Lesson 1: Apocalypse Today.

Assignment: (Read pages 11 – 13, Rev 1)

Questions to answer

(Complete sentences please!)

What is the difference between a scribe and an author?

(answers may vary)

An author is someone who has the ideas and words to write down. A scribe is someone who does the work of writing down something that has been dictated to him, he does not create the ideas or words, but faithfully writes down the words of the author.

What does the word Apocalypse mean?

(answers may vary – but should have "unveiling" in there somewhere)

Apocalypse is the Greek word for revelation and it means "unveiling"

What two things does Bro Branham say that are being "uncovered"?

(answers may vary)

The revelation of the Person of Christ.

The future words in the oncoming seven ages.

Now the uncovering is not only the revelation of the Person of Christ, but it is THE REVELATION OF HIS FUTURE WORKS IN THE ONCOMING SEVEN CHURCH AGES.

Lesson 2: Importance of Revelation

Assignment: (Read Pages 13 – 17, Matt 16:13-28)

Questions to answer

What is the church built upon?

The church is built on Revelation, on the "Thus Saith the Lord".

Before Jesus' resurrection, what kind of kingdom did the disciples think Jesus was going to have?

- A) Earthly
- B) Spiritual

Which two books of the Bible does Satan hate more than the others? Why?

Genesis

Revelation

In both of these books we find Satan's origin, his awful ways and his destruction. That is why he attacks them.

Christ in the True Church is a continuation of <u>the book of Acts.</u> But the Book of Revelation shows how that the antichrist spirit would come into the church and defile it making it <u>lukewarm</u>, <u>formal</u> and <u>powerless</u>

What kind of an army will the people be if they get a True Revelation of the True Church?

They will be an invincible army

It is the revelation of God that will give you authority over the devil.

Bonus Question: What is the difference between Knowledge and Revelation?

(Answers may vary)

Knowledge is something you can gain and learn on your own power through education and study.

It takes the Holy Spirit to give us revelation. It is not something we can gain on our own strength.

Lesson 3: Seven Churches in Asia Minor

Assignment: Read Revelations 2, 3 and note how many angels are present.

Questions

How many angels did you count in Revelations 2 and 3? Seven

Another word for time period in history is an AGE

Lesson 4: Doctrines and Creeds, what are they?

Assignment: (no reading this lesson in Church Age Book: Read Matthew 15:1-20)

Questions

Define:

Doctrine: (answers may vary)

A doctrine is how we define something that we believe in. It is always taken back to the Bible and the doctrine can change if more light is shown to you.

Creed: (answers may vary)

A creed is a way of defining something we believe and writing it down so that it can't change. It is based upon man's ideas.

Beside each statement, write doctrine or creed.

1)	God is one person	Doctrine
2)	God is three persons	Creed
3)	You must wash your hands before you eat	Creed *
4)	Elijah the prophet is coming to restore all things	Doctrine
5)	You must be baptized in running water such as a river or lake, not in a pool	Creed
6)	You should be baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ	Doctrine
7)	You should be baptized three times face forward	Creed
8)	People should only be baptized with their face upwards	Creed
9)	People should be baptized by immersion.	Doctrine

^{*}Some creeds are no doubt a good idea, but aren't something we would call doctrine.

Lesson 5: One God

Assignment: (Read Pages 17 – 26, Deuteronomy 6:1-15)

Questions

Who was the father of Jesus? The Holy Ghost

Consider this: Who was the Father of Jesus? Matthew 1:18 says, "She was found with child of the Holy Ghost".

At what event and at what date did the idea that God was three persons become a foundational doctrine? Nicene Council in 325 A.D

The Bible teaches that God was in Christ, the body was **Jesus**.

Father, Son, and Holy Ghost are just titles

On earth Jesus was a **Prophet**. In heaven He is the **Priest** and coming back to earth, He is **King of Kings**

Right now, Christ as a prophet is He that <u>was</u>. Christ as a priest is He that <u>is</u>. Christ as King is He that <u>is</u> <u>to come</u>.

Memorize: "Since it is the blood of God, it is perfect blood; and if the perfect blood is loosing us from the power and bondage and defilement of sin, then the loosing is perfect and complete."

Complete the how many thrones in Revelations worksheet.

- 1) How many times did you find the word throne? 39 (31 verses)
- 2) How many times did you find the word thrones? 1
- 3) Of the times that you saw the word thrones, whose thrones were they? **Those that did not** receive the mark of the beast

Lesson 6: Holy Man, Holy men? Will the real holy one please stand up?

Assignment: (Read pages 26 – 31)

Questions

- 1) Who is Bro Branham referring to when he said "Each one has something to say. Each has a work, each has a ministry. You. (or me, the laity)
- 2) The whole congregation of the Lord is holy because of the presence of the Holy Spirit
- 3) Jehovah of the Old Testament is Jesus of the New.
- 4) Do you need revelation to see the truth about Godhead? (Yes/No)
- 5) Do you need revelation to see the truth about water baptism? (Yes/**No**)
- 6) We need to call on God for <u>revelation</u> more than <u>anything else in the world!</u>
- 7) We must also accept the fact that we by our union with Him have become **the very righteousness of God.**

Lesson 7: Authentic Scripture

Assignment: (Read Pages 31 – 34)

Questions

- 1) He gave the Greeks with a universal language, the Jews with a true religion, and the Romans with an empire and highways. Thus we have **True religion**, the language to express it to many peoples, and the government and roads to spread it physically.
- 2) We will get the true meaning of Scripture if study and compare the Scripture texts really really hard (True/False)
- 3) We have the <u>infallible Word of God</u> today and no man dares take from it or add to it.
- 4) Oh, if the church could only get a fresh revelation and become by it the living word manifested, <u>we</u> <u>would do the greater works</u> and glorify God our Father in heaven.

Lesson 8: Loosed From Sin

Assignment: Reading (Pages 34 - 36, Heb 10:19, 1 John 1:7, Rev 1:5, Heb 9:12)

Questions

1) Whose blood are you saved by?

We're saved by the Blood of God

2) Who did God entrust his plan of salvation to when Adam fell?

No one, He came Himself!

3) Did you do anything to merit becoming a priest or a king?

No. It is all by Grace!

4) Who made you a priest and king?

He did. Jesus Christ. "He hath made us..."

We have been <u>recreated</u> in Him to be children like unto our Father.

Lesson 9: The Coming God – The one whom they pierced

Assignment: Read Pages 36 - 42

Questions

- 1) Will everyone see Jesus at the Rapture? No
- 2) The sleeping virgins will be wailing
- 3) In His presence is **fullness of joy**
- 4) Challenge: In the type of Joseph's two sons being blessed, which son represents the Gentiles? **Ephraim**

The crossed hands of Jacob took the blessing from the elder (Israel/Jews) and gave it to the younger (the gentiles). So Manasseh represented Israel/Jews and **Ephraim** represented the gentiles.

- 5) Are the 144,000 part of the bride? No
- 6) Will the 144,000 be in the millennium? **Yes!** (They will be attendants to the Bride!)
- 7) How is this last Gentile age going out? with the sign of speaking in tongues

Memorize: "Since it is the blood of God, it is perfect blood; and if the perfect blood is loosing us from the power and bondage and defilement of sin, then the loosing is perfect and complete."

Congratulations! You finished Chapter 1!

Lesson 10: In the Spirit on the Lord's Day

Assignment: Read Pages 43 - 48

Questions

- 1) What is the "First step"? To Get in The Spirit
- 2) Christian hearts and emotions are on what? Purely on the Lord of Glory and His Love
- 3) It is you ceasing and God doing.
- 4) There is a cry **in all hearts** for that rest.
- 5) What is the difference between "The Day of the Lord" and "The Lord's Day"
- Day of the Lord: Day of Judgement
- Lord's Day: Day of Rest/Millennium

(The Lord's Day is when the days of man are over. The kingdoms of this world will then become the kingdoms of our God. The day of the Lord is when the judgments fall, and after that comes the millennium.)

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¹56-0212 paragraph 31

Lesson 11: The Golden Lampstands

Assignment: Read pages 48-52, John 15

Questions

- 1) John did not say it was a trumpet, he said: It was LIKE a trumpet
- 2) You will recognize that voice when He calls if: You are one of his own
- 3) If you can ever really get to see **the Word** you will be seeing **Jesus**.
- 4) Describe how the lamps were lit and in what order.

The priest took fire from the altar
First lamp was lit
Second lamp was lit from flame of the first lamp
Third lamp was lit from second flame...etc...

- 5) Denominations which are man directed cannot be: Born of God
- 6) Is your life dramatically depicted in the seven golden candlesticks? Yes! (If you are a believer)
- 7) Who else is depicted in the seven golden candlesticks? **Each Church Age Messenger or Every True Believer** (depends on where they see it at, both are not required)

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Lesson 12: Prophet, Priest, King...And Judge

Assignment: Reading: Pages 53–55, Daniel 7

Questions

- 1) Having the girdle around the shoulders signifies? That He is a Judge
- 2) Does every attribute of Christ John sees in this vision have significance? **Yes**
- 3) White hair means that God is very old. (True/False)
- 4) What does the long robe signify? His Complete Authority (Head to Foot)
- 5) What emotion did Christ manifest the most? "He wept often"
- 6) Consider: How does the answer to question five make you feel about his eyes being flames of fire later?

(Answers may vary – Discussion question)

One should feel that though Christ must sit in judgment one day, He is not mean. Because those eyes once wept for you. Those eyes had compassion for you. Now He must punish sin once mercy is rejected. It shows that God cares. If He never punished sin, He would be a God that didn't care what happened on this earth.

1)	(Yes/No) Do you think we have a long time to get ready before John's vision in Revelation 1 is
	fulfilled?

