WHO IS THE ANGEL OF REVELATION 10:7? (3)

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I think we're probably going to finish this message today. I know I said that on Thursday but there is a little more.

We're certainly living in a very serious time and everybody needs to really take a look at their spiritual walk and the direction they are going. We know that the Lord Jesus Christ is coming soon for his church and the enemy is going to try everything he can to get people off track.

We see today how even among the brothers and sisters with whom we've walked for many years, there is now a spirit of: let's all get together, let's have fellowship one with another. If there is something controversial that spirit says: let's not look at that too much because that can cause division. Whatever we can all see together, let's just do that and the Lord will deal with the rest in His time.

I want to say this morning: if that be true, there really would have never been a need for God to send a prophet messenger.

The organizations had already started down that road and really, to a large extent, the Catholic Church itself through the Second Vatican Council began to push that idea. They said: we're not going to call the Protestants *heretics* but we're going to call them *separated brethren*. The key point there is *brethren*. They wanted them to come back into fellowship. That was something the organizations really picked up.

When we look at the Message groups, I remember back in the 90s there was a lot of fervour, at least the ones that I had contact with. When they would come together, this one or that one was always trying to show how they were right.

But something happened, the best I can remember is sometime around 2010 plus or minus a couple years. There was a brother I've been friends with for many years. He was so excited, talking how he had been to a convention or he was watching services from a convention. He said they were preaching on love. He said: we have to love one another, the greatest thing is love, let's put aside our differences. He was just so excited.

I don't say anything against the brother, he's a precious brother but when I heard that I thought: haven't we seen that this is already in the religious world? All that does is eventually it causes people to lose what they thought they understood as solid doctrine.

Sure enough, that just spread and then I heard of certain ones from other churches. Still I thought: that will never come in to those of us who listened to Brother Jackson because he preached so clearly about that gray horse rider. [Revelation 6:8] He preached about that Ecumenical spirit. I said: that's never going to come in to the ones who followed Brother Jackson.

Well I was wrong: it has. Now to stand by that teaching, it has forced certain ones to return into fellowship with some whom they knew were preaching false doctrine in the past. And supposedly there was a meeting to ensure that there won't be any more division because of that.

I have to say: it's time for people to wake up, wash their face, drink some coffee, spiritually speaking, and look at the situation that's before us. Those false teachings are still being taught, even by men who are being propagated by certain ones as apostles. We know an apostle should be preaching truth. Praise the Lord.

If we go to Revelation 10:7 it says here:

Revelation 10:7 in the days of the voice of the seventh angel,

We spoke about this last Sunday. Brother Branham was emphatic: that is the seventh church age messenger. Brother Jackson was emphatic also: that is the seventh church age messenger. We know that was William Marrion Branham. Amen.

That was taught for decades from about 1961. I don't know the exact year that Brother Branham ministered on the Seven Church Ages but I'm going to say 1961 all the way up to 2005 or the end of 2004. And I will say this morning: the true five fold ministry is still preaching that today.

But there are men who have changed that and have wanted to say that it is the angel that anointed the messenger, in other words, the actual angelic being.

Then they want to take the fact that certain translations use the word trumpet. It says begin to sound the trumpet [Revelation 10:7] and they want to pull that down to the trump of God.

Like I mentioned on Thursday, if you want to say that it was a trumpet, there are translations where it's as to trumpet. Now we know in certain places that even the gospel message is referred to as being trumpeted. So was there a penetrating cry made? Yes, but that is *not* the trump of God.

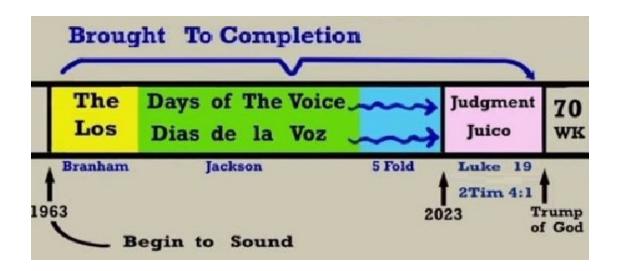
The trump of God is still in the future and before that we have the voice of the archangel. I thank God that in our day He has opened up what that voice of the archangel points to. Praise the Lord.

I want to say this morning: if somebody is following the ones who are teaching that about the seventh angel, you owe it to yourself to really think and pray: is this really the truth?

Those who are preaching this don't believe what Brother Branham taught on that because it's a *different* teaching. They also don't believe what Brother Jackson taught. The ones whom God used as stable ministries to call us out of the organizations and get us back into the Word, to get us walking in the Word of God.

