God Interpreted pt4

EPHESIAN.CHURCH.AGE - CHURCH.AGE.BOOK CPT.3 Revelation 2:1,

"... These things saith He That holdeth the seven stars in His right hand, Who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks."

This is He of Whom it is said, 'This Same Jesus is BOTH Lord and Christ.' There He is, the One and Only Lord God Almighty, and beside Him there is no other. There He is, the Saviour ("... salvation is of the Lord", Jonah 2:9) walking in the midst of the churches throughout the seven ages. What He was in the first age He is in all ages. To every believer, He is Jesus Christ the same, yesterday, and today, and forever. What He did once He is still doing, and will keep on doing.

78-2 Now you will notice that Jesus is walking alone in the midst of His churches. There is no one else with Him. Neither indeed can there be, for He alone wrought her salvation, and having purchased her with His own blood He owns her. He is her Lord and Master. She gives Him all the glory and that glory He will not share with another. There is no pope with Him. There is no archbishop with Him. Mary, the mother of His earthly body, is not with Him. He does not speak and turn to a Father, for He is the Father. He does not turn to give orders to a Holy Spirit, for He is God, eternal Spirit, and it is His Life that is flowing and pulsating in the church giving her life, and without Him there would be no life. Salvation is of the Lord.

79-1 There was no one with Him when He trod the fierceness of the wrath of the fiery furnace. It was not another, but HIM Who hung upon the cross and gave His blood. He is the Author and Finisher of our faith. He is the Alpha and Omega of our salvation. We are espoused to Him and not another. We don't belong to the church. We belong to Him. His Word is law. Creeds, dogmas, by-laws and constitutions have no effect on us. Yes, it is Jesus ALONE Who walks in the midst of the churches. It is God in her, willing and doing of His good pleasure. Never forget that. You have only one relationship to God and God has only one relationship to you--that is JESUS, and JESUS ALONE.

79-2 There He is with the seven stars in His right hand. The right hand or arm signifies the power and authority of God. **Psalms 44:3**, *"For they got not the land in possession by their own sword, neither did their own arm save them: but Thy right hand, and Thine arm, and the light of Thy countenance, because Thou hadst a favour unto them."* In that right hand of power are seven stars, who, according to Revelation 1:20, are the seven church messengers. **This signifies that the very power and authority of God are**

behind His messengers to every age. They go forth in the fire and power of the Holy Ghost with the Word. They are stars because they reflect light. The light they reflect is **His light.** They have no light of their own. They kindle not their own fires that men may walk in the light of their sparks. Isaiah 50:11. It is night, for that is when the stars come out. It is the night of the blackness of sin, for all (even the whole world), have sinned and are constantly falling short of the glory of God. Romans 3:23.

79-3 These seven messengers are making God known to the people. He that receiveth them, receiveth Him That sent them. John 13:20. They speak and act upon His authority. He stands behind them with all the power of Godhead. Matthew 28:18-20,

"And Jesus came and spake unto them, saying, ALL POWER is given unto Me in heaven and in earth.

Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost:

Teaching them to observe all things whatsoever I have commanded you: and, lo, I AM WITH YOU ALWAY, even unto the end of the world (consummation of the ages)." So there they are, full of the Holy Ghost and faith, on fire with the fire of God, holding forth the Word of truth, and there He stands to back them up. And think of it, not one believer of any age need cry in his heart, "Oh, that I might have been back there in the first age when the apostles were first sent out." There is NO need to look back. LOOK UP! Behold Him Who is even now walking in the midst of the churches through all ages. Behold Him Who is the same yesterday and today, and forever; and Who never changes either in essence or in His ways. Where two or three are gathered together in His Name, there He is in their midst! And not only in their midst as a complacent onlooker, or as a recording angel; but there He stands expressing exactly what He is--the Life and Sustainer and Giver of all good gifts to the church. Hallelujah! 80-1 "Who walketh in the midst of the seven golden candlesticks." How meaningful are those words when viewed in the light of the Scripture, which describes Him as "Christ Who is our Life". For Christ, indeed, is the life of the church. She has no other life. Without Him she is simply a religious society, a club, a meaningless gathering of the people. As a corpse bejeweled and dressed is still a corpse, so the church, no matter what her programs and her gracious efforts might achieve, without Christ she is a corpse also. But with Him in her midst, with Him motivating her, she becomes to the wonderment of all "His body, the fulness of Him that filleth all in all." And this very hour He is walking in the midst of the last age's golden candlestick. What He was

as He walked in the first age He is even now in this last age. Jesus Christ the SAME, YESTERDAY, and TODAY, and FOREVER.