(Answers may vary – Discussion question)

Probably Not! We know that the Day of the Lord is coming soon. We've had Malachi 4:5 who was to come before the great and terrible Day of the Lord. There are many pleas to repentance while there is still time such as on page 55 in this book.

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¹61-0827 paragraph 36 (and others)

Lesson 13: Feet of Brass – Voice of Many Waters

Assignment: Reading: Pages 55–58, Daniel 7

Questions

- 1) What did the Brazen serpent symbolize? Sin from the Garden of Eden OR Sin already judged
- 2) Brass speaks of? Judgment
- 3) The foundation of the altar was made of brass. What does the foundation typify?

The Lamb slain before the foundation of the world.

- 4) Were there sinners when judgment was passed on to Christ?
 - No. Christ was crucified before the foundation of the world.
- 5) He **suffered** as no man had ever **suffered**
- 6) These voices are the voices of the **Multitudes of Witnesses.**
- 7) It will be the voice of **Every Man** rising in judgment against the sinner.
- 8) The voices of the seven messengers will be heard **loud and clear**.
- 9) Someday we will hear that same sweet voice speak, not in **judgment** but in **welcome**.

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Lesson 14: Right hand holding the Seven Stars – Two Edged Sword

Assignment: Reading: Pages 58–61, Mark 16:19, Acts 7:55,56, Hebrews 1:3

Questions

1) As each age pulled away from God, what did the messenger do?

Turned the age back to the Word

2) "Their strength was in the Lord or they never could have stemmed the tide." What does this mean?

(Answers May Vary – Discuss)

Without the strength of the Lord they would not have been able to face the persecutions and trials they faced. They would have been overwhelmed by the pressure of the enemy. They could not have dealt with that pressure in their own strength or trusting in anything but the Lord.

3) What will happen to those that rest in the Word and say they believe it but don't live it?

They will be judged.

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Lesson 15: His Face like the Sun

Assignment: Reading: Pages 61–65

Questions

- 1) Who arises with healing in his wings? Sun of Righteousness
- 2) There is no conqueror before him and there is none beside Him.
- 3) I have not come to bring fear and failure but love and courage and ability.
- 4) Is it night or day during the church ages?

Night.

Stars only come out at night. You only need a lamp at night.

5) The only light they have **is HIS light**.

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Congratulations! You finished Chapter 2!

Lesson 16: Introduction to the Church Ages

Assignment: (Reading: 66-72, Matt 13:24-43)

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1)	What revelation is the Keystone of the Bible? The revelation that God never changes, and that His ways are as unchangeable as He is.
2)	An Unchanging God with Here it is: an unchanging God with <u>unchanging ways.</u> What He did at the FIRST He will have to keep on doing until it is done for the LAST time. There will never be a change. Apply that to the Church Ages
3)	Thus what the church was at Pentecost is the Standard. That is the Pattern.
4)	The True Church of today will try to The True Church will always try to be like the original at Pentecost. The True Church of today will try to approximate that early first one.
5)	The Laodicean Age will have a complete blackout of what? Truth
6)	What will the false vine try to do to the true vine? Will that ever change? The false will try to kill the True. That is how it has been. That is how it is NOW. That is how it will be.
7)	Did Cain worship God? Yes. Abel offered a more excellent sacrifice. This means Cain offered a sacrifice too.
8)	What truths did Bro Branham say we should never forget? (Answers may vary but something like the following) Satan planted those tares right amongst the good seed of God. Those two kinds of plants (people), from two different seeds, grew up together. They partook of the nourishment in the same earth, they shared in the same sun, rain, and all other benefits, and both were harvested

Lesson 17: Ephesus: The Messenger and the City

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 72–78)

Questions

- 1) List the three cities called the first three cities of the Christian faith in order.

 Jerusalem, Antioch, Ephesus
- 2) Paul planted the church in Ephesus. Who did he leave in charge after he left? Timothy
- 3) Ephesus' compound meaning means:

Aimed at - Relaxed

- 4) For a while the church of Ephesus prevailed. What did they do that allowed Satan in? **She relaxed**
- 5) Satan was loosed in the midst of the people, yet why did he "take no shape"? So as not to alarm the people.
- 6) People who claim to know God apart from the Word are: **Barren of life.**
- 7) Would you like to be in a church where "thus saith the Holy Ghost" is no longer a living reality, but the church is under the leadership of man?

 (Answers may vary but shouldn't!) NO
- 8) What kind of church would that be?
 (Answers may vary) That church would be formal, have only the spirit of its pastor and would be completely barren of real life.
- 9) What would it look like today? (Answers may vary)The people would be enslaved. They would not have their own walk with Christ.

Lesson 18: The one who walks in the midst of the candlesticks.

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 78–83)

Questions

- Why is Jesus ALONE as he walks among the candle sticks
 He alone wrought her salvation
- 2) How do you have a relationship with God? Is there any other way? **Jesus, and Jesus ALONE.**
- 3) The seven messengers are making **God known to the people.**
- 4) What three things is Jesus standing there expressing?He is life, sustainer, and giver of every good gift to the church.
- 5) Without Christ the church is simply what?A religious society, a club, a meaningless gathering of the people.
- 6) The Word labour signifies?A weariness through oppression.
- 7) Because the spirit of the world can't overcome the Spirit of the Lord, what does it try to do? Tries to destroy the vessel in whom the Spirit of Truth dwells.
- 8) What was holiness to the early church?
 A way of life.

Lesson 19: Christ Praises His Own (continued).

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 83-87)

Questions

- How did the Ephesians identify false prophets?
 "You are not saying what Paul said"
- 2) What will the false prophets be saying to you in the last days? "If you don't believe me and what I say you will be lost."
- 3) What will the true prophet be saying to you in the last days?
 "Get back to the WORD or your are lost."
- 4) True or False: Since the Ephesian church age was so close to the time of Christ, they fully held on to the Word.

False

- 5) What happens when the church lets down on the Word? She goes into the depths of the darkness of Satan
- 6) Whosoever nameth the name of the Lord, let him **Depart from sin**.
- 7) CHRISTIANS bear the name of **Christ**.
- 8) Who or what weren't the Christians working for?Paul, Organization, Making programs or institutions
- 9) If they could not act in that name, what did they do?Refrained from acting

Lesson 20: God's complaint and warning to Ephesus

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 88-91)

Questions

- What does it mean that "God has no grandchildren"?
 Salvation is not passed on by natural birth
- 2) The <u>fervent desire</u> to please God, the <u>passion</u> to know His Word, the <u>cry</u> for reaching out in the Spirit all begins to fade...
- 3) Have the answers to question #2 began in your life, and if so, have they begun to fade? (Answers may vary. Discuss)
- 4) They put in a choir instead of singing unto God for themselves.
- 5) Who/What creeps in and says "How can we protect this truth we have? What can we do to see this revival goes on?"

Fear

- 6) Do you think it is important today to remember Pentecost? Why? (Answers may vary. Discuss)
 - Bro Branham wrote "it was time to go back in mine and then in reality" It's important for us to remember what they had at Pentecost. As that was the start of the true Gentile church we should follow that pattern and see if our lives line up with that.
- 7) What does Bereft mean?
 - Deprived of or lacking something, especially a nonmaterial asset.
 - Today we usually use the term "bereave" as in we are bereaved of a loved one when someone dies
- 8) How many Christians were in Ephesus at its end?
 There was not even ONE Christian left.

Lesson 21: Nicolaitanism

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 91-96)

Questions

- What are the two Greek words that make up Nicolaitan?
 Nikao, Laos
- What does Nicolaitan mean?
 Nikao which means "to conquer" and Laos which means "the laity".
- 3) The False Vine is **subtle**.
- 4) "I believe in the leadership of the Holy Ghost coming through the WORD"
- 5) The False Vine was teaching that rulership **by man was right**.
- 6) What does organization do to people?

 Separates the people. (What it was, was organization. That separated the people.)
- 7) They make it impossible for the laity to worship God unless <u>unless they come through them or through their pattern, which is nothing but a blueprint of unbelief from Satan himself</u>.
- 8) When Luther came out of Catholicism, after he died the people organized again. Do you think that people may try to do the same thing today after our messenger has passed? (Answers may vary. Discuss)

 Yes, people always try to organize things. It makes it easier for people. That doesn't mean it makes it better. Even well intentioned men try to lead and create a system that if people will follow will help them. Still some people want power and a following. Each individual however must follow the WORD and the leadership of the Holy Spirit to them. See the "memorize" quote for this chapter!

Lesson 22: The Reward: Tree of Life

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 96-109)

Questions

1) Will everyone who hears Bro Branham teach the truth catch the revelation?

NO

"I can teach you the truth, but if you don't open your ear to hear it and your heart to receive it, you won't get the revelation."

- 2) Why should we watch the Ephesian Church Age carefully?
 Because the Ephesian Church Age was God's Blueprint for the all the ages...
- 3) Trees throughout Scriptures refer to **persons**.
- 4) The Tree of Life refers to **Jesus**.
- 5) The Tree of Knowledge of Good & Evil refers to **Satan**.
- 6) True/False. Satan has creative powers. False
- 7) Was the fall of man part of God's predestinated plan? Yes
- 8) True/False. Adam was the father of all living. False
- 9) For the overcomer, where is the flaming sword that guards the approach to the tree of life? **Sheathed**
- 10) God's intention for His creation, man, is to express His Words.

Lesson 23: Smyrna: The Messenger and the City

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 108–115)

Questions

- How do we determine the men who were closest to God's Original Pattern?
 Thus by reading history we can find out what man or men in the various ages were the closest to God's original pattern, the Apostle Paul.
- 2) Who was the messenger to the Smyrnean Church Age? Irenaeus
- 3) Who did Polycarp spend 2 hours praying for before he died?

