

David Berg - William Branham Historical Research

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David Brandt Berg was the central figure of the Children of God cult, aka, the "Jesus Freaks", more recently known as The Family, International. As Children of God, Berg's cult became notorious in Southern California for recruiting new members through sex. The group advertised themselves as "*Happy Hookers for Jesus*", and stirred up controversy among Christians who disagreed with their recruiting strategy as well as prostitutes who were losing business to the movement.^[1] According to Berg, William Branham prophesied over his ministry during the Latter Rain version of Branham's stage persona, which led to his establishment of the Children of God. It should come as no surprise that the Children of God first began as an apocalyptic, anti-Establishment gospel.^[2] Interestingly, Berg lived in Louisville, Kentucky, in 1947 — just across the river from Branham's hometown of Jeffersonville, Indiana.

I had to get out & I was forced to go back to college--I didn't even want to but I had to--living on \$25 a week, which was a lot of money in those days, in a way, but barely supported us, living in somebody else's borrowed little 14-foot trailer with a family of a wife & three children! It was pretty rough, hand-to-mouth & living by faith, but it was the making of things, because it was from there we went to build a church in Arizona & had all those experiences & Branham prophesied over me & it was from there I got out of the church entirely, broke loose, & joined Fred Jordan. He was another rebel, he'd broken with the churches & was really preaching the Truth, the facts.^[3]

- David Berg

David Berg was a Christian and Missionary Alliance minister and evangelist who toured with his mother, Virginia Brandt Berg, during the early years of his ministry.^[4] While she preached, Berg sang gospel songs and used pictures to teach the Bible,^[5] or more specifically, doomsday by the atomic bomb.^[6] In the early 1950s, Berg pastored the Community church in Valley Farms, which was affiliated with the C&MA.^[7] In 1951, Berg was accused of sexual misconduct and kicked out of the church.^[8]

Shortly after being ousted from the church in 1951, Berg attended a meeting with William Branham. At the end of the meeting, Berg received a prophetic blessing on his ministry from William Branham, which Berg referred to as the "*Philadelphia Prophecy*". After that prophecy, Berg became disenchanted with denominational Christianity and began to change his ministry.^[9] Empowered with Branham's Latter Rain blessing, Berg began preaching in Latter Rain churches. In November 1951, for example, Berg held a series of nightly lectures at Leroy Kopp's Calvary Temple in Los Angeles^[10] — the church that helped promote William Branham's ministry with the film Twentieth Century Prophet.

Throughout his life, Berg insisted that William Branham and the Latter Rain evangelists won thousands of souls to Christ. He insisted that Branham had a powerful "*word of knowledge*",^[11] and tied current events to Branham's alleged prophecies. When President Bill Clinton was elected, for example, Berg claimed that Hillary Clinton was the fulfillment of Branham's 1933 Prophecies.^{[12][13]}

The Churchianity system spends so much time & money getting ready, on preparation, that they never get the job done! One little hick evangelist like Tommy Hicks or William Branham who had no education & who butchered the King's English, could go out there & win hundreds of thousands to the Lord, heal thousands & accomplish more than these guys with all of their education, & these denominations with all their church buildings! It's pitiful!^[14]

- David Berg

David Berg studied William Branham's sermons, and described segments from them to The Family International cult members in his nearly 3,000 "Mo [Moses] Letters". In the way in which Branham is fondly described by Berg, it is clear that the letters were reminding his cult members of statements previously made about Branham. In some cases, he referenced his December 1979 letter, *Millions of Miles of Miracles*, which gave cult members an account of the Life Story used by Branham's stage persona.^[15] Other times, Berg used Branham's personal childhood stories as examples for his own doctrine.^{[16][17]} He often reflected on those conversations, as well as Branham's tragic life.^[18] According to Berg, when Branham kissed him, it made a huge impact on his life. Berg claimed that "*the Lord sent him across my path*".^[19]

HE THREW HIS ARMS AROUND ME & HUGGED ME & kissed me & said, "Don't worry, son, don't worry. Everything's going to be all right." Then he quoted that same little verse from the Philadelphia Prophecy. (See Letter No.695.) He said, 52. "THE LORD IS GOING TO OPEN UNTO YOU A GREAT DOOR THAT NO MAN CAN CLOSE. He's going to close all these other doors that no man can open. Don't even try to open them. The Lord's going to open unto you a great door, greater than anything you ever dreamed of!--A door that no man can close!"^[20]

