. And I hope I won't have to make this so personal of this own meeting, **but that your spirit within you that's give you by God, can read what I'm talking about.** The Son of man has already come from glory and **is revealing Himself for the past few years to His Church in mercy, showing them His great Presence, doing the same things that He did when He was here on earth, revealing Himself like He did to Abraham.** Before the destruction, He has come now in mercy, revealing Himself to the Church. It's being laughed at and scoffed at. **The next time He reveals Hisself, it'll be in judgment on the world and the nations that's forgot God and sinned their way of grace--their day of grace, rather, away.** Because they have forgotten God. And they're doing the same thing that they did to the Angel of the Lord back there, mocking and making fun of it. But He's here now in mercy.

63-1110M SOULS.THAT.ARE.IN.PRISON.NOW

17 But I want you to know that what I'm going to say is just presuming, and the word presume means to "adventure without authority." So I am... I don't say that this is true, but it's just a little thought that I might drop along to you, that you might weigh it out and see what you think about it. And then it'll, course, it'll be Scriptural, 'cause I wouldn't preach nothing...

18 **But is that the hour yet? Has this arrived to this hour, and has these things meant that?**

155 **The Lamb had redeemed it, but He could not come forth until every name was revealed, and that was taking place under the Sixth Seal, before the Seventh broke.** Then the spotless... Then the Lamb came for what He had redeemed. He come to claim what He had redeemed. He's already got it, right here in the Book, taken It from His hand. Now He's coming to receive what He has redeemed. That's His work. He's done. He's come to receive it. Oh, what a time! Has proven it, the Seventh Seal proved it. Come back and took the Book of Redemption!

156 Notice, it was to be the seventh angel's Message that was to reveal the seventh, the Seven Seals. Revelation 10:7, now, you'll find it. See?

157 "And he saw this Angel come down, put His foot on the land and on the sea," that was Christ, "had a rainbow over His head." Notice Him, you'll find Him in Revelation 1, again, "with the rainbow over His head; look upon as jasper and sardius," and so forth. Here He come, put one hand... "One foot upon the land, one upon the water; raised up His hand. He had a rainbow over His head," yet. That's a covenant. He was the Covenant Angel, which was Christ; made a little lower than the Angels, to suffer. **There He come, "And put His hands up to Heaven, and swore by Him that lives forever and ever," the Eternal One, the Father, God, "that time shall be no more," when this takes place. It's run out. It's done. It's finished.**

158 **And then the Scripture says, "And at the Message of the seventh earthly angel," the messenger on earth, the seventh and last Church Age, "at the beginning of his ministry," when it starts off into the earth, at that time, "the mystery of God, of these Seven Seals, should be made known by that time." Now we see where we're at. Could it be, friends, could it be? Notice, all possible.**

159 **All that had been redeemed in the Book, He come forth for redemption. All that was to be redeemed was in the Book, predestinated before the foundation of the world. He come to redeem It. All He had redeemed was written therein.**

63-1229E LOOK.AWAY.TO.JESUS

50 Now we are closer than it seems to be. I don't know when, but it's real, real close. I may be building a platform for somebody else to step on. I may be taken before that time. I don't know. **And that time may be this coming week, that the Holy Spirit will come with... and bring Christ Jesus. He may come this next week. He may come yet tonight.** I don't know when He will come. He doesn't tell us that.

51 But I do believe, that we are so close, that I would never die with old age. Yet, at fifty-four years old, I'll never die with old age, until He's here. See? Unless I'm shot, killed, or something other, some way killed, just old age wouldn't kill me, until He's come. And I believe that.

52 **And I want to say this. I've never said it before. But according to Scripture, according to what He said thirty years ago; thirty-three years ago on the river down there, in 1933, rather; what He said, everything has happened just exactly.** I may not do it, but this Message will introduce Jesus Christ to the world. For, "As John the Baptist was sent to forerun the first coming, so is the Message to forerun the second Coming." **And John said, "Behold the Lamb of God that takes away the sin of the world." See? So, it's, it paralleled it in every way. And I know it will, the Message will go on.**

64-0112 SHALOM

40 My new-year's Message is to the Church elected in Jesus Christ, for 1964. **Not just the church groups; but the Elect, the Lady, the Lady of the Church, Christ's Bride, see, that's who I'm addressing.**

41 We're facing here, in our two subjects that we read, the two Scriptures, rather, a **very contrast, one to the other.** In Isaiah, it says, "Arise, and shine, **for the glory of God has come upon you. The Light is here.**" And then the very next verse, he says, "**Gross darkness is upon this people.**" And then when we are in a mixtury of Light and darkness, and then my address to the Church is "shalom, peace," let's find out what it's all about, see. We are facing this year, with both darkness and Light. We are... **the world is in one of the most chaotic times of darkness that it's ever stood in; and yet it's standing in, again, the most blessed Light that it ever did shine in.** And there is...

