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“Malachi Four”

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KJV Malachi 4 ¹*For, behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea, and all that do wickedly, shall be stubble: and the day that cometh shall burn them up, saith the LORD of hosts, that it shall leave them neither root nor branch.* ²*But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness arise with healing in his wings; (Brother Branham said that was healing campaigns) and ye shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall.* ³*And ye shall tread down the wicked; for they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in the day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.* ⁴*Remember ye the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded unto him in Horeb for all Israel, with the statutes and judgments.* (Now, what Law of Moses is that? Deuteronomy 13 and 18 as we read Sunday) ⁶*Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the coming of the great and dreadful day of the LORD:* ⁶*And he shall turn the heart of the fathers to the children, and the heart of the children to their fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse.*

What is the attraction? 65-0725E P:48 *Let us turn over to another Scripture in the Old Testament, Malachi, the 4th chapter, and read that little 4th chapter.... behold, the day cometh, that shall burn as an oven; and all the proud, yea,... all that do wickedly, shall be as stubbles:...*

Now, this is not... that's Malachi 3 was the first coming, now here's the next coming. Even Doctor Scofield here, I certainly don't agree with him in his footnotes, but he's got it lined out here right: the commission of John, to Malachi 3; and the Second Coming of Christ, and Elijah beforehand.... all the proud shall burn up, saith the LORD of hosts, and it shall leave them neither root nor branch. (Where's the "Eternal" hell then?)

But unto you that fear my name shall the Sun of righteousness rise with healing campaigns, healing in his wings;... you shall go forth, and grow up as calves of the stall. (Just resting and eating, resting and eating until the time we go forth. Go forth where? In a rapture.)

The brother Branham goes on to read, *“And you shall tread down the wicked;... they shall be ashes under the soles of your feet in that day that I shall do this, saith the LORD of hosts.*

Now, this speaks of a day when God shall come down with healing in His wings, and He shall have a man on the scene, who shall be His Prophet, His Mouthpiece, His Messenger. Because he then says,

Remember... the law of Moses my servant, which I commanded him in Horeb for all Israel, the statutes and judgment. Now, remember, last Sunday we went into the Law of Moses on Mt. Horeb, where God spoke to the people and promised He would never again speak directly to the people but rather He would send a prophet in which He would speak mouth to mouth. And notice how in the next sentence brother Branham speaks of the coming of Elijah...

49 Here's the coming of Elijah: Behold, I will send to you Elijah the prophet... The last closing Scripture of the Old Testament: ... I will send to you Elijah the prophet before the coming of that great and dreadful day of the LORD:

Then brother Branham goes on to speak to us how that Malachi 4 was not speaking of John the Baptist. He said that was Malachi 3. Let's listen now to what he says, "*Now, that couldn't have been John. No. See, the world wasn't burnt up and the righteous walked out on the wicked. See? No, no, before the great and dreadful day of the LORD: And he shall turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the hearts of the children to the fathers, lest I come and smite the earth with a curse. Notice the accuracy of the Holy Spirit, that It would not confuse them two comings of Elijah. Malachi 3, said, "Behold, I send My messenger before My face." Jesus was asked about John, He said, "If you can receive it, this is who the prophets said, 'I'll send My messenger before My face.' This is the Elias that was to come."* Malachi 3. 50 Notice the Scripture so accurately gives it. Watch what this... to show the... them who wants to believe, them who wants to see. Remember Jesus stopped in the middle of a Scripture, 'cause part of it was fulfilled then, the rest for His Second Coming? "*To preach the acceptable year of the Lord, bind up the brokenhearted,*" and stopped; not "*bring judgment to the Gentile*" until His Second Coming.

Luke 4:16 *And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. 17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, 18 The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised, 19 To preach the acceptable year of the Lord. 20 And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. 21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears.*

Now, before we go on let's turn over in the book of Isaiah to see what he read here because brother Branham just got telling us that Jesus stopped short to make sure that the part of Scripture that pertained to his day was read and fulfilled, and then that which was for another time was not read, because it was not yet to be fulfilled.

Isaiah 61:1 *The Spirit of the Lord GOD is upon me; because the LORD hath anointed me to preach good tidings unto the meek; he hath sent me to bind up the brokenhearted, to proclaim liberty to the captives, and the opening of the prison to them that are bound; 2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD, and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;* Notice that when Jesus read this Scripture he read *2 To proclaim the acceptable year of the LORD*, and then Jesus said, "This day this Scripture is fulfilled in your ears, but if you will notice he did not read *and the day of vengeance of our God; to comfort all that mourn;* because 2000 years separated that last part from the first part of the verse. And brother Branham commented on how accurate the Holy Spirit is in the reading of His Own Word.

