

Third Exodus Assembly

# Traps Of A Mighty Hunter

*Nimrod, the Mighty hunter of the  
Twentieth Century*

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Let's just sing 'Christ is revealing Himself unto me'

"Christ is revealing himself unto me  
(He's opened my eyes ...)  
He's opened my eyes and now I can see  
His word is becoming a reality  
In this day, this glorious day"

Amen, I believe we all have that same testimony this morning - 'His Word is becoming a reality'. How it has changed our lives and brought us to a place where It has made God so personalized, so real, that now we can look and see Him in our very own lives. I believe it's the most comforting thing to know that His Word is inside of us.

I'm sure you all have been enjoying the meetings very much. And truly you know, I was just thinking today... I said, 'my! God is really a God of variety'. You know, I was thinking about the unique ability that the congregation no doubt will have to possess to listen to so many different types of accents, and from one service to the next; and so much various ways of speaking of Christ as He reveals Himself to each and every one of us, that we could express Him in the way that we know Him and relate to Him, and the way that He intended to use each and every one of us.

I'm really happy to be here and I certainly have been enjoying the meetings. I just trust that the Lord will give me grace to be a real blessing to you today. Let us pray together:

Our Gracious Heavenly Father, oh God how thankful we are for these blessed moments that we could come and sit in Your House together and could fellowship around this Precious Word. This great glorious revelation of You that has come so close to us that has become so real to us, that is becoming clearer to us each day. Truly You said when that which is Perfect is come, that which is in part shall be done away, and we shall know as we were known. Oh God, to see our amnesia leaving us and we could behold the Glory of the Lord as in a mirror.

And Lord what a glorious feeling; what a glorious thing it is for us to know we are being changed into the very same image that we are beholding. Your prophet did say Lord, when he preached that great message and he saw You in nature and then He saw You in Your Word, then he saw You in Your Son, and then he said, "Let us see God in His people". Oh God, this is the great capping off time when You are displaying Yourself in Your people Lord, to show forth Your very victory and the very reason of Your death.

Truly we thank You Lord for this great time that we could come and gather together and rejoice and give praise and thanks unto Thee for the great things that Thou hast wrought in our midst Lord, and what You have done especially for the ministry and the local assembly here. Lord, we believe that we are part of them by the experience that You have joined our hearts together and as part of the great ransomed Church of God that is saved to sin no more, we come Lord to give praise and rejoice together with them and give You thanks Lord for Your great, magnificent, holy blessings that You have poured out in this place.

For truly. Lord, they have been such a great blessing and inspiration to our lives around the world. We can all say that, Father. And as we have come and gathered together, Lord we pray that You will bless us one more time, today; that Your great Holy Spirit would just move in the Word and You would cause us Lord to have an increase of Faith and bring us to a place where Faith could be lifted into a higher bracket. Lord, Your prophet was longing to see a church in a rapturing condition ... he said how he wants to walk in the front door or the back door or whatever door it was, and to see a body of people that sin cannot stand among them. Oh God, when he saw that Miss U.S.A. Church in that vision Lord, how his heart sunk. He cried out: "Oh God, is this what our labor, is this what our sacrifice has produced? But Your voice said "No, the Bride will come into view!" And then he saw One come marching 'onward Christian soldiers' from around the world, Lord.

Oh God we believe that we are part of that Bride represented here today and we pray dear God that Your Holy Spirit would give such a witness, and a confirmation of the things that You have already spoken and vindicated Lord, that we might be established in this Truth that we have received. Grant it Father. And may it bring praise to Your Name and may it be unto the edification of Thy people. We give You glory for it.

And Lord I pray that You would help me knowing I am

depending on You. Help me to speak clearly. Help me to speak Lord by the inspiration of Your Holy Spirit. And may You bring the people in the same channel that there would be no barrier of accents and these things, but it would just be a clear voice of the Spirit of God through the Word speaking to their hearts and ministering to their needs and just blessing them Father. May You grant these things we pray for we ask it in Jesus' Name. Could we all say "Amen" (Congregation says, "Amen").

I would like to invite your attention to the Book of Genesis, Chapter 10. We would like to read a portion of God's Word from there. And also Jeremiah Chapter 5. Maybe you could just find those places while you're searching the Scriptures. I am going to just try to be simple this morning and just lay a little background for the second part of the message. We'll come tomorrow and complete it so if you don't understand everything or maybe get a hold of everything the way you think you should, don't be bothered about it. Just listen with faith (amen) and God will do the rest. Because flesh and blood cannot reveal it. It's not by might or by power; it's by His Spirit. It's not him that willeth or him that runneth but God who showeth mercy.

And I believe God knows we've traveled from so far and you know, we've sacrificed and we've labored and we felt to be here and His Spirit made a way for us to be here. And none of us didn't just come, you know, to socialize, though we're glad to meet one another and be with one another. But when we come and assemble, in the House of God here, we want to hear from Heaven. And I know that you've been praying. I know God has been blessing you. And if you remember the part you have to play by drawing with faith from the Word, God will do the exceedingly abundantly above all we could ask or think. Amen.

Truly I want to greet all the ministers, Bro. Billy Paul, and all the saints, the pastors and different brothers that I've never met before and probably shake their hands and say: "God bless them. And you know I really am glad for this opportunity. And you just pray for me this morning. We're going to begin reading from Genesis 10, Verse 8:

*And Cush begat Nimrod: (and) he began to be a mighty one in the earth.*

*He was a mighty hunter before the Lord: wherefore it is said, Even as Nimrod the Mighty hunter before the Lord.*

When Moses was writing this, his (Nimrod) reputation was still there in such a profound way in the earth that it was like a proverb, that it is said here:

‘Even as Nimrod the mighty hunter before the Lord.’

*And the beginning of his kingdom was Babel, and Erech, and Accad, and Calneh, in the land of Shinar.*

*Out of that land went forth Asshur,*

And right there in *the Seven Church Age Book, page 186*, Brother Branham corrects that. He says the translators made a mistake. They translated “Asshur” as a noun, but it is really a verb which means ‘to make strong’ in the Chaldean language. So, it should really read like this (I’m going to read over verse 10, so we could get the full meaning of it, because you know, it breaks the continuity there, because of the mistranslation. Not that the Bible isn’t inspired; the translators in bringing it to the English, they made a mistake.)

*Nimrod, the Mighty hunter of the Twentieth Century* Because history tells you that. Ninus was the King of Nineveh, who was Nimrod. So he’s the one who builded Nineveh.

*...and the city Rehohoth, and Calah.*

*And Resen between Nineveh and Calah: the same is a great city.*

Then it begins to give the other characters. But the Holy Spirit wants to spend a little time here on showing the achievements of this Nimrod who is three times called ‘a mighty one in the earth,’ ‘a mighty hunter before the Lord’, and ‘the mighty hunter before the Lord.’ It’s repeated again.

Also Jeremiah, chapter 5, verse 26 and 27:

*For among my people are found wicked men: they lie in wait, as he that setteth snares, they set a trap. They catch men.*

*As a cage is full of birds, so are their houses full of deceit: therefore they are become great, and grown rich.*

May the Lord add His precious blessings to the reading of His Word. You may have your seats.

I want to take for a title this morning: “**The Traps of a Mighty Hunter.**” And for a subject I want to speak a little bit on “*Nimrod, the Mighty hunter of the Twentieth Century.*” I believe that the Roman Catholic system, as we’ve been taught by the prophet, is

the religion of Nimrod. Babylon never completely went out of existence. That same religion of Babylon came all the way down and is here in the earth today in the form of Mystery Babylon. And then also the Roman hierarchy is like a representation of Nimrod who was king of Babylon. He was the first one. Also we find that Babylon was built on the Euphrates River. The location was specifically chosen. It was a carefully selected place where they were going to build that city.

And the prophet tells us it was a perversion of the Heavenly Jerusalem. He said, *'And Nimrod's tower was a perversion of Jacob's dream of a ladder connecting earth and heaven.'* And right away it shows us that, Satan cannot create anything; he just perverts what has been created.

Now as we've been hearing the various ministers bringing forth the Word each night. And last night at the end of the service our brother in his last few closing remarks, was expressing from his heart that he believed that something is fixing to happen. And even this morning in the minister's breakfast just at the end, the brother was making another appeal for a final thrust in the work there, in India and different places around the world because it's becoming urgent. They feel such a great urgency.

And truly, as believers who have been called and gathered by this Message, we could see that it's coming to a place, where it's building up to a great climax. It's amazing when you think of many people many times, (you know) who begin to get weary in their minds and they begin to faint and their feeble hands begin to hang down and their feet become wobbly. But, as we realize that we have come to the home stretch, as we begin to see the prize before us, as we begin to see that the race has come to its end it's where all our resources could be drawn on to make that final effort.

And I was thinking of the things that are presently happening, for the Holy Spirit operated in such a beautiful way through the members of His Body so far in the meeting. And the prophet taught us *'God's gift will always find their places.'* Each gift is predestinated to a place and the Holy Spirit is responsible for protecting and guiding and placing the gift that He has sent into the earth because they are sent to identify the Word for the age. The wise men followed that Star and he said that Star led them to the Word made flesh. And they were bearing gifts. And he said God protected them because they had the right kind of gifts to reveal the Messiah on the Earth.

And I believe that (you know) we've been sitting and seeing gifts that have found their places and bringing forth in its own expression, and in its own characteristics, unfolding Gods' great purpose, each one bringing out a different aspect. And this morning again I'm realizing that I'm going into another aspect; but it all accumulates together to highlight and hold clearly before us what has been delivered unto us in this hour. And especially When we see the modern events, as the prophet said, "*modern events are made clear by the vindicated prophecy.*"

And we have had a prophet who has been vindicated and he brought forth his prophetic message for this day. And it has been vindicated by the Pillar of Fire that came for vindication. It has been vindicated to us. And that Message itself opened up this Bible and showed us God's one great goal and His one purpose that He had in the back part of His Mind, slowly unfolded from Genesis to Revelation; that in the Message being delivered unto us, we have received the full counsel of God.