 His brethren, the governor, and for his enemies and his captors
- 4) Irenaeus was militant against what?
 Any form of Organization
- 5) "Thus with his strict adherence to **the Word**, his wonderful **understanding of Scripture** and the attendance of the **power of God** upon that ministry, he is the right choice for the age."
- 6) "The word Smyrna means **bitter** being derived from the word, **myrrh**."
- 7) No true believer is any stronger and spiritually healthy and alive than <a href="https://historia.com/hist
- 8) How does God introduce himself to each age?

 Deity (No doubt the reason He introduces Himself to each age as Deity is to warn and comfort the people.)

Lesson 24: Smyrna: The Conditions of the Age

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 115–119)

Questions

- 1) The key to this age is: **Tribulation**
- 2) If you were kind to Christians in the Smyrnean age, what might happen to you? Death
- 3) Does love mean "no suffering"? Can you think of part of the "love passage" of Scripture where it mentions this? (I Corinthians 13)
 - NO (I CORINTHIANS 13:4) Charity <u>suffereth long</u>, and is kind; charity envieth not; charity vaunteth not itself, is not puffed up,
- 4) The proof of God's love is: **Election**
- 5) Christ learned obedience through the things that he: Suffered
- 6) Unless we suffer with Him we cannot reign with Him
- 7) Does God want us to share His throne? **Yes**
- 8) True/False. Bright skies and still waters are signs of God's love and approval. False
- 9) How do we prove our love to Him? By believing what He said, and by conducting myself with joy amidst the trials that He in His wisdom allows to come to pass
- 10) The people of God are not **material**-minded, they are **Christ**-minded.
- 11) It is not with **money** that God works. He moves by **His Spirit**.

Lesson 25: Satan has a synagogue?

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 119–130)

Questions

- 1) ... the seeds of the doctrine of Nicolaitanism, and which would shortly be the actual seat or power of <u>Satanic Religion</u>.
- 2) Do you think satanic religion looks scary? (answers may vary) NO
- 3) How long has the anti-Christ spirit been here? It has been here all along
- 4) How did the Israelites get ahead of God?
 Asked for a king. But one day they got to looking around, and they saw the Philistines and other nations with kings over them. It caught their eyes and they decided that they ought to humanize their leadership, so they wanted a king.
- 5) When you want to be like the rest of the world, what are you doing with God? Rejecting Him
- 6) What three things does organization do?Breeds Hatred, Destroys Fellowship, It makes Bitterness
- 7) <u>Learning</u> has taken place of <u>Revelation</u>. <u>Reason</u> has replaced <u>Faith</u>. <u>Program</u> has replaced spontaneous praise in the Holy Ghost.
- 8) The church has become a **monstrosity**
- 9) When you see a **social** or **financial** structure that's not of God.
- 10) Can you describe an instance of question 9? (answers may vary)

Men being made deacons because of popularity or because they give lots of tithes.

Lesson 26: Tribulation Ten Days.

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 130–133) Also memorization

Questions

- 1) So He says "Don't be afraid of man or what he can do to you. I am with you, and my grace is sufficient for you
- 2) No we are not to fear. His love casts out all fear
- 3) Who was the cruelest of all emperors? **Diocletian**
- 4) The supreme **faith** will give supreme **grace** for the supreme **hour**.
- 5) The recompense of God is **too lightly esteemed**.

Lesson 27: The Reward for Overcoming.

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 133-139)

Questions

- In what Scripture do we learn that hell was created? (prepared)
 (Matthew 25:41) Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels
- 2) What does "destruction" mean in the Greek?
 In the Greek, "destruction" positively means annihilation.
- 3) What does the word "part" mean in Revelation 21:8? **Time**
- 4) "Jehovah God, a crying baby in a stinking barn" was a sign to what type of people?
 "To a proud and puffed up, pseudo-intellectuals that have evolved their own theology and denied the truth of God."
- 5) Why does the second death have no power over the believer? For they are the Lamb's and they follow Him wherever He goes.

Lesson 28: Ears to Hear

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 139–148) Also memorization

Questions

- 1) It doesn't say "he that hath a **tongue** let him say what the Spirit is **saying**"
- 1) Only a **Spirit-Filled Man** can hear the revelation for that age.
- 2) If the Spirit wasn't inside you wouldn't hear the truth and receive it by revelation if you heard it **Every moment of the day**
- 3) They were a group that heard the messenger and his message and took it and LIVED it.
- 4) They have no power for they stop short of Pentecost.

Lesson 29: Eternal Thoughts

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 148–153)

Questions

- 1) Why did Joshua and Caleb get to go to the promised land? They stayed with the WORD
- 2) Think of the other 10 spies. If you would have asked them before they became spies "do you believe the Word?" what do you think they would have said? If you asked them "Do you believe Moses was a prophet?" what do you think they would have said?

(Answers will vary) Most likely Yes they would have said they believed the Word and that Moses was a prophet.

- 3) Who was the perfect and complete thought of God? Jesus
- 4) Does the Bride come from the same source as Jesus? Yes
- 5) Redeem means To buy back
- 6) Can a son of God go a long time before recognizing he is a son of God? Yes
- 7) Once a son of God hears the cry of the Spirit by the Word what will he do? **He will realize who**he is and run to the Great Prophet Eagle and be with Him forever seated in heavenly places in
 Christ Jesus.

Lesson 30: Placed as Sons

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 153 – 157)

Questions

- What is redemption?
 There it is. Jesus Christ came forth, died upon the cross, and accomplished Redemption
 (restoring to original owner by means of purchase, or paying the price) and thereby PLACED US AS SONS.
- What is the Baptism of the Holy Ghost?It is the Spirit Baptizing you into the body of Christ. It is the new birth.
- 3) Do we believe in the pre-existence of souls? **NO**
- 4) What comes predestinated eternally from God? The Word or Seed
- 5) The true evidence of being baptized with the Holy Ghost is **for the believer to receive the Word for the age in which he lives.**
- 6) How many messengers does the Word come to for each age? **ONLY ONE person relative to the Word for that age.**
- 7) After the messenger comes how does the message get spread further? there spreads the light through the ministry of others who have been faithfully taught.
- 8) How do we get back to revival?Every fresh and true revival will be because men have gotten back to the Word for their age.
- 9) Which do you esteem (want) more? The Word or a nice juicy steak. (Vegetarian version: Which do you esteem (want) more? The Word or a nice helping of steamed broccoli with lime juice?)

 (Answers may vary based on truthfulness and if students are vegetarian or not)

 The WORD

Lesson 31 - Pergamos: The Messenger and the City

Assignment: (Reading: Matt 5:43 – 48, Pa	ages 158 -	- 162
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est	ions
1)	The believers of the Pergamean age were not fooled by the of beauty. What does this mean?
	Veneer - They had an "outside" of beauty but underneath it was not. The believers
	understood what was underneath
2)	The Pergamean messenger was
	Martin – known as Martin of Tours
3)	True or False. Signs and wonders were evident in Martin's life. True
4)	True or False. When assassins came to kill Martin he fought with them and won. FALSE
	They came by stealth to his home and as they were about to kill him, he stood erect and bared

5) Did the so-called Christians feel like they were doing God a favor in getting rid of soldiers of the cross?

upon their hands and knees and begged forgiveness for the attempt upon his life.

his throat to the sword. As they leaped forward, the power of God suddenly hurled them back across the room. So overcome were they in that holy and fearful atmosphere that they crawled

Yes

- 6) Martin was forever true to the Word of God. He fought **Organization**
- 7) Many hated him for the virtues they themselves did not possess and could not imitate; and alas! his bitterest assailants were bishops.

Memorize: So when a Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as Deity speaking. Every mountain has to go. Satan cannot stand before that man.

Lesson 32 - Pergamos: The Salutation (Repetition, Repetition, Repetition)

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 162 – 170)

Questions

1) What does the word Logos mean?

The thought or concept

2) What is the double meaning of the word Logos? Thought and speech

- 3) In the context of the word "declare" what is it that Jesus the living Word did for us? He brought (or declared) God to us. He revealed God with clarity
- 4) The proof of the indwelling Spirit was to **acknowledge** and **follow** what God's prophet gave for his age as he set the church in order
- 5) The evidence of a Spirit-filled Christian believer is not to produce the truth (Word), but to receive the truth (Word), and **to believe and obey it**
- 6) What does the Bride speak?

The same Word as does the Spirit

- 7) True manifestation is the evidence of the Spirit doing mighty acts.
- 8) If you want Deity in your midst, what should you do?
 Welcome and receive the Word

Memorize: So when a Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as Deity speaking. Every mountain has to go. Satan cannot stand before that man.

Lesson 33- Pergamos: Pick up your pen and write

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 170 – 176, I Corinthians 15:40-47, Luke 21:19)

Questions

- 1) So when a **Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man** in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as **Deity speaking**.
- 2) In these last days the true Bride Church (Christ's seed) will come to the **headstone**, and she will be the **super church**, a **super race**, as she nears Him.
- 3) Who was the first Son of God? Adam
- 4) Who was the second Son of God? Jesus
- 5) Why is the bride a virgin?
 she knows no man-made creeds or dogmas.
- 6) The Bride will have His potentials. What does this mean? Potential (adj) capable of being or becoming: You have the capability of being or becoming JUST. LIKE. HIM.
- Moses, Elijah, and John all withdrew to the wilderness because their messages had been rejected
- 8) How do you tell evil spirits apart from good spirits?
 Give them the Word test
- 9) Which comes first, signs or the Word?
 Signs follow the Word
- 10) Why will many misunderstand the messenger in the last day? **because they have been taught**Scripture in a certain way which they consider truth

Memorize: So when a Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as Deity speaking. Every mountain has to go. Satan cannot stand before that man.

Lesson 34 - Pergamos: The Eulogy

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 176 – 180)

Questions

Repetition: Bro Branham notes another repetition in this section. What is it?
 "I know thy works"

2) Review: What other things are repeated in each age?"Unto the Angel". Expression of Deity. "He that hath an ear"

What does true salvation bring?Works, or deeds that will please God.

