THE MESSIANIC EMPIRE III

DANIEL 2:31

- 31 Thou, O king, sawest, and behold a great image. This great image, whose brightness was excellent, stood before thee; and the form thereof was terrible.
- 32 This image's head was of fine gold, his breast and his arms of silver, his belly and his thighs of brass,
- 33 His legs of iron, his feet part of iron and part of clay.
- 34 Thou sawest till that a stone was cut out without hands, which smote the image upon his feet that were of iron and clay, and brake them to pieces.
- 35 Then was the iron, the clay, the brass, the silver, and the gold, broken to pieces together, and became like the chaff of the summer threshingfloors; and the wind carried them away, that no place was found for them: and the stone that smote the image became a great mountain, and filled the whole earth.

DANIEL 2:44

- And in the days of these kings shall the God of heaven set up a kingdom, which shall never be destroyed: and the kingdom shall not be left to other people, but it shall break in pieces and consume all these kingdoms, and it shall stand for ever.
- 45 Forasmuch as thou sawest that the stone was cut out of the mountain without hands, and that it brake in pieces the iron, the brass, the clay, the silver, and the gold; the great God hath made known to the king what shall come to pass hereafter: and the dream is certain, and the interpretation thereof sure.

FIVE. DEFINITE. IDENTIFICATIONS. OF. THE. TRUE. CHURCH. OF. THE. LIVING. GOD_ JEFF. IN V-9 N-5 SUNDAY_ 60-0911E

15 The Old Testament, the church was called the Kingdom of God. In other words, God is a King, and the church is His domain: God's Kingdom, Old Testament.

In the New Testament It's called "the Messianic empire." Oh, I like that: Messianic. In other wise, "the Messiah's empire," where the Messiah rules and reigns. No denominational barriers or nothing, the Messiah rules in His empire. Isn't that wonderful thinking? Messianic empire.

Therefore, the church is not an organization; the church is not a gathering of people. The church is the people of God that's been called out of the world to serve in another Kingdom.

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30 We have access to our King. We have an interview with Him whenever we want to call upon Him. We have no other intercessors, no other mediator between the King and us, but that one Man, Christ Jesus. So we are living in a Kingdom.

And It is called in the chronology of the Bible, "the Messianic, Messianic Kingdom." In other words, where the Messiah rules in every life in His dominion, ruling the lives of His people, a calledout people from every walk of life, gathering them together in a group, that He calls It, "His church," or "His Called-Out Ones."

THE. MESSIAH_ SHREVEPORT. LA TUESDAY_ 61-0117 E-23 Like Jesus was God's High Priest, we become a lesser priest. Jesus was. . . God in Fullness dwelt in Him to shine forth the expression of God to the world, for God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself.

And as God was in Christ reconciling the world to Himself, God comes into His church and anoints Him some Messiahettes. Oh, my. Do you see it? The same things He did is in His church. The same power He had is in His church. And His church becomes His dominion,

and He's King over this dominion, and we are kings and priests, offering spiritual sacrifices to God, the fruits of our lips giving praise to His Name. Amen. Oh, my. There you are: Messiahettes, Messiahettes, little messiahs, little anointed ones. Anointed off of what? The main One, anointed off of the great One.

THE. MESSIAH_ SHREVEPORT. LA TUESDAY_ 61-0117 E-29 You see what Messiah is? Messiah is the Kingdom of God, anointed ones, them anointed with the same Spirit He was anointed with. So if He was called Messiah, which He was, because He was anointed with that Holy Spirit. . .

And any church that's anointed with the same Holy Spirit is a Messiahette, a littler, smaller, god. And someday when this body is resurrected, I hope beforehand that God can get a hold of a bunch of people that'll manifest His power in every dimension that it's supposed to be in.

CHRIST. IS. THE. MYSTERY. OF. GOD. REVEALED_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-7 SUNDAY_ 63-0728

188 And to be sure, that, the whole Rapture now; Luther was a part, Wesley was a part, the prophets was a part. If they're-aren't a part. . .

Just in the revelation that they was making up, the body, feet, toes, arms, and so forth, until the Head (which we get to that in a few minutes), see, that makes the entire Rapture. It's the Body of the Word, which is Christ. Amen!

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"He is the first fruits of the resurrection." Is that right? [Congregation says, "Amen. "--Ed.] Watch. Then, what is He? "He is the Head of the Body, which is His Church, Bride. " Uhhuh.

Then, the Bride-Body must follow the Head, for it is part of His resurrection and part of the mystery. It's impossible for it not to go. Oh, my! It's part of God's mystery, how God revealed Himself here and raised it up by the Word, so He reveals His Church and raising it up by the same Word. It's a part of His threefold mystery.