42 **The difference is just like it was in the beginning, when there was gross darkness upon the earth. And the Spirit of God moved upon the face of the water and said, "Let there be light." And God separated the light from the darkness. And I believe that we are now living in that hour again, that when God is separating Light from**

darkness, and He's pressing it to the other side of the world, that the Light might be made manifest. And we are...

43 Then, the Church, the reason I'd say "Shalom" to them, is because that it's God's Peace. That's what I want to bring to you this morning, for the new year's, not looking back, but we're looking forward to the breaking of a new day. **Until, there is something great laying ahead of us, where the years has been the joy that we've looked forward to, the pressing, coming of the great Light. And now we can see it breaking over the horizona, horizontal realm, it's breaking between mortal and immortality. We see it breaking between heavens and earth, from an earthbound sickness and troubled world, into a bright shining day of an immortal Life and an immortal body and an immortal earth that shall never pass away. It--it's "Shalom," unto the Church. Now, it's Light time coming for the believers, but a gross darkness for the people.**

64-0321E THE.VOICE.OF.THE.SIGN

219 And, remember, the Gospel has traveled the same way. It raised up in the East, the coming of Jesus Christ, the S-o-n, not s-u-n. S-o-n, the Son of God, rose in the East, to the Eastern people.

220 And now there has been a day that people has joined church, made denominations, just enough light to see, "Well, we'll have a church. We'll build this. We'll build a school. We'll build a hospital. We'll educate. We'll have a seminary." **They've had enough light to do that.**

63-0317E THE.BREACH.BETWEEN.THE.SEVEN.CHURCH.AGES.AND.THE.SEVEN.SEALS

39 Now, but it is a Book, a mysterious Book. It's a Book of Redemption. (We'll get into that in a little while.) And now, we know that this Book of Redemption will not be thoroughly understood: **it's probed at through six church ages, but at the end, when the seventh angel begins to sound his mystery, he winds up all of the loose ends that these fellows probed at, and the mysteries comes down from God as the Word of God and reveals the entire revelation of God.** Then the Godhead and everything else is settled. All the mysteries: serpent's seed and whatevermore is to be revealed.

64-0321E THE.VOICE.OF.THE.SIGN

221 But, remember, the Bible said, the prophet of the Lord, in the Bible, which is THUS SAITH THE LORD, "That same sun that shined in the East will shine again in the West, at the evening time. It shall be Light in the evening time."

222 What would He do? That exactly does what He said in Luke the 17th chapter. "At the end time, when the Son of man is being revealed in the same way that He was in the East, the same Son shining, the same Power, the same Holy Ghost, same Thing doing the same thing. It shall be Light in the evening time."

223 Same sun that's traveled; same S-o-n has traveled; come down through the East, from Paul; jumped over into Germany, on Martin Luther; jumped again, on His next pull; and went from that to England, to John Wesley; jumped across the Atlantic Ocean, to the United States, to Pentecost; and now Pentecost has dwindled itself out, and we're on the Coast.

224 Every one of them, denominated, just like they did at the beginning, made organization that God cursed. Pentecost, and all, did that.

225 But He said, "It shall be Light in the evening time. There will be a sign rise in the evening time." Don't miss It, friends. Don't miss It. Now, the same Son would give the same Light. The same s-u-n gives the same s-u-n light. Same S-o-n gives the same S-o-n Light.

64-0719M THE.FEAST.OF.THE.TRUMPETS

275 And the seventh angel's Message, under the same Trumpet, same everything exactly, the same Seal, is to (what?) call the people, the Bride, out of the Pentecostal and world tradition, **to the genuine Atonement, the Word, Christ impersonated in His Word here, made flesh among us. Science has proved it, by pictures.** The church knows it, the world around. We firmly know it, for He's never told us one thing in THUS SAITH THE LORD but what's been the Truth. Did He not say, down there on the river, "As John the Baptist was sent, so will this Message..."