- David Berg

Berg was convinced that Branham's "halo photograph" was real, and that the photograph captured an angelic being rather than the lighting system of the Sam Houston Coliseum. Like Jim Jones of Peoples Temple,^[21] Berg was a convert to Branham's UFO theology, and Berg taught his converts that UFOs were actually angels as Branham claimed.^[22] Berg instructed converts to "*believe that halo represents at least your Guardian Angel*"^[23] and often used Branham's alleged halo as an example for making his point.^[24] When he described angels, Berg used one of the varying descriptions of the physical form of an angel used by Branham's stage persona.^{[25][26]}

Berg was especially fond of Branham's sermon "Future Home of the Heavenly Bridegroom" which was plagiarized from Clarence Larken. He wanted his "*mansion in the city*" to be Branham-style. When Berg described heaven, he used Branham's descriptions of heaven

for members of his cult — right down to the animals in heaven.^[27]

AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, IF YOU WANT MY MANSION IN THE CITY, YOU'RE WELCOME TO IT! I'LL TAKE THE COUNTRY!--Ha! Remember William Branham's dream about Heaven?--He had a little cottage out in the country & he had his old rocking chair just like he used to have. He was a country boy, you know, very country!--In fact, he really talked like an old country hick, which he was. But he was a mighty power, a man of God, & he did a great work for the Lord & even had a part in mine. So I'm sure he's working for me even now & probably enjoying that little cottage out in the country.^[28]

- David Berg

From a doctrinal standpoint, Berg lifted several ideas from Branham when creating his cult. Like Branham,^[29] Berg was opposed to using the word "Trinity", saying, "*You can't find that word in the Bible*".^[30] Also like Branham,^[31] Berg taught that God had a Trinity and Satan copied it.^[32] Berg believed Branham's end-of-days prophecy concerning Communist Russia and the impending race war that Branham had predicted.^{[33][34]} Both Berg^[35] and Branham^[36] spoke strongly against Martin Luther King and the Civil Rights movement because of the Prophecy. Berg included Branham's 1933 prophecies of Rome and the world council of churches in his own end-of-days doctrine.^[37] Berg continued Branham's themes of British Israelism and Christian Identity, though he was far more plainly spoken against people with black skin than Branham's constrained public persona.^{[38][39]} While Branham used subtle antisemitism with doctrinal teaching such as "*the gospel was not for the Jews*" as Branham claimed God was a segregationist,^[40] Berg openly stated that he was "*an anti-Semite because God is! Yes I'm a racist because God is!*"^[41]

AMERICANS, AS William Branham SAW IN HIS VISION, WILL BE THE MOST POPULAR SLAVES IN THE WORLD & sold at high prices. In the most powerful countries, the most intelligent countries, the most civilised countries, the leaders of the Communist World such as Russia, etc., Americans will be their prize SLAVES because of their high level of intelligence & education & technical skills & music & [DELETED] beauty. [DELETED] The dances they're learning now are going to be tools of their trade in that day. The [EDITED: "other social"] skills they're learning now are going to be tools of their trade in that day to help them survive & have favour of their masters & win their hearts & their souls as well, PG! "Hear ye the true words of thy father!"^[42]

- David Berg

At the same time, Berg eventually rejected some of Branham's core doctrine. Berg believed that the Seven churches of Asia Minor mentioned in the Book of Revelation were literal churches,^[43] while Branham taught the dispensationalist views of Cyrus Scofield, Clarence Larkin, and Charles Taze Russell. Because of this deviation, Berg also rejected the notion of a pre-tribulation rapture.^[44] He did, however, hold to Branham's prediction of atomic destruction.

