

Sharks will swim right where we are standing

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God sends prophets to pronounce judgment against those who will not listen, as well as for the edification of those who are eager for the Word of God. To the one, the words of the prophet bring life; to the other they bring death and destruction.

The first mention of earthquake judgment of Brother Branham was about 1935 or something like that. He said, "The time would come that the sea would weep it's way into the desert."

ASHAMED.OF.HIM JEFF.IN 65-0711

This was a sermon that I preached on when, I believe, Brother Elij' Perry might have been deacon here in the church at the time, for all I know. But it said, "The time will come..." I didn't know it till Mrs. Simpson brought me the--the sermon the other day. And **I got it wrote in a little book, that the desert, that the ocean shall weep its way into the desert. That was thirty years ago.**

And, of course, the Salton Sea is about two hundred feet below sea level, and if that big churning, that earth swallowing in like that, with **hundreds of square miles, hundreds and hundreds of square miles sinking into the earth, that'll throw a tidal wave plumb to Arizona.** Sure, it would. Oh, we're at the end time, glorious hour, the appearing of the Lord Jesus.

The second mention of impending earthquake disaster in America was April 17, 1957.

SECOND.COMING.OF.THE.LORD JEFF.IN 57-0417

And the other day over in California, up in Oakland, when it was our privilege to be there in a meeting, and it was the first time that my wife had ever been in an earthquake. I was setting in the barber shop, and I... The room shook just a little. And **the radio quickly announced, "A earthquake was on."** Said, "They're looking for another one in about eight minutes."

And **I thought, "Oh, what if this is the last one?"**

WHO.DO.YOU.SAY.THIS.IS? PHOENIX.AZ 64-1227

The world's just about to fall apart, as I preached on once somewhere, about a Christmas message, "The World Falling Apart." And the world again is just about to come to pieces. Look at the earthquakes over here in California. I predict before the coming of the Lord Jesus, that God will sink that place. **I believe that Hollywood, and Los Angeles, and them filthy places over there, that God Almighty will sink them. They'll go beneath the bottom of the sea.**

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On April 29, 1965 the next link in the chain of prophecy was forged while Brother Branham was preaching in Los Angeles itself. Just before his message that morning, a very dear friend, Sister Florence Shakarian, had just sung a song in her inimitable style. (Sister Florence had been sick for a long time and a few months previous, Brother Demos Shakarian had asked Brother Branham to pray for his sister, who was dying of cancer. At that time Brother Branham had been given a word from the Lord concerning Sister Florence. He told Demos that she would not die then, but that she would die before the coming of the Lord, that it would happen between 2 and 3 o'clock some morning, and that he had seen her lying in state.)

Sister Florence's song that morning carried a special anointing, for she could sing like a nightingale. The song was a tremendous blessing, and the congregation was deeply moved. At the end of her song, Brother Branham, sitting on the platform next to Brother Carl Williams, nudged Brother Carl and said, "Do you hear that?" Brother Carl asked him what he meant, and Brother Branham replied, "She's walking up the Golden Stairs, can't you hear her?"

At about this same time a man rose up and brought one of those powerful, spine tingling messages in tongues that are often given in Pentecostal congregations. You could almost feel the anointing from the words this man brought; so forceful, and with such authority was it given. The interpretation came immediately from the other side of the auditorium: "Oh daughter of Zion, thou shalt not fear, thou shalt not worry, for thou shall live to see the coming of the Lord". Brother Billy Paul, in the audience that day, was deeply disturbed, for he knew that this message contradicted that which Brother Branham received from the Lord. The message had come with such force and such anointing; yet he knew the Angel of the Lord had never failed Brother Branham.

No explanation was forthcoming at this time and Brother Branham went on to deliver his message *Choosing of a Bride*. The next prophetic link was forged as he said to the people of Los Angeles:

CHOOSING.OF.A.BRIDE LA.CA 65-0429E

That's solemn warning. We don't know what time. And **you don't know what time that this city one day is going to be laying out here in the bottom of this ocean.**

"O, Capernaum," said Jesus, "thou who exalted into heaven will be brought down into hell, for if the mighty works had been done in Sodom and Gomorrah, it'd have been standing till this day." And Sodom and Gomorrah lays at the bottom of the Dead Sea, and Capernaum's in the bottom of the sea.

Thou city, who claims to be the city of the Angels, who's exalted yourself into heaven and sent all the dirty filthy things of fashions and things, till even the foreign countries come here to pick up our filth and send it away, with your fine churches and steeples, and so forth the way you do; remember, **one day you'll be laying in the bottom of this sea.** You're great honeycomb under you right now. The wrath of God is belching right beneath you. **How much longer He'll hold this sandbar hanging over that, when that ocean out yonder a mile deep will slide in there plumb back to the Salton Sea. It'll be**

worse than the last day of Pompeii. Repent, Los Angeles. Repent the rest of you and turn to God. The hour of His wrath is upon the earth. Flee while there's time to flee and come into Christ."

ASHAMED.OF.HIM JEFF.IN 65-0711

But just as I surely was standing there under that Inspiration, put judgment on that west coast, and then followed it right up here with **the sinking of Los Angeles; she's gone! That's right. It will happen. When? I don't know.**

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To return now to the state of unrest that Brother Billy Paul found himself in concerning the conflicting prophecy over Sister Shakarian on that day when the message in tongues had gone forth and Brother Branham had preached *Choosing of a Bride*. As the prophet and his son were walking back to their hotel, he perceived that something was troubling Billy and he said, "Paul, what's wrong?"

"Oh, nothing Dad," Billy replied.

