

## Actors in the book of Revelation

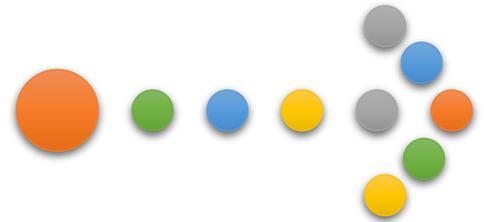
Christ



Church ages



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What's God's purpose?

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47 And He said, when He come forth on that morning, "Because I live, you live also." Not only was He the beneficiary of the resurrection, **but all those Seed that was resting in God's great promise was a benefactor of that resurrection to Life.** Because, He said, "Because I live, ye shall live also." That was the breaking of the Seal. Because He was brought up, so will every one that's in Christ be brought up with Him.

62 Hebrews 13:8 said, "He's the same yesterday, today, and forever." **We, His beneficiaries, are to prove His Life is in us now, the beneficiaries of this Life.** The Life, there never was a life lived like it; He was the Son of God. And He died, and that shut it out; but when He raised again from the dead, on Easter morning, **then we, as His servants, are commissioned by Him to go into all the world and**

**to bring this good news to every person, that He is a living.** And how can we do it by Word only? For it is written, “The Gospel came not by Word only, but through the power and the manifestation of the Holy Spirit, to prove that He is alive.”

71 What He promised to do in Christ, He proved on the resurrection. What He promised to do in the days of Moses, He proved it. What He promised in the days of Enoch, He proved it. In all the days of the apostles, He proved it.

72 Now in this day, He proves what He said, because they are a part of that Seed that was represented on the Book of Life that He came to redeem back to God again. Oh, what a Message!

## How does He fulfill this purpose?

138 And one day, the story goes, this old eagle flew over the barnyard. She was looking everywhere, and she found him. Oh, for that resurrection, **to recognize that he really wasn't a chicken**, after all. He was an eagle!

And he was always taught to look down, look for a bug or something in the barnyard. But he heard a scream, that said, “Look up *this way!*” And he looked above him, and there was a creature with fourteen-foot wings, powerful-er than all the chickens there was in the barnyard, **and claimed him to be her son.**

He said, “Mama, how can I get to you?”

139 Said, “Just jump, start flopping your wings, for you're an eagle.”

141 And God knows!  
Hallelujah! He's got a  
predestinated, foreordained  
Church! He knowed He's  
got sons and daughters,  
and a Bride, waiting  
somewhere; when the Holy  
Spirit begins to fly over it,  
that wave Sheaf. Oh, my!  
He's the same yesterday,  
today, and forever. Not  
some mythical story, but a reality!



142 No matter how many tried to tell him, "a eagle," he didn't know  
what a eagle was. Yet, he was a eagle. He would not understood it  
until he seen something that reflected him, that he reflected, rather.

143 And when we see, not a denomination, not a Ph.D., not a LL.D.,  
not a good neighbor; but a son of God molded in the image of God,  
with the dynamic Power of God **to answer the request of this  
day**, that He's the same yesterday, today, and forever, there ain't no  
hen going to hold you.

He hunts for his Mama. He's an eagle, to begin with. He recognizes.  
This real eagle recognizes the call of God's Word. Why? He's an  
eagle. **A eagle to a eagle!** The Word before the foundation, the Word

to the Word! **The Word, predestinated, to the Word written for the hour.** You realize your position. He hunts for It.

145 Quickly. When he wanted to know how he could get there with her, he had been taught he couldn't do that. "You can't get no higher than you can jump." He's a chicken. See?

But this eagle said, "That's not so."

"Well, look at the chickens!"

146 "No matter what the chickens are, you're a eagle. Just start spreading those wings, and get a little exercise in them. Start moving up!"

147 The Word to the Word! "The works that I do shall you also. He that believeth in Me, the works that I do shall he also." See? "Because I live, he lives also." "And if the Spirit that raised Him from the dead dwells in you, It quickens your mortal body." See?

154 But, brother, when you hear that scream, there's Something in you! You're a eagle, to begin with. Why? You are that Seed, that the resurrection of the S-o-n has dawned, and the wave Sheaf upon the earth, **to make you recognize that you are a eagle** and not a denominational chicken. You see it? Hah!

156 Therefore, your bodies is the temple of the Dynamics, because (why?) from the beginning you are 19part of the Mechanics. Oh! There is your resurrection. **There is the Church in the resurrection, with**

**Him.** These bodies right now are quickened. See, you've heard; you believe. It changed you from a denomination to the Word. See?

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## When does this happen?