Now, let's go back to Jesus reading in the Temple, and watch what took place here.

Luke 4:16 And he came to Nazareth, where he had been brought up: and, as his custom was, he went into the synagogue on the sabbath day, and stood up for to read. 17 And there was delivered unto him the book of the prophet Isaiah. And when he had opened the book, he found the place where it was written, 18 **The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he hath anointed me to preach the gospel to the poor; he hath sent me to heal the brokenhearted, to preach deliverance to the captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty them that are bruised,** 19 **To preach the acceptable year of the Lord.** 20 And he closed the book, and he gave it again to the minister, and sat down. And the eyes of all them that were in the synagogue were fastened on him. 21 And he began to say unto them, This day is this scripture fulfilled in your ears. 22 And all bare him witness, and wondered at the gracious words which proceeded out of his mouth. And they said, Is not this Joseph's son?

Now, just because Jesus was back home among his own people don't think for one minute he spared them. Let's continue our reading so you can see just how hard he drove home the nail among his own people.

23 And he said unto them, You will surely say unto me this proverb, **Physician, heal thyself: whatsoever we have heard done in Capernaum, do also here in thy country.** 24 And he said, Verily I say unto you, **No prophet is accepted in his own country.** 25 But I tell you of a truth, **many widows were in Israel in the days of Elijah,** when the heaven was shut up three years and six months, when great famine was throughout all the land; 26 **But unto none of them was Elijah sent,** save unto Sarepta, a city of Sidon, unto a woman that was a widow. 27 And **many lepers were in Israel in the time of Elisha** the prophet; and **none of them was cleansed, saving Naaman the Syrian.** 28 And all they in the synagogue, when they heard these things, were **filled with wrath,** 29 And rose up, and thrust him out of the city, and led him unto the brow of the hill whereon their city was built, that they might cast him down headlong. 30 But he passing through the midst of them went his way,

So we see Jesus didn't handle the Word of God with kid gloves, but rather he let it fly, and found out who was true and who wasn't real quick.

Now, in getting back to what Brother Branham said... 51 *Notice this Scripture here parallels that. "And he, Elijah, shall turn the hearts of the fathers to the children."* (Now, speaking of Malachi 4, do not get it mixed, or Malachi 3.) John, Elijah, who came in the days before the first coming of Christ, turned the hearts of the old patriarch fathers to the message of the children, the new message. Now, watch! *"And the hearts of the children to the fathers."* In his second coming, in the last days, he turns back to the apostolic Faith again. See how perfect the Scriptures line up?

Now, in getting back to The Spoken Word is the Original Seed, we pick up at paragraph 183 and read... *Remember, the tares, the weeds, are to be gathered and bound in bundles. Is that right? This has come to pass. The apostate organization churches is bound tighter than they ever was bound. They are bundled together in the federation of churches, ready for the fires of God's judgment. (I never wrote this; I feel that He did it.) Pentecostals are full of so-called... the same as them... The wheat-Word will be gathered someday after they leave for the Master's...*

Now, I hope you notice brother Branham's language here. He is very precise. Notice just as Jesus said it, he defines it as well. And he is speaking of how they are not only bound together, but they are bundled first. ***"The apostate organization churches are bound tighter than they ever was bound. They are bundled together in the federation of churches, ready for the fires of God's judgment."***

HEBREWS 6:1 *Therefore leaving the principles of the doctrine of Christ, let us go on unto perfection; not laying again the foundation of repentance from dead works, and of faith toward God, 2 Of the doctrine of baptisms, and of laying on of hands, and of resurrection of the dead, and of eternal judgment. 3 And this will we do, if God permit. 4 For [it is] impossible for those who were once enlightened, and have tasted of the heavenly gift, and were made partakers of the Holy Ghost, 5 And have tasted the good word of God, and the powers of the world to come, 6 If they shall fall away, to renew them again unto repentance; seeing they crucify to themselves the Son of God afresh, and put [him] to an open shame. 7 For the earth which drinketh in the rain that cometh oft upon it, and bringeth forth herbs meet for them by whom it is dressed, receiveth blessing from God: 8 But that which beareth thorns and briers [is] rejected, and [is] nigh unto cursing; whose end [is] to be burned. 9 But, beloved, we are persuaded better things of you, and things that accompany salvation, though we thus speak. 10 For God [is] not unrighteous to forget your work and labour of love, which ye have shewed toward his name, in that ye have ministered to the saints, and do minister. 11 And we desire that every one of you do shew the same diligence to the full assurance of hope unto the end: 12 That ye be not slothful, but followers of them who through faith and patience inherit the promises.*