4) If a man is born of the Word what will he do?

Produce the Word

5) (True/False) It was difficult for the Pergamean Age believers to serve the Lord.

True

Is it more or less difficult for you? How so? (answers may vary) Topics may range from it's easier now because we aren't under threat of death, to, it's harder now because the persecution is mostly mental and very deceiving.

- 6) What does the word "apostacized" or Apostate mean? (you might need a dictionary)
 Apostate (noun). A person who forsakes his religion, cause, etc
 Apostate (adj) Of or characterized by apostasy
- 7) (True/False) It was Peter's faith that raised the cripple man. False
- 8) Many believers in church are "mental believers". If that isn't right, what do you need to have instead?

New Birth

- 9) Paul said "I live by the the faith of the Son of God."
- 10) (True/False) Satan triumphs when believers are killed.

False Did Satan Triumph when Jesus was killed? No.

Memorize: So when a Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as Deity speaking. Every mountain has to go. Satan cannot stand before that man.

Lesson 35 - Pergamos: Where Satan's Seat is

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 180 – 188, Genesis 10:1-10, Genesis 11:1-9)

Questions

- What relation was Nimrod to Noah? (Answer in Genesis 10)
 Great grandson
- 2) Babel is the original name for **Babylon**
- 3) Nimrod set out to accomplish 3 things. What were they?
 - a. Build a strong nation
 - b. **Propagate his own religion**
 - c. Make a name for himself
- 4) Satan has always attempted to receive worship as though he were God
- 5) Monotheism means ______ (Use dictionary if you need to) the doctrine or belief that there is only one God
- 6) Polytheism means ______ (Use dictionary if you need to) the doctrine of or belief in more than one god or in many gods
- 7) Is Christianity monotheism or polytheism? Monotheism
- 8) Who was also called "Bel"? **Cush**
- 9) Who was Semiramis?

Nimrod's Wife

Memorize: So when a Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as Deity speaking. Every mountain has to go. Satan cannot stand before that man.

Lesson 36 - Pergamos: The Denunciation

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 189 – 197)

Questions

- 1) What year was the Nicene Council? 325 A.D.
- 2) Why was it easy for the Christians in Rome to drift away?

The Word was not yet written as a guide. (Elders were gone also)

3) Did the first church of Rome give up its title since it wasn't Christian anymore?

No

4) True/False. Emperor Septimus Severus killed 7000 at Thessolonica because he wanted to leave the Christian Church.

False

- 5) She is alive with the **Life** and the **Word of God.**
- 6) Pergamos means thoroughly married What was married?
 State and Church. Politics and Religion. Babylonian religion with first Church of Rome.
- 7) Satan had access to the Name of Christ and he was enthroned as God in worship.
- 8) Which Rome was wounded to death?

Pagan Imperial Rome

9) Which Rome came back to life?

Papal Rome

10) How does Rome control more ably now? By Religion

Lesson 37 - Pergamos: The Doctrine of the Nicolaitanes

Assignment: (Reading: Pages 197 – 201)

Questions

- What are the two doctrines that God says he hates?
 Doctrine of Balaam, Doctrine of the Nicolaitanes (from page 189)
- 2) Recall what Nico + Laity is. What is the laity? Laity are the *people of the church*.
- 3) How do God-ordained men lead the people? He has placed His church in the care of God-ordained, Spirit-filled, Word-living men who lead the people through feeding them the Word.
- 4) Nicolaitanism makes ministers/leaders overlords instead of servants.
- 5) Bishop is an *office* Elder is the *person*.
- 6) What makes someone an elder?

 He is more seasoned, trained, not a novice, reliable because of experience and long standing proof of his Christian experience.
- 7) Whoever will be chief among you, let him be your **servant**.
- 8) What is our hope?

Get back to the Word and stay with it.

Memorize: So when a Spirit-born, Spirit-filled man in faith takes that Word into his heart and places it upon his lips, why that is the same as Deity speaking. Every mountain has to go. Satan cannot stand before that man.

Lesson 38 - Pergamos: The Doctrine of the Balaam

Assignment: Reading: Pages 201 – 208

- 1) How do you spell substitution? substitution spells Balaamism.
- 2) Israel were the Pentecostals of their day.
- How many answers from God are enough?
 Now one answer from God should have been enough.
- 4) Challenge: What do you do if you don't like God's answer?
 (Answers will vary) Accept it and pray as Jesus prayed in the Garden of Gethsemane.
- 5) True or False: God sent the Spirit upon Balaam? True
- 6) The doctrine of Balaam is "Go ahead anyway, do it your way"
- 7) What can't take the place of Spirit-manifestation?

 Form Form won't get you anywhere. It can't take the place of Spirit-manifestation
- 8) Organization will do what to the unorganized? **Look down on -** Organization always looks down on the unorganized and either will by determination bring them into organization or destroy them when they won't come.
- 9) How did God want to see Israel? from the height of love and mercy.
- 10) What happens when a man joins a church instead of receiving the Holy Spirit?

 He dies
- 11) What do organizations & denominations do?

 separates the people from the people -- and it's, therefore, a wrong spirit that separates the people from the people. That's what organization and denominations do. In organizing they separate themselves from the Word of God, and bring themselves into spiritual adultery.

Lesson 39 - Pergamos: Warning and Reward

Assignment: Reading: Pages 208 – 212

Questions

- 1) Can God overlook the sin of those who have borne His name in vain?

 No. They must repent.
- 2) Those who fought the **Word** will one day find the **Word fighting them**.
- 3) Each message to each age holds an *incentive* to the *believer*.
- 4) Each messenger has a great responsibility as well as a <u>wonderful privilege</u>.
 Bonus: what was that privilege? <u>That of presenting the people of the bride in his day to Jesus</u>.
- 5) In every age God began to give back by *revelation* that which was *hidden*
- 6) Who does God give manna to? the overcomer
- 7) He won't give manna to those who *spurn what is already revealed*.
- 8) Abraham, Sarah, and others names were given because of a *change* or brought about a *change*.
- 9) God will give the believers what kind of rewards? How long will they last?

Rewards of great beauty. They will have eternal duration

10) Review: What five things are repeated in each age?

"To the angel of the church", "I know thy works", "He that hath an ear...", Expression of His Diety, "to him that overcometh" (incentive to the believer)

Congratulations! You finished Chapter 5. We're a little over halfway!

Lesson 40 - Thyatira: The Messenger and the City

Assignment: Reading: Pages 213 – 220 Memorize: Psalm 119:7-16

Questions

- 1) What was the reason the Spirit chose Thyatira as the city for the fourth age? **because of its religion.**
- 2) What type of chair did the prophetess of Apollo sit on? a tripod chair
 - a. Bonus: What does that make you think of? (answers may vary). Trinity Doctrine
- 3) What does the name Thyatira mean? the very name Thyatira means, "Dominating Female."
- 4) When a woman wears pants and cuts her hair she is intruding into what? the male domain
 - a. She is doing this to take what?Take Authority
- 5) Was the Thyatirean age the longest or the shortest?

 Longest The Thyatirean Age lasted the longest of them all, about 900 years, from 606 to 1520.
- 6) After Columba heard the voice of God, nothing **could stop him**.
- 7) What was the weapon of choice for the men in the colonies that were built under Columba's leadership?

The truth -they taught the truth

8) Columba's followers were independent from whom?
Rome

Lesson 41 - Thyatira: The Son of God

Assignment: Reading: Pages 220 – 221, Colossians 1. Memorize: Psalm 119:7-16

- 1) God won't surrender His <u>leadership</u> over the <u>church</u> to any <u>man</u>.
- 2) Whom did the city of Thyatira worship as the Son of God? Apollo
- 3) The Roman Catholic Church elevated whom to the son of God status like Thyatira did Apollo? **The Pope**
- 4) This age gave rise to Mohammedanism/Islam. What does this religion deny? **Denied the Son of God**
- 5) As Prophet He is Son of Man
- 6) As Priest He is Son of God
- 7) As King He is Son of **David**

Lesson 42 - Thyatira: The Eulogy

Assignment: Reading: Pages 221 – 225, James 2. Memorize: Psalm 119:7-16

Questions

- Works don't take place of salvation, but what do they show? our faith already placed in Him
- 2) God commended His Thyatirean Children for what? because they were living changed lives
- 3) If you are a Christian you are going to do what? What is right
- 4) What two specific times will you do God's will?
 - a. when no one but God sees you
 - b. even if it costs you your life.
- 5) Works and Service are not accepted without what? Love
- 6) History shows us great people were those who were servants.

Can you think of examples?
(Answers may vary). Examples include: Jesus Christ, William Branham, George
Washington, Abraham Lincoln, Martin Luther, George Mueller (NOT Hitler, Stalin,
Mousselini)

7) God says "Well done good and faithful SERVANT"

Lesson 43 - Thyatira: The Rebuke and the Woman Jezebel

Assignment: Reading: Pages 225 – 232 Memorize: Psalm 119:7-16

Questions

1) What verse tells us God is speaking to more than one church? verse 23

2) Are those who are "false vine", Christians?

Yes

a. If so, in what way?

They are Christians of the flesh

- b. If not, how aren't they? (They are Christians so this doesn't apply)
- 3) What makes a Mohammedan a Mohammedan?

because he subscribes in theory to what the Koran teaches

a. Can Christians be Christians for the same reason?Yes

- 4) Ruth's induction into Israel was **Spiritual** admission.
- 5) Chart the progression of death in the church.

