

QUOTES FROM BROTHER BRANHAM - CHAPTER 3
The Mystery of The New Testament Church Composed of Jew and Gentile

In the Sixth Seal, Brother Branham said the Gentile bride has to be composed of all nations, including Jews. This means some Jews will not be blinded to Christ and will receive the baptism of the Holy Ghost in order to make a "bouquet bride" from all nations:

*Remember, He deals with Israel as a nation always. It's the nation of Israel. The Gentiles as individuals--people taken from the Gentile. And it had to... **The Gentile had to be made up of all the people of the world, so now and then there's a Jew comes into that.** See? Just like--like Arabian and Irish and Indian and whatmore. **It's all the people of the world make up this bouquet Bride.** See?
63-0323 - The Sixth Seal*

Some wonder if Revelation 7:9-17 is the bride or foolish virgin. Brother Branham gives six quotes saying it is the bride compared to one quote saying it's the foolish virgin, so I believe it's the bride. But this is a minor doctrine, not a major. Here's the seven quotes, starting with the one foolish virgin quote, followed by the six bride quotes:

Now, we find out also in this that the Sixth Seal now being opened, it was for a threefold purpose. Now, here was the purposes: The first thing was that the sleeping virgins had to go through the tribulation period for purification. She had to be purged of her sins of unbelief and rejecting the message. This she was done in the tribulation period. We see they wind up over here in Revelations 7, between the 6th and 7th chapter here, that she had been purged, and she'd been given her robes.

Now, she's not the Bride, but it's the church, the pure people that--that--that didn't have the opportunity, maybe, to receive the message, or in some way that they were blinded by these false prophets, and they--they didn't get a chance, and yet they're really sincere in heart, and God knows their heart, and here they're purged during this time.

63-0324E - The Seventh Seal

Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in the temple:...

Now, where does Mrs. Branham serve me at? In the house. That's the Bride. Mrs. Neville, that's where she stays: in the house serving you. That's where the Bride at, not the servants, the Bride serve.

54-0103M - Questions and Answers 1

And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest... (No, I just don't know.)... And he said unto me, These are they... (They'd had...?... I guess. All right.)... These are they which come up out of great tribulation,... (called "holy-roller," made fun of, persecuted, laughed at)... come up out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb... (Watch!)

... they are before the throne of God... (Where does the wife stay? Where does the queen stay? That's the Bride, the Gentile Bride.)... and they serve him day and night in the temple:... (My wife serves me at the house day and night. See? That's the Bride of Jesus; that's the Gentile Bride.)

... and they that setteth upon the throne shall dwell among them. They shall hunger no more,... (Hallelujah! Work days are over. Well, we missed a many a meal, but we'll never miss one there. Amen.)

54-0514 - The Seal of God

For the Lamb which is in the midst of the throne shall feed them, and... lead them into the fountains of waters: and God shall wipe... all tears from their eye.

There He is; there's the Bride. Oh, my! How beautiful! The Bride!

60-1210 - The Philadelphian Church Age

Now if you want to see the Bride come up after that, to show that the hundred and forty-four thousand is not the Bride, just continue to read now on down from the 8th chapter on; or, yes, the 8th chapter; or the 8th verse, I mean, from the 7th chapter. Let's start at the 9th--9th verse, 'cause the 8--8th verse is the sealing of Benjamin, twelve thousand.

After--After this I beheld, and, lo, a great multitude, which no man could number, (Here comes the Bride.) of all nations,... kindreds,... people, and tongues, stood before the throne, and before the Lamb, clothed in white robe, and palms in their hands;

And cried with a loud voice, saying, Salvation to our God which sitteth upon the throne, and to the Lamb.

... all the angels stood around about the throne, and about the elders and the four beasts,... fell--fell before the throne on their faces, and worshipped God, Saying, Amen: Blessings,... glory,... wisdom,... thanksgiving,... honour,... power,... might, be to our God for ever and ever. Amen.

And one of the elders which answered, and said unto me, What are these which are arrayed in white robes? and whence cometh they?

And I said unto him, Sir, thou knowest. And he said unto me, These are they which have come up out of great tribulation, and have washed their robes, and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in the temple:...

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What does your wife do? She serves you in the house. You sit down, she gives you your food, she fixes the clothing. See, she serves you day and night in the house. See? And this one, these of all nations, the Gentiles, which is the Bride, are before the throne of God, with Him day and night.

60-1211M - The Ten Virgins and the Hundred and Forty Four Thousand Jews

394. *Will the prophet of Malachi 4 be the one to call out the Gentile remnant of Revelation 7:9, even though they go through the tribulation period?*

No, no. After the--the Revelations 7, is where he seen the 144,000 sealed, and after that he saw coming up, coming back was that great number which no man could number which was the Bride. It will have... The... Malachi 4 will be finished and the Bride taken up, and the--then the--this group of--of Elijah and Elisha return back to the earth for... The church to go through the tribulation period, but Elijah and Elisha will not have anything to do with the sleeping virgin (They're Gentiles.); they'll be sent only to the Jews.

64-0830E - Questions and Answers 4

God is talking about the bride here. Do you want to see another picture of her? It is over in Revelation 7:4-17...