The doctrine of Twins is not well received among the so-called Christian world, because Paul told us "Many more are the children of the harlot than she which has a husband." This doctrine of twins actually comes forth from the True understanding of Election and Predestination. Many people preach an election to glory but refuse to preach of an election to condemnation. The Doctrine of Twins, speaks of both, and you can not fully understand predestination and election until you understand both halves of the equation. Therefore, we will address both sides of election as we present this study.

Jesus spoke concerning the sowing of good seed and the sowing of bad seed in the same field, in His parables.

MATTHEW 13:24 *Another parable put he forth unto them, saying, The kingdom of heaven is likened unto a man which sowed good seed in his field: 25 But while men slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat, and went his way. 26 But when the blade was sprung up, and brought forth fruit, then appeared the tares also. 27 So the servants of the householder came and said unto him, Sir, didst not thou sow good seed in thy field? From whence then, hath it tares? 28 He said unto them, An enemy hath done this. The servants said unto him, Wilt thou then that we go and gather them up? 29 But he said, Nay; lest while ye gather up the tares, ye root up also the wheat with them. 30 Let both grow together until the harvest: and in the time of harvest I will say to the reapers, Gather ye together first the tares, and bind them in bundles to burn them: but gather the wheat into my barn.*

Notice Jesus points out the fact that two very different types of life (seed) will be planted alongside of each other in the same field. The field represents the world, and the sowing is done first by the owner of the field, and then his enemy comes into his field and imitates his sowing, but with a different life (seed).

Notice the two seeds are allowed to grow up side by side until the time of the harvest. Then a separation is to take place. First there will be a gathering together of the seed which the enemy sowed. The Tares will begin to gather together first.

Jesus uses the word "deo" in describing this binding together. The word actually means to bind by placing under obligation. Now, this binding is needed in order to control the assembly of tares. And by placing the people under obligations which take them from the word, we see that organization has bound the people, keeping them from searching further for more light than what is available in their church.

After the tares are bound, Jesus tells us they are then placed into bundles. Now in using the word bundle, Jesus is telling us that there is a certain characteristic concerning the binding together. Although the word for bundle is a word which can mean "binding" as well, Jesus used two different words in describing the process which is to take place.

He says the reapers will bind them into bundles. He never said into one bundle, but into bundles. Thus we see the word "bundles" further defines the process that these tares must go through, before they are ready for the burning to take place. They are bound first and then bundled. The use of the plural tells us that there will be many different bundles. They are gathered first. This gathering could suggest a very loose coming together, but by adding the word bundle to further define the binding process, Jesus shows us form and symmetry and purpose will be involved in how they will be presented for the burning.

A bundle is not just a rag-tag collection of sticks thrown together in any old direction. But a bundle suggests to us that all the tares in each bundle will be lined up together, all going in the same direction. Their Union into a bundle or (assembly) will make them a more efficient means by which to burn them all.

And so we see how the organization is the means by which the tares are gathered and assembled together. The church is bound first by a false word, and then by organizing around that false word, they assemble the people into a more efficient, and profitable means by which the whole group can be readied for the burning.

Thus we should see clearly that the False-Vine is the organized church. For organization is what binds them together. Then, one of the main attributes of the false vine will be its ability to organize in numbers and thus utilize efficiencies to preach their false Gospel.

Now a bundle does not represent a loose knit organization, but one which has structure and symmetry. Every stick is heading in the same direction, and they are there for the same purpose, and they must conform to some standard in order to fit within the bundle. Now, let's see if this is not exactly the picture Jesus Himself speaks of concerning the two seeds.

MATTHEW 13:36 Then Jesus sent the multitude away, and went into the house: and his disciples came unto him, saying, Declare unto us the parable of the tares of the field.