Deeds -> <u>Doctrine</u> - > embraced <u>power of state/paganism</u> -> <u>prophetess</u> - > <u>Lake of fire</u>

6) If you join up with an organization, what do you sell? You sell your birthright

Lesson 44 - Thyatira: Sentence Against the Harlot

Assignment: Reading: Pages 232 - 238 Memorize: Psalm 119:7-16

- Which was more wicked, Ahab or the Roman Catholic Church?
 Roman Catholic Church
- God raised up messengers, has he ever raised up any others?
 He raised up some wonderful helpers for those messengers.
- 3) Who/What is our ruler supposed to be? It is the Word that rules us, not men.
- 4) Are churches in the Bible referred to as sons, daughters, or either?
 Daughters
- 5) Churches have given up the Word for what? traditions and creeds
- 6) When did the nation of Judah die spiritually?
 The minute Jehoram married Jezebel's daughter
- 7) Who are the double corrupters?
 Nicolaitanism and Balaamism
- 8) Who propagates the corruption of the double corrupters? The prophetess Jezebel
- 9) What is the image of the beast? a world-wide ecumenical council,
- 10) Who won't be deceived?
 The Elect

Lesson 45 - Thyatira: Warning. Promise. Reward.

Assignment: Reading: Pages 238 – 242 Memorize: Psalm 119:7-16

Questions

1) Out of what proceeds righteousness or wickedness?

Out of the heart

Who can be fooled? Who can't?
We might fool the people but we will never fool the Lord.

3) What was the pressure of the Dark Ages?
Bend, or be broken

4) What was the pressure of our Age? the pressure of riches, soft living and nervous tensions in a complex age that we seem unfitted to live in.

5) What is the depth of God in your life? an actual personal experience of the Spirit of God indwelling him

6) What is Satan's substitute for the depth of God?

He will then substitute the personal Christ in our spirits. He will do it, as he caused Israel to do the same; by a human being reigning as king instead of God. The born-again experience will be rejected in favor of church joining.

- 7) Challenge/Application: The Spirit mentions works how many times? Four Times
 - a. Do you feel this is important? Yes
 - b. Why or Why not?
 (Answers may vary, but should include something along the lines of)
 Those that keep His works to the end will be given power over the nations. It shows now that our character has been proven to be able to be a strong and capable ruler later.
- 8) From your heart, answer the question Bro Branham asks "what else could we desire above Jesus Himself?"

 (answers will vary)

There is nothing that we can desire more than Jesus. He gives life. In Him I live, move and have my being. He is the source of my strength. He is my joy, peace, and salvation. He is my all-in-all, my everything.

9) What is the reward promised (incentive) to the saints of Thyatira? (use the verses for this age)

"And he that overcometh, and keepeth My works unto the end, to him will I give power over the nations:

And I will give him the morning star.

Lesson 46 - Sardis: The Fifth Church Age

Age	Messenger	Years
Ephesus	Paul	53 – 170
Smyrna	Iranaeus	170 - 312
Pergamos	Martin	312 - 606
Thyatira	Columba	606 - 1520

"It was quite a large church at the beginning, but they started a denominations spirit among them ... called "The deeds of the Nicolaitanes."

"In the second church age it would begin to squeeze way out "

"the doctrine of denomination, it become from a deeds here all the way to a doctrine here"

Constantine used the same strategy as who?

Balaam

"...they suffered that woman Jezebel to subdue His children; that taken place in the Dark Age."

"Jezebel had a <u>daughter</u> And Revelation 13 said that this apostate church Rome had <u>daughters</u>

Assignment: Listening: Sardisean Church Age (first 38 minutes)

Answer questions on page 1.

Lesson 47 - Sardis: The City, Age, and Messenger

Assignment: Reading: Pages 243 - 248

Questions

- Cybele and Deoius were know as whom in Babylon?
 Semiramis and Ninus
- 2) Who began to be worshipped most between Cybele & Deoius? Cybele
- 3) Luther held to justification, to what did the Catholics hold? they held to works, penance, prayers and other unscriptural means
- 4) What was Cybele's name in the Old Testament? Who was her priestess?
 Cybele was Astarte
 Jezebel was priestess
- 5) Luther was the time for a beginning of restoration that would continue on to what later? an outpouring of the Holy Ghost
- 6) What did Luther do more of when he had more work to do?

 Prayer the more of his time he gave to God in prayer
- 7) What is the basic doctrine of the truth of the Word? justification
- 8) Was Luther a prophet or no? **No**

Lesson 48 - Sardis: The Salutation

Assignment: Reading: Pages 248 – 252

Questions

1) What Old Testament scriptures are used to tie the seven Spirits to men?

Proverbs 20:27 Zechariah 4:10

2) Galatians 1:8 compares with what Scripture in Revelation?

Revelation 22:18.

3) What two things does the right hand signify?

Power and Authority

4) How is the gospel preached?

by the authority of God in the power of the Spirit.

5) What quality enabled the messengers to stand up to the world?

They were full of God

6) Who weren't the messengers sent by?

Self or Other men

- 7) Organization is **DEATH**
- 8) As messengers these men that are the 7 spirits are comparable to what Old Testament character?

Moses

9) True/**False**. The reason God is able to use the men he chooses is because they live exemplary lives.

False

Lesson 49 - Sardis: The Denunciation

Assignment: Reading: Pages 252 – 257

Questions

1) What is different about the message to the fifth age as compared to the first four?

No praise - the entire message to this fifth age rings with condemnation.

2) Truth only comes from?

The Word

3) Even after Luther's teaching, how did the church remain shackled? the "Bishop, Archbishop" concept of church government

4) Out of where do the multitude of sects get their creeds?

Out of the Bible

5) Look up the definition for "sophist" and write it here <u>any of a class of ancient Greek teachers of</u>
<u>rhetoric, philosophy, and the art of successful living prominent about the middle of the fifth</u>
<u>century B.C. for their adroit subtle and allegedly often specious reasoning</u>

(basically someone who argues with words!)

6) This era gave tremendous growth to what?

to the denominational spirit

7) Denominations are living in whose name?

Their own name

a. Instead of whose?

The Name of the Lord Jesus Christ

8) Churches are known by?

The way it worships

a. They should be known by?

The power of God

9) Jezebel didn't want to give up her hold, who took up that hold in the Sardisean Age? her daughter Athaliah

Lesson 50 - Sardis: Warning and Judgment

Assignment: Reading: Pages 257 - 262

Questions

THINK! What is the difference between reformation and restoration?
 Reform is to amend
 Restoration will bring back to the original

- What is the reason for justification and sanctification? That you might be baptized with the Holy Ghost.
- 3) According to promise, what is God taking the church from/to?
 From the depth of Satan to the depth of God
- 4) What is the meaning of "not perfect"? Unfullfilled
- 5) What Doctrine did the reformation start with? **doctrine of justification**
- 6) What does strengthen mean?to fix and establish for permanency.
- 7) What does the word Sardis mean? The escaped ones
- 8) After truth became a permanent deposit, what remained to be seen? what they will do with it, whether they will regard it or not.
- 9) The Word of truth was being heard in an <u>academic manner</u> rather than for <u>practical</u> <u>outworking.</u>
- 10) "I will come as a thief" is a message to whom? the false vine

Lesson 51 - Sardis: The Eulogy (Name part 1)

Assignment: Reading: Pages 262 - 269

Questions

1) T/F God praised the Sardis church for not defiling their garments.

False - God did not praise this church, there were individuals which hadn't defiled their garments, but that was not the church

2) What is the purpose of God for us?

"that we should be holy and without blame before Him."

3) What is the reward for not defiling garments?

"And they shall walk with Me."

4) T/F The qualified judge meets out only punishments.

False

- 5) You can't walk in the **spotted garments of the world,** holding hands with the **devil here** and then expect to be **with God**.
- 6) How do you make your garments white?

repentance and the blood of the Lamb

7) Is God presently compiling a book of names?

No

8) Will there be people who were not born again go in to eternal life?

Yes - Multitudes even

9) Is the Lamb's Book of Life and the Book of Life the same?

Yes

10) Where is the book located?

In Heaven

11) What man does Bro Branham use as an example of someone whose name was blotted out of the book of life?

Judas

Memorize: A person that is truly baptized by the Holy Ghost into the body of Christ receiving the fullness of the Spirit will be in the WORD ALL THE WAY.

Lesson 52 - Sardis: The Eulogy (Name part 2)

Assignment: Reading: Pages 269 - 274

Questions

- Which tribes are missing in Revelation 7:4-8?
 Dan and Ephraim
- 2) In what Scripture do we find the punishment for Idolatry? **Deuteronomy 29:16-20,**
- 3) What was the punishment for idolatry? to have its name blotted out.
- 4) You can't go along with just part of the Word, you have to take ALL the Word.
- 5) There are people who **seem involved** in the things of God almost **one hundred percent**.
- 6) Judas did exactly what Israel did at **Baal Peor.**
- 7) What does Bro Branham say the evidence of the baptism of the Holy Ghost is? will be in the WORD ALL THE WAY
- 8) In what way do multitudes fail?
 Failing to go all the way in the Word
- 9) How will much of the gentile church come to have their names removed? by rejecting the Word and thereby joining the ecumenical move

Lesson 53 - Sardis: The Eulogy (Name part 3)

Assignment:	Reading:	Pages	274-282	, Matt 25.
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1)	Will there be any one that is righteous that is judged at the White Throne judgment?
	Yes

- 2) Where will the bride be during the White Throne judgment? with Him in the throne
- 3) Recalling what we learned in the last lesson, why do these righteous who are to be judged not qualify for the first resurrection?

You can't go along with just part of the Word, you have to take ALL the Word.

- 4) Will the bride be judged according to their works? (the bride) are not in the judgment
- 5) In that day there will be those who come forth **to eternal life** and those others who are caught **in the second death.**
- 6) Those who are given eternal life receive it on what grounds? that they have been kind and good to the "Brethren".
- 7) The sheep that are allowed to go into eternal life are heirs to what? **Life** – *They are not heirs to anything else*
- 8) Many will have their names blotted out because they fail to <u>honor the people of God who were</u> the living manifested Word (living epistles) for their day.