More and more we hear these ministries: they don't believe this, they don't believe that. So we have to ask: what spirit is that really? John said try the spirits. [1John 4:1] Right? Amen.

How can these men go against what Brother Branham and Brother Jackson taught and be able to have the confidence of the true body of Christ? And it's not just this, there are also multiple fundamental truths.



As we said last time, we have here a little timeline. The yellow, the green and the blue are the three watches: Brother Branham, Brother Jackson and the five-fold ministry.

Yes the voice was initiated with Brother Branham but again remember in Revelation 10:7 it does not say in the days of the seventh messenger or the seventh angel, it says in the days of the voice of the seventh angel. Amen.

We have to understand that *voice* is the message that was initiated and it's going to end with Isaiah 52:8 because it says together they will lift up the voice, with the voice together they shall sing.

That doesn't mean the ministers are going to get together and sing a song but it's speaking of the harmony: what one minister preaches will complement what another minister preaches. Praise the Lord. I'm beginning to see that even today.

We know the perfection of that is when the Lord brings again Zion. We thank the Lord we're getting closer and closer to that. There is a government today that is not afraid to stand for certain principles. Praise the Lord. It knows God has given certain rights to Israel and that Israel is a special people for God.

We know there are people who have been protesting. They've been protesting because they don't get what they want but then the call was made: what about those who are in favour? Then hundreds of thousands of them came out and they protested. They said: let's do this faster. Praise the Lord.

Israel has been a nation for seventy-five years now. What did Jesus say? He said this generation shall not pass away until all these things be fulfilled. [Matthew 24:34] We read in the Psalms how a generation, the lifespan of a man is either seventy years or if someone is robust, eighty years [Psalm 90:10] right?

Israel is seventy-five so I have to say: we're getting very close. We just look at the conditions: Iran keeps wanting to get the nuclear bomb. I'm not a big fan of President Biden, you probably know that already, but I read this morning that he told Israel that they have the right to ensure that Iran doesn't get the bomb. Well he is correct in saying that.

I have to say: it's heating up over there. One day we know that's going to break loose. We're going to see the news one day and we're going to be able to say: this has started!

Do you ever notice how sometimes you go to the news and you say: oh my goodness, how could this be? Right? Well that's getting ready to happen on a much greater scale.

We have these shootings now and it seems like they're happening every week. There was another one just yesterday or this morning in Texas: nine people dead. Before we would say: what is that? Now it's almost becoming common.

Didn't the Lord say it would be as it was in the days of Noah? [Matthew 24:37] Right? It says violence filled the earth. [Genesis 6:13] We've seen in other countries, how there's been great violence and now in our country, it has taken a different form but we're still seeing it.

I have to say: we are getting very close to the coming of the Lord. Praise the Lord.

Now I'd like to go to Second Peter. This subject is one of the beautiful things the Lord has brought in our day in this Third Watch. It helps us acquaint ourselves with time.

We know that even back in the 1800s there began to be a feeling that the Lord's coming was soon. We can look back and say: well they were really wrong. But when we look at the entire Age of Grace, we see there were hundreds and thousands of years. Really, there will be two thousand years. They were getting close to the end when we start back at the beginning of the Gentile age, the year 56 and now we get into the 1800s. That's 1800 years that have gone by.

So yes, there began to be an understanding that they were getting close. We bring this down to the time of Brother Branham and he even preached a message: Sirs, Is This the Time? And there was a very great expectation.

Now let's read what Peter says about this.

2 Peter 3:1

This second epistle, beloved, I now write unto you; in both which I stir up your pure minds by way of remembrance:

2 Peter 3:2

That ye may be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets,

This is Peter speaking to those of his day. He says be mindful of the words that were spoken by the holy prophets. What is Peter saying here? He's saying you need to be studying prophecy. If he could write that in that day, and we know God allowed it to be written even more so it could apply to us, then I have to say: how much more today should we be mindful of the words spoken by the holy prophets?

I have heard ministers today saying: we're looking too much at prophecy and we need to get our eyes off that. Can we not understand that there is an enemy? Remember in Revelation it says that the bride hath made herself ready. [Revelation 19:7]

Can we not understand that there is an enemy who's going to do everything he can to keep us from getting ready? He wants us to be caught off quard. That is the work of the enemy. He's going to say: you don't need to look too much at prophecy. Why? Because that's where the key is that's going to tell you where we are in time. Praise the Lord.