And as we look and examine what has been spoken in the Message. As the prophet many times, you know, he says "this is not my words". And he stood there on the message, '***Christ is the Mystery of God revealed***', and he says, "*I'm going to tell you what God had in the back part of his mind way before the foundation of the world, even before there were angels and how it unfolded down to this present time.*" That was 1963 when he stood there preaching. And then in *The Future Home* he takes it up and goes all the way over into the New Jerusalem.

So then we realize that we have received the counsel of God from eternity all the way back to eternity, in the form of THIS Revealed Word.

And the Holy Spirit is here to lead us and guide us into all Truth, which we have received. And God has ordained a ministry and has trained that ministry to say only what has already been said, and to know how necessary it is to say ONLY what has been said, even to the place where' we can say it by the Spirit, in the same Spirit, with the same objective, with the same motive. No wonder he says the Spirit and the Bride will say the same thing that the Spirit said through the prophet; and what the Spirit said through the prophet was already said in the Word. Amen.

And not only did the prophet reveal things that was; but he revealed Him who is, who was and who is to come. He revealed past, present, and future. And here we've been sitting under THIS

Revealed Word, since he has left the scene; and watching all the things that was spoken through the mouth of THAT prophet; because while he was speaking he identified every spirit there was upon the face of this earth. In one place he says, 'I've been studying the Book of Genesis for two years', because he says everything on the earth today had its origin in Genesis. He says *'I'm going to show you where everything can go right back to Genesis in the Bible and how it come all the way down to the present time that we are living in'*. Because Genesis is GENES — it's the book of beginnings, it's the seed. Revelation is harvest, it's the consummation. It's just by a law of reproduction that every seed is bringing forth after its kind. And we're in the great harvest time when he says 'pray that God will send forth laborers into the harvest.

And (you know) if you look and see there was a Nimrod back there, there's one here. There's a Babylon back there, there's one here. See. There's a Eliezer back there, there's one here. See? there's an Enoch, the seventh from Adam, that was translated back there, there's one here. There's a Rebecca who was called out and she journeyed... the very same camel she watered packed her to meet the unseen bridegroom in Genesis; there is one here in Revelation. See. There's a Jacob who was changed to Israel, transformed back there; there's one here. Amen. There's a scientific civilization that was destroyed by atomic power back there; there's one that will be destroyed back here also. There was a Sodom and Gomorrah, Gentile World that was destroyed by fire back there; there's one over here also. And we can go on and on; but just to bring to you that he says, that that is why the devil hates those two books — Genesis and Revelation.

And, you know, for years we've been told that and yet we find that when it comes to Revelation, you know, few people want to go into the Book of Revelation; yet it was the very prophet's Message. It was the prophet that revealed the Book of Revelation. Amen. His very Message. We can talk about the Church Ages and the Seals and all of these things - Revelation. Amen.

And, we want to highlight some of the modern things that are taking place, because when he was speaking, he identified everything that was going to take place right down to the consummation. He told us what is going to happen to us. He told us what is going to happen to the Jews. He told us what's going to happen back there in the Millennium. He told us what's going to happen over in the New City. He's spoken it all: shows us the



position of the nations; shows the position of Israel; shows the position of the social world; shows us what is going to happen with the money system; shows us what is going to happen over in the Communist world — all these things. God had even showed him visions way back in 1933 when he saw those Seven Visions, and God was showing him those Seven Visions thirty years before the Seven Seals were opened! And the things that he was seeing in the vision was laying in the Book of Revelation. It was laying in shadows and types all through the Bible which he was going to find out later on. See?

But God was giving him those visions and by preaching under the influence of his visions. Like for instance, the first three visions spoke of the political world: Fascism, Nazism and Communism; Mussolini, Hitler and Stalin; Italy, Germany and Russia. And the Voice says now, he says, *'they're going to end up in Communism'* and he says *'watch the king of the North'*. Now, if you're watching the king of the North, it's very interesting today. A lot of things are happening in the Communist World. See. And we've been told it's a tool in the hand of God. And we are told the part it's going to play in this world's history as this world... this scientific civilization is all climaxing to come to it's great catastrophe. It's an age of crisis.

And then, you know, in that Fourth vision it was going to show America now, another world power there (after World War II) and because he saw an American family there in that car. It was a vision on Science, since Science is going to advance and going to reach great heights; and God gave him a symbol of the motorcar to show the kind of world where Science have advanced. They broke into God's laboratory just like it was in the days of Noah. What brought on, the world in a materialistic condition and got them into the way that they begin to reject the Word and begin to become immoral and deteriorate and these things was because of the development in Science. They begin to break through into that scientific realm. And after World War II look how Science have increased; look where it is today!

And then that Fifth vision, it showed the immorality that's going to follow that scientific age, what the science is going to produce, because television, he says, *'Hollywood and these things have stripped the women of their virtues'*. All those images of brutality, violence and murder and these things, that they're programming the children's mind and feeding them a diet of these things, is what's producing them in that hideous condition. You see?

So then when we look and we see that how Science had brought on the World to such a condition. And then Sixth vision it showed something was going to happen in that nation America, because he saw the rise of a beautiful woman but cruel in her heart. In his own time he saw it actually begin to come into fulfillment. He preached '*Jezebel Religion*' and says '*look how she have wormed her way into the White House.*' He spoke of "the invasion of America and the overthrow of the American Government". It was a different type of revolution. It was a different type of invasion. It was a religious invasion, see? Coming in by flatteries, dividing the kingdom, destroying them, breaking their power.

And the prophet saw it and referred back to the Bible and said: '*Look, here is the history of Israel in the Book of Kings in the time of Elijah, when Ahab and Jezebel were in a marriage, in a union. For it was a political manoeuvre. Ahab's kingdom was falling apart. He needed Jezebel's wealth and power to hold his kingdom together.*' And in that hour there was a prophet in the land. And she was in a campaign to kill and break the power of all the voices that were crying out against paganism. And she succeeded because she began to kill them out, until Elijah said "Oh God, I'm the only one!" And we heard the prophet cry out '*all man has forsaken me*' He preached: '*What hearest thou Elijah?*' He was under his 'Juniper Tree', all these things. Then God showed him: "No, it's already happened. You're living that out. It's there in the Bible, and you have to go through that because the history is repeating itself again, and that is you here in reality form." Oh my! It was a different world. Then he began to perceive and understand what the world of perfect faith was: It is you living in the perfect revelation of the Word for your day, recognizing your position in the Scriptures with a channel of inspiration, knowing what the will of God is (amen) because he knew he couldn't beat his type.

He saw what they were doing. He saw what was happening in the Government circles, he saw what was happening to the ministers there. Some of them, you know, were subsidized by the State, too. She began to increase her pagan worship throughout the land. Oh, it's tremendous.

Then that Seventh Vision showed destruction, atomic power, a nuclear holocaust. And if you watch the prophet, after World War II, we see that he was under the influence of his visions, even before the Seals were opened, because he knew they came from God and those visions identified to him where to direct his

preaching.

So he cried out against the scientific world. He preached against that Science. He preached against the immorality of the women. He preached against the Catholic Church that was rising and what she was doing and her intent, and he was uncovering it by the scriptures, showing us that it was going to be that way. And then he preached that the Earth was to be burned with fire. And when those Seven Seals were opened, he saw way back there he had seen those things in visions, and he saw where they had fitted in and he saw the things that were going to influence the course of World history until we come to the annihilation.

So now, here we are sitting, twenty three years after he has left the scene and, as things develop in our environment, as things take place among the nations, as things take place among the churches, in the religious world, as things take place in the scientific world, these things are all becoming clearer to us and giving us a correct understanding of the things he spoke, how they were going to come to pass. Because God didn't leave us now to our imaginations but we are able to take the events and can compare it to the Scripture and see the Scriptures being fulfilled and know that that prophet was under Divine Inspiration because he could take the Scriptures and speak it in a certain manner. And we see it coming to pass exactly the way it was spoken. It is tremendous for us, to look and see these things.

And I began to think of Jesus, when Bro. Branham stood there preaching: *'Uniting Time and Sign'*. And he, having the very ministry of Elijah, revealing the Son of man showed how Elijah, — like John who came at the end of the Old Testament, to wind up the loose ends of the Old Testament and introduce the Messiah — was waiting for his ministry to be vindicated. He knew that the Word was going to come to him one day and he was going to reveal that Word to the public, which was going to bring redemption. It was going to cause them to change their dispensation. It was going to make them turn a corner. Amen. It was going to reveal to them 'the Only provided place of Worship'. Amen.

And he looked into the Bible and he saw it. And he saw it coming to pass in his own life. And he saw the very ministry of Jesus, with all three pulls - The 'first pull', to contact their flesh and 'the second pull', to discern the spirit, attracting the people's attention with gifts to get them ready for this Message. And he was

identifying these things, posting us along the way as we were coming. So that as we follow the director who had the music sheet, and who was in the Spirit of the Composer, he would let us know that this is not just some mixed-up sheet, but this is inspiration. Glory. Amen.

