

Revelation of Jesus Christ Lessons

Part 1

Brother Branham started this week-long study with a Message entitled “The Revelation of Jesus Christ”. In the beginning of this Message, Brother Branham says this:

“But the reason for this special time was that we would... Upon my heart the Holy Spirit had laid this warning of conviction, that, 'The Church in this day should have this Message.' Because, I believe that it is the most outstanding Messages of the Bible, because it reveals Christ in His Church at this time.

Then, no one can have faith or know what they're doing, or where they're going, unless they have some, something to base their thoughts and faith upon. Therefore, if the Scripture has revealed Christ to us in these last days, and the condition of time, it would do us good to--to search it and find out where we're at.”60-1204m para. 4

Lesson:

- Please turn in your Bible to the Book of Revelation. The meaning of the word “Revelation” is the unfolding or unveiling. Brother Branham gives the example of a sculptor, who made a great statue, and has it covered by a veil. When he tears back the veil, he reveals the sculpture.
- The Book of Revelation “is the revealing of the future of His works in His seven church ages that’s coming on.” Whose works are we speaking of here? Jesus Christ
- This Book of the Bible that you see before you is the only Book that has Christ’s seal and that Christ wrote Himself.
- St. John the divine was the scribe. A scribe is someone who writes down someone else’s words. John was the scribe and Jesus was the Author of the Book of Revelation.
- Brother Branham tells us this:

“...if Satan hates any Book in the Bible, it’s the Revelation. There’s two...He hates all Scripture, and it’s the whole canon of Scripture. But, if anything, he despises mostly, is Revelation and Genesis. Because, Genesis tells the beginning. Revelation reveals what’s going to happen to him in the last day.” 60-1204m para. 94

“And the Book of Revelation has more symbols in it than all the rest of the Books in the Bible. It has more symbols because it is a Book of prophesy.” 60-1204m para. 96
- Brother Branham tells us that this Book is not meant for everybody,

“But to the ones who are lovers of the Word of God, that’s who the Book was written to, to the Church.” 60-1204m para. 97
- The Book of Revelation is set in three parts:
 - o Chapters 1-3 deals with the Church
 - o Chapters 4-19 deals with Israel as a nation
 - o Chapters 19-22 deals with both, Church and Israel

Bible Reading:

67 "Turning now to the Book of the Revelation, 1st chapter. Now, the first, I want to read the first three verses of Revelation.

The Revelation of Jesus Christ, which God gave unto him, to shew unto his servant things which must shortly come to pass; and he sent and signified it by his angel unto his servant John: Who bare record of the word of God, and of the testimony of Jesus Christ, and to all... of all things that he saw.

Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand." 60-1204m para. 67

Brother Branham tells us about this Scripture:

"Now the contents of this 1st chapter. The 1st verse, it--it really speaks for itself, because it is the Revelation of Jesus Christ. 2nd verse, Saint John the divine is the scribe and servant. 3rd verse, the blessings pronounced." 60-1204m para. 73

From these verses, what did we learn?

- It is the Revelation of Jesus Christ in the future Church Ages.
- St. John the divine is the scribe and servant.

Does that mean he wrote it with his own thoughts? No, he only wrote what he saw.

Who was the author? Jesus Christ

The blessing is pronounced. What is the blessing? Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words of this prophecy, and keep those things which are written therein: for the time is at hand. Isn't that wonderful!! If we read the Scriptures we are blessed! But what if we can't read yet? You are blessed also if you hear the Scriptures. Hallelujah!!

Brother Branham said that in the Old Testament,

"...many could not read so the priest had to read to them. As long as it was the Word, the blessing was there. It didn't matter if it was read or heard." Church Age Book, The Revelation of Jesus Christ, pg. 16

Part 2

Let's review some of what we learned.

- It's the only Book Christ put His seal on and that Christ wrote Himself.
- It is a Book of prophecy.
- It reveals the future of Christ's works in His seven church ages
- St. John the divine was the scribe and Christ was the Author.
- Satan hates the Book of Revelation
- It starts off with a blessing and ends with a curse.

Last lesson we talked about the blessing found in Revelation 1:3, "Blessed is he that readeth, and they that hear the words..." However, what is the curse? Brother Branham and Revelation 22:19 tells us that "Cursed is he that takes anything out of it." God wants us to say exactly what the Bible says and not change any part of it!

Lesson:

(You will need the Church Age Book to show class. Children can follow along in their books.)

Today we are going to dig further into this wonderful Message. Remember, Brother Branham said that this Book of Revelation was not meant for everybody, "But to the ones who are lovers of the Word of God..." That's us!! The Bride, the Church!! Hallelujah!!!

Please turn in your Bible to the Book of Revelation. Let's start with verse 4, class reads:

4 † "John to the seven churches which are in Asia: Grace be unto you, and peace, from him which is, and which was, and which is to come; and from the seven Spirits which are before his throne;"

Show map of 7 churches in Asia Minor.

*"Now, Asia Minor wasn't all of Asia, the continent of Asia. It was just a little part. They claim, a place about the size of state of **Pennsylvania**, see, or something like that, or **Indiana**; just a small place where these seven churches set. There was more than them churches at the time. And, but, it revealed their character." 60- 1204m*

Brother Branham further explains this in the Church Age Book Chapter One, p. 17. Read this to class:

"The seven Spirits before the throne is the Spirit That was in each of the seven messengers, giving them their ministries for the age in which each lived.