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517 As the Head was took from the grave, so must the Body follow Him back to Eden. Where, the Head of the family, the Man, the Bridegroom; the Bride being the Body of the Bridegroom, must follow, the Bride, because that's the Head.

And the Head is revealed, and come back with Eternal Life; and the Body must follow that, because it is Husband and Wife again. Amen! And as long as you're pregnated with the same Word, which is His Body; you've took His Body, become in Him, when you took the Word. Not the creed; the Word! Oh, my!

519 The Body, therefore, cannot recognize any other headship but the Word. Cause, the--the Head is connected with the Body, and the Head is the Word, and it's the same Word, one Headship! Therefore, denominations, and holy fathers, and everything else, is dead dung. There is one Headship, that's Christ. The Body only recognizes one thing, the Word!

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536 His body was not held in the grave, but was recognized with Him in the resurrection. Do you get it? [Congregation says, "Amen. "--Ed.] T

hen, the Body of His believing children will not be held in the grave when He comes, but will be recognized with Him, because He died for the purpose to resurrect His Bride, the Body. Recognized, because it is His Body, because it's the Word. . .

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537 The Word, that down through the age of Luther, Wesley, see, has begin to raise up to Its power; there It begin to move, then It moved a little more, now It's coming up to identification. See? Watch.

Now, to the Life in the Body, is a vindication of the Rapture is at hand. When you see the Headship and the Body becoming One, and the fullness of the measure of His manifestation, shows that the Body is about ready to be received to the Headship. . . .

24-1 THE REVELATION OF JESUS CHRIST - CHURCH AGE BOOK CPT. 1

He is the coming King of this earth. Of course, that does not say He is not King now. For He is our King, King of the Saints. Right now it is a spiritual kingdom. It is not of this world system even as we are not of this world. That's the reason we act different from the world.

Our citizenship is in heaven. We reflect the Spirit of the world of our rebirth where Jesus is the King. That is why our women do not dress in men's clothing or cut their hair or use all those cosmetics and other things that the world likes so much.

That is why our men don't drink and smoke and carry on in sin. Our dominion is the dominion over sin and it is in force through the power that is in the Spirit of Christ That in-dwells us. Every kingdom on earth is going to be torn down, but ours will remain.

35-3 THE. REVELATION. OF. JESUS. CHRIST - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 1

We are kings, spiritual kings. Oh, we are going to be kings upon the earth with Him when He sits on His throne. But now we are spiritual kings and we reign over a spiritual kingdom.

Right now we reign with Christ, having dominion over sin, the world, the flesh, and the devil. Showing forth His praise and

glory; showing forth HIMSELF, for it is Christ in us, willing and doing of His good pleasure. Yes, indeed, even now we are seated in heavenly places in Christ Jesus.

294-3 PHILADELPHIAN. CHURCH. AGE - CHURCH. AGE. BOOK CPT. 8

Read Isaiah 9:6, "And the government shall be upon His shoulder. " But what does this mean? The answer is this. The phrase, "government upon His shoulder" comes from the wedding ceremony of the East.

When the bride has been committed to the groom she takes off her veil and places it over the groom's shoulders, signifying 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. . . .

THE. MESSIAH_ SHREVEPORT. LA TUESDAY_ 61-0117 E-63 God wants eaglets. He wants Messiahettes. He wants men and women who have signs and wonders, anointed ones. He wants a church that's filled with the Holy Ghost, a church reflecting Him the same yesterday, today, and forever.

God didn't die. He just borned a Kingdom, got His Messiahettes in it. Amen. Every word He says, they say "amen" to it. That's right. Yes, sir. They look like Him, act like Him; they believe it, got the Conductor moving right on out with signs and wonders following. That's Messiah. Messiah lives tonight.

THE. MESSIAH_ SHREVEPORT. LA TUESDAY_ 61-0117 E-69 He's infinite; we're finite. So He cannot change. So when He comes upon His church in the last days, what will it be? A pulled-out, a group of people anointed with the Spirit of God.

They will be Messiahettes. See? They'll be anointed ones. And if His Spirit is in them, they'll do the things that He did, just exactly. Isn't that--isn't that right?

PERFECT. FAITH_ JEFF. IN V-6 N-11 SUNDAY_ 63-0825E 155 And now, we become anointed with that same Spirit, anointed messiahs; messiahs of the last day, to shine forth the resurrection of Jesus Christ; to show that He is not dead, but in the form of the Holy Ghost, He's in His people;

moving among His Bride, with a love affair to Her, pouring out into Her, Himself. They are becoming one for the Wedding Supper; and the same signs, promised by the same God, in the same Word, is making His same manifestations.