Peter says remember that. Is he just throwing something out there to kind of build up and make what he's going to say later look nice? That's not it at all but he knows that there are keys there that are going to help the understanding of the church. So Peter says:

2 Peter 3:2

be mindful of the words which were spoken before by the holy prophets,

I have to say: amen.

2 Peter 3:2

and of the commandment of us the apostles of the Lord and Saviour:

So they had also already spoken. Peter does not just say me but he says us the apostles. He's including Paul in that, and we know what Paul said. Amen.

Now he says here:

2 Peter 3:3

Knowing this first,

He doesn't say: I predict. He doesn't say: it seems to me like this is probably going to happen. He says:

2 Peter 3:3

Knowing this first, that there shall come in the last days scoffers,

I have to ask: first of all, do we believe we are in the last days? I do. The Word, world conditions, and history all tell us the coming of the Lord Jesus Christ is right in front of us. So if Peter is right, those scoffers are out there, right?

He says here:

2 Peter 3:3

walking after their own lusts,

2 Peter 3:4

And saying, Where is the promise of his coming? for since the fathers fell asleep, all things continue as they were from the beginning of creation.

Now these scoffers, are they people out in the world? We certainly know that the world mocks and they certainly do scoff but that's not something that's really going to affect the Christian. In fact, the Christian has been hearing that since the day of Pentecost. It says others mocking said, these men are full of new wine. [Acts 2:13] Amen.

The world has been pointing their finger, mocking and making fun since the day the church was born. But this is talking about something much closer: people who can have an influence, people who many look at as their brother in the Lord.

I'm not saying anything against the individual, they're very nice people. But I can't sit down and listen to somebody teach something false and then just go running after that because: hey! they're a nice person and they have a nice way of talking. I have to say: if that's what motivates us, we're on the wrong track.

That's why this *message* is not for everybody, but this is for those who have a true desire to walk in the light of the truth of God's Word.

He says they're going to say: where is the promise of his coming? [2Peter 3:4]

Well, in the last few years there has been much come out, pointing the finger especially at this understanding about the Two Days. [Hosea 6:2]

I preached that message I think it was only four or five years ago at a convention. The pastor came up afterward and said: when you went into that part, your whole countenance changed. He was enthused! I had asked some of the brothers to help me and to stand in different places to illustrate the timeline. They said: it's so clear, it's beautiful! I didn't ask: hey, what do you think about that? They told me, and the only thing I heard was jubilant!

In the summer of 2020, I think I had **COVID** at the time, I could hardly breathe but I ministered on the Two Days and that recording was played as a sermon. Then things begin to take a very strong turn. I know it wasn't because of me, this was something that went back years before.

But now we are considered date setters. We are date setters according to them. I believe that just in the last week or maybe two, I've heard three statements.

Now first of all, do we know what the word *scoff* means?

SCOFFERS

- SCOFF: TO SCORN OR DERIDE
- OPEN DISLIKE AND DISRESPECT OR MOCKERY OFTEN MIXED WITH **INDIGNATION**
- THE USE OF <u>RIDICULE</u> OR <u>SCORN</u> TO SHOW CONTEMPT

In Spanish it's

- MOCKERY
- **ACTION OR WORDS THAT RIDICULE PEOPLE OR THINGS**

That's what the word *scoffing* means. What I see common to both languages is the word *mockery*.

Now I have it right here, this is what I heard from a man whom many esteem as an apostle. I'm not talking about men in the religious world, I'm talking about those of us who sat and followed Brother Jackson. Over the past years, he has been saying:

SCOFFING

CHRISTIANS HAVE BEEN CRAZY ABOUT SETTING DATES... NO ONE WANTS TO FOLLOW YOU

He said: if you set dates, you're going to find yourself out in the desert somewhere. I don't know if he's talking about me, I'm out in the desert. [laughs] He said: nobody's going to want to follow you.

First of all, the true ministry is not looking to get a bunch of followers. They could do that if they wanted to. Brother Branham could have done that. You may say: oh, he had many followers. But he didn't at the end of his ministry. There were thousands and thousands who didn't want to have anything to do with him. Why? Because he was going into the Word of God and bringing out new truths and the tendency of unbelieving man has always been to reject that.

Brother Jackson could have stayed in the Methodist Church. I have no doubt that he could have had one of the biggest Methodist churches, a mega-church, but it's not about trying to get people to follow you.

