

Book of Revelation,

Explained

[The Secrets of the Seven Seals,

Explained]

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To my messianic brothers and their families, Ido and Ray, and to all who love Christ Jesus' Manifestation (Bible book 2 Timothy 4:8).

This book has been a study based on the teachings of brother Branham. With this fourth edition it has got its full content and size and at the same time greater clarity.

See you in Heaven!

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(The entire) Book of Revelation, Explained

The texts of the Book of Revelation and of the whole Bible have been translated as literal as possible/useful.

Especially helpful have been the Berean Standard Bible Text and the old trustful King James Version Text.

In addition, many other translations I have used.

In this way, the original texts and the equivalence of the words would help to understand everything in the best possible way.

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seen from aside (see page 11b§19-22)
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and the full painting, of which it is a part:
"Christ and the Rich Young Ruler"

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(see page 5g§6(8)10) / purchased by John D. Rockefeller Jr.

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Back cover picture: New Jerusalem City, seen from above

Back cover small pictures: Supernatural cloud over Arizona (USA) [turned right], possible Sign of the Presence of the Son of man (photographed in 1963)

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0_Prayer

Hope, Faith, Love, Peace and Grace!

My life may guide He
Who created me
Who knows best
Who gives us rest.

One big Family with God as Father. Hope and a Family on a hopeless earth.

God has a Plan for every woman/man, with Holy Spirit's Faith and Powers.

Lord Jesus thank You for Washing Away our/my sins! Lord God thank You for Your Love, Peace, and Grace!

> Romans 1:(1-) 7 (-17) 1 Corinthians 13:13 Ephesians 2:10

0_Preface

A Declining Civilization

Book of Revelation of the Bible shows events of our end-time, that nowadays news agencies, cultural journalists, and future researchers are also talking about. For example, democratic (former Christian) states and dictatorship states are lining up against each other (see page 'Oc_Summary: Explanation'). Seek, find, and affirm God's solution!

Unfortunately, almost all real democracies have become similar dictatorships. Dictatorships of majorities, 51% majorities.

The picture of the last church mentioned in the Book of Revelation, the Laodicean church, sheds more light on the spiritual background of these events. It is a representation of the majority of revival believers, where at the end the Lord Jesus is no longer present. He stands on the outside of the majority, Revelation 3:20 {also page 5b§6(8)10}, <".... Behold, I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come in and dine with him, and he with Me.">

At the end of our Christian civilization, two revivals can be noted. The revival of the true anointed ones and prophets, the elect, and the revival of the false anointed ones and prophets. Which revival do you belong to (compare Matthew 24:24)?

Anyway, my explanation cannot give you God's answer. I could be one of the false anointed ones or prophets! Study and pray to the Lord God for Wisdom. Who would be the false and who would be the real anointed believers {cf. [confer/compare] Mat. 7:15-23}?

We live in the last days of our Christian civilization. The land of Israel is once again in Jewish hands. Soon it will be the turn of this state and this people to proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the world. It is a God-given Biblical Promise!

Recognize your day and its message! And above all, ask still today the Lord Jesus to come into your life as your personal Saviour and Leader!

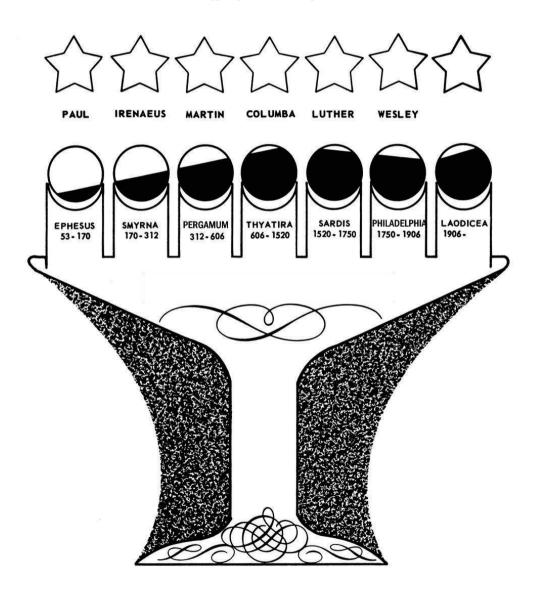
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Postscript:

Just as it is good to read/eat the Bible daily, the Book of Revelation and the book "Book of Revelation, Explained" should be studied to be better and better understood. For the same reason, improvements can always be found. See the date-marked pages of my website https://ilmestyskirja-branham.com/book-revelation/, and what in them is underlined.