Now all these expressions, 'Him Which Is', and 'Him Which Was', and 'Is To Come', and 'Faithful Witness', and 'First-born From Among the Dead', and 'Prince of the Kings of the Earth', and 'The Alpha and Omega', and 'The Almighty', are titles and descriptions of the ONE AND THE SAME PERSON, Who is the Lord Jesus Christ, Who washed us from our sins in His own blood."

Continue having class read Revelations 1, verse 5 from Bible:

5 † And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood,

Brother Branham tells us in the Church Age Book, page 34:

"The word 'washed' is actually 'loosed'—'Loosed us from our sins in His own blood.' Isn't that wonderful? But are you spiritual minded? Did you catch it? It was His OWN blood that loosed us completely from our sins. It was not human blood. It was the blood of God. Peter called it the blood of Christ. Paul called it the blood of the Lord, and the blood of Jesus. Not three persons, but ONE person. There is that revelation again, ONE God. That omnipotent Jehovah God came down and made Himself a body by means of the virgin birth and indwelt it, that it

might be the blood of God that would free us (loose us entirely) from our sins and present us spotless before Himself with exceeding great joy.'

How wonderful is our Lord Jesus! How much He loved us!

Continue having class read verse 6 from the Bible:

6 † And hath made us kings and priests unto God and his Father; to him be glory and dominion for ever and ever. Amen.

In the Church Age Book, page 35, Brother Branham tells us that,

"...there are certain truths we need to emphasize. This is one of them. HE! HE HATH MADE US! Salvation is His doing. Salvation is of the Lord. All of grace. He redeemed us for a purpose."

Continue having class read verse 7 from Bible:

7 † Behold, he cometh with clouds; and every eye shall see him, and they also which pierced him: and all kindreds of the earth shall wail because of him. Even so, Amen.

Brother Branham says in the Church Age Book on page 36:

"He is coming. Jesus is coming. God is coming. The Prophet is coming. The Priest and King is coming. The ALL-in-ALL is coming. Even so, Lord Jesus, come quickly. Amen."

Continue having class read verse 8 from Bible:

8 † I am Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the ending, saith the Lord, which is, and which was, and which is to come, the Almighty.

This verse speaks of the Supreme Deity of Jesus Christ! Almighty God. ONE GOD.

In this next quote, let's listen closely to hear the three topics that Brother Branham tells us takes revelation by the Holy Spirit to understand.

"So, you're not bound anymore. You are free, but maybe you don't know it. But let me tell you this morning, the Bible said, 'He loosed us from our sins, our unbelief, that we might receive the Revelation of Jesus Christ.' Go away, free!... have to take what any church says about It. Take what God said about It. Here is His Revelation revealing Who He is.

'I always believed that God the Father had long, white beard, white hair; and the Son was a middle-aged man; and the Holy Ghost was the mascot boy.' Brother, that's paganism. That's pagan if you believe in three Gods.

The very first Commandment, what is the first Commandment? 'Hear ye, O Israel: I'm the LORD your God, one God.' That's it.

He is one God, not three gods. He lived in three offices, served three places. He is Prophet, Priest, and King. He is Eagle, Lamb, and—and Lion. He is the Lily of the Valley, the Rose of Sharon, the

Lily of the Valley, and Morning Star, the Root and Offspring of David. He's from A to Z. He's Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. He's all that, but He's One. He is one God. That's His titles that goes to Him, but there's one God.

Never was anybody, any page of the Bible nor in history, until the Catholic church, was ever baptized by immersing in the name of 'Father, Son, Holy Ghost.'

If you show me the page or anything, you write it, lay it up on here to me, tonight, and I'll walk out of this church, saying, 'I am a hypocrite; I have taught people wrong.' If you can show me one text of Scripture, or bring me one history, authentic history, that'll show me that where that people ever baptized, in the Bible, in the name of 'Father, Son, Holy Ghost.' Or, bring me one scrip, or one book of history, one page, one quotation in history, where anybody was ever baptized in the name of 'Father, Son, Holy Ghost,' until the Nicene Council of the Catholic church. Come, bring it to me; and I'll pin a sign on my back and walk through Jeffersonville, and you behind with a horn, blowing. I'll put on there, 'A false prophet, misleading the people.'

And, pastor, if you're here this morning, you'd do that, you ought to let me do that to you. See? Come, show me. But you're afraid.

Now, what is it? This is the Revelation. This is the Revelation. And this is the Holy Spirit, Christ, sending His Message to the churches. Hear It. Hear It. That's what the Bible teaches."

Did you hear them? What were they?

- We are loosed from our sins
- One God in three offices
- Christian baptism-in the Name of the Lord Jesus Christ; not titles

At the end of this Message, Brother Branham sings a song that sums these up. (This song can be sung with you, or along with Brother Branham; paragraph 271 on tablet and paragraph 283 on Table.)

*"It'll—it'll be Light in the evening time,
The path to Glory you will surely find;
In the water way, that's the Light today,
Buried in the precious Name of Jesus.
Young and old, repent of all your sins,
The Holy Ghost will surely enter in;
The evening Lights have come,
It is a fact that God and Christ are One."*