It is about that for those who are walking after their own lusts. [2Peter 3:3] Isn't that what Peter said? Amen. If somebody is after money, if somebody is after attention, if those are the things somebody is after, then yes I will say: they don't want to get too close to the Word of God.

How true is this? Brother Branham mentioned 1977. First of all, he never did say: I prophesy. In fact, he made a point to say that it was his personal prediction of the way he was seeing things going. Amen. Did people leave Brother Branham when he said 1977? They did not.

Like I said, the biggest problem they had with him was when he went into the Word and he brought out new truths. They didn't want anything to do with that. They said: he was good for a while but he went off the deep end.

Then we had Brother Jackson. There is a man who sat under Brother Jackson's ministry, who traveled with him, and now he says that Christians have been crazy about setting dates. Was Brother Jackson crazy?

I have to say: I thank God for every message I heard him preach about the Two Days [Hosea 6:2] and I heard a lot of them. I heard more than most because he preached it down in Mexico too, and it was beautiful.

Did God let him see where the beginning was? No. God withheld that from him. But God let him see what the Two Days were referring to. There were times he even said it and didn't realize it, about the Gentile age, but it was made clear that this is two thousand years.

Peter does that as well, I hope I can get to it this morning, how we have to go by God's time which is 360 days in a year. [2Peter 3:8]

People say that Brother Jackson was wrong about 2005. Really the 2005-part is not the important part. Of course, that's when we would have loved for the Lord to come. But the structure of the Two Days, 19711/2 Roman years which is two thousand years of 360 days each, that has to have a place.

Hosea 1:10 specifically speaks of that. It says in the place where to them it said: you're not my people, it shall be said to them: ye are the sons of the Living God.

Paul even brought out how that's the Gentiles. [Romans 11] Praise the Lord. Amen.

So was Brother Jackson wrong? As far as saying that he didn't have the right starting point, I'm not going to argue with that. God didn't show it to him.

But he preached for more than ten years showing what the Two Days are as far as the time period. He even said it himself, the question is: can we see where it began? The answer was: not yet. He gave it the best he could but he was certain about what the Two Days were looking at as far as time.

Now, have we set a date? You know we haven't. But are we looking at things wrapping up around 2027~2028? Yes, that's an approximation.

Nobody knows exactly when God started the clock that began the Gentile age. History can't even tell us that, but history can give us an approximation so the end also has an approximation.

Another minister, oh there he is, he says:

SCOFFING

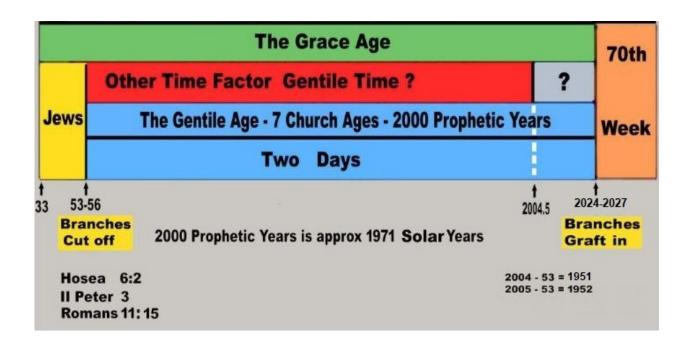
 I BELIEVE WE ARE LIVING IN THE LAST DECADE. I'VE BEEN BELIEVING WE ARE LIVING IN THE LAST DECADE FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS

I believe we're living in the last decade. I thought: wow! I haven't heard you say that. Then he says: I've been living in the last decade for the last 30 years!

What's the message there? He's heard this for the last 30 years ever since Brother Jackson was here. I have to say: I haven't.

To be honest, after 2005 I didn't know where those Two Days started. I was thinking about it. I was scratching my head. I was praying about it. I thought it might be this, it might be that. I didn't really know after 2005 but I was sure that the Lord was going to show something soon enough. Praise the Lord. And He did.

I didn't hear it when it first came out but I heard it when Brother Govender began to minister on it. Oh I was rejoicing! All I needed was that one sermon, it made perfect sense. This was in 2012 if I remember right.



Then you know what? No, I did not think I was living in the last decade. Why? Because that points down to about 2027 and this was 2012. So no, I didn't think I was in the last decade. But you see: what the brother said, it's not a genuine statement.

Another one said:

HOW MANY TIMES HAVE THESE "DATE SETTERS" BEEN WRONG? **EVERY TIME**

Well you can't get more than 100 percent, right? But it reminds me of a song. It says: I know it's been a long time coming but we're going to be a long time gone. Praise the Lord.