0_Menorah: Drawing of Revivals {see page 6i\u00e96(8)10}

The Glory of God in Seven Church Ages (page 2b§45)



0_Copyright

Peace with God!

^ This explanation of the Book of Revelation of the Bible reveals news of the past, of today, of the near future, and of eternity.

In addition, it had come forward as a poem, among others structurally.

^ Since September 2020, almost weekly, I had written one page after another for a small group of Finnish believers, starting from the first chapters of the Book of Revelation. Then, with the final last pages I found that it had divided into three parts, A, B, and C, each 18 pages long, and each A4-page (in the Finnish language with the same font and size) \leq 60 lines long.

Next, I published everything on my new website on the Internet (ilmestyskirjabranham.com/). And soon after, I had translated and published everything in English.

^ Constantly improving everything, both versions got their last big change when I had written the Summary,Book-Revelation page (0b_SumBR).

Then, 2022.12.13, I found the last main title RECOGNIZE SIGNS OF OUR TIME (page 0c_SumEx, along with six other already existing main title pages: 2a§45, 4e§1317, 6m§6(8)10, 8c§89₁156, 10a§18 and 12c§1-22).

^ The seven is God's number of perfection and central number in the Book of Revelation (seven churches, star messengers, seals, heavenly trumpets, and bowls).

God inspired and confirmed all. I therefore believe that I too hold the copyright to this explanation.

^ He is the God of inspiration, harmony, and beauty.

Just as the world-famous painter Rembrandt had learned to accurately copy God's creation. Too, he had drawn many Biblical scenes (~300), for which in the same way ready-made Bible words can be found.

^ However, copyright should be considered in a broader sense. The second and more important copyright holder would be my spiritual brother in Christ, William Marrion Branham. On every major question, I have relied on his sermons. What is also based on the Bible.

To me he has been Elijah the prophet at the end of the church era. In the last verses of the Old Testament his coming had been promised $\{Mal. 4:1-6 (1d\S1-3); 5cdef\S6(8)10\}$.

^ BBranham had been a Christian minister in the United States (1909-1965). After the Second World War, expressly from the year 1946, he had started a healing-by-faith movement, and a part of his sermons was taped. There had been big meetings, partly all over the world. (Also two in Finland, in the year 1950.)

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Over 1,200 of his sermons and sermon series were compiled and published in spoken and transcribed form by the Voice of God Recordings, Jeffersonville, Kentucky, USA. This is 'copyright by themessage.com' where all rights are reserved.

^ In addition, God's grace I must remember. In 1974, the Lord Jesus had called me, to which I answered 'yes'. Thus, He had filled me with His love, His joy, His peace, etc. (Gal. 5:22; Phili. 4:4-7).

God's love had attracted me and actively I began to seek the Kingdom of God and His righteousness. Then in 1981, God filled me with His Holy Spirit (Mat. 6:33).

^ Two thousand years ago, God had given His Son to be tortured to death by the cruelest death that mankind had invented by then, crucifixion (John 3:16).

Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee should bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father {Phili. 2:(5-)10-11}.

^ By Jesus' Sacrifice, every human being was redeemed who follows Him with words and deeds (Rm. 10:9-11).

This is how I confess: the Lord Jesus Christ would be the chief holder of my copyright.

^ According to God's (Book of) Revelation, Christians in the end-time of the churches would be so blind that they would not know to be blind {Rev. 3:17 (5b§6(8)10)}.

However, you do not have to be a believer to understand the apocalyptic events (0c SumEx).

^ Understanding the Book of Revelation starts with wanting to see and approve facts, which can be seen around us.

The Bible is of no private interpretation, It exactly means what It says (2Pet. 1:20).

 $^{\circ}$ In the same way through Jesus Christ can be gotten Peace with God {John (1:1-) 20:19-21}.

By Him you should be saved through faith! Pray, accept, and confess that Jesus Christ is your Lord, now! It is absolutely a free Gift of God (Eph. 2:4-9)!

Bert Hovestadt

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