156 There's nothing left for us to do but believe It, and "believe it" is the substance, and that creates a Perfect Faith. Just think how--how how numb we are; just think of that just a minute, now.

QUESTIONS. AND. ANSWERS. 3_ JEFF. IN COD SUNDAY_ 64-0830M

1081-88 Now, "Brother Branham, could Jesus look like you, or you be Jesus, or something like that?" One sense of the word, that's exactly the truth; another sense of the word is an antichrist. That's the difference between right and wrong.

To make me the Person of the Lord Jesus Christ, would be an antichrist (See?), for that Person of the Lord Jesus is setting at the right hand of the Majesty on high, and will come again in great power and glory. But for His Life that was in Him being upon me, and upon you who have Him, it's exactly the truth; and you become Christ.

You remember my message on Messiahettes? See? You are. . . The word "Messiah" means an--"the anointed One. " Now, you are, if you have the Holy Spirit, you become the anointed one. See? Then there's all kinds of anointed ones.

THE. EASTER. SEAL_ PHOENIX. AZ V-2 N-6 SATURDAY_ 65-0410

187 Why, we're right in Easter. When He raised, we raised with Him. He sent the abstract back. We hold it, as the baptism of the Holy Ghost. "He is alive forevermore; the same yesterday, today, and forever. " Hebrews 13:8 proves that. He's the same.

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188 What is the messiah? Messiah is "anointed One. " And now if He was the Messiah, by being the anointed One for that day, to fulfill the Word of God, to be the Redeemer and the anointed One, and God raised up that body;

His Bride is the anointed one for this day. It's already raised with Him in the resurrection, because, "These two are one. " Amen.

IT. IS. THE. RISING. OF. THE. SUN_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY_ 65-0418M

277 He is alive forevermore, "the same yesterday, today, and forever. " Hebrews 13:8. Notice, Messiah, the anointed One; so is His Bride, the Messiah-ettes, see, the anointed One.

278 Notice, death does not stop God's quickening Power. Death can't stop It. When you've got It, It's Eternal. There ain't nothing going to stop It. You can't harness It; you can't--can't do nothing to It. You live your life out, that still don't stop It; just as good as It was.

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311 Our Lord Jesus is so full of quickening Power, He was all of It, together. He was so full of quickening Power, He said this, "You destroy this body, and I'll raise it up in three days."

Talk about confidence in quickening Power! "Destroy this body, and I'll. . . this temple, and I'll bring it up in three days."

- 312 Why, why'd He say that? He knew that it was written of Him, see, that it was written of Him, by the Word of God which could not fail. The Word said, "I will not suffer My Holy One to see corruption, neither will I leave His soul in hell. " And He knowed that quickening Power would raise Him up, that there wouldn't be one cell corrupt.
- 313 He said, "You destroy this temple, and I'll bring it back again in three days. "
- 314 Why? It was prophecy, the Word of God. And prophecy, if It's true Word of God, cannot fail. And the same prophecy and Word of God that said He'd raise Him up, says that we are already raised with Him.

No wonder He said, "Fear not." And it is written, that, "The Spirit that is now, was in Him, now in us, also quickens our mortal body. "Fear not, friend, the S-o-n is up. The Son is up.

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110 He wasn't only the Word, but He was God Himself, the Dynamics, in the Word. That made the body of Jesus Christ (cold, stiff, and dead, in the grave) shake into Life and rise again, and roll away the stone.

"I am He that was dead," so dead till the sun said He was dead, the moon said He was dead, the stars said He was dead. All nature said He was dead. And now the whole world has to recognize that He's alive again. He was not only the Mechanics, God's Word, He was the Dynamics to prove It.

111 And as He, being the Groom, the Bride has to come forth, 'cause It's part of Him. And It can only be the manifestation of the fulfilling of all the revelations any others has spoke of the Bride; It can only manifest. If it does something different from the Groom, it isn't the Bride.

Because, She is flesh of His flesh, bone of His bone; Life of His Life, Power of His Power! She is Him! As man and woman are one, and woman taken from his side; She had taken a Spirit, the feminish Spirit, from Him.

The flesh from His side, made both Mechanics and Dynamics, the Wife. The Spirit of Him and the flesh of Him, and put it together, and made Mechanics and Dynamics. . . .

ROMANS 8:11

11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

THE. TOKEN_ SHREVEPORT. LA V-17 N-6 THURSDAY_ 63-1128E

53 Jesus' identification was to manifest the Word of God, which He was. And the Church's identification today is to manifest the promised Word of this day, by the same Spirit that manifested and quickened the Word then.