And He was putting His Symphony in the right swing. Amen. He was letting us know exactly what junction we're at. He was letting us know exactly how THIS part of the music sheet must be played out. It was something great. And on '*Uniting Time and Sign*' he began to identify to us national signs. He said that there was something that the people were missing. He had preached: '*Sirs is this the sign of the end*', and it had come exactly as he spoke it. It was photographed. Amen. He said the clergy was missing something and he said, "*here, in the tabernacle everyday we are reading the handwriting on the wall.*"

He was showing, you know, signs in the heavens, scriptural signs, national signs, all these things. And he showed Jesus doing the same thing when Jesus stood there before all Israel and he was speaking to them. Oh, it was a great thing! Then Jesus began to place them and let them see who John was, let them see where the ministry had changed and let them see where he was at. Amen. Then He also began to reveal to them things to come in the spiritual realm and in the political realm. He told them about the coming of the Holy Ghost. He told them about the nations gathering together to surround Jerusalem saying, let not your flight be in winter, neither on the Sabbath Day, if you're on the roof top; don't come back down, if you're in the field, don't go back to your possessions and how they were going to dig a ditch. And Jesus was getting these things out of the Old Testament in Ezekiel, and in Daniel: how the prince was going to come and destroy the sanctuary with a flood, how the slaughtering angels were going to come. Amen.

And Jesus was warning them in the Scriptures. He said: '*If only you had known the day of your visitation*'! A famine was going to come, and that Roman power was going to surround the nation and break the economy and reduce them to poverty and cause inflation and recession. The caravans couldn't come through. They began to control the trade. They began to control the economy. They began to break the power of the nation. Josephus said, "they ate grass, they ate their belts and their shoes and these things"; such inflation! People were stealing into one another's homes and

taking their babies away. Starvation Because they failed to recognize their day and their message.

He said, but those Christians (Hallelujah!) who Jesus had told the Spirit of Truth would come: *"I'll send you another Comforter and He will bring back what I say to your remembrance, He will teach you all things, he will show you things to come,"* My! They knew what was going to happen. They sat there. They had the Holy Spirit. They were getting their families together. They had been a faithful Christian on the job. When they came to service they took their positions in the House of God. Amen. And they were out there watching: they knew that one day they would see those armies beginning to gather together. One day we'll see all the inflation coming in the nation. One day we'll see recession. One day we'll see the unemployment moving in. One day we'll see these things. We'll look and understand what is happening. We will know it is what Jesus spoke of. He said not one of those Christians was caught in that because they saw the sign and they moved!

They remembered these Words. The Holy Spirit, when Jesus was speaking those things, he was speaking from the Scriptures because it was part of the Word for the age. And He, being the manifested Word for that age, knew that those things were yet in potential form but they would become living reality. And the people who were walking through the streets, having a good time in trade and commerce, you know, and a nice busy atmosphere going out and everything else, what happened to their lifestyle? It began to be changed when the pressures came. When the Roman power begin to move in and become stronger and have more wicked intents, when it was timely for them to make certain moves.

And they as Christians there saw it coming in and they understood that this is what He was speaking about. And it's there I want to place some of these things, because here we are twenty-three years later. And we see people sometimes acting like nothing is going on and they're all confused and they're going from pillar to post and they don't know what they believe in anymore; and they are looking back, way back into history somewhere. And around them, all over, all that was spoken by the prophet is coming to pass in such a real way that our expectation in this hour should be greater. We should be more convinced than ever. We should realize these things that we are yet responsible for, according to

our calling and our ministry, whatever we have to do, we have to do it NOW. That means decisions! That may mean rearranging our lives and different things. That may mean acting upon our revelation if we recognize by spiritual discernment where we are in the 'Music Sheet' and all these things that are happening, what they mean to us according to this Message.

Otherwise, we'll move by reasoning. We'll move just normal. We'll wait until maybe, for instance, let's say, the bank is going to confiscate everything, and "this" is going to happen over here and then "that" is going to happen there and THEN we want to try and do something, because we're in another spirit to "what is happening."

But when we look and we see, you know, the gathering storm. When we see the clouds coming in, like those disciples in the boat, who were journeying when it was getting dark and they were caught up in so many different things. The weather had changed. The atmosphere had changed,. The tide had changed. And they came to a rude awakening and realized. 'Look where we are caught up'. And then with human ability, they may have tried to bail the water out, and another try to fix the sails, and another try to do this because while they were there, they failed to look around in their environment and to recognize what was taking place in their environment. Amen.

So as we build here now, on "this hunter" I'm talking about, 'the *traps* of a mighty hunter'. See, because I'm dealing with things that are happening at present, as we look at the modern events through the eyes of the vindicated prophecy. Oh, they're becoming clear. If we look at them without the Word, it's just world news and events, with "this happening here" and "that happening there". But if we see what the Word of God has already said about "those things" we know exactly what the destiny is of everyone of them.

We know what's going to happen to the nations. We know what's going to happen to the Catholic Church. We know they have to act out their part and we have to act our part. They can't beat their type the same way we can't beat our type. And if we have to be in a certain position in this hour and the Holy Ghost is here moving us, ministering to us, bringing us to that place, don't you think that they are moving to their very place at the same time? Because what gave Jesus faith, was when he looked around there, he could have seen exactly everything moving into place and

then say: “Now is the hour come, when the Son of Man would be glorified”. Before that He said “No man could touch Me, My hour is not yet come”. You see? And so it is now with His very own life back in His people. The same Life, as was being brought to us, last night. See. He’s still the same. Amen.

Now Nimrod, a mighty hunter, notice, three times in three verses, the Bible calls him a mighty hunter. Now what type of hunter was Nimrod? A hunter of animals? A bounty hunter? There were bounty hunters, you know, in the wild west. A bounty hunter did not hunt animals; he hunted people for a reward. You hear the police talk today about a great man-hunt is on and we have a dragnet and there are some criminals loose and we’re on their trail and we’ve contacted INTERPOL and we’ve contacted the C.I.A. and we’ve contacted the F.B.I. and we are closing in on them. What kind of hunter was he? It’s a religious connotation used here in the Scripture, because hunting doesn’t necessarily mean catching birds or animals. Its scriptural references always refer to people.

God said, “*they set traps for my people. They lie in wait to catch them!* I have a whole list of scriptures here but I don’t have the time to go through all of them— for example Saul was hunting David, and David said: “*Why are YOU hunting me as if you have come out here after a partridge or something.*” And where in Ezekiel, God said, “*you hunt the souls of my people.*” See, different places in the Bible like these. David talked about, “the snare of the fowler”, a bird-catcher. See?

Now, the word “to hunt” means ... and I know many of you do hunting here, it doesn’t necessarily mean catching birds. We’re not talking about that type of hunting. The word ‘hunt’ means ‘to pursue and to capture’, ‘to search for and locate’. It also means ‘a diligent search or pursuit’. It also means ‘to harass persistently’ or ‘to persecute’. A trap — if he’s a hunter, he must have traps. A trap means ‘a device for catching and holding animals’ (if you’re hunting animals there are all kinds of animals, there are ‘political animals’, there are ‘business animals’, you know, language is really something else) — ‘such as a net or a pitfall or a clamp-like apparatus that springs shut suddenly’. It also means, ‘any stratagem or device for betraying, tricking or exposing an unsuspecting person.’

Now when a hunter goes on a hunt, he has a specific interest. He has a certain amount of bullets, he has a certain type of gun. He’s

going to hunt a certain type of animal. If you're going to hunt a rhinoceros you surely won't go with a gun as if you're going to hunt a bird. Amen. And he's not going to waste all his ammunition on any little thing he sees, shooting at a rabbit and shooting at a deer; and then when a big bear comes, he's all out of ammunition. No!

Now when a hunter goes on a hunt he has a specific interest. And we want to talk about THIS hunter here because I'm bringing him in the Twentieth Century. Nimrod is here; and he's on a big hunt. And it's a great hunt that is on.

And let me tell you, hunting was done by Royalty in the old days, when they had 'the tiger hunt', and 'the fox hunt', and all the different types of hunt. And from the time you see they come out there and they spend some hours maybe, picking up a trail and they have the dogs that they breed and cultivate just for the purpose of tracking certain types of animals. Then those dogs are very faithful to the master who's using them to corner the prey that they want, in the position that they want. Amen.

Alright, now just to give you a little clue, of what I'm talking about. Australia's symbol is a Kangaroo, America's a Bald Eagle and Russia - a Bear. And this hunter we're talking about, has certain ones he wants to get a hold of and bring them under his power. So it's a great hunt. Let's look at it a little bit. So a hunter has a specific interest, he's not just going to waste his time, or his energy, or his resources, on anything. He has a certain kind of game in mind. He may see a deer and pass it, if he's on "a bear hunt". If he's on "a lion hunt", he may see a nice moose and pass it. It depends on what he wants there. Understand?

And hunters, you know, they set traps for their prey or their game when they are caught in the track. See. And when they catch them in the trap, then usually they cage them. Anytime you go to a zoo, those animals, I guarantee you, didn't just walk into those cages like Noah's animals walked into the ark, you know.

Men went out there and tracked them, caught them, and maybe had to wait and lay in wait there for long hours. Maybe they had to study the behavioral pattern of the animal, know the times it feeds, know how it camouflages itself. Know where they stand a better chance of catching them. Know how to force them out into positions where they could have superiority over them. Get them out. Lure them out of their own environment where they become weakened and less secure than if they were in their own



environment.

Now at present this mighty hunter is actively engaged in the pursuits of the chase. Oh, he has picked up the scent and his dogs are just cornering the animals he's hunting, just in the place where he wants them. And the great hunter, you could see him with all confidence now, he has ensnared. And is going to take captive the game that he had stalked for so long.