9)	Challer	nge Question: List Examples for each group:
	a.	Eternal Section <u>bride</u>
	b.	Book of Life but not bride Nicodemus, Gamliel, the foolish virgins
	c.	Names Blotted out
	d.	Never on Book of Life Pharaoh

Lesson 54 - Sardis: The Eulogy (Name part 4)

Assignment: Reading: Pages 282-286

Questions

1) What is the end goal of planting a grain of wheat?

That a single grain of wheat will reproduce and multiply itself through a certain process during a certain period of time.

- 2) List the parts of a wheat: Blade Stalk Tassel Chaff Seed
- 3) The Book of Life is the **whole** wheat plant.
- The Book of Eternal Life is another <u>record</u> though contained in the <u>Book of Life.</u>
- 5) Everyone in the Bride is a <u>member of Him</u> and HE loses <u>none</u>.
- 6) Why is it that someone bears no fruit? **because they were outside the Word--did not abide in it**
- 7) Not all the wheat <u>plant</u> is the wheat <u>seed</u> ... All the <u>church</u> is not <u>bride</u> and neither is it all given <u>eternal life</u>.
- 8) The Great Shepherd is calling His sheep by **name**.
- 9) What are the two roll calls? Rapture Second resurrection (or white throne)

Lesson 55 - Philadelphia: The Sixth Church Age

But first, review!

List the first five church ages and the messengers in order. You should be in process of memorizing the Age and Messengers. Special bonus points to those who memorize the years too!

Age	Messenger	Years
Ephesus	Paul	53 – 170
Smyrna	Iranaeus	170 - 312
Pergamos	Martin	312 - 606
Thyatira	Columba	606 - 1520
Sardis	Luther	1520 - 1750

Assignment: Reading: Pages 287 – 290 James 1,2

Questions

- 1) Bacchus is the same as Ninus or Nimrod
- 2) Philadelphia means love of brethren.
- 3) John Wesley was born in what year? 1703
- 4) True/False John Wesley's mission trip to Georgia was a success.

False

(His labors in Georgia in spite of self denials and hard work was a failure. He returned to England crying, "I went to America to convert the Indians but oh! who shall convert me?")

- 5) John Wesley's meetings saw the **manifestation** of Spiritual **gifts**
- 6) What was the condition with which to enter the United Society?

The only condition of those entering was they should be of those, "who had a desire to flee from the wrath to come, and to be saved from their sins."

7) What was Wesley's favorite saying on money?Get all you can, save all you can, and give all you can.

8) Upon what grounds would Wesley NOT want to separate from brethren?

Though he was an Arminian in his beliefs, he did not want to separate himself from brethren on the grounds of doctrine

Memorize: There isn't anything in this life, satisfying as it may be, as good and as fine as it may be, but you will find the sum total of all perfection in Christ. Everything fades into insignificance beside Him.

Lesson 56 - Philadelphia: The Salutation

Assignment: Reading: Pages 291 – 294

Questions

- 1) By the law can no flesh be <u>justified</u>. By the law can no man be made <u>holy</u>. <u>Holiness</u> is of the Lord.
- 2) In the Philadelphian age they were taking refuge in the church.
- 3) The Life is not in the **church** the Life is in **Christ**.
- 4) "True" expresses the <u>Perfect Realization</u> of an idea as contrasted with its <u>Partial Realization</u>.
- 5) What examples are given of things where Jesus is the "true" or perfect realization?

Manna

Light

Red Heifer Offering

works

6) It is not even **Christ** and **works** it is **Christ** alone.

Lesson 57 - Philadelphia: The Salutation, The Key and the Door

Assignment: Reading: Pages 295 – 298, Genesis 7

Questions

- 1) What is strange about where the key of the House of David is? It is on His shoulder
- 2) What does the shoulder signify? that not only is she under his dominion--that she has transferred her rights to him--that he is the head--but also that he bears the responsibility and the care and that HE AND HE ALONE--NO ONE ELSE--NO OTHER MAN--NO OTHER POWER--HAS ANY RIGHT AND RESPONSIBILITY.
- 3) The Bride is wholly **committed** to Him and He accepts the **obligation**.
- 4) He **speaks** and she **obeys** for that is her delight.
- 5) What has the church been governed by in every age? by a hierarchy--a priesthood--an apostolic succession
- 6) The key of David signifies that it is **Jesus Who will bring in the millennium**.
- 7) There He stands <u>Jesus</u> Perfect <u>Everything</u>.... In Him is Perfect <u>fullfillment</u>.
- 8) When God proves Himself to the world who will all the world bow at the feet of? His Feet (Jesus) feet of the saints
- 9) As the world bows (question 8) what will this prove? that they were right in their stand with Him

Lesson 58 - Philadelphia: Age of the OPEN DOOR

Assignment: Reading: Pages 298 –305

Questions

- 1) In the last age there will be all the evil of every age and yet the reality of Pentecost.
- 2) The open door signifies the tremendous missionary effort of that age.
- 3) What age was the open door for the false vine? **third or Pergamean Age**
- 4) The fifth age set the stage for a mighty move of the Word of the Lord with what? **Exploration Colonization the printing of books**
- 5) Jesus told them to <u>PREACH THE GOSPEL</u> -- stick with <u>the WORD</u> --- and <u>then the signs would</u> <u>follow</u>
- 6) The **Bible** is the real way of the **open door**.
- 7) "This same Jesus was a <u>mighty healer</u> and that He would <u>live in His people</u> down through the ages."
- 8) "Did they tell you that because of that <u>same Spirit</u> in them that was in Jesus they would be able to do <u>mighty works</u> even as Jesus did?"
- 9) "God never told a man to <u>labor thirty years</u> and <u>harvest nothing</u>. He gave us the open door of <u>Word and Power</u> and that is what we are supposed to use."
- 10) How should the Gospel be preached?

 in demonstration of the Spirit and of power
- 11) Why are people not seeing the results that Jesus said we should see?

 If you are not seeing the results that Jesus said you would see, it's because you are not preaching the true Gospel

Lesson 59 - Philadelphia: Judgment of the False Jew

Assignment: Reading: Pages 306 – 312

Questions

1) What did God raise up to contrast the free thinker, communism, and liberal theologians? <u>mighty</u> warriors of faith

What did they do?

preached, taught and wrote the Word. They glorified His Name.

- 2) What principle of Satan does Bro Branham mention? organize and claim originality and therefore be entitled to special rights and privileges
- 3) The spirit that was in **Judas** went right along through the **ministry of Jesus**.
- 4) Judas' spirit never got to **Pentecost**.
- 5) These folks say they are **Christians** but they **aren't**.
- 6) In the last days how will power be gained to rule the world?

 Building an image to the beast.

Lesson 60 - Philadelphia: Eulogy and Promise

Assignment: Reading: Pages 312 – 314, Luke 21

Questions

- 1) What is required to wait for the fulfillment of the Word?
 Patience
- 2) If God fulfilled every request immediately what would happen to you? _ you would never learn patience, but would become even more impatient with life
- 3) Do you think people are more or less patient now or back in the Philadelphian age? _______ Why? (Give Examples).

Less patient

(Answers will vary) wanting your food fast, reckless driving, angry at stop lights, upset when it takes more than 30 seconds for someone to reply to a text message

- 4) When was Abraham tried?
 Abraham was tried after he received the promise.
- 5) But from the time we <u>pray</u> until the time we get the <u>answer</u> we must learn to receive <u>patience</u> into our souls for only in <u>patience</u> do we possess <u>life</u>.
- 6) Does it take patience to live the Word? Yes!
- 7) Is it better to serve God publically within an organization than to not serve Him publically at all?

 No
- 8) What is the key word that makes a difference in our understanding in question 7? Publically.

(Serving God isn't always a public thing, it is a relationship between you and Christ, to join an organization so everyone can see you serving Him or so you can feel like you have opportunity to serve Him and help others would be wrong. Serve God without any yoke of bondage)

Lesson 61 - Philadelphia: Promise and Admonition

Assignment: Reading: Pages 314 – 318

- 1) Jesus will come in the midst of a time of great trouble.
- 2) Who are the ones who will sit in His throne and share in His Kingdom? They who gave up all for Him and committed all to Him
- 3) What is the word for us all at this time? Hold fast — persevere
- 4) What is the pillar a part of? Foundation
- 5) What is God giving you when He makes you a pillar?
 He is giving him the revelation of the Word and of Himself
- 6) John asks, "who is he that overcometh?" What is the answer? He that believeth that Jesus is the Christ.
- 7) The lamb & His bride will be settled in what? all the perfections of God.
- 8) How much of the perfections of God will we know about until the resurrection? infinitesimal part of it
- 9) What that name is, none dare **conjecture**.
- 10) Every age ends with a warning. It is a constant plea to listen to the voice of the Lord.
- 11) Why is His plea more urgent in this age?

 The last age will be a short one--a quick work of consummation
- 12) There are so many **problems** and **needs** crying for **attention** but there will never be a **voice** so important and so worth attending as the **voice of the Spirit**.

Memorize: There isn't anything in this life, satisfying as it may be, as good and as fine as it may be, but you will find the sum total of all perfection in Christ. Everything fades into insignificance beside Him.

Congratulations! You finished Chapter 8!

Lesson 62 - Laodicea: The Seventh Church Age

Review Time!

Age	Messenger	Years
Ephesus	Paul	53 – 170
Smyrna	Iranaeus	170 - 312
Pergamos	Martin	312 - 606
Thyatira	Columba	606 - 1520
Sardis	Luther	1520 - 1750
Philadelphia	Wesley	1750 - 1906

Assignment: Reading: Pages 319 – 323 Matthew 13:1-30

Questions

1) What does Laodicea mean?