In 1962, David Berg made headlines in Miami/Dade schools for his position against teaching evolution in schools. Berg argued that the textbook presented evolution as an established fact rather than theory, and began rallying support from the evangelical community to remove the textbooks (and teaching of evolution) from the schools.^[45] Berg rallied the support of the Full Gospel Businessmen's Association International (the group that sponsored William Branham), and nineteen FGBMI ministers came to the school board meeting to protest.^[46]

Just as "Message" splinter group leader Jim Jones of Peoples Temple migrated to South America in the 1970s, the Children of God staged a mass exodus from the United States in the 70s.^[47] While this could be attributed to Branham's 1977 Domsday prophecy concerning the United States,^[48] Berg and the Children of God cult were also facing opposition by cult deprogrammers and New York's charity-fraud bureau.^[49]



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[1] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago, the Children of God's gospel of free love outraged critics. Under fire from deprogrammers and child-abuse authorities, the cult virtually disappeared. It's back--calling itself 'the Family' and saying it has changed. But former members are

skeptical. : A True Conversion? Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-03-21-vw-13345-story.html>. "China and Egypt expelled the self-proclaimed 'Happy Hookers for Jesus.' And on Tenerife, Berg and company reportedly were driven out after local prostitutes of the Canary Islands' biggest island complained that COG was taking their business."

[2] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago. The Children of God began in 1968 as a small, Christian commune led by traveling preacher David Berg, then 49. Berg, whose parents were evangelists, initially operated out of a coffeehouse near the Huntington Beach Pier where he preached an apocalyptic, anti-Establishment gospel.

[3] Berg, David. 1984, Jan THE MAKING OF A MAN!--1941 Wars & Lessons! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1719.

[4] The Children of God Stomp Up a Storm. 1972, Mar 26. San Francisco Examiner. "No reading is approved unless it is the King James Version of the Bible or a tract entitled 'The Life Story of Virginia Brandt Berg.' mother of hte Rev. David Berg, a former Christian Missionary and Alliance Minister who founded the Children of God."

[5] See and Hear: Berg Evangelistic Party: The Alliance Church. 1947, Jan 10. Santa Barbara News. "Rev. David Brandt Berg, Son-Singer and Pictoral Bible Teacher"

[6] One Big Day at the Austin Gospel Tabernacle. 1947, Apr 5. Austin American Statesman. "The Young People's Hour Rev. David Berg will speak - 'The Atom and the End' Illustrated by motion pictures"

[7] C.M.A Young People Have Halloween Party. 1950, Nov 2. Casa Grande Dispatch. "Rev. David Berg, pastor of the Community Church."

[8] Wilkinson, Peter. 2005, Jun 30. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.rollingstone.com/culture/culture-features/children-of-god-cult-messiah-chosen-one-182272/>. Kicked out as pastor of a Christian Missionary Alliance church in Valley Farms, Arizona, in 1951, on suspicion of sexual misconduct, an angry and bitter Berg wanted to move far away from traditional Christian orthodoxy. What Berg was selling – that the corrupt modern world was doomed and only Jesus could lead a Christian revolution – proved irresistible to hundreds of idealistic young people, Karen Zerby among them. A week after meeting group members, she followed them to Huntington Beach. There, at a coffeehouse called the Light Club, Berg was dispensing his interpretation of the Bible to the hippies congregated in an area then considered the Haight-Ashbury of Southern California."

[9] HomeARC ML 1354. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1354. "1951: FAITHY BORN! LEFT CHURCH, got fed up with secular College, received prophetic encouragement from William

Branham. (See No.897:1-53.) Returned to California to attend more Bible College. Began driving school bus & teaching Calvary Junior High School Classes. (See No.897.)"

[10] Christian and Missionary Alliance. 1951, Nov 24. Daily News Post and Monrovia Daily News. "Tomorrow at 2:30 p.m. at the 'Neighborhood Chapel' of the Christian and Missionary Alliance, Rev. David Brandt Berg, son of Rev. and Mrs. H. E. Berg, will speak on the subject 'Marvelous Fulfillments of Prophecy,' and illustrate with colored scenes from the 'Holy Land' (Palestine). Mr. Berg has just concluded a series of nightly lectures at Calvary Temple, Los Angeles."

[11] Berg, David. 1991, Dec. IT COULD HAPPEN THIS YEAR!--OF 1992!--PART 4! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2745 "People would ask dear William Branham, "Where did I lose my so-&-so?", & he'd see a picture & tell'm. "It's in the top of your closet, you forgot it in that box up there." Or they'd come & say, "What's the matter with me? The doctors can't find out." And he'd tell them, by the Lord, "the word of knowledge." (1Cor.12:8.)"