I'm typing 'these things' to what is happening in the world today, because this hunter Nimrod back there, he was the first one that changed the way of life in the world by war. War always changes the way of life. Today we have all kinds of wars and we have all kinds of battlegrounds. The prophet tells us of the battleground in the human mind. We hear about Scriptural wars; but there are media wars. There are trade wars. See. There are economic wars. There are all kinds of wars today which are changing the world of trade and commerce. There are industrial wars — sure, 'corporate warfare.' We read about it everyday. But I want to show you he's a great hunter with one intent that he's going to bring everything under his control because the Bible says Rome is going to rule the world. She's going to control the World's trade and commerce in a pact and you'll have to either have the mark of the beast to buy or sell or give your life.

And we see this in the Bible and we know heaven and earth will pass away but that Word cannot fail. And Babylon is here in mystery form. And Nimrod is here in mystery form. And the whole hunt is a mystery hunt. And we need divine revelation of the Word to show us what the prey is; what the intent of the hunter is; the environment that makes the prey secure; the strategy the hunter must use to lure them out and capture them; the purpose he wants that game for; this game that he is hunting, and spending so much money and energy and time just to capture and get control of that game he's hunting. Amen.

Now true hunting is a contest between the hunter and the hunted. And weapons (they say) give the hunter an advantage. But animals also have advantage they can run faster than the hunter, they know the woods better and they can smell and hear much better. If hunters depended only on the weapons, the animals would beat them at the game almost every time. Therefore hunters must know the habits of the animals that they are hunting so that they can come close enough to shoot.

Now there are all kinds of hunting: there're fowl-hunting,

turkey-hunting, squirrel-hunting, deer-hunting, bear-hunting, lion-hunting. And the kind of hunting depends on the game being hunted, the location and the methods used to catch the animals.

Trained hounds help the hunter chase and capture a variety of animals and some types of dogs are especially bred for hunting. Now you have heard of ‘dogs of war’, already. And you know how Hitler and Mussolini and them killed millions of Jews. But then a prophet came and told us, that it was a Roman Spirit which came out of the Euphrates River and was loosed upon those dictators.

And they were just the political arm of the Vatican. They had given their strength and power to the Beast, to fulfill the Beast’s purposes, because they were bred and trained. They were put in there by Catholic vote, and financed by Catholic wealth to be used to accomplish the purposes of the Catholic system, which is, Mystery Babylon.

So we see Nimrod breeds his ‘political dogs’ for his purposes. And those dogs are very faithful, obeying the commands and carrying out the instructions of the hunter to whom they are faithful. Many times hunters, to deceive game, must use decoys. Some who go duck hunting, put a wooden duck out, you know, to lure the animals.

And Bro. Branham told the story of Burke, that wicked man, who was such an excellent hunter. And how, one time when they were both on a hunt, Burke took along a whistle. Oh! And it was snowy and after they had hunted for a very long time and they had become very tired, they still couldn’t find anything. But that wicked hunter was persistent. He pulled out his little whistle when he realized things were seeming hopeless. And he had a ‘trick up his sleeve’ and he began to blow that whistle because he knew from studying the behavioural pattern and the characteristics of the nature of the animal that if there was a mother deer around in the environment, then with her nature as a mother, he could have used the right type of tactics, to lure her out of her environment and bring her into range where he could capture her. His intent was very wicked. He was very shrewd in his tactics but he had a purpose and he was going to accomplish his purpose at any cost. See?

Also Bro. Branham tells a little story, and I wish to read a little part of it for you from the message ‘*A Guide*’—how he was lost up in the woods. He said he had left his wife and his little boy down there and he went up in the mountains and he said: “I’m

going to go get my winter game.”

I just want to take a little part to bring out something he says, on page 22:

... *“I noticed a panther”* (he says), *“you call it in this part of the country, we call it in the west a cougar. They call it up there a mountain lion. it’s all the same animal. it’s a puma really what it is. Same cat about two hundred pounds. He crossed the road and I slipped the gun real quick, not fast enough to get the shot at him. Well, I slipped on up over the hill, chasing this cougar, watching the leaves where he moved, you know. I could hear him. He had four feet. I knowed he wasn’t a two-footed animal. His four feet. I knowed he wasn’t a deer, cause a deer stomps, and he would slip real easy, the cat, you know, like that. And a bear rolls his feet when he walks. And so I knew it must be a cougar. And he was behind a log and I didn’t see him, till ... I just got a glimpse of him and he was gone. And I watched the way he disturbed the leaves...”*

And hunters when they’re hunting a certain animal and they know the behavioural pattern, they can pick up the trail and know the direction, where they’re going. They could look at the environment and say “Hmmm... this is a dead end here; I have to turn back here, so maybe I could cut around here and wait for him when he comes out this side. I’ll be in a position giving him a better advantage.”

I’m talking about spiritual things now. I am in a whole spiritual world because the hunter I’m talking about is Nimrod, for Mystery Babylon, the mighty hunter is in the earth today, taking over the world, breaking political powers, controlling trade and commerce, throwing countries into inflation and these things. Just like the Roman power did back there in the time of Jesus!

But during that time THAT Sealing Angel came and sealed them up, and not one of them was caught in there. They had seen Elijah. They recognized the ministry of the Son of Man. They had received the Holy Spirit. They were there being established in the Word, growing up in the Word. And then when that judgement was moving in to destroy the church that rejected the Message, not one of the Christians was caught. Because they saw the sign and they moved. Alright.

So here he says:

*“I watched the way he disturbed the leaves you know, over the top of the mountain, and down like this, and I wasn’t watching the cloud coming all the time, you know, coming down, the fog...”*

Not only does a hunter have to keep his eye on the game. He has

to watch the climate. He has to watch the conditions, whether the time is suitable for certain things or whether instead of using up energy here to try and take it now, it would be best later on, since the time doesn't seem right and it may mean getting into more difficulty if you try to take this deal over here or this thing over here. You need leadership now, because you're hunting in a certain environment.

*I'd went up in a high place, looked around like that peep around, see if could see him and listen real close, get down, slip down again. You could hear the bush crashing. He was hitting the trees; then I couldn't trail him, see. lie got smart, he got up in the trees and was jumping from tree to tree; then he knowed I couldn't trail him there...'*

You see, the hunter may want to catch a certain animal, but it may not be the right time. And that is why a lot of things lingered over the years. Things had to be in their right position. See. And then sometimes the hunted knows the hunter is on the trail and they have to use all their strategies and all their abilities, and all their resources to shake the hunter off. I'm told that sometimes the hunted turns around and hunts the hunter when they know the hunter is on their trail too.

Well 'this Bear' that Nimrod is trying to take in this hour is going to turn around and hunt him. We know that, according to the Bible.

On page 23, he says:

*"I started back up the canyon and I whiffed a bear, an old male bear. (He picked up the scent right away moving into the canyon, he picked up the scent of the bear.) I thought, "I'd get him now boy, that's good! "I whiffed again. I went a little farther, I watched for all kinds of signs and everything. I couldn't see a thing; turned back down, went back down the other side of the mountain. And then I begin to notice it getting a little foggy.*

*I whiffed again, he was in the air somewhere. Now, what happened, the wind was coming down. I caught the bear whiff coming down from this way and I crossed around now and the wind's coming back in a different direction so I had to go back to where I smelled the bear the first time and take it from there."*

See, so this hunter Nimrod has had to use all his religious strategies, all his political strategies, all his financial strategies. He didn't just come here and take over the world like that. Oh, he had to hunt every one of them. He had to be able to study their tactics after a while. It was going to take him a certain amount of time just

to study their behaviour. He'll have to know their history and their development as a certain country, as a certain corporation, and to know just when to move in when the time is feasible, and just when to divide and conquer, when to lure them out of their environment, see.

The hunter knows the things that will attract the attention of the prey that he's stalking, see. He knows the things they fear. He wouldn't use something that they fear might be against their policy or their ideology or some bad experience they had. That is why... Bro. Branham said: "Look at them, okay, they were calling the Christians 'heretics'; then they came and said 'separated brethren'. What the world needs now is love and peace, I think, you know after all this war we've seen the rise of this atheist power, the communist, brother, I think we need to be united now; (amen), in unity, there's strength."

Oh, because he can't keep on calling them heretics, No he has to know what they love, inflate their ego a little bit, you know talk highly of them, compliment them 'Oh, you all have had some fantastic achievements and so and so and oh my, you know, we'll be printing that in our press. We will report that throughout our parishes", you know. Oh, they felt real good, you see.

Now watch, so he uses certain kinds of strategies to get them in certain situations because you see, when God made the animals, each one of them, he gave them a certain ability to protect themselves. Put them in the same jungle, but a little rabbit inside of there, he in the midst of big lions and panthers and bears and everything else, it has got a little hole it could slip into. It's got a way, a feeding time, a sleeping time a certain time to move when it needs a certain type of environment. It's something else.

You also see that, in the deer, for instance. Now, the deer spirit, is not like a tiger spirit or a lion spirit; it is a meek spirit, a quiet spirit. And yet the deer, has such refined senses of hearing and smelling it could pick up the trail, and as long as the deer lives in its own God-given senses, it is secured and protected from the big ferocious lion that is right there. And the prophet says God gave us a super sense called FAITH, (amen) and a man with the Holy Ghost, brother, he could discern and catch something right there if a man is trying to inject something into that Word that is not in that Word, regardless of how great a theologian he is. Amen.

So when we look at the world systems today, we're seeing the dogs and the hunter, we're seeing the prey, the game. We're seeing the traps. We're seeing the environment that the hunt is taking

place in. But it seems that the hunter is hidden — where is the hunter at? See, hunters usually camouflage themselves! When a hunter is going to hunt he gets something that blends into the environment to make him obscure. And you know, as the prophet says, have all the investments in oil wells and media companies and stocks and bonds and banks. And, oh, they don't call the bank, the Bank of the Roman Catholic Church. They don't call the oil company, the oil company of the Roman Catholic Church. They don't call the radio stations, the radio station of the Roman Catholic Church. But they own them.