People's rights

2) Who was the worshipped deity of Laodicea?
Zeus

3) What else does Laodicea mean?

Justice of the peoples

4) To what parable does Bro Branham refer to church and state or religion and politics being together?

The parable of the wheat of tares (found in Matthew 13)

5) What three things that we have today did Laodicea have?

Riches

Culture

Science

6) Faith has superseded science making man a victim of what?
Materialism

7) Challenge: What is the difference between prediction and prophecy? (answers will vary, but should be similar to)

Predict – state or make a declaration in advance, especially on a reasonable basis Prophecy – to reveal or foretell by divine inspiration

- 8) List the seven visions Bro Branham had
 - 1. Mussolini would invade Ethiopia
 - 2. Hitler would draw the world into war
 - 3. 3 great isms Fascism, Nazism, and Communism would be absorbed into Communism WATCH RUSSIA, WATCH RUSSIA
 - 4. Advances in science remote control cars
 - 5. Terrible perversion and moral plight of the whole world, centered mostly around women.
 - 6. Woman rising in power
 - 7. Debris and craters all over America
- 9) Challenge: Why do you think these visions are listed in the section titled "The Laodicean Age"? (Answers will vary)

Because this is the last age before Jesus returns and these visions are centered around things that will happen before the end.

Lesson 63 - Laodicea: Earthquake Study

Assignment: Reading: Pages 323 – 326

Questions

1) Where is the proof that the Laodicean messenger will be a prophet?

The proof that he is a prophet is found in Revelation 10:7

2) Is the angel of Rev 10:7 a heavenly being?
No

3) What is the only way of bringing out Spiritual Revelations?
A prophet

4) To which age did God send a group of theologians to correct the error?

None

5) What is the specific work this Elijah will have?

A work of restoration in the church.

That work is the part of Malachi 4:6 that says "he will turn the hearts of the children to their fathers".

- 6) Who turned the hearts of the Father's to the children?

 John the Baptist
- 7) List the men upon whom the Spirit of Elijah has been. (After Elijah himself)
 Elisha, John the Baptist, William Branham (Elijah would work as well of course)
- 8) True/False The majority will listen to and accept the Messenger to the Laodicean Age. False
- 9) List the similarities between John and Elijah.
 - Both were men set apart from the accepted religious schools of their day
 - Both were men of the wilderness
 - Both acted only when they had "Thus saith the Lord," straight from God by revelation.
 - Both lashed out against the religious orders and leaders of their day
 - Both Lashed out against all who were corrupt or would corrupt others
 - Both prophesied much against immoral women and their ways.

Lesson 64 - Laodicea: The Messenger

Assignment: Reading: Pages 327 – 331

- What happens immediately after the coming of the 4th Elijah?
 See, immediately after the coming of THIS Elijah, the earth will be cleansed by fire and the wicked burned to ashes.
- 2) What turns the hearts of the children to the fathers?
 Seven Thunders (divinely revealed mystery truths)
- 3) How many prophet-messengers can the Laodicean Age have?
 One
- 4) Can there be multiple prophets in the last age? Yes
- 5) Where is a false prophet found?
 Outside the Word
- 6) What will people claim after the prophet-messenger says the revival is over?
 A great revelation that what the people have is exactly right and God is going to do bigger and more wonderful things amongst the people. And the people will fall for it.

Lesson 65 - Laodicea: The Salutation

Assignment: Reading: Pages 331-338

- 1) Jesus is giving us a **description** of Himself in **relation** to the **last age**.
- In each age God gives us a look at His Supreme Deity
- Amen stands for
 Finality, approval, prevailing promise, unchanging promise, and the seal of God.
- 4) Isaiah 65:16 really should be God of the **AMEN**
- 5) If the God of the Old Testament is the God of the Amen and Jesus in Revelation is the Amen then **Jehovah** of the Old Testament is the **Jesus** of the New Testament.
- 6) True/False Christ came to make Himself known.

 False (He came to reveal and make known the Father)
- 7) What is the capstone revelation?

 JESUS IS GOD, HE AND THE FATHER ARE ONE: THERE IS ONE GOD, AND HIS NAME IS THE LORD

 JESUS CHRIST.
- 8) True/False You never really know how you stand with God. False
- 9) What the AMEN started out with in **Genesis** He will finish in **Revelation**
- 10) Who are the only ones on the winning side?
 The believers of His Word
- 11) His very existence is for His own.
- 12) What is the proof Jesus went to the Father?

 The presence of the Holy Spirit in this world instead of Jesus being here

13) Who created the Bride?

The heavenly Bridegroom

14) True/False Is God dealing with flesh in the new creation? False

Lesson 66 - Laodicea: Indictment (part 1)

Assignment: Reading: Pages 338 – 341

Questions

How many good things does the Spirit say about Laodicea?
 None

2) Does God spue individuals out of His mouth? **No**. (He spues churches not individuals)

3) "Then what is wrong with these people of the last day?"
THEY HAVE GOTTEN AWAY FROM THE WORD. THEY ARE NO LONGER FERVENT ABOUT IT.
THEY ARE LUKEWARM ABOUT IT.

- 4) "For <u>seven</u> out of <u>seven</u> ages I have seen nothing but men <u>esteeming</u> their own <u>word</u> above Mine"
- The Last Day Messenger will be far from what three things?
 Organization,
 Education,
 World of religion
- 6) "Those elect with him" on page 340. Who is "him"? Bro. Branham
- 7) "And those elect with him in that day will be the ones who truly manifest the Lord and be <u>His</u> <u>body</u> and be <u>His voice</u> and perform <u>His works</u>"
- 8) Who became living epistles in Wesley's day?
 The people who took his revelation from God
- 9) "The church is no longer The mouthpiece of God."
- 10) "..you are not doing anything about the Word except <u>dividing</u> and <u>hacking</u> it into <u>pieces</u> taking what you <u>want</u> and leaving out what you <u>don't want</u>. You are not interested in <u>living</u> it, but <u>debating</u> it.
- 11) "God still has a voice for the **people of the world**, even as He has given a voice to **the bride**. That voice is **in the bride** as..."

Lesson 67 - Laodicea: Indictment (part 2)

Assignment: Reading: Pages 341 – 345

- 1) I am rich and increased with goods, and have need of nothing. That was her **self-estimate**.
- 2) Where does Bro Branham indicate children are supposed to receive the majority of their Christian training?
 In the home.
- 3) What indication are we given to know this is the last age? Israel has gone back to Palestine.
- 4) The work is not being done as it was done when there was **no money**, but men rested solely on the **ability** given them by the **Holy Ghost**.
- 5) If wealth means you are spiritual, who already has God?
 The world
- 6) If the church were truly spiritually rich, its <u>influence</u> would be felt upon <u>Community life</u>
- 7) There ought to be some **real evidence** of the **new birth** amongst all those we see go by.
- 8) What is a woman's long hair to her? Her glory
- 9) Cutting her hair said she left the <u>headship</u> of her husband, got the <u>vote</u> took men's **jobs**, left off being <u>female</u>.
- 10) The fact is the church is satisfied. She either figures she has it all or has enough.
- 11) "Compare the twentieth century church to the first century church. ... Where is the <u>power</u>? Where is the <u>purified church</u> that withstood <u>sin</u> and walked with <u>faith</u> toward Jesus? Where is the <u>unity</u>?"

Lesson 68 - Laodicea: God's Diagnosis

Assignment: Reading: Pages 345 – 349

Questions

Wretched comes from two Greek works meaning?
 Endure and trial

2) Miserable means:

They are objects to be pitied

- 3) Pity those who do not know the **curse** of **organization**.
- 4) "They are poor" means they are **Spiritually poor.**
- 5) Why does Bro Branham say that filled altars and the gifts of the Spirit in operation is not the answer from God?

For those who come to the altars very seldom stay to go on with God, and after the great campaigns are finished, where are all those who came down the aisles?

6) What does glossolalia mean? (look in dictionary)

Incomprehensible speech in an imaginary language, sometimes occurring in a trance state, an episode of religious ecstasy, or schizophrenia.

(A fancy theological word for speaking in tongues)

Tongues are a sign of Impending disaster

8) How can one be blind and naked and not know it?

Spiritually blinded

9) Can Scripture fight Scripture?

No

10) Does the Bible contradict the Bible?

No

11) Can two doctrines of truth in the Word say the opposite or oppose one another?

No

12) What percentage of God's people have learned all Scripture is given by God and all is profitable for doctrine?

Not even 1 %.

13) People became blind because they refused the **Word of God**. What did they choose instead? **Their own way of salvation,**

Their own tower of Babel by organization.

Lesson 69 - Laodicea: Final Counsel

Assignment: Reading: Pages 349 – 356

Questions

How many hopes does God direct the church to?
 One

2) Who is that hope?
Himself (God/Jesus)

3) What is the Gold of God and where is it produced?
The gold of God is a Christ-like character produced in the fiery furnace of affliction.

4) What has the church of this age made the criterion of Spirituality?
Affluence

5) What is the only thing we can take with us when we die?
Character

6) Challenge/Application: In what ways do you think the church tries to buy out of sin and buy in to heaven?

(Answers will vary)

People try to buy themselves into heaven by tithes or helping sponsor things with money. Organizing charity events.

By trying to substitute money for Godly service and Faith.

By church attendance, or allying with one church political group or another.

- 7) What price do we pay to be clothed with garments in this "naked and don't know it" age?

 The price of separation
- 8) Without the Spirit of God the church will substitute **program** for power and **creed** for Word.
- 9) True/False It says in Hebrews God chastens the ones that love Him. **False.** (As many as I love...)
- 10) To reprove is to

Expose with a view to correction.