276 I looked up, and she's twelve o'clock. The midnight hour is here, friends, upon us. See how perfect the Scripture is? Perfectly, how It...

277 That, look, **that's not going to be some organization go down there and call the Jews. It's going to be two man, Moses and Elijah. Both of them, prophets.**

278 Now look. To call the Gentiles, the Bride out, He promised in Malachi 4 to do the same thing.

279 And the Bible said He would be put out of the church, in the Seventh Church Age. He would be put out of the church. It'll go completely black, and go... Where does it black out? It goes into this ecclesiastical system, into this ecumenical council, World Council of Churches. She... He is put completely out. His Word, they can't agree with It.

65-0219 THIS.DAY.THIS.SCRIPTURE.IS.FULFILLED

35 And this Catholic priest got up out of his seat, from about a hundred clergymen sitting on the platform; walked over close to me, with all of his robes and gowns and crosses, and so forth, and got right up close to me. And he said, "My son, be steady. God is fixing to move."

I thought, "A Catholic bishop telling me that?"

He said, "Read it out of my Book."

36 And I read the Scripture out of his Book, and took my text and went on, preached my sermon.

42 Well, I got down and looked at it again, just perfect as it could be; but the 16th chapter ends, portion, the portion of it just about three inches from the bottom, over at the 17th chapter on the other side, does the same thing. And, being a new Bible, those two pages had perfectly stuck together, and I was reading from the 17th chapter instead of the 16th. "Well," I said, "that's all fine. It's for some cause."

43 And just as plain as you could hear any voice, a Voice come to me, and said, "He entered into Nazareth, to where He was brought up at; and went into the synagogue, as it was His custom. And the priest gave Him the Scriptures to read, and He read Isaiah 61. And when He had read the Scriptures, He set down; handed the priest back the Bible, the Book, and sat down. And all the eyes of the congregation was upon Him. And precious Words proceeded from His mouth. And He said, 'This day this Scripture is fulfilled.'"

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44 How accurate is the Scripture! If you'll notice this in Isaiah 61:1 to 2, is where our Lord was reading from, Isaiah 61:1 to 2. But in the middle of the 2nd verse of Isaiah 61, He stopped. Where it said, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me; to preach the acceptable year," then He stopped. Why? The other part, to bring judgment, didn't apply to His first coming, but His second Coming. See, it didn't apply there. How the Scriptures never make a mistake! They are always perfect. Jesus stopped just where the Scripture stopped, 'cause that was exactly what was to be vindicated in His day, now, in that first coming. The second Coming He will bring judgment upon the earth; but not then. He was "to preach the acceptable year."

45 Notice the Messiah standing in the platform, to identify Himself with the Word of promise for that age. How strange, the Messiah standing up before the church! And look at these precious Words, when He says here, "To preach the acceptable year."

46 "The acceptable year," as we all know, as Bible readers, was "the year of jubilee." That, when all slaves and prisoners, as they were, been taken, prison; and had to give a son, to pay a debt; or a daughter, to pay a debt, [Blank.spot.on.tape--Ed.] and they were in bondage. No matter how long they had been in bondage, or how long they was supposed to stay there; when the year come, of the jubilee, when the trumpet sounded, every man could go free if he wanted to go free. [Blank.spot.on.tape.] You're free. You was no more slave.

47 But if you desired to remain a slave, then you had to be taken down to the temple, stood by the temple post, and they took an awl and bored a hole in your ear, and then you had to serve that slave master the rest of your days.

48 What a perfect example it is of the Gospel of Jesus Christ! When It's preached, the acceptable time, and the time of Jubilee; anybody, no matter who you are, what color you are, what denomination you belong to, how it's far you've stooped in sin, or what's wrong with you; you can go free when you hear the Gospel trumpet sound out. You are free!

49 But if you turn your back upon the Message and refuse to hear It, notice, you were bored in the ear, with an awl. That means, to say, that you have crossed the line between grace and judgment, and you will never hear the Gospel again. You'll never get any further. You must be a slave to the system you're in, the rest of your days, if you refuse to hear the acceptable year.

50 Now, the other part of it, as I said, didn't need to be answered, because this coming Messiah, a time now, is when He will bring judgment.