Yes we can say: those who have been able to see a certain amount, God withheld certain things, they couldn't see it yet in its full light. It wasn't time. But now it's time.

You may say: Brother, I don't think that the Lord wants us looking at time. Well let's look at what Peter himself said. Let's go back to Second Peter. He says:

2 Peter 3:5

This they willingly are ignorant of,

In other words, they ignore this.

2 Peter 3:5

that by the word of God the heavens were of old, and the earth standing out of the water and in the water:

In other words this means: before the flood.

2 Peter 3:6

Whereby the world that then was, being overflowed with water, perished:

That was the flood.

2 Peter 3:7

But the heavens and the earth which are now, by the same word are kept in store, reserved unto fire against the day of judgment and perdition of ungodly men.

We're going to see in a minute, I'm not going to go into it fully but God gave Noah a time factor. God has a history of using time to help man see where he is in time by the Word that He gives.

Peter says:

2 Peter 3:8

But, beloved, be not ignorant of this one thing,

Don't ignore this.

2 Peter 3:8

that one day is with the Lord as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day.

I have to say: why would he say that? Is it something that just sounds good, to kind of go along with this? I have to say: that's pointing right at Hosea 6:2. Don't forget that. Hosea 6:2 says after two days. Peter says don't forget: a day with the Lord is as a thousand years with man. That's two thousand years: two days, right?

Now, let's go back to what Peter said. He's speaking of the flood. I'm not going to go back into Genesis to read it. But another thing that has kind of been pushed lately is that there is almost nothing in the Bible that really tells us anything about time. I have to say: then you need to do a little more reading.

I have just a few things right here:

TIMES

• 120 YEARS GENESIS 6:3

God *revealed* in Genesis 6:3 that there was going to be 120 years before judgement would fall. That is *not* talking about the lifespan of a man. That is talking about the *time left* before the flood would come.

He said *My Spirit will not always strive with man*. In other words, He was pleading with man: *leave that wicked lifestyle behind, turn back to Me*. He said *I'm not going to plead with man forever but his days will be 120 years*. So after the 120 years, He's going to bring judgement.

Peter says remember that: Noah could look forward and know when this was going to fall. [2 Peter 3:1-6] Praise the Lord. Noah had a time factor to look at.

God has incorporated time since the very beginning. In fact, the very first verse talks of time. *In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth.* [Genesis1:1] Amen. Then when He brings the restoration He says *the evening and the morning were the first day.* [Genesis 1:5] He is marking time.

How many pieces does He put in that unit of time? He gets to the *seventh day*, right? [Genesis 2:2] And that ends the unit that today we call *the week*.

The very fact that the whole world goes from Sunday through Saturday or whatever they call it, whether they like it or not, basically the whole world has seven periods of time in a week.

From the very beginning, God knew there would be Seven Ages in which He was going to deal with a people called out of the whole world: the Gentiles. He marked it with that seven day week.

• 70 YEARS JEREMIAH AND DANIEL 9:2

Throughout the Old Testament we can see the types: Daniel and Jeremiah, the seventy years of Babylonian captivity. Daniel could see, he said *I understood by the books that this is coming to a close.* Amen.

Let's read it in the book of Daniel. He's speaking about the reign of Darius.

Daniel 9:2

In the first year of his reign I Daniel understood by books the number of the years, whereof the word of the Lord came to Jeremiah the prophet, that he would accomplish seventy years in the desolations of Jerusalem.

There we have another *date-setter*. He had just a couple years left. I believe this brought joy to Daniel's heart. Praise the Lord.

• 70 WEEKS (490 YEARS) DANIEL 9:26

In the same book, in the same chapter, we see that Daniel is told about the *seventy weeks* to Israel. [Daniel 9:24] That's 490 years.

If we want to think that maybe God gave 120 years [Genesis 6:3] and 70 years [Jeremiah 25:11] but He doesn't give a large time frame, I have to say: 490 years is a long time, that's almost 500 years. That was to let them know when the end of the ministry of their Messiah would be. [Daniel 9:26]

How is it that others could see *it's time for the Messiah?* There was Anna and there was Simeon, right? [Luke 2:25-38] What about the Pharisees, the Sadducees and the scribes? If anybody should have known, it was them, right? But we see the spirit that motivated them would not let them look at that.

There were others, even among the apostles, they were just fishermen but one of them said we have found the Christ [John 1:41] right?

Now what does that mean: we have found? That means: we've been looking. You can't find if you're not looking. He said we have found the Christ. They had to understand: it's time, the Christ should be here, and then they could say we found him.