So we see this person doing business with that person, and another person doing business with another person, and all these different things, but it is the hunter many times in corporate warfare, taking them over, breaking this power here (sure) ... it's a whole game of monopoly. Amen. It's a great hunt. See, because we know the objective of the hunter is being revealed to us from the Word. This great ruler in the last days is going to ride. Bro. Branham called him 'Satan's Super Man'. He's going to bring a world state — the devil incarnate. The mystery of Godliness. We see it, we saw God made flesh in a prophet. Didn't we see it? We saw the revelation of the Son of Man.

Then there was the mystery of iniquity too, that already work from way back there also, man ... coming through. Because each time the Word went forth to bring the word back to flesh and the flesh back to the word, then what was happening was that was only coming up because of the powers that were rising in the earth, through the system of the antichrist. God was sending forth something to combat that.

When a man came with a revelation, it wasn't to show he had knowledge; it was God using that Word to combat a situation, to hold the people in a channel and keep them leading on to the Promise. Because the Holy Ghost had an objective also. And sometimes we are led and moved to do things and we don't even understand the far reaching effects they are having, because the anointing, the Holy Spirit, the Mind, the Intelligence that is there — He knows exactly what He's using that for while He has His prisoners under His control, walking in their feet, speaking through their lips, thinking with their minds. That is why He wants prisoners. Because the battle is the Lord's. And the Lord is mighty in battle. Amen. Yes Sir! Amen.

So, this hunter has camouflaged himself. As we look at these

systems... because the Seven Seals have been opened, all the devil's schemes have been uncovered. Bro. Branham says: "*that's the reason he's howling, because his schemes have been uncovered*". The opening of the Seven Seals has revealed the mysteries to the Bride. We have the devil's answer! Amen. And this mighty hunter, he's baiting his prey. He's been luring them into the position that he wants them before he springs his trap.

Now by the traps that the hunter is setting, we could have an idea of the type of prey he's hunting. Is that right? Amen. And if we know what he's hunting we would be able to see the types of traps that he'll have to use in order to capture the game he's hunting — and the kind of strategies he'll have to use to get Russia under his control.

Now, if the two big toes of a body are cut off it would have no balance. Is that right? Sure! And Bro. Branham says, Eisenhower and Khrushchev, way back there have left the scene the same as John Kennedy went off the scene, but their powers are still growing. They're two powers. See. And then we see where he's come up to in this hour when all those ten kings are going to give their power and their strength to the beast. Oh. I wonder what kind of situation she's going to lure them into, to come in? I wonder what all this 'Perestroika' and 'Glasnost' and Democracy are and these things that they're talking about. And these things happening in Poland right now, and those seven leaders from the most powerful industrialized nations in the world who just crowned off this great meeting in France! What is happening? Is it in the Word? Is it telling us something'? Let us look and clearly see these modern events through the eyes of the vindicated prophecy. And then ... I believe we would be convinced that it's time to move.

If you're in a field, don't leave to go back. If you're on the roof, don't come down but what you have to do is get under the inspiration of your God-given responsibility and be faithful, amen, and be so united with His Word, and keep under the control and leadership of His Holy Spirit. And I believe then we'll be able to see so clearly God in His great mystical Body. Amen. God, a God of variety using all His different members to accomplish His one goal and one purpose in this hour!

Let's look quickly at a couple of the traps which this hunter is setting. Oh, I tell you it's tremendous. On the message, '**Testimony**', Shreveport page 4, (Bro. Branham when he was speaking the night before, he said 'the world is again falling apart')

he said: *'like! I was trying to say last night, the world's coming to a place, it's falling apart politically, socially, economically. You say economics? More money! Yes! Where is it coming from? He says 'we are borrowed on taxes that will be paid forty years from today. She is broke. She is a bankrupt nation; — not this nation, but all of them. And there's no way ever getting it back. And it's a trap set exactly to swing this nation into something...'*

It was a trap set to catch 'the bald eagle' and put it in a cage. Who set the trap? He said it's a trap set.

*"... And all of you are wise on that. Well who has got the wealth of the world? Who holds it? (Someone says, "Rome")—Sure it does! Rome holds it. And whenever we do, when we get broke, instead of these big merchants to back the whiskey and so forth, (like) ... have to get the money; what we'll have to do, either change the currency or borrow the money. And when they do, it's the birthright sold right back exactly, just as perfect, and just what the Scriptures say about it. I'd like to get a place sometime, the Lord willing (he says) when a tent comes on the scene. And I believe that's soon now, soon I'm going worldwide. I got a worldwide meeting coming now. And I'd like to get a place where I could set down for about six weeks, and just take those things and go through them, you see, back and forth, through the Scripture."*

He wanted to do it and He says here:

*"... And it's astounding to see the hour that we are living in. It frightens me. It frightens me not because ... (he says) ... in my heart the joy bells are ringing, knowing that the coming of the Lord is so close at hand. But, what frightens me, is to know that so many is unprepared for the hour that we are facing—that's the bad part! Amen..."*

So, my! That was a trap set there. Then he speaks here on the Message **'Why we are not a denomination'** — talking about the invasion of the United States and the overthrow of the American Government. Then also in **'Souls That Are In Prison Now'**, page 40 — he says: (and you know they had that printed wrong in the book)

*... Isn't it awful? As a great American one time, (This was the old version, the one that was printed before) ... "When the enemy was about to take this country, there was a man in the midnight hour jump on a horse and rode down the road, screaming, 'The enemy is coming! It was Paul Revere. "He says, "I'm an American too. I am riding the midnight hour, not saying 'He's coming!' but*



*'He's here!' He isn't coming. He's already here. He's done conquered. I'm afraid it's over, conquering — this midnight hour!'* He's talking about the enemy. He says it's conquered, it's gone...

And then he goes on to explain: *"Remember in 1956, I said something is going to happen in America. They would reject Christ. he said, "Look how they are swinging the whole Pentecostal world"*.

David had the ark and was rejoicing, and all these things. And they were causing death, swinging the whole thing into Babylon. He had called the man's name, and you know he came and he said, he was sorry for calling the brother's name. You see? Exactly!

And that prophet was seeing exactly where those things were moving; where they were carrying the church and what was happening in the nation. And the religious world was having their big crusades and programs and trying to get people saved and different things. And they didn't even know what was happening.

Now watch! Also he says, *"Kennedy will make a good president and would bring the others in, which will finally be to the full control of the Catholic Church in the U.S.A. She will either guide or lead this nation to ruination."* Either guide or lead.

You see, if you refer back to the Bible, Jezebel was in the background. Ahab was only a figurehead. Ahab wasn't a pagan. You know people get confused. They say, "Well we're looking maybe for a Catholic president or something." No! Catholic control! You see? *"They have never lost the reins of power since she wormed her way into the cabinet"*, see? And they don't want to maintain the image that it is a Catholic nation yet. Oh, but we know, and they know it from behind, but they don't want it to be known in the forefront yet. You see.

Let's look at another trap of that hunter: The prophet speaking about Samson in ***Just One Time Lord*** pages 8 and 9 in Phoenix: *"There he stood, all stripped of his power by a woman, just because his eyes went wanting, because some immoral Jezebel set up a system to conquer the servant of God."*

Remember they had said, "find out where his strength lieth." They were hunting him. Jezebel had a hunt on for him.

Oh, you young people, many of you, the devil has all kinds of traps set for young people. He has traps in school — all kinds of pleasure traps outside there. All kinds of fashion traps for women. Sure! All kinds of traps. All kinds of traps for ministers: money,

women and popularity. All kinds of traps! Sure! He studies the nature. He studies the characteristics.

And Bro. Branham said, *“May I say this with reverence. There has been formed a system of Jezebel’s that’s conquering, bringing them all into a federation, all the denominations, Pentecostals and all into the World Council of Churches which is no more than a trap of the devil to take away from what you got. Then she laughs at you.”* He was getting it from the Scriptures. Because he saw the type in the Old Testament. Even when Ahab saw the communist power rising, he began to preach “One Love”. He told Jehosaphat, “Are not my horses your horses’? And these Syrians that are rising up here, and taking over the nations and all these things, let’s do something about it.”

And Jehosaphat had seen that pagan behind Ahab. And he shouldn’t have gone into it but yet he went into it. And it was like an ecumenical move. The prophet said Protestant Americans and Catholic Americans are uniting together.

But Elijah had already seen what was happening. Is that right? And, you know the Protestants thought: “Well, you know, we’re against the Catholic Church and we’re against the Communist too, but, we could choose the lesser of two evils and in unity there is strength. After all, this is our heritage, this is our nation. And they saw the education and the patriotism and all these things, which is good; sure! But they failed to see when the nation rejected that prophet. You see?”

And then here, they were getting ready to go to their destruction, in that very hour.

And Brother Branham took those things in the Scriptures because he saw the spirit, the trail of it through the Bible and he saw it in his environment and he knew what it was going to head up to. And he began to warn the church showing us that these things were promised in the Scriptures. He had seen it in vision. Now he was bringing the revelation by the Word. And then the thing was happening around us.

Then let me tell you, those spirits have not changed. They have just developed and progressed for the past twenty-three years in the same direction that they were growing in; while the Bride who has been called out and set in the Word has been growing and maturing the same way. And it’s all coming down to a great showdown.

And that is why when we have an opportunity to gather together like this and we get under the influence of this Word, and when the

various ministers who have dedicated themselves to bring the Word begin to show us from all sides and to encourage our faith, then we can take these Words and go on with it and set our homes right and you know, the things that, maybe are becoming weak and ready to die — “Strengthen the things that are remaining” Sure! Sure. Amen.