187 Now it's begin to pull away, the wheat's begin to be seen. This is not a Pentecostal age. This is the latter-day age. **This is the Bride age.** This is the evening Light. This is when Malachi 4 must be fulfilled, to follow God's pattern. This is Luke 17:30, to be fulfill. This is the second...And Jeremiah, and all the rest of them, that Joel has spoke of these days, this is that day. "I have heard, Lord, and It was coming, but now I see It with my eye."

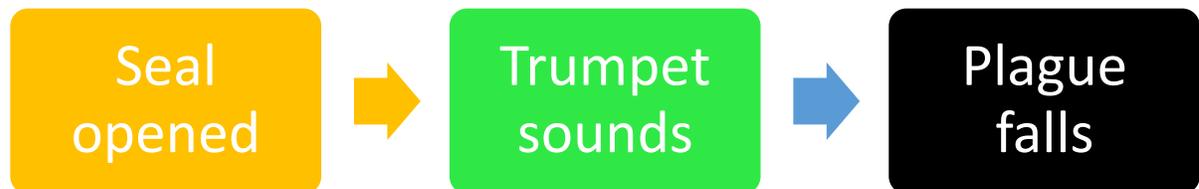
65-1127E - I Have Heard But Now I See  
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We're living **in the Bride age**, the calling, bringing back to God through a channel that He promised to bring it back in. He promised to do it.

65-1206 - Modern Events Are Made Clear By Prophecy  
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## 63-0318 - The First Seal

63 Notice what happens, as we go along. Here is the plan of it. The first thing happens, there is a—a—an announcement in the Heavens, first. What happens? A Seal is opened. What is that? A mystery is unfolded. See? And when a mystery unfolds, then a trumpet sounds. It declares a war. A plague falls, and a church age opened. See?



64 What is the “war” part? The angel of the Church catches the mystery of God, not fully yet revealed. But, when he does, he catches this mystery of God, and then he goes forth to the people after the mystery has been given to him. Goes forth to the people! What does he do out there? He begins to proclaim that Message. And what does it start? A war, a spiritual war.

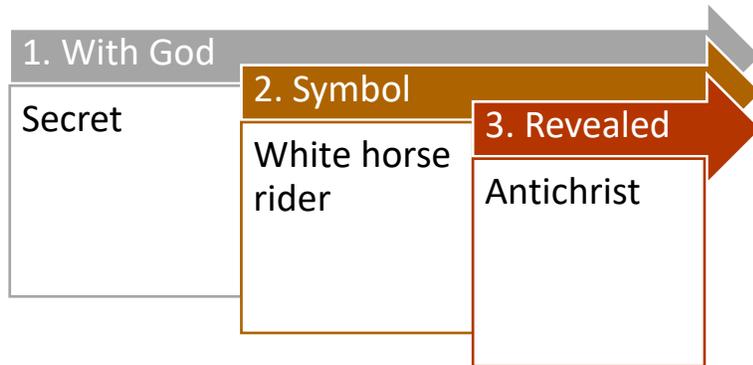


68 Until, it comes to that last angel. Now, he has no certain mystery. But he gathers up all that's been lost in them other ages, all the Truths that wasn't truly revealed yet, see, as the revelation come, then he reveals those things in his day. If you want to read it, there it is. Revelation 10, 1 to... 1 to about 4, you'll get it. All right. See? "Takes the Book and, of Seals, and breaks them," and shows the seventh angel; **for this alone, the mysteries of God, is the ministry of the seventh angel**. Now, we just come through the church ages, with even history, and prove that. See?

It is the—the angel's Message, of the seventh church, all right, **reveals all the mysteries that's been in the past, all the things in the past**. Revelation 10:1-7, that's to be. Now, remember, "In the days of the seventh angel, his sounding forth, blasting forth the Gospel trumpet, he is to finish all the mysteries of God."

## Thunder from the Throne

148 And, notice, the First Seal opened. The First Seal, when It was opened in the symbol form, it thundered. Now what about when It's opened in Its reality form? My...It thundered as soon as the Lamb



struck back the Seal. And what did It reveal? Not all of Itself. First, It's **with God**; next, It's **in a symbol**; then, **It's revealed**. Three things. See? It's coming forth from the Throne.

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150 It thundered when He spoke It out. And when He did, a white-horse rider started out, and It still was a symbol. Now watch, He said It would be known in the last day. But It comes forth in a church symbol. Do you understand it, church? [Congregation says, "Amen."—Ed.] It comes forth in a—a symbol of a church, that they know there is a Seal. But just what It is, yet, they don't know, because It's a white-horse rider.

151 And only is to be revealed at the last day, when this actual Seal is broken. Broken to who? **Not to Christ, but to the Church.** Notice, now. Oh, my, that just makes me tremble! I—I—I hope that the Church truly understands It, what I mean, you people. I'm going to call you Bride, see, that You'll understand It.