11) Chasten means to discipline because the **Subject's amendment is in mind.**

- 12) He desired in <u>love</u> a <u>family</u> of His own.
- 13) What zeal is God calling for? The zeal to cry lam wrong

Lesson 70 - Laodicea: Christ outside the church

Assignment: Reading: Pages 356 – 361, Matthew 4

Questions

1) What verse tells us God is speaking to the churches and not individuals? Verse 22

- 2) Christ leaving the church is the logical end result if the <u>Word</u> is put aside for <u>creed</u>, the <u>Holy Spirit</u> deposed for <u>popes</u>, <u>bishops</u>, <u>presidents</u>, <u>counselors</u>, <u>etc</u> and the <u>Savior</u> set aside for a <u>works</u> program or church <u>joining</u> ...
- 3) What was the name of the first pope to go to Jerusalem?
 Paul the Sixth
- 4) What happened to the moon when this pope went to Jerusalem?

 The moon or the church went into total darkness
- 5) True/False: Elect can harm and persecute elect. False
- 6) True/False: The vine/twin that did not love the things of God did so because he didn't know about Him.

False

- 7) What is the binding of the tares?
 Joining the World Council of Churches
- 8) How do we find out HOW Jesus overcame?

 By reading the scriptures (Matthew 4)
- Jesus overcame the personal temptations of Satan by By the Word
- Jesus overcame the world systems of religion by constantly
 Applying the Word
- 11) Jesus overcame His personal life by Obedience to the Word of God

12) Challenge: What do you think is the difference between "living that Word" and "your prayers, your fastings, your repentances" (answers will vary)

It is not our religious or moral acts that show we are "living that Word". To live the Word does mean you would pray, fast and repent, but many people who do not care about the whole Word do that. Living the Word means you are engaged in the Word, you believe all of it, it is precious to you and means everything to you. What is says, you love, obey and believe.

13) The Laodicean Age ends in a **blackout** of the Word.

Lesson 71 - Laodicea: Consummation of the Ages

Assignment: Reading: Pages 361 – 365

Questions

- 1) "What began in the <u>first</u> or <u>Ephesian</u> age must and will come to full fruition and harvest in the <u>last</u> or <u>Laodicean age."</u>
- 2) We find the true **vine**, true **Spirit**, true **Church** people exalted to the very **throne of God**.
- 3) The true seed are **baptized** with the Holy Ghost and **fire**. The chaff (false tare seed) are **burned** with **unquenchable fire**.
- 4) Why did the tares receive of the blessings of God? Because of the presence of the wheat
- 5) The true vine with the fullness of the <u>Spirit</u> and the <u>Word</u> will do the <u>very acts of power</u> that Jesus did.
- 6) He who would speak where God has not makes Him what?

 A liar
- 7) Challenge/Application: What is the difference between tongues being a manifestation but not evidence?

(answers will vary)

Speaking in tongues may happen when a person receives the Holy Spirit. It is the Spirit in you manifesting itself and doing a work (speaking in a tongue). It does not PROVE you HAVE the Holy Ghost (evidence) as it is possible to speak in tongues under a false anointing. So speaking in tongues may be a true manifestation of the Holy Ghost, but cannot be used as evidence that you have received the Holy Ghost.

- 8) After Laodicea, how many warnings are left?
 None
- 9) "She is a city **prepared** for a prepared **people**."
- 10) They that hear the last messenger will be blessed and become part of that bride of the last day.

Lesson 72 - Summary: A Resume of the Ages

Assignment: Reading: Pages 366 - 369

- 1) This chapter will trace the **church** and her **history** as given to John by the Spirit of God.
- In Revelation it is speaking only to the Bride church. True/False
 False
- 3) Both churches/vines believe certain very basic truths and differ on others.
- 4) Will all the true vine be overcome by the false? Yes/No No
- Will all the false be brought into true salvation by the true? Yes/No No
- The Holy Spirit can fall on unregenerate Christians. True/FalseTrue
- 7) The church began at Pentecost. Does this mean Azusa Street or the Day of Pentecost in Acts 2? The Day of Pentecost in Acts 2
- 8) We should depend on God and our leaders together to fulfill God's Word. True/False False
- 9) Which is easier (expedient) Human government or leadership of the Spirit? **Human government** (Expedient means convenient, practical although immoral or improper.)
- 10) "God does not <u>now depart</u> from the <u>midst</u> of the church as He <u>departed</u> from Eden. ... He will ever be in the <u>midst</u> of His Church until the <u>final age</u>."
- 11) Challenge: What is the difference between mixture and admixture?

 Mixture to combine, or blend into one mass

 Admixture adding alien ingredients

 While both are mixing ingredients together, one has the meaning of combining in something that doesn't belong into the mixture

- 12) The **perfect will** of God gave way to the **permissive will** of God because of the **"heart desire"** of Balaam.
- 13) The hatred and blasphemy of Satan comes through Atheists and people who hate God. False

Memorize: "Not for one moment do I bring a message to the people that they may follow me, or join my church, or start some fellowship and organization."

"If I can accomplish just one thing I will be satisfied. That one thing is to see established a true spiritual relationship between God and men, wherein men become new creations in Christ, filled with His Spirit, and live according to His Word."

Lesson 73 - Summary: A Resume of the Ages

Assignment: Reading: Pages 369 – 373

Questions

- 1) The separation of the clergy from the laity grew from the Biblical truth of <u>the elders</u> (Shepherds of <u>local</u> flocks) ruling the flock by the <u>Word</u> to the <u>'deeds of Nicolaitanes'</u>.
- 2) Even within the <u>true church</u> men whom God had called as <u>overseers</u> were holding that title to mean a little more than just a **local** responsibility.
- 3) The clergy was always looking to <u>Divine Leadership</u> plus <u>HUMAN</u> ... we find that the <u>true church</u> was spotted with <u>humanism</u>.
- 4) Balaam gave advice in two steps
 - a. Get together and talk things over, and eat together and get things ironed out
 - b. Worship together and of course a little pressure <u>from the host usually makes the guests</u> go a lot further than they intended
- 5) Nicolaitane doctrine was <u>the corruption</u> of the clergy. Balaamism is the <u>subjection</u> of the people to their <u>system of creed</u> and worship in order to hold them.
- 6) Nicolaitanism is <u>organization, humanizing the leadership of the church, and thereby deposing</u> the Spirit
- 7) Balaamism is denominationalism which takes the church manual instead of the Bible.
- 8) Nicolaitanism, Balaamism, and Jezebel are not three different spirits but the same spirit going from <u>depth</u> to <u>depth</u>.

Memorize: "Not for one moment do I bring a message to the people that they may follow me, or join my church, or start some fellowship and organization."

"If I can accomplish just one thing I will be satisfied. That one thing is to see established a true spiritual relationship between God and men, wherein men become new creations in Christ, filled with His Spirit, and live according to His Word."

Lesson 74 - Summary: A Resume of the Ages

Assignment: Reading: Pages 373 – 377

- Why didn't Luther's age launch out very far in the Word of God?
 They allowed the state to subsidize them
- 2) It was not a <u>resurrection</u> but a <u>reformation</u>. Neither was it a <u>restoration</u>.
- 3) The false vine was shown up for what it was: darkness, misery, poverty, illiteracy and death.
- 4) Denominations hold people in **foodless** pastures.
- 5) The Lutheran Age was the <u>springtime</u>. The Wesleyan Age was the <u>summer of growth</u>. The Laodicean Age is the <u>harvest time</u> of gathering ...
- 6) Have you noticed that in the harvest time, though there is a real <u>acceleration</u> in the <u>ripening</u>, there is consequently a slowing of <u>growth</u> until there is no <u>growth</u>?
- 7) How many turned to God after the door was shut on the ark in Noah's day?

 No one
- 8) Who is bringing the tares to maturity?
 Corrupt teachers
- 9) Who is bringing the wheat to maturity? Prophet-Messenger
- 10) The wheat will hear the prophet messenger as the **first church** heard **Paul**.
- 11) Will the people envision that Rome will be the head?

 No
- 12) This image will try to keep the bride from preaching and teaching etc.
- 13) God will catch away His Bride for the great Marriage Supper of the Lamb.

Memorize: "Not for one moment do I bring a message to the people that they may follow me, or join my church, or start some fellowship and organization."

"If I can accomplish just one thing I will be satisfied. That one thing is to see established a true spiritual relationship between God and men, wherein men become new creations in Christ, filled with His Spirit, and live according to His Word."

Lesson 75 - Summary: A Resume of the Ages

Assignment: Reading: Pages 377 - 381

Questions

1) What is the true church going to return to being in this age?

The Bride

2) What proved that the pouring out of the Spirit around the turn of the 20th century was not the REAL restoration?

(Three things)

organized, and wrote their unscriptural doctrines, and built their own fences

3) What spirit came back upon the false church?

The spirit of Judas

4) In calling himself the Vicar of Christ, the pope does what to the Holy Ghost in the lives of people?

He acts on behalf of the Holy Ghost to the people, so he **DEPOSES** the Holy Ghost.

5) How are the people of God made ready?

By the Word of Truth from the messenger to this age

6) Will God plant a new church?

No (He is going to bring His original back)

7) After the former rain comes the harvest (latter) rain. After the teaching rain comes?

Next will come the harvest rain or rapturing faith

8) What argument does the false church use?

"We get results, don't we? We have to be of God."

- 9) Did Luther have the Spirit of God? Yes
- 10) Why do you think Luther and Wesley didn't preach all of the things that the Laodicean Age messenger did?

(answers may vary but should be something close to below)

The age in which each lived was not the age of restoration, so they didn't have a restoration of all truth from which to preach.

- 11) This is the age of **apostasy**, and this is the age of **restoration**, it is the age of the **finished cycle**.
- 12) Bro Branham warns us to hear His voice at this time.

Congratulations! You finished reading the Church Age Book!

I hope you enjoyed this study, please consider after a year or two reading this important book a second time. It will be well worth it to you.

He that hath an ear, let him hear what the Spirit saith unto the churches.