Also this great hunt. He says (page 361 **in the Seven Church Ages**): “*after a short and powerful demonstration of the Spirit, this little hunted and persecuted Bride will go to be with Jesus*”

But oh Bride, you see, the scheme to the hunter was uncovered to us; how he hunts them, how he traps them. How he lays in wait patiently, to spring his trap. How he seduces and entices.

And God sent a prophet to uncover it to us. And we have escaped that trap. But don’t ever think that those dogs wouldn’t come behind us! Oh, but we better get into the water brook if we are not in the water brook. Amen. “*As the hart panteth after the water brook*”... he says, she is loosing blood at the jugular vein and the hind flank, you know, because the dog made a lunge at it and she knows she needs to get into that water brook to be revived, so that she could shake off the attacker.

Sometimes you may come in all wounded, and bleeding, you know, because the enemy many times is on your trail. Amen. But we have to live in that God-given sense, that though we are in the world, we are not of this world. We are protected whether we are in school — living in that super sense. Amen. My! Quickly, let’s move on. The time’s about gone. Okay, just let me try to skip some of these things quickly. Amen.

Now when Nimrod went forth, the Bible says, “When he began to be a mighty one in the earth.” And when he had been made strong, he built this city and he built that city and he built that city. Now when people are building cities, they don’t just build cities anywhere. They have to think about trade. They have to think about the right location, that the city would be able to have influence. Also, when they are going to conquer a nation, they don’t go and try to conquer just any territory. They’ll conquer those places that will put them in a strategic position so that they could have control. They think of their conquest to make them stronger and more secured in the power they’re going to capture. That’s the way they fight wars.

And, say for instance, you need oil and a particular country has oil, and oil is vital to you; then if you get a hold of that oil, you

could have influence in that region to accomplish the purpose you want. Then, you see your target. You begin to study your prey and you begin to set up your hunt. And that was the way Nimrod was.

Now much isn't written about him back there, but Mystery Babylon... Babylon was in the Old Testament and Babylon was in the New Testament. Babylon was in the beginning of the Bible, the middle of the Bible and the end of the Bible. And as we took and we see the way he is hunting today to bring a world state, we could see the way Nimrod was operating back there because they cannot beat their type. Alright.

*So here Brother Branham says (Seven Church Ages page 182): Babel is the original name for Babylon. It means confusion. It was literally started by Cush, the son of Ham, but was brought to a Kingdom of power and grandeur under his son, Nimrod, the mighty hunter. Nimrod, according to the Genesis 11 account (and) also according to profane history, set out to accomplish three things. He wanted to propagate his own religion, which he did. He wanted to build a strong nation, which he did. He wanted to make a name for himself, which he also accomplished. His accomplishments were so monumental that the Kingdom of Babylon was called the head of gold amongst all world governments. That his religion gained prominence is proven by the fact that scriptures identifies it completely in Isaiah Chapter 14 and (in) Revelation Chapters 17-18." Nimrod's religion.*

And he puts him up in Heaven. "How art thou fallen from Heaven, O Lucifer." And Satan had five 'I Wills'. 'I will be like God.' 'I will be worshipped as God.' Isaiah saw Satan veiled in that King of Babylon in the head of gold, that great power there you know, and conquering all the nations, built on the Euphrates River, a great perversion of the Heavenly Jerusalem. And Isaiah said, "how art thou fallen from heaven?" And then he told him (Isaiah) why he fell. And Paul comes eight hundred years after and sees the man of sin sitting in the temple as God, being worshipped as God.

And the prophet said "what great success he has had in carrying out his threats." Then John, in Revelation 13:8 saw that all those names that were not found in the Lamb's Book of Life will worship the beast. And these Seven Seals had to be opened, to reveal our names, (amen), to call us out of Babylon, "Come out of her my people," and uncover the diabolical scheme and show us how she has infiltrated the world, and has kings under her control.

That even when she was destroyed it wasn't the ordinary people crying for her; but it was the merchants that trade by the sea. Amen.

And the prophet goes on to say: *“By history we can prove it invaded the whole world and is the basis for every system of idolatry and the theme of mythology, though the names of the gods differ in various sections of the land. That he made a name for himself and his followers goes without saying for as long as this present age goes on Until Jesus reveals himself to His brethren, he will be worshipped and honored, though under a different name from Nimrod and in a temple slightly different from the one in which he was originally adored.”* Amen.

And then also page 186, he says: *“Ninus, King of Assyria”* (he's talking about Nimrod) . . - *“They changed the ancient moderate ways of life by the desire for conquest. He was the first who carried war against his neighbors. He conquered all nations from Assyria to Libya as these men knew not the arts of war.”*

What kind of hunter is this who is building Babylon and has an army that is conquering all the nations and makes them pay tributes to his city? What kind of hunter went forth with a bow conquering and to conquer? Now you may see, hunters, who have their trophies with the big horns. And the horns in the animal, is the symbol of the power of the animal. And when the hunter went out in the contest against the animal and conquered and subdued the animal, they took the horns as a symbol that they had conquered the enemy. They have conquered that power which they went out against and they have it in display. And that is where crowns came from.

You read Hyslop's *“Two Babylons”*. And that Vicar of Christ, who is so called, that mystery Nimrod, — with that triple crown there, he had gone forth conquering and to conquer. But what was he conquering? People. What was he hunting?

And then he sits down there and he shows he could bring them out of hell, and he could bring them out of purgatory. He could put them up in Heaven, he could do this ... oh, he creates a position for himself. It shows he has such dominion. And he has built his great scientific civilization, his own Eden for six thousand years and now he is getting ready to be enthroned over it.

And we see all these changes going on in the world today, coming to the place where Satan's superman, Nimrod of the twentieth century, the mighty hunter, is going to take center stage.

(Quickly, what I don't get today I will continue on tomorrow. So I'll just try to take about ten minutes and finish out here quickly.)

Turn with me in your Bible to Daniel 1, quickly. Daniel was down in Babylon, you know, and Babylon was the same Babel that Nimrod built on the Euphrates River. And at that time it was the head of gold, the superpower of the world.

Now I want to show you how war disintegrates societies and cultures. Societies and cultures in the olden times were always disintegrated by the results of war. But the war I'm talking about today is the kind of war that's happening in this world because he is going to take control of this world. And all these media wars, and global trade wars, and economic wars and industrial wars that are taking place, they are changing the world and creating a new society.

Daniel 1 (we'll get a good idea here) Verse 1:

*In the third year of the reign of Jehoiakim, King of Judah, came Nebuchadnezzar King of Babylon unto Jerusalem, and besieged it.*

*And the Lord gave Jehoiakim, King of Judah into his hand with part of the vessels of the house of God; which he carried into the land of Shinar (same place where Nimrod had build his Babel) to the house of his god; and brought the vessels into the treasure house of his god.*

*And the King spake unto Ashpenaz the master of his eunuchs, that he should bring certain of the children of Israel (not everyone; certain) and of the king's seed and of the princes,*

(that means out of all the captives they had brought, they had to screen them, section them off, find out their IQ, their education, the kind of abilities they had, and separate them, because they had certain purposes to use them for. They were the spoils of war. Nebuchadnezzar and that Babylon power had invaded Israel and had taken captives. You see?)

*Youth in whom was no blemish, but well-favored, and skillful in all wisdom and, gifted, (cunning) in knowledge and understanding science, and such as had ability in them to stand in the king's palace, and whom they might teach the learning and the tongue of the Chaldeans.*

*And the king appointed them a daily provision of the King's meat, and of the wine which he drank; so nourishing them three years, that at the end thereof they might stand before the King.*

*Now among these were of the children of Judah: Daniel, Hananiah, Mishael and Azariah.*

Now, we see right away how they were taken from one society, brought to another society, and were being brought under their way of life. And they had to speak the language and learn the science and become an extension of the society that had captured them. And they had to begin to pattern their lifestyle after the society that had conquered them. And it was a way of spreading their influence into the earth, that everyone they conquered, had to begin to learn their customs. And you know they said, "Okay, we have the Jews over here, so we're going to use this one as a mayor over this little Jewish City. And we can use this one here — not to be in control of the Babylonians; but rather over Jews and other minority groups."

You know, a lot of men wanted to conquer the world. Napoleon wanted to do it. Hitler wanted to do it. They had ambitions and desires. But Bible shows that there were only going to be four world powers: Babylon, Medes and Persia, Greece and Rome. See? So those things couldn't come to pass.

So right here we see then, how societies change the life and everything about a people.

Now, it is the same way with us. War has changed our lives too. Scriptural war makes you change your dressing. Scriptural war makes you change your language. Scriptural war changes your way of worship. Many of us used to worship a certain way. Many of us had a certain language. Many of us had a certain ideology — those who might have been Baptist or a Methodist, or, whatever country we came from—religious country, that is, but then scriptural war, the power of Divine Love conquered us, took us captives, made us a prisoner, a love slave and changed our way of life, taking on a new identity to propagate a new cause of a new nation that we belong to a Holy nation. Amen.

You know, we have that in the West Indies. The West Indies were populated through the slave trade. Slave traders went to Africa, and different places and took the slaves and brought them to the West Indies. If you go to Africa this one's name is

‘Mkanganwi’, this one’s name might be ‘Chatinma’, different names like that but they have their original name. Take, for instance, my brother here, Brother Steve, who travels with me, his name is Walters. Now, ‘Walters’ is not an African name but he has lost his true name through the slave trade. He had lost his true identity. For him to go there and try to eat the food and different things, he was shaped by a different culture. He lives in a different environment. You see?

And in the same way when we were all in the original apostolic faith, and THAT MIGHTY HUNTER came and began to conquer the church, conquer the laity. Is that right? — he took them to Babylon. Then we became a Baptist, we became a Methodist, and we took the name of our slavemaster.