After a few steps, Brother Branham asked again, "What's troubling you, Paul?"

"Well, Daddy," said Billy, "You heard that message of tongues and interpretation there."

"So what?" said the prophet.

"But Dad, you know that you said that the Angel of the Lord told you that she would die between 2 and 3 o'clock in the morning."

Notice Brother Branham's reply-so typical of him-where he answers and yet does not speak against the tongues and interpretation: "Well, all I can say is, Paul, that the Lord has not told me any different."

On September 11, 1965 Brother Branham was in Phoenix, preaching a message entitled *God's Power to Transform*.

It was at this time that I personally witnessed the solution to the question troubling Brother Billy Paul. We were at the Ramada Inn when Brother Carl Williams received a long distance call from Los Angeles informing him that Sister Florence had died the night before.

Brother Branham was given the message and he immediately asked Brother Williams to find out the time of her death. I was there when the call went through, and the answer was given us that she had died at 2:45 a.m.

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Return now to that day when Brother Branham turned to Brother Billy Paul and said, "Billy, all I can say is that God has told me no different (about Sister Florence)."

After making this statement, he turned to his son and said, "Billy, where are you standing?"

"Downtown Los Angeles," Billy Paul replied.

"Where are you standing?" Queried the prophet.

"In front of the May Company, downtown Los Angeles," replied Billy.

At this Brother Branham made a prophetic statement:

"Billy," he said, "I may not be here, but you won't be an old man until sharks will swim right where we are standing."

Brother Branham preached his last message in California on December 7, 1965, in Covina.

*I would like to add, I wrote to Brother Billy Paul personally, and asked if he wouldn't mind briefly re-telling what Brother Branham told him in front of the May Company in Los Angeles. In Brother Billy Paul's reply letter dated Oct 1, 2001, he retold the above experience as set forth in the book, **The Acts of the Prophet**, and added the following:*

Oct 1, 2001 (*letter excerpt*)

“As for the testimony of what Daddy told me about Calif. It is on many testimony tapes I have given, but I will be happy to relate it to you.”

...then he (*Brother Branham*) said, “Where are you at?”

I said, “L.A.”

He said, “be more specific.”

I said, “downtown L.A.”

He said, “be more specific than that.”

I looked around and seen a sign on top of a building, it said May Co. I said, “In front of the May Co.”

He said, “I may not be here, but **the same God that told me to tell that Florence was going to die, tells me to tell you**, I may not be here, but you wont be an old man until the **sharks will be swimming where you are standing today.**”

And she dies in Sept of the same year.

ANOINTED.ONES.AT.END.TIME JEFF.IN 65-0725M

But we been told by the Lord Jesus that when these things that we see now begin to come to pass, then to lift up our heads for our redemption is drawing nigh. **Now, what drawing nigh means, I do not know.** May mean, as the scientist said the other day on the television, speaking of the great thousands-of-miles break in the earth that's going to sink... He was asked the question, "It could sink there (that's Los Angeles, the west coast)?" And many of you seen how they followed it with radar, and went up through--broke in below San Jose, went across over into Alaska, out through the Aleutian Islands, about two hundred miles out into the sea, and come back down into San Diego, went around in behind Los Angeles, and come up there, a great pocket. And all these earthquakes we've been having is the volcanic hitting this great hollow dipper like, in there. I can't call the name that they--they called it. However, when that shakes, that gives these earthquakes we been having for years on the west coast. **Now, it's cracked all the way around.**

THINKING.MAN'S.FILTER JEFF.IN 65-0822E

"Blind Pharisees," Jesus said. As Jesus cried, "Blind Pharisees," the Holy Spirit in my own heart tonight cries, "Blind Laodicea, how oft God would've give you a revival, but now your time has come. It's too late now. How did you laugh and make fun of the people that God sent to you? But **now your time has come**. Oh, United States, United States, how that God would've hovered you as a hen does its brood, but you would not." Now, this Voice is going from coast to coast, from north to south and east to west. How God would've hovered you, but you would not. **Now, your time has come.**

Nations are breaking; the world is falling apart. **Fifteen hundred mile chunk of it, three or four hundred miles wide, will sink hundred--or maybe forty miles down into that great fault out yonder one of these days, and waves will shoot plumb out to the state of Kentucky. And when it does, it'll shake the world so hard that everything on top of it will shake down.**

TRYING.TO.DO.GOD.A.SERVICE JEFF.IN 65-0718M

They said they was going to... America, "God bless America, it's--it's a nation, it's a Christian country." It's a million miles from being a Christian country. **I don't even pray for it. How can I pray for it, and it won't repent** under the mighty powers of God demonstrated before it, and denying, and closing the doors to it, and walking away? I commit it to God. And **she's going further away, and now she's going to sink. Just watch what happens.**

TRYING.TO.DO.GOD.A.SERVICE JEFF.IN 65-0718M

Now, take all these musts, all the Word, all the types, and the things, and look where you're setting. **Think of the hour we're living in. Looky yonder that nearly one tenth of the earth is ready to fall in. Science says that.** They're looking on the clock. A few years ago they said, "It's only three minutes now till midnight." Might be a minute; might be a half a minute now.

They said, "It won't happen in our generation."

"It could happen in five minutes." And notice, the next thing he said, "Five years." I never said that now, he said that, the scientist. They're swarming away from California like flies. See? Well, the day that Lot went out of Sodom, the same day it rained fire down upon the earth. One of these days God's going to take our Message, and we're going to leave here. **Something's going to happen sure enough then, when the church is gone, His Body, His Bride.**