Church Age Book, Chapter 8 - Philadelphian Church Age

Concerning the prophetic Feasts and Holy Days of Israel, Brother Branham taught we are currently living in the Feast of Weeks, or Pentecostal Feast, meaning Passover, Unleavened Bread, and Firstfruits were already fulfilled by Jesus' death and resurrection:

Notice, here is Leviticus 23:26. How in order is the Scripture! After the long period of pentecost, which Israel did reject back there; and He called the Gentile Church out, through this pentecostal feast. How many understand what the pentecostal feast is? It's the fruit of... firstfruit of the harvest, the firstfruit of the resurrection, the pentecostal feast.

Don't miss this, people! And, you on tape, listen close!

*248 **This has been the time of pentecostal feast.** The Jews has laid silent; they rejected It. Now they've got to be called back to the Atonement. We know Who the Atonement was; they didn't. And the Trumpet sound, after the pentecostal jubilee, calls the Jews together. Can't you see how that Trumpet, of persecution under Hitler and them, blasted? And the Jews was forced to come together, to fulfill the Scriptures.*

249 Now you got it? All that's got it, say, "Amen." [Congregation says, "Amen."--Ed.] Good. All right.

64-0719M - The Feast of the Trumpets

The time of the Gentiles has been in this pentecostal feast...where, we been two thousand years in the pentecostal feast.

64-0726M - Recognizing Your Day and Its Message

Brother Branham plainly said the prophetic Feast of the Trumpets, in which the gospel returns to the Jews, comes after the Gentile Feast of Pentecost:

320. Where are we to gather ourselves together? And you said to gather yourselves on the Trumpets.

I believe, partner, sister, whoever it is, you're--you're wrong there. I never said gather yourselves on the Trumpets. I said Israel gathered on the Trumpets, not the Gentile Bride. No, no. The Trumpets, the sounding of the Seven Trumpets was to gather Israel (How many knows that?) from all over the... Yeah, not the... No, no. Huh-uh. No, not--not--not Israel. So it's not that... We don't gather on the Trumpets with the at--the Bride doesn't. The Trumpets comes after the Feast of Pentecost.

64-0823E - Questions and Answers 2

Regarding the latter rain, there are over 130 quotes about this subject, but the Church Age Book gives us "Thus saith the Lord" for the one interpretation that is correct. The latter rain is rapturing faith that falls upon the bride right before the rapture:

But what about the true seed? It will happen just as we have said. The people of God are being made ready by the Word of Truth from the messenger to this age.

In her will be the fulness of Pentecost for the Spirit will bring the people right back to where they were at the beginning. That is "Thus saith the Lord."

It is "Thus saith the Lord" for that is what Joel 2:23-26 says,

"Be glad then, ye children of Zion, and rejoice in the Lord your God: for He hath given you the former rain moderately, and He will cause to come down for you the rain, the former rain and the latter rain in the first month.

And the floors shall be full of wheat, and the fats shall overflow with wine and oil.

And I will restore to you the years that the locust hath eaten, the cankerworm, and the caterpillar, and the palmerworm, My great army which I sent among you.

And ye shall eat in plenty, and be satisfied, and praise the Name of the Lord your God, That hath dealt wondrously with you: and My people shall never be ashamed."

*Now it says God is going to "restore". The Lutheran Age did not restore the church; it started a reformation. The Wesleyan Age did not restore. The Pentecostal Age did not restore. But God has to restore for He cannot deny His Word. This is not the resurrection of the Church; it is the "Restoration". God will take the Church right back to Pentecost of the beginning. Now notice in verse 25 it tells why we need restoration. The locust, cankerworm, caterpillar and palmerworm have eaten all but the root and a small bit of the stem. Now we are told that all these insects are all one and the same in different stages. That is right. They are the antichrist spirit manifested in organization, denomination and false doctrine through the ages. And that poor little root and stalk is going to be restored. God isn't going to plant a new Church, but is going to bring His original planting back to original seed. He is doing it as stated in verse 23, by the teaching, or "former" rain. **Next will come the harvest rain or rapturing faith.***

Church Age Book, Chapter 10 - A Resume of the Ages

Earlier in the Church Age Book, under the “Pick Up Your Pen and Write” portion, Brother Branham said his ministry sowed, or planted seed for the latter rain, agreeing that his ministry was the former rain:

*The second forerunner of Christ will sow for the latter rain.
Church Age Book, Chapter 5 - Pergamean Church Age*

This interpretation was again taught in the Church Age Book when Brother Branham was talking about the Laodicean Age. The 1906 Azusa Street believers thought their revival was the latter rain, but it was not because the former rain, or Brother Branham’s ministry, had not yet come:

What seemed to be the answer came as many began to speak in tongues and manifest gifts of the Spirit. It was then believed that this was indeed the long awaited RESTORATION. It was not, for the latter rain can come only after the former rain which is the spring or TEACHING rain. The latter rain, then, is the HARVEST rain. How could this be the real thing when the Teaching Rain had not come? The Prophet-Messenger who was to be sent to TEACH the people and turn the hearts of the children back to the Pentecostal fathers had not yet come. Thus what was thought to be the restoration and the final quickening unto the rapture had not come.

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