But there was coming a great Emancipator. Amen! There was coming a Great Deliverer, one like Moses, who could say, “Let my people go!” (Hallelujah!) to bring deliverance out of all these systems (amen) and bring us back to our true identity. That is why in this age everybody wants to go back to the land of their fathers. Everybody wants to find their roots. Everybody wants to go back to where they come from. Because this is the hour of restoration!

And you notice, that through the satellite and television, western culture is disintegrating all those eastern societies. Their way of life through their rock music, and the drug trade and all these different things are being projected on the screens; all the ‘Dynasty’ and the ‘Falcon Crest’ and all the different kinds of, you know, Hollywood movies coming out through the television screen reshaping the lives of women and these things, and breeding a new culture, a new society; changing their way of life. Traditions people have had for thousands and thousands of years are being conquered, because decisions are made in the mind.

And when the devil presents these things and it comes to the mind, you see, they make the wrong decision. And through their reasonings and imaginations, and that worldly taste in their soul, they go after it. And then they pull that death into their soul and it has shaped their lives to the type of influence that is being transmitted to them, bringing them captive under its influence.

(We’ll continue some more on that tomorrow, but I just want to show that a little bit.)

Turn with me to Daniel 7, quickly. I’m closing out. I’m sorry to keep you this long. But you see, I don’t want to come quite back here tomorrow.



Daniel 7, verse 7 and 8. Now, we want to take a look at Mystery Babylon because it will help us to see, and understand things about the natural Babylon that is not written, because it's the antitype to the type. See?

And Mystery Babylon, Rome, is the fourth gentile world power. And in the Book of Daniel which is like the apocalypse of the Old Testament, shows us this mystery very clearly — because Daniel was in Babylon and Babylon was the greatest power in the earth in those days. See?

And God gave Daniel revelations concerning this fourth world power, this fourth beast, (see), that was diverse and whose leader was going to come with a great mouth that would speak great flatteries and those things, see?

They had to have a pope like that. I'm not saying he is the person, but someone who is going to travel the world like that one. And it was all selected; he was going to come from Poland. It was a great move to get a communist pope in order to get back Russia under their control — hunting that 'bear', you see. They already have the 'eagle' caged. Now they want the 'bear'. It's a 'bear' hunt that they are on. Sure!

And all this united Europe they are talking about; a single market, a single currency, a single state, is really the groundwork being laid to break the present day money system. You see the dollar has had some crashes — It's sick, it's dying, all the financial experts — Doctor Feldstein and Doctor Greenspan, all of them, you know — are trying 'to pump the heart' and give 'mouth to mouth resuscitation' and oxygen tents and everything else to try to pump back life into the dollar, but it's dying. It's sick. It's going. They know it's going to have the 'big one'. In the financial world they talk about the next crash like the way they talk about California. They say the 'big one' — when the 'big one' comes in California. Well, they know a big crash is coming for the money system too.

And the prophet tells us Rome will destroy the present day money system. I want to show you how he's laying the groundwork and he's going to destroy it; because Europe is the 'Old World' and that is where the beast came out of the sea. Now America, the North American Continent is the 'New World', where Protestants fled from Catholic persecution in Europe, to live as pilgrims and colonize this 'New World'.

Then the 'Third World' was a political necessity for the

Catholics, - where the 'Old World' would try to break the power of the 'New World' and throw them into all kinds of debts and wars and fighting Communism and all kinds of fears that they create in order to hold them in that condition. And now we see Protestants and Catholics, the 'Old World', the 'New World', and the 'Third World' all uniting. Then that leaves the 'Communist world'. So then, they have to restructure, and they're talking about 'new thinking', because these ten kings are going to have one mind. It's a new thinking. And what is causing it? The economy. Economic reform. We'll get it just now— because the beast is the one who causes craft to prosper. He has caused all kinds of businesses to prosper in the Western World, see? And all those things they're talking about there (let me tell you) shows us it's the gathering storm. It's later than we think. It's time to put on your running shoes. Amen. See? Get that armor buckled up a little tighter now. Amen. See? The chase is on.

It is the most exciting and dramatic time in all Christianity that's happening in the face of the Earth right now. Amen.

Daniel 7, Verse 7:

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

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

(Then the vision changes a little bit and he comes back here and begin to speak of it) Verse 15:

*I Daniel was grieved in my spirit in the midst of my body, and the visions of my head troubled me.*

(How many times Brother Branham says that after he get those visions, see.)

*I came near unto one of them that stood by,*

*and asked him the truth of all this. So he told me, and made me know the interpretation of the things.*

*These great beasts, which are four, are four kings, which shall arise out of the earth.*

*But the saints of the Most High shall take the Kingdom and possess the Kingdom or ever, even forever and ever (at the end of it, you see'?)*

*Then I would know the truth of the fourth beast which was diverse from all the others, exceedingly dreadful whose teeth were of iron, and his nails of brass; which devoured, brake in pieces. and stamped the residue with his feet:*

*And of the ten horns that were in his head, and of the other which came up, and before whom three fell: even of that horn that had eyes. and a mouth (all this is in symbol form, but he is dealing with the last Kingdom, the fourth one, Rome) that spake very great things, whose look was more stout than his fellows.*

*I beheld, and the same horn made war with the saints, and prevailed against them:*

*Until the Ancient of days came, and judgement was given to the saints of the Most High, and the time came that the saints possessed the Kingdom.*

(We know that this is all going to happen in the Tribulation Period, you see, when they begin to kill those Christians)

*Thus he said, the fourth beast shall be the fourth kingdom upon earth, which shall be diverse from all kingdoms and shall devour the whole earth..*

That is what Nimrod is doing. Nimrod began to devour the whole earth by conquest, and brought them all under his dominion when he built Babylon and had great space programs. He was going to link earth and heaven together. Then watch.

*and shall tread it down, and break it in pieces.*

*And the ten horns out of this kingdom are ten kings that shall arise; and another shall arise after them and he shall be diverse from the first and he shall subdue three kings.*

*And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the*

*Most High, and think so change the times and laws: and they shall be given into his hand...*

Remember how Haman got the King to sign that document and he said, "Put it in writing that can't be reversed, and then published it, and then have a certain day." And Brother Branham said it's already in writing in this nation. They are only waiting for the time to put it in operation. Sure! Just like it was back there in the Book of Esther as our brother was showing us. Amen. Now watch:

*Until a time and times and dividing of time.*

Daniel 8. verse 23, speaking about this same great fourth power and this great world leader that is soon to take center stage.

And Brother Branham says, "*Somewhere between the binding of the tares and the revealing of the anti-Christ, the rapture will take place. and does take place.*" Oh, my, what a time we are living in when we see all these things heading up to that place.

Verse 23:

*And in the latter time of their kingdom, when the transgressors are come to the full, a king of fierce countenance, and understanding dark sentences, shall stand up.*

*And his power shall be mighty but not by his own power, and he shall destroy wonderfully...*

Notice how the Holy Spirit uses the word there, 'destroy wonderfully'. Oh, he will destroy this present day money system *wonderfully*. He will destroy that Communist world *wonderfully*; break it by economic power and then bring it into his alliance, when they give their power and strength to him. But for one hour; God will put in their hearts to destroy it afterwards.

*And shall destroy the mighty and the holy people  
and through his policy also he shall cause craft to prosper in his name...*

All kinds of manufacturing, businesses, will prosper through his economic policy and he shall cause all kinds of businesses to wage trade wars. When Nimrod was conquering those nations, he knew which one to conquer. And when he began to be made strong he had the resources. He could control the trade routes. He could put pressure on this one, so that they had to support him, and submit unto him otherwise he would starve them out, otherwise he would control trade, and put them into economic chaos. Sure! He had such a communication system, there was one language in the earth

and the people were all linked up together. Sure. Monumental achievements, patterned for what is coming back. Amen. See?

*and he shall magnify himself in his heart, and  
by peace shall destroy many...*

Oh, “separated brethren, (see?) Let us become one; let us put away all our differences now and settle down and have some inter-religious services and these things.” My! Destroying by peace, coming by flattery, wonderfully. It’s already happening, see.

*he shall also stand up against the Prince of  
Princes, but he shall be broken without hand.*

The Lord will destroy him with the brightness of His coming, and the breath of His mouth. Amen.

So, notice three things: this beast will devour the whole earth, he shall destroy wonderfully by peace, and through his economic policy he shall cause all kind of businesses to prosper.

I just want to read something quickly to you from an article in the *‘Time Magazine’*. And they said, **“The definition of conquest has changed.”** Nimrod was the first one who took conquest. His desire for conquest changed the world in his day. I’m showing the same desire for conquest has changed the world and created a new society here today. But the wars here are different types of wars. They say, *“The definition of conquest has changed. Japan has proved that territory, sheer acreage means nothing. The Soviet Union’s geographical vastness has availed little in productivity. The deepest change may be a planetary intuition that military war is pointless. Except in places like the Middle East and Ireland, conquering territory is a fruitless and counter-productive exercise. Why conquer land? The Soviets have more trouble than they can manage with their nationalities. The new world’s battlegrounds are markets and ideas. The Japanese and Germans, having learned their military lessons the hard way, re-entered the war by other means, (see?) and now begin to monopolize their trade.”*

But that is the ‘Old World’, where the ‘Old World’ comes from, where Rome that beast that came out of the sea and then there is the beast that came of the earth, the ‘New World’. And now you see it’s not just Catholic and Protestants. It’s also two worlds coming back together again.

Now watch. Quickly with me, one last Scripture. Joel 3, I just really want to read it.