152 The Voice is a Thunder. The Voice came from where? From the Throne where the Lamb had just left, as Intercessor. **Now He is standing here to take His position and His claims.** But the Thunder came from the inside of the Throne, thundered out. And the Lamb was standing out here. The Thunder, where the Lamb had left. Left the Father's Throne, to go to take His Own Throne. Glory! Now, now don't miss it, friends.



#### 9. [Redemption has an effect upon the elected](#)

163 He heard the noise of a thunder. And one of the Beasts said, "Now come, see."

164 In other words, now, *here* stands the Lamb, and John standing out there watching it happen. The Lamb come up from the Throne, like He had been slain, Blood all over Him. He was the One that was found worthy. And when He reached over and took the Book, then

everything began to shouting, and screaming, and carrying on, you see, 'cause they know redemption was paid for.

165 Now He has come to claim His Own. So, He takes the Book, stands out there before John, and He pulls It back and breaks the Seal. Pulls the Seal down! And when He pulls the Seal down, a Thunder clapped through the place. And when a Thunder clapped, no doubt John might have jumped up in the air, when a Thunder roared.

166 And then one of the four Beasts said, “Now come, see what It is, what’s revealed beneath here.” Oh, my! “John, write what you seen.” So John goes to look, see what It was. John goes to see what the Thunder said. It’s then that this Creature told John, “Come, see what the mystery is under the First Seal.” [Brother Branham knocks on the pulpit four times—Ed.] The Thunder, the Voice of the Creator has uttered It. Now, He ought to know what’s There. See? Oh, my! But, think now, he wrote This.

## 10. What does this mystery mean?

268 My revelation, by the Holy Spirit, is: Christ and the Holy Spirit is the self-same Person, only in a different form. So, *here* stands Christ, the Lamb. We know He was the Lamb. He was standing *here* with the Books in His hand; and *there* goes the white horse rider, see, so it wasn’t the Holy Spirit.

269 Now, that's one of the mysteries of the last days, how that Christ can be the three persons in One. It's not three different people, Father, Son, and Holy Ghost, being three Gods, as the trinitarians try to tell us It is. It's three, it's three manifestations of the same Person. Or, you might call it three offices

288 Notice, the rider on the white horse don't have any name. He might use two or three titles, see, but he hasn't got any name.

289 But Christ has a Name! What is it? **The Word of God.** That's what it is. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. And the Word, made flesh." See? The rider has no name, but Christ is called "The Word of God." That's what He is. He is called that. Now He's got a Name that no man knows; but He's called, "The Word of God."

This guy isn't called nothing, see, but he's on a white horse.

290 The rider has no arrows for his bow. Did you notice? He had a bow, but there's nothing said about having any arrows, so he must be a bluffer. Right. Maybe he's got a lot of thunder, and no lightning. But you find out, Christ had both lightning and thunder, for out of His mouth goes a sharp two-edged Sword, and He smites the nations with It. This guy can't smite nothing, see, but he's playing the part of a hypocrite. He is going forth, riding on a white horse, going out to conquer.

291 Christ has a sharp Sword, and, watch, It comes from His mouth. **The living Word, that's, Word of God revealed to His servants.** Like He said to Moses, "Go, stand there, and hold that stick out yonder; call for flies," and there was flies. Sure. What ever he said, He done it; and it come to pass, His living Word. God and His Word is the self-same Person. God is the Word.

294 "A white-horse rider went out." See? Who is he? He is mighty in his conquering power. He is a great fellow in his conquering power. You want me to tell you who he is? He is the antichrist. Exactly what he is. Now, because, you see, if an antichrist; Jesus said, that, "The two would be so close together until it would deceive the very Elected (the Bride) if it was possible." Antichrist, it's the antichrist spirit.

297 Look, he starts out to conquer. Notice, he has no crown. The white-horse rider, I'm speaking of here. See? "A bow; and a crown was given him, afterwards." See? He had no crown, to start with, **but a crown was given him.** Notice, later he was given a crown, yeah, three of them, three on one. That was three hundred years later, at the Nicaea Council. When he started out, a spirit of Nicolaitane, to form an organization among the people. And then it kept on, going on, going on, become "a saying," then it become "a doctrine."

298 You remember, Christ speaking back to the church, said, “Thou hatest the deeds of these Nicolaitanes, which I hate, too.” Trying to conquer, take the Holy Spirit just only one holy man; he could forgive all the sins and everything.

299 And we just read it over there, Paul spoke of it. That thing would sit in the last days. And he couldn't be revealed till the last days. “Then, He that letteth, will take the Spirit of God out of there; and then he'll reveal himself.”

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302 Glory! Notice! And when this Holy Spirit that we have becomes incarnate to us, the One that's in our midst now in the form of the Holy Ghost, **becomes incarnate to us**, in the Person of Jesus Christ, we'll crown Him King of kings. That's right. See?