37 He answered and said unto them, He that soweth the good seed is the Son of man; (Jesus is called by the title Son of Man more times than any other title in the scripture. This title, Son of Man, signifies a prophet. Therefore we see that a Prophet will come forth sowing seed). 38 The field is the world; the good seed are the children of the kingdom; but the tares are the children of the wicked [one]; 39 The enemy that sowed them is the devil; the harvest is the end of the world; and the reapers are the angels (messengers). 40 As therefore the tares are gathered and burned in the fire (by messengers to the tares); so shall it be in the end of this world. 41 The Son of man shall send forth his angels, and they shall gather out of his kingdom all things that offend (Those who would stumble others) , and them which do

Now, notice that the parable speaks of the end-time conditions before the burning is to take place. This is the same scene we see in the book of Malachi the fourth Chapter. Now, let's continue with our study of the Spoken Word is the original Seed because we find brother Branham speaks also of this end-time condition.

184 God has promised (Be careful.)(now, you ask yourself, why would brother Branham say be careful here. So let's read on to see what he says...)

God has promised Malachi 4 for this last day, and Malachi 4 has not yet has been fulfilled, but it must be fulfilled for it is a germitized Word of God, spoken through Malachi the prophet. Jesus referred to it. It is to be just before the coming of Christ the second time. (Listen close, now.) All Scripture that has not been fulfilled, must be before that time. Before the Bible is to be finished; the Gentile dispensation is to be finished with the church age when this anointed messenger arrives. Of course, he will plant the Seed of the entire Bible, come from the serpent to the messenger in the former rain. Then he will be rejected by the denominational people as his forefather John and Elijah, as was spoken by our Lord, people as Elijah was the first time to Ahab's time. It will happen here in this country, as this country is a type of Israel.

Now we have the scene for the day when Malachi 4 is to be fulfilled, which means finished. And it will not be finished until the burning takes place. I hope you noticed, that brother Branham said, *Malachi 4 has not yet has been fulfilled, but it must be fulfilled for it is a germitized Word of God, spoken through Malachi the prophet.* Now, the word fulfilled means: To bring into actuality; effect: **But it also means** To bring to an end; complete. So until the burning takes place we have not seen the completion of Malachi four. Therefore we are still in the days of Malachi four and are looking for the completion which will end in the burning.

KJV Revelations 6:12-17 And I beheld when he had opened the sixth seal, and, lo, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became as blood; 13 And the stars of heaven fell unto the earth, even as a fig tree casteth her untimely figs, when she is shaken of a mighty wind. 14 And the heaven departed as a scroll when it is rolled together; and every mountain and island were moved out of their places. 15 And the kings of the earth, and the great men, and the rich men, and the chief captains, and the mighty men, and every bondman, and every free man, hid themselves in the dens and in the rocks of the mountains; 16 And said to the mountains and rocks, Fall

on us, and hide us from the face of him that sitteth on the throne, and from the wrath of the Lamb: 17 For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?

Now, when does this happen? After the sixth seal has been opened. Has the sixth seal been opened? Yes. Then what should we be looking for? The great earthquake, the sun to become black as sackcloth, the moon to become red like blood, the stars to fall like a fig tree that casts it's fruit, and the heavens to become as nothing in comparison to when a scroll that was laid all out and then suddenly it is rolled up and you can not see any longer what you could see when it was opened. That is what we are about to enter into in order to fulfill the days of Malachi 4.

We have had the prophet in the spirit and power of Elijah. But we are promised burning for all the proud. As we see a day in which no other day when all governments are so corrupt that those in power think of one thing and that is what they can accrue to themselves while they are in power. Robbing from the poor and distributing it to the rich. This is the hour when good is called evil and evil is put forth as good.

Let me read Revelations chapter 6 from two more translations for you.

NIV Revelations 6:12 *I watched as he opened the sixth seal. There was a great earthquake. The sun turned black like sackcloth made of goat hair, the whole moon turned blood red, 13 and the stars in the sky fell to earth, as late figs drop from a fig tree when shaken by a strong wind. 14 The sky receded like a scroll, rolling up, and every mountain and island was removed from its place. 15 Then the kings of the earth, the princes, the generals, the rich, the mighty, and every slave and every free man hid in caves and among the rocks of the mountains. 16 They called to the mountains and the rocks, "Fall on us and hide us from the face of him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! 17 For the great day of their wrath has come, and who can stand?"*

MESSAGE Revelation 6:12-17 *I watched while he ripped off the sixth seal: a bone-jarring earthquake, sun turned black as ink, moon all bloody, stars falling out of the sky like figs shaken from a tree in a high wind, sky snapped shut like a book, islands and mountains sliding this way and that. And then pandemonium, everyone and his dog running for cover—kings, princes, generals, rich and strong, along with every commoner, slave or free. They hid in mountain caves and rocky dens, calling out to mountains and rocks, "Refuge! Hide us from the One Seated on the Throne and the wrath of the Lamb! The great Day of their wrath has come—who can stand it?"*

Now, it is not only in the book of revelations that we are promised these end-time conditions, but also in the book of Isaiah.