All that time the New World’s battlegrounds are markets and

ideas where the beast cause craft to prosper. Businesses and economic power. Economic strength and might of the Industrial nations, and America being the leader of the Industrial Democracies.

Notice from the time ‘The student’s uprising’, happened in China— ‘they said, “Freeze this trade; talk to Japan and freeze this over here. Put pressure on them.” Sure! But what is America? It’s just what Jezebel had taken control of and is using, because Ahab is under her control. Remember that. Joel 3:

*For behold, in those days (verse 1) and in that time, when I shall bring again the captivity of Judah and Jerusalem. (Those Feasts of the Trumpets, gathering them back in their homeland, Israel.)*

*I will (also) gather all nations, and will bring them down into the valley of Jehoshaphat, and will judge with them there for my people and for my heritage Israel, whom they have scattered among thee nations, and parted my land.*

*Proclaim this among the Gentiles: Prepare war which war is this’? We have already had two, the third one is coming, Armageddon) ... wake up the mighty men, let all the men of war draw near; let them come up. (What an interesting verse now).*

*Beat your plowshares into swords, and your pruning-hooks into spears: (and) let the weak say, I am strong.*

Oh, that’s an interesting verse. Now, plowshares and pruning-hooks are symbols of the economy. They are industrial symbols. Spears and swords are military symbols. And when we speak of ‘beating’ something, it symbolizes the blacksmith who takes the plowshare, puts it in the oven, heats it, puts it on the anvil and begins to change the shape of the same tool. They began to structure the economy, making it military. It is speaking of the arms race, stockpiling arms, armaments and sacrificing their economy for military strength. It throws them into such deteriorating economic situations that they realize that they strove to be ahead in the arms race and conquering land and these things,

while the Beast was fighting the battle in another battleground of markets and ideas, causing craft to prosper.

Now when they realized that they had an abundance of arms, they started to talk about deployment. What is it? They're taking the arms back to the oven, heating them up and beating a few swords and spears back into pruning-hooks because they are 'restructuring the economy' — 'Perestroika' — Economic restructuring. Restructuring the whole thing back. When'? Just before Armageddon. That is where they are going, to that third war. And we are seeing these things.

Brother Branham on '*Uniting Sign and Time*', said "*The Western World is uniting, the Eastern World is uniting. We are in the process of national disturbance, it's all going to go to Armageddon. It will clean of the earth to bring back the new civilization.*" Sure!

But before that time you are going to see all that arms race and all that stockpiling arms, and all these things.

Verse 11, He says:

*Assemble yourselves, and come all ye nations (heathen), and gather yourselves together round about; thither cause thy mighty ones to come down, O Lord.*

*Let the nations be wakened, and come up to the valley of Jehoshaphat; for there will I sit to judge all the nations round about.*

*Put ye in the sickle, for the harvest is ripe, come, get down; for the press is full, the vats overflow for their wickedness is great.*

Turn with me quickly as we close out. Just two more scriptures to read. Revelation 16, which is just in continuity to that. Revelation 16, verse 13 to 16. Oh my, it's so wonderful. These modern events are being made clear as we look at it through the eyes of the vindicated prophecy of a vindicated prophet, who has come to call us all out of Babylon, to get us out of this perversion and get us ready for the New Jerusalem, the reality, the real Eden with the real King. Amen. Glory!

*And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs come out of the mouth of the dragon, and out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet.*

*For they are (the) spirits of devils working miracles which go forth unto the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.*

The same thing as in Joel. But here we see religious power — the dragon, the beast, the false prophet, are a three-fold mystery of the anti-christ spirit; and then we see spirits of devils, — demon-power; and the kings of the earth, — political power — uniting those three powers together to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty. And right in between there He says:

### **Behold, I come as a thief...**

While they are gathering them. Now notice. Here it's showing a religious deception fore-running the Third Woe. Over in Joel, it shows stockpiling of arms... and economic chaos — which results in economic chaos fore-running the Third Woe also. Isn't that what we are faced with?

Then we see the whole ecumenical move, and the entire arms race and the restructuring of the economy and all these things. And right there, He says. "Behold I come as a thief." Now in St. John 10, He says how the thief is going to come. He is going to do three things when he comes. — A thief comes to steal, he comes to kill and he comes to destroy. But He says, "I (AM) come to give life more abundantly." But the second time that he is going to come, he's going to come like a thief. And the prophet says he is going to steal His Bride like Romeo stole Juliet. Is that right? He's going to kill Jezebel's children with death, the last plague. And He will destroy them who destroy the Earth. Amen. Oh, my! Here, the revelation of the Rapture.

*"...blessed is he that watcheth, and keepeth his garments, lest he walk naked and they see his shame."*

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

While he is gathering them, and then they were gathered but in-between that time, that's when His Coming is taking place as a thief. Hallelujah!

And Revelation 17, Verse 12 to 14:

*And the ten horns ... (we see them back in Daniel 10, these ten Kings) ... which (ten toes also) thou sawest are ten kings, which have received no kingdom as yet: but receive power as*



*kings (he says dictators aren't crowned kings) one hour with the beast.*

*These have one mind, (right now they are talking about new thinking, everything is new thinking, see?) and shall give their power and strength unto the beast.*

*These shall make war with the Lamb (That is Rev. 19 also) and The Lamb shall overcome them; for He is Lord of lords, and King of kings; and they that are with him are called, and chosen and faithful.*

That's His Bride (when He comes like a thief), who was chosen before the foundation of the world, and who is faithful in every Word that we have received. Amen.

The economic chaos, the religious deception fore-running that war — it has always fore-run war. And in “*That Woman Jezebel*”, Brother Branham says, when Elijah was rejected back in the time of The Book of Kings, look what happened. — He said: “*you watch what is going to happen...*” typing it back with this day showing that history was repeating itself, he says, famine, depression and war are going to come in upon this nation.

And we see that in that First Exodus, God sent Moses there to call them out; a prophet with two signs, a Pillar of Fire for vindication, all these things, calling an Exodus, have them under the token. Back in that type we see what happened. How a plague of locusts moved and broke the economic power of Egypt and brought them to poverty. All the rivers were polluted, and all the fishes. The Fishing industry began to die and stink. Is that right? All the trees began to be destroyed. All nature was going into chaos, see; because Egypt was a great nation back there, but that plague of locusts devoured that land, see? And God reduced their economic power. Through famine, depression, and then war – God destroys the nation. God destroyed their army and these things.

Then in the Second Exodus, what happened? Jesus, a prophet like unto Moses came and was calling them out. Titus came in afterwards; a plague of locusts, the Roman power. Is that right? Roman spirits surrounded the nation. The Caravans couldn't come in, they blocked the trade routes off, causing inflation, recession, unemployment, inside there. Brother, the crime rate began to get worse. Sure! Things, you know, began to get scarce inside of there, starving them out, —depression. And then he destroys them and

the streets flowed with blood.

And in the Third Exodus, we see two hundred million locusts coming out of that bottomless pit. Is that right'? Sure! Coming upon the face of the Earth, coming out of that Euphrates River showing Papal Rome, because it's a mystery Babylon, a mystery river, a mystery Nimrod. It's a mystery hunt. Amen.

Look at today, in the days of Elijah too. First time when Elijah came and Ahab and Jezebel, religion and politics were in a union ... began to come together. And that prophet saw what that union was going to do to that nation. It was going to lead to the ruination of that nation. That beautiful woman, wicked in her heart, who rose up in that nation. And that prophet saw it there. He saw it was a political manoeuvre. Is that right'? He warned the nation. His message caught seven thousand under that Seventh Seal. They were going in the Rapture. Yes, sir!

And during that time what happened — Famine, drought and depression stepped in and then war. They were destroyed in the battle.

Look also in Elisha's time the same thing stepped in. Also in the time of John the Baptist when Elijah came again, when Titus moved in there and caused the same thing.

And then in the last days of Elijah of Malachi 4; when we see famine, depression and war. The Third Woe — “Behold the Third Woe cometh quickly.” All this, moving in again.

And then in the time of Elijah when he comes in Revelation 11, it will be famine and depression, when there would be drought in the land, and that solar radiation will begin to come and burn up the earth and all these different things and, you know, they begin to smite the heavens, and smite the earth, and smite the rivers and smite the sea, and all these things, sure. And then they will be destroyed in the Third Woe also, for rejection of the Message. Always.

Oh, it's a tremendous thing that is happening. It's a great hunt. The hunt is on, the pursuits of the chase, it's such an exciting time. It's such a great thing happening in the earth. But when the Christians saw the sign, the gathering clouds of that storm coming in, brother, they moved. Because they knew that that was the fulfilling of the words spoken to them by the Son of Man. And he had told them the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Truth that was in Him giving it out, was going to come back around and teach them further on those things and prepare them — because the Message

was for preparation.

Many things back there were hard to be understood, but when we had reason to see it, He was going to show it unto us, to get us ready to escape. As Jesus said, “Escape the snares”, all these things that are going to come upon the world. Oh, what a time it is. But always remember when that is moving in, it was a time of deliverance for God’s people. It was time for those seven thousand, it was time for Israel to go. Those Christians moved. They were sealed by The Holy Ghost. They were not caught in that destruction. When these things begin to move in, it’s the time of deliverance!

Oh, see the bright Light (may the musicians come.) I want to sing, “Just any day now, Our Lord is coming. He’ll be returning for you and for me.” (Let’s stand to our feet.) “Oh, I’ve been watching, I’ve been waiting, just any day now, His face I’ll see.”

The unseen Bridegroom, the One we love so much. The same Word, the same camel that we are watering this morning, amen, is going to pack us to meet that unseen Bridegroom. Amen.

(Congregation begins singing) *Just any day now*

I turn the service back to Brother Eddie. God bless you

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