80-2 "Seven golden candlesticks." In Exodus 25:31, it says,

"And thou shalt make a candlestick of PURE gold; of BEATEN work shall the candlestick be made; his shaft, and his branches, his bowls, his knops, and his flowers, shall be of the same."

The true church of Jesus Christ, the bride, is likened to PURE gold. Her righteousness is HIS righteousness. Her attributes are HIS own glorious attributes. Her identity is found in Him. What He is, she is to reflect. What He has, she is to manifest. There is no fault in her. She is all glorious within and without. From beginning to ending she is the work of her Lord, and all His works are perfect. In fact in her is summed up and manifested the eternal wisdom and purpose of God. How can one fathom it? How can one understand it? Though we cannot do that, we can accept it by faith, for God hath spoken it.

81-1 But not only is the candlestick of gold, it is of BEATEN gold. Hand-crafted of beaten gold, according to her blue prints which were Spirit-given. Outside of her Lord and Master, Jesus Christ, was ever a people so beaten and purged as the bride of Jesus Christ? Surely she is filling up the sufferings that Christ has left behind. Her goods are despoiled. Her life is in jeopardy. She is accounted as sheep for the slaughter. She is killed all the day long. She suffers much, but in it all retaliates not, neither does she cause others to suffer. Worthy of the Gospel is this lovely bride of Christ. And as gold is malleable, whereas brass will break with the beating, this gold of God will bear her suffering for the Lord, not bowed, not broken, not destroyed, but formed as a thing of beauty and a joy forever by the trials and testings of this life.

65-0117 A.PARADOX

98 How the moon can, billions of miles off the earth, can still control the tide. Tell me how that in this galaxy that we live in, how could the moon have any effect upon the water on the earth? Scientifically, tell me how it's done. It could not be done, because there is no scientific way of telling it. But God set the moon to watch the sea. And when the moon begins to turn its back, when the earth turns away, here comes the tide in. But when he wakes up, the next morning, looks back this a way, the tide runs back to its place again. It's a watchman.

"Oh," you say, "that's just on the seashore." No.

99 That's right up here in Arizona, plumb back over in the state of Kentucky, wherever you dig a hole down in the ground far enough to find salt water. You'll find

out, when that tide goes out, that salt water goes down in the pipe. And when the tide comes in, it also raises, hundreds of miles from the seashore.

100 We could preach a sermon on that. How that God, no matter, He is in Glory but His orders there is **just the same effect on the whole world and anybody that takes the promise.** His order is given. He has laws of nature, and--and they--they will absolutely carry themself true, from Pentecost or any other time. Any time that God made the promise, He will still stay with that promise regardless of where the people is at, how many thousands of years off. His laws ever remain the same.

101 How the seed falls into the ground, and it rots, and to bring forth life again. Looks like, if it was ever going to bring forth life, it'd be when it's in its perfect shape. If life was ever in it, then why wouldn't it just come forth? Put it in the ground, the life spring forth. Why does all that's around that life, all that's around that germ that no man can find, how is it that everything material around that germ has to die? So it can spring forth in a new life. But everything around it must also die and rot, before it can spring forth life.

102 So is it with an individual. As long as there is any human injections, human ideas, then God's germ of life, the Holy Spirit, cannot work. You cannot be healed as long as there is just a--a fraction somewhere, that it's not rotten yet; it's got all the human elements, all the scientific ideas, all the "days of miracles is passed," so-called. All that has to, all, not only die, but rot, then from there grows the germ of Life unto a new life. That's the only way it can grow.