Let me read to you from the book of Isaiah chapter 24, so that you will see that all these things that are taking place in the world right now were spoken in warning by God Himself thousands of years ago.

Isaiah 24 (King James Version) *1 Behold, the LORD maketh the earth empty, and maketh it waste, and turneth it upside down, and scattereth abroad the inhabitants thereof.*

2And it shall be, as with the people, so with the priest; as with the servant, so with his master; as with the maid, so with her mistress; as with the buyer, so with the seller; as with the lender, so with the borrower; as with the taker of usury, so with the giver of usury to him. 3The land shall be utterly emptied, and utterly spoiled: for the LORD hath spoken this word. 4 The earth mourneth and fadeth away, the world languisheth and fadeth away, the haughty people of the earth do languish. 5The earth also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof; because they have transgressed the laws, changed the ordinance, broken the everlasting covenant. 6Therefore hath the curse devoured the earth, and they that dwell therein are desolate: therefore the inhabitants of the earth are burned, and few men left. 7The new wine mourneth, the vine languisheth, all the merryhearted do sigh. 8The mirth of tabrets ceaseth, the noise of them that rejoice endeth, the joy of the harp ceaseth. 9They shall not drink wine with a song; strong drink shall be bitter to them that drink it. 10The city of confusion is broken down: every house is shut up, that no man may come in. 11There is a crying for wine in the streets; all joy is darkened, the mirth of the land is gone. 12In the city is left desolation, and the gate is smitten with destruction. 13When thus it shall be in the midst of the land among the people, there shall be as the shaking of an olive tree, and as the gleaning grapes when the vintage is done. 14They shall lift up their voice, they shall sing for the majesty of the LORD, they shall cry aloud from the sea. 15Wherefore glorify ye the LORD in the fires, even the name of the LORD God of Israel in the isles of the sea. 16From the uttermost part of the earth have we heard songs, even glory to the righteous. But I said, My leanness, my leanness, woe unto me! the treacherous dealers have dealt treacherously; yea, the treacherous dealers have dealt very treacherously. 17Fear, and the pit, and the snare, are upon thee, O inhabitant of the earth. 18 And it shall come to pass, that he who fleeth from the noise of the fear shall fall into the pit; and he that cometh up out of the midst of the pit shall be taken in the snare: for the windows from on high are open, and the foundations of the earth do shake. 19The earth is utterly broken down, the earth is clean dissolved, the earth is moved exceedingly. 20The earth shall reel to and fro like a drunkard, and shall be removed like a cottage; and the transgression thereof shall be heavy upon it; and it shall fall, and not rise again. 21 And it shall come to pass in that day, that the LORD shall punish the host of the high ones that are on high, and the kings of the earth upon the earth. 22And they shall be gathered together, as prisoners are gathered in the pit, and shall be shut up in the prison, and after many days shall they be visited. 23Then the moon shall be confounded, and the sun ashamed, when the LORD of hosts shall reign in mount Zion, and in Jerusalem, and before his ancients gloriously.

Now let me read it for you from the **Isaiah 24 (New International Version)**

1 See, the LORD is going to lay waste the earth and devastate it; he will ruin its face and scatter its inhabitants** 2 it will be the same or priest as for people, or master as for servant, or mistress as for maid, or seller as for buyer, for borrower as for lender, for debtor as for creditor. 3 **The earth will be completely laid waste and totally plundered.** The LORD has spoken this word. 4 The earth dries up and withers, the world languishes and withers, the exalted of the earth languish. 5 **The earth is defiled by its people;** they have disobeyed the laws, violated the statutes and broken the everlasting covenant. 6 **Therefore a curse