That was just like Brother Jackson. He was reading Malachi 4:5 and in his heart he said: if we're living before the days of the coming of the Lord, God's going to send that Elijah Spirit again. In his heart there was *an expectation:* he's got to appear pretty soon.

Then I believe it was his wife's cousin who began to tell him about Brother Branham, about a meeting he had in Africa. Brother Jackson said in his heart: if that's right, if that's true, *that's the man*.

When he got a chance, he listened to him when he came back. It was just a Wednesday night service, there were no miracles but the way Brother Branham preached, he went from Genesis all the way to Revelation. Brother Jackson said: I know that's the man.

He went out to his car, happy. He said: praise God, *I know who that man is.* But before he was able to leave, somebody came and said: wait a minute, Brother Branham wants to come talk to you.

Brother Branham came and he said: hey, I hear you have a farm. He said: yes. He said: would it be alright if I come out there sometime and we go squirrel hunting? Brother Jackson thought: oh my, how is it possible that this great man of God wants to go squirrel hunting with me? How is it possible that he would want to do that? But we know that began a friendship and a spiritual walk. Praise the Lord.

• 2 DAYS (2000 YEARS) HOSEA 6:2

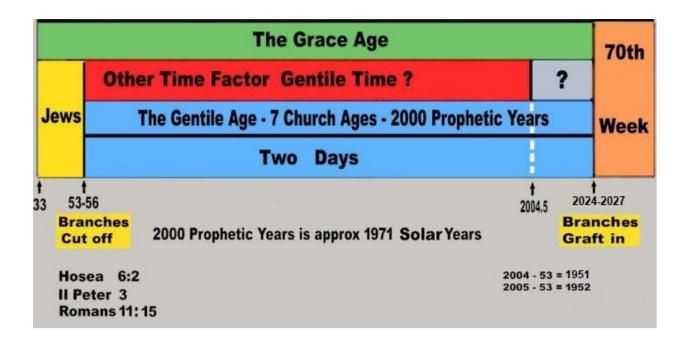
We have the Two Days. I've been speaking on that.

• 1260 DAYS

We go to the Book of Revelation: 1260 days [Revelation 11:3] [Revelation12:6] 42 months [Revelation 11:2] [Revelation 13:5] and three-and-a-half years. [Revelation 12:14] Even the Seventh Seal Time Factor, it says *there was silence in heaven about the space of half an hour.* [Revelation 8:1] That's about three and a half years.

My point this morning: I have just begun to show that there is so much where God has spoken to man about time. He told Hezekiah: I'm giving you fifteen years extra. [2Kings 20:6] Amen.

There are so many places, if we'll just read the words we can see that yes, the Lord does give us an understanding of time.



This picture is not hard to understand. We don't need a doctorate in physics to understand this. Here at the top we have the Grace Age, that's how Brother Jackson looked at it. The red going all the way and he had it stopping at 20041/2.

Well if we stay with that, we have a big question: what about now? Where are we? And yes, that question has existed for a little while.

Then the Lord cleared that up and we could see: okay, it started around 53~56 and that brings us right down to about 2027.

The point of this is not a study on the Two Days this morning, maybe it sounds like that but it's not.

Really, in closing, people are going to have to make a decision for their own spiritual walk: am I going to follow men who have contradicted and gone against Brother Branham and Brother Jackson? Men who really, when you look at it, they don't believe much of what they taught.

On the surface they say: oh yes, I'm a message-believer, oh yes, Brother Jackson was a great man. But what are they teaching? Am I going to follow error when it's been proclaimed for forty years to follow truth?

I'm saying this morning: if we believe that seventh angel [Revelation 10:7] is a spirit being, that's not truth. If we believe God is going to be saving people in the 70th week, I'm speaking of Gentiles, we are following *error*.

Now there will be those who will follow the Everlasting Gospel. [Revelation 14:6] I'm not talking about that, but the cut-off to the Gentiles will be right around 2027. God can save everybody He wants to save before then. Praise the Lord.

I think I'm going to go ahead and close with that. I hope this has been a help, that we can see the seriousness of the time.

I heard a brother a few years ago, he kept saying over and over, and I have to say amen. He said: we need to know what we believe and why we believe it. I haven't heard that brother saving that recently but I will say: yes we need to know what we believe and which ministry is going to be feeding us because there is a way of truth and there is a way of error. I think it was Peter who said the way of truth will be evil spoken of. [2Peter 2:2]

Let's go ahead and pray.