103 That's the reason we don't get what we ask for. We try to take, with us, so much of our own ideas.

104 That's the reason the Lutheran church couldn't advance no farther than it did, the Pentecostals and the rest; 'cause they inject, by a bunch of theologians, "This oughtn't to be this way. This is for another day. And This was for that." There it stays. It cannot grow to that perfect image of Christ until every Word of God is received into you, and then you become that Word. It's like the seed that went in the ground.

64-0621 THE.TRIAL

6 Father, we have also been born of the Life-giving, from the Man. The male comes to the female, and the germ is from the male; as Your Spirit overshadowed the virgin, and in her womb was created the Blood cell; the Blood cell, not Jewish, not Gentile, but God, created Blood. In that Blood, we have our hopes. It was not of a woman, neither of a man; it was of God.

7 So we pray today, Lord, as we have see ourselves partakers of the woman-tree, and we all must die because there is no life in the woman, now also, Father, we've been given the privilege to partake of the Man-Tree, which was Christ. And now, through Him, we have Life, Life, the Word, be made Life among us. Grant, Lord, that these things will become such a reality to the Church, that they will see, and we'll understand the hour we 're living.

65-0418M IT.IS.THE.RISING.OF.THE.SUN

70 And that Gospel Light of the resurrection, the confirmation of the Word! How did we know He was the Christ? Because He proved what He talked about. How will I know the Message of the hour? God proves what He promised, and He talks about it. That is the identification, that we are beneficiaries with Him in the resurrection. He proves what He has talked about.

71 What He promised to do in Christ, He proved on the resurrection. What He promised to do in the days of Moses, He proved it. What He promised in the days of Enoch, He proved it. In all the days of the apostles, He proved it.

72 Now in this day, He proves what He said, because they are a part of that Seed that was represented on the Book of Life that He came to redeem back to God again. Oh, what a Message!

73 On Easter morning, not only did He raise, but His beneficiaries raised with Him. He... They were in Christ at His crucifixion. They were in Him at His resurrection. We are His beneficiaries, quickened after being dead in darkness.

74 The darkened world of unbelief, where churches and denominations, and so forth, had drawed us out. And there's something in us calling, "Oh, we want God! We're hungering and thirsting for God." We joined the Methodist, Baptist, Pentecostals, Presbyterians, and whatmore, and still there was something wrong, we just couldn't find It yet. And all of a sudden, while we was groping in darkness, the great resurrection came to us in the manifestation of the promised Word of God.

75 Like, He was the manifestation of the promised Word of God. "I will not leave His soul in hell, neither will I suffer My holy One to see corruption." **He manifested It, every Word of God that was promised to Him. He proved it when He raised on the Easter morning.**

76 Now, them who were once groping in darkness and wondering around, if they should wash feet on this day, or if they should keep a certain day, or do a certain set of rules, all those things passed away. For, there was a glorious resurrection that defied every man-made thing that man had ever done, every man-made reason.

77 There had never been, to that time, a man that could lay his life down and pick it up again. He defied that scientific proof they had, by raising again.

78 When they say, that, "Jesus Christ isn't the same yesterday, today, and forever," that, "His Power isn't the same," that, "His Gospel isn't the same," when the Bible says It's the same! God defied every denomination, every creed, and He moved forth with His Holy Spirit, as He promised, and proved it to us, that He is alive.

79 We are the benefactors of His resurrection, quickened after being dead in the world, in sin and trespasses. "He has quickened us together with Him, raised with Him, now sitting in Heavenly places in Christ Jesus." His bring...

80 His Spirit brings His same Life again on the earth. "If the Spirit of God, that raised up Christ," the body, the anointed body; if the Spirit of God anointed that body in such a way that, when that Seed fell into the earth, He just wouldn't let Him rest there. No, no. He quickened Him and raised Him up. "That same Spirit," by the same works, by the same Power, by the same signs, "be in you, It'll also raise you up."

81 I'd like to read a little Scripture here for you. I'd like for you to turn to another Scripture I got wrote down here. It might help you a little. It's found in the Book of Leviticus, the 23rd chapter, the 9th to the 11th verse. Listen close. In the law, Levitical law, God speaking to Moses. Listen. All these things are types now, and we'll stop here for a few moments to get into this type.