consumes the earth; its people must bear their guilt. Therefore earth's inhabitants are burned up, and very few are left. 7 The new wine dries up and the vine withers; all the merry-makers groan. 8 The gaiety of the tambourines is stilled, the noise of the revelers has stopped, the joyful harp is silent. 9 No longer do they drink wine with a song; the beer is bitter to its drinkers. 10 The ruined city lies desolate; the entrance to every house is barred. 11 In the streets they cry out for wine; all joy turns to gloom, all gaiety is banished from the earth. 12 The city is left in ruins, its gate is battered to pieces. 13 So will it be on the earth and among the nations, as when an olive tree is beaten, or as when gleanings are left after the grape harvest. 14 They raise their voices, they shout for joy; from the west they acclaim the Lord's majesty. 15 Therefore in the east give glory to the LORD; exalt the name of the Lord, the God of Israel, in the islands of the sea. 16 From the ends of the earth we hear singing: "Glory to the Righteous One." But I said, "I waste away, I waste away! Woe to me! The treacherous betray! With treachery the treacherous betray!" 17 Terror and pit and snare await you, O people of the earth. 18 Whoever flees at the sound of terror will fall into a pit; whoever climbs out of the pit will be caught in a snare. The floodgates of the heavens are opened, the foundations of the earth shake. 19 The earth is broken up, the earth is split asunder, the earth is thoroughly shaken. 20 The earth reels like a drunkard, it sways like a hut in the wind; so heavy upon it is the guilt of its rebellion that it falls—never to rise again. 21 In that day the LORD will punish the powers in the heavens above and the kings on the earth below. 22 They will be herded together like prisoners bound in a dungeon; they will be shut up in prison and be punished^[a] after many days. 23 The moon will be abashed, the sun ashamed; for the LORD Almighty will reign on Mount Zion and in Jerusalem, and before its elders, gloriously.

And finally I would like to read from the translation called **The Message** because the language for these events that are coming are so exact

Isaiah 24 The Landscape Will Be a Moonscape

1-3 Danger ahead! God's about to ravish the earth and leave it in ruins, Rip everything out by the roots and send everyone scurrying: priests and lay people alike, owners and workers alike, celebrities and nobodies alike, buyers and sellers alike, bankers and beggars alike, the haves and have-nots alike The landscape will be a moonscape, totally wasted. And why? Because God says so. He's issued the orders. 4 The earth turns gaunt and gray, the world silent and sad, sky and land lifeless, colorless. Sounds like after great volcanic plumes settle down over everything.

5-13 The Earth is polluted by its very own people, who have broken its laws, Disrupted its order, violated the sacred and eternal covenant. Therefore a curse, like a cancer, ravages the earth. Its people pay the price of their sacrilege. They dwindle away, dying out one by one. No more wine, no more vineyards, no more songs or singers. The laughter of castanets is gone, the shouts of celebrants, gone, the laughter of fiddles, gone. No more parties with toasts of champagne. Serious drinkers gag on their drinks. The chaotic cities are unlivable. Anarchy reigns. Every house is boarded up, condemned. People riot in the streets for wine, but the good times are gone forever—no more joy for this old world. The cities are dead and deserted, bulldozed into piles of rubble. That's the way it will be on this earth. This is

the fate of all nations: An olive tree shaken clean of its olives, Just like the language we see in Revelation chapter six when the sixth seal was opened. *a grapevine picked clean of its grapes.*

14-16 But there are some who will break into glad song. Out of the west they'll shout of God's majesty. Yes, from the east God's glory will ascend. Every island of the sea Will broadcast God's fame, the fame of the God of Israel. From the four winds and the seven seas we hear the singing: "All praise to the Righteous One!"

16-20 But I said, "That's all well and good for somebody, but all I can see is doom, doom, and more doom. "All of them at one another's throats, yes, all of them at one another's throats. Terror and pits and booby traps are everywhere, whoever you are. If you run from the terror, you'll fall into the pit. If you climb out of the pit, you'll get caught in the trap. Chaos pours out of the skies. The foundations of earth are crumbling. Earth is smashed to pieces, earth is ripped to shreds, earth is wobbling out of control, Earth staggers like a drunk, sways like a shack in a high wind. Its piled-up sins are too much for it. It collapses and won't get up again.

21-23 That's when God will call on the carpet rebel powers in the skies and Rebel kings on earth. They'll be rounded up like prisoners in a jail, Corralled and locked up in a jail, and then sentenced and put to hard labor. Shamefaced moon will cower, humiliated, red-faced sun will skulk, disgraced, Because God-of-the-Angel-Armies will take over, ruling from Mount Zion and Jerusalem, Splendid and glorious before all his leaders.

Sunday, Lord willing I will go into the details of these Scriptures as we see them in the headlines today and we will hear what Brother Branham had to say about these end-time conditions that are coming into view all around us.

Let us pray...