The same Spirit quickens the Word to the believer today and manifests the same thing, showing that the Token is on this person, which is the resurrected Life of Jesus Christ living in His believer.

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86 Now, the Holy Spirit is here on earth, looking out those individuals that God has ordained to Life in this age. And as soon as It finds it, It does just like It did on Jesus Christ, the great super Son of God Who redeemed us all.

It comes down and takes Its place of abode into the human life, now, notice, brought the quickening power. Now, that quickening power that come upon Jesus quickened Him to manifest every promise of the Word of that day.

So does the Holy Spirit that come upon us in this day, if it's not a mockery holy spirit, you're not the Devil mocking the Holy Spirit, but is the real, true Holy Spirit. It'll manifest the promise of this hour.

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- 97 Now notice. It's the earnest, or the potential, the quickening power of your resurrection, when you receive the Holy Spirit. Is then dwelling in you, the potential of it.
- 98 Notice, you--you are now on your way, growing to the full resurrection. No tree just comes up overnight. It's got to grow, as we grow in the grace and knowledge of God.
- 99 They're led by the Spirit, to quicken the Word to you who is believers. The Word keeps quickening, as you come to first limb, second limb, third limb, on up. It just keeps quickening. The Spirit of God keeps quickening to you.
- IT. IS. THE. RISING. OF. THE. SUN_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY_ 65-0418M
- 54 every foreordained, predestinated Seed of God shall come to Life when that Light spreads across the earth, of the glorious Gospel. In every age, It'll bring forth the crop that God ordained It to do. " He had raised from the dead.
- IT. IS. THE. RISING. OF. THE. SUN_ JEFF. IN V-3 N-12 SUNDAY 65-0418M
- 73 On Easter morning, not only did He raise, but His beneficiaries raised with Him. He. . . They were in Christ at His

crucifixion. They were in Him at His resurrection. We are His beneficiaries, quickened after being dead in darkness.

74 The darkened world of unbelief, where churches and denominations, and so forth, had drawed us out. And there's something in us calling, "Oh, we want God! We're hungering and thirsting for God."

We joined the Methodist, Baptist, Pentecostals, Presbyterians, and whatmore, and still there was something wrong, we just couldn't find It yet. And all of a sudden, while we was groping in darkness, the great resurrection came to us in the manifestation of the promised Word of God.

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124 Oh, my! The predestinated One, of course, like the Seed laid upon the earth, the One that had Life in them.

Many of them were dead; they were just rotten seed; the waters and things burnt them out. But, you know, there was a Seed laying there ready for Life. God knowed It was laying there.

Now, the predestinated Ones are the first to be quickened by the Holy Spirit, for the Holy Spirit comes to claim Its Own. Now, this is deep now, and be sure to catch this good.

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113 And you are quickened. And this quickening power brings your body into a raptured condition, already. Notice the pentecostal people up there, when they got quickened by the Holy Spirit.

Listen to me. When those pentecostal group up there, on the Day of Pentecost, received their abstract deed from God, sure, it glorified their souls. They screamed. They saw tongues of Fire

separated upon each of them. And it so quickened their body, till they couldn't even speak in an earthly language anymore.

It quickened their body to a Heavenly language, the Place they're going to. Quickening power of God shook their mortal bodies so, till their entire mortal language was transfigured, transformed into an immortal language. What a quickening power! What? Something that belongs.

- "If the Spirit that raised up Jesus from the dead, dwells in your mortal bodies, It shall also quicken your mortal bodies." We are quickened then by the power of the living God.
- 115 Tongues, quickened to a new Heavenly language, to speak to them; a rapturing up, raising up into a different atmosphere than what they had ever lived in. Also, with the new quickening Life to them, that come in them, It quickened their language. They spoke in new tongues. Oh, yes!

ROMANS 8:10

- 10 And if Christ be in you, the body is dead because of sin; but the Spirit is life because of righteousness.
- 11 But if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also *QUICKEN your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you.

QUICKEN: zoopoieo {dzo-op-oy-eh'-o} give life, make alive, to produce alive, begat or bear living young, to cause to live, by spiritual power to arouse and invigorate; to restore to life; endued with new and greater powers of life; metaphorically, of seeds quickened into life, i. e. germinating, springing up, growing

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57 if you become part of that Word, you are redeemed with Him, because the same Spirit that dwelt in Christ is dwelling in you, quickening your life to this age.

And It'll also, in the end time, quicken your mortal bodies, resurrect them, bring them up again. That takes the gloom away when we look at it, in that. And that's the Truth. See?