And the LORD spake unto Moses, saying,

Speak unto the children of Israel, and say unto them, When you... come into the land which I give unto you,...

82 "Unto the place, the position, that I have given unto you. Now you speak to the children of Israel, that when you get to this certain place that I've promised you I'd take you, when you get there in this land." Now speaking natural here, typing the spiritual.

... and shall reap the harvest thereof (you have received what I told you thereof), then you shall bring a sheaf of the firstfruits of your harvest unto the priest:

And he shall wave the sheaf before the LORD, to be accepted for you: on the morrow after the sabbath the priest shall wave it.

83 If there would be any holy ritual, it should come forth on the sabbath day, which was the seventh day of the week, which is Saturday. **But did you notice, in this memorial, to wave it on the first day of the week?**

84 "The sheaf, which was the first of your seed that you planted, when it comes up and ripened, you cut down this sheaf and take it to the priest. And let him take it and

wave it before the Lord, for your acception, that you are accepted. You have come with your sheaf, and he is to wave it before the Lord, on..."

85 Not on the sabbath, the seventh day; but on the first day, which we call Sunday, S-u-n-d-a-y.

86 Course, that's a--a Roman word, which they called it the sun day for the sun god. But how it is changed!

87 It's not s-u-n anymore. It's the S-o-n d-a-y, the Son day, that that corn of Wheat (God's first One up from the dead) is to be waved over the congregation, that we are His Seed; and that's the first of the Seed of those that slept, waved upon the first day of the week. On Sunday, He raised up. Waved good-bye, and ascended up on High, in the presence of the people.

88 Notice, It was the first corn of God's Wheat that had been raised from the dead, God's first corn of Wheat. By God's quickening Power, God had quickened His life, raised Him up from the dead, and He was the Firstfruits of those that slept, the Firstfruit. He was that Sheaf.

89 That's why they had to wave that sheaf, for it was the first one that come to maturity. And it was waved as a memorial of thanksgiving to God, believing that the rest of them would come. It was a sign.

90 And, today, because He was the first Son of God to come to full maturity, to be in God, He was plucked up from the earth and is waved over the people. Oh, what a glorious lesson! By the quickening Power, the first One! Although, He had--He had been typed; and many times, as we'll see later, that He was typed. But this was really the Firstfruit of them that slept. He was waved over the promised Seed that had promise of Life.

91 He was waved at the Day of Pentecost, "when there came a sound from Heaven like a waving, mighty rushing wind," and was waved over the people, the pentecostal people that was up at Pentecost, waiting for the Blessing to come.

92 And to be waved again, we realize, in the last day, according to Luke 17:30, in the Son day again, "in the day that the S-o-n of man will be revealed," or waved again over the people.

93 Now, Who is the Son of man? "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word was made flesh, and dwelt among us." And if all the teaching that we have, and confirmation of the Word of God; by Word of God, by signs, by wonders, we see today, that in the Book of--of Luke here, that as we just quoted from, or the--the Luke the 17th chapter and the 30th verse; and Malachi 4, and the different Scriptures that we are acquainted with, **that that Word**

again is waved over the people, that the dead traditions of man is dead, and the Son of God is alive again with the baptism of the Holy Spirit right among us, and is giving us Life.

94 As Christ was the first One to raise, from all the prophets, and so forth; although typed in many places, **He was the Firstfruits of those that slept**. **In the Bride, coming of Christ, coming out of the church, there'll have to be a Sheaf waved again in the last days.** Oh, my!

95 Waving of the sheaf! What was the sheaf? The first one that come to mature, the first one that proved it was a wheat, that proved it was a sheaf.

96 Hallelujah! I'm sure you see what I'm talking about. It was waved over the people. And the first time there will come forth, for the Bride age, for a resurrection out of dark denominationalism, will be a Message, that the full maturity of the Word has turned back again in Its full Power, and being waved over the people, by the same signs and wonders that He did back there.

97 "Because I live, ye live also," speaking to His Wife. "Because I live, ye live also." What a resurrection that that was! And what a resurrection this is, to be quickened from the dead, "to be made alive in Christ Jesus," by God's quickening Power.