[12] Berg, David. 1992, Nov. ANOTHER SIGN OF THE END! --Clinton's Election! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2827. "During Clinton's campaign they tried to hide his wife Hillary, because she already had such a bad reputation as a radical, fanatical, leftist liberal & was so influential & obvious. She's been exposed in various publications that her beliefs are very strong, & she's on the wrong side of everything! She's for abortion, she's for Gay rights, she's against home schooling & she's for children's rights against their parents, children suing their parents, & on down the line. You can just go down the line & everything we stand for, she's against; and everything we're against, she stands for! And she's made no bones about it. Even in interviews, she said, "If you elect Bill, you get me too!" (See WND 401, page 4.) She's like a witch, a vixen! She's really evil! Before William Branham died, that great & humble prophet, one of the last revelations & visions he had was that the final ruler of the United States who was going to bring the U.S.A. to its doom & would be the worst ruler they ever had, would be a very beautiful, but very cruel woman. You say, "But she's not elected President, she's not even Vice President! Even if Clinton got shot, she wouldn't take over." How do you know she wouldn't take over?--She might if she had enough power by that time & the people worshipped her enough like they're worshipping Clinton. She's already taking over! If anything happened to Clinton, I think she could rule the roost over Gore!--Or if anything didn't happen to her husband, she'd still obviously rule the roost! She obviously does rule the roost! Branham said, "A beautiful but very cruel woman will rule the United States in its last days." Some people thought maybe it was Jackie Kennedy when she & John came along, & I think she was kind of a prototype."

[13] Berg, David. 1992, Sept. SIGNS OF THE END!--World Currents No.62. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2810. It seems like Hilary Clinton is the power behind Bill Clinton! William Branham saw a vision of a woman as U.S.

President & described her as beautiful but cruel! Maybe that'll be Hilary Clinton! If Clinton wins & she rules over him, she'll be as good as president--or as bad!"

[14] Berg, David. 1992, Mar. GO TO IT & DO IT! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2771

[15] Berg, David. 1979, December. Millions of Miles of Miracles. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_0897.

[16] ex: Berg, David. 1971, Jun. Space City. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_0075A. "WOW! IF THE HEAVENLY CITY IS LIKE THAT, IT'S GONNA REALLY BE SOMETHING! It must be the most beautiful place there ever could possibly be! It would take a City almost fifteen hundred miles high to hold a building like this! And there are lots of buildings! I bet there were people at the bottom of that crystal! If that compares anything in size to that other, my measurements were wrong! Those crystals must have been hundreds of feet...I'm just too tired! (He is too tired to hold arms up any longer, and takes hands from eyes.) Seemed like everything else interfered, but when I put my hands up like this, I can see better. If I shut out all this other radiation I can see better. Like looking through a pair of binoculars. Did you know that you all glow with light--you all are light sources?--Even the walls? But I have to shut all that out to see! (Cups hands around eyes, but lets arms fall again) My arms are so tired! The Lord told me something else that if I had the faith for--but we're so fearful--we're so afraid! I think it would take an awful lot of faith. I know it would take a lot of strength apparently. It reminds me of what William Branham said one time: "I feel like I've been hanging on the top of a fence--peering over--and I'm just tired of holding on." I've never seen anything like that in my whole life--nothing to even compare to it in my wildest imagination!

[17] ex: Berg, David. 1996, May. Communicating with Heavenly Messengers! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_3048. "William Branham used to symbolize it by saying, "These spiritual experiences that I have, these visions and revelations, they're sort of like when I was a little boy. I wanted to see what was going on at the ball game and I couldn't afford to pay my way in, so I used to climb the fence and cling to the top of the fence and peek in. "That's sort of how the Lord does with me, only I don't do it in my own energy anymore. Now it's like when my big brother used to lift me up and hold me so I could peek over -- the Lord sort of lifts me up and lets me peek in. Then once in awhile I'd find a knothole in the fence where I could see through a little hole, see what was going on with just one eye, but not very clearly."

[18] Berg, David. 1983, Sep. THE NEW HEAVEN & THE NEW EARTH! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1622. "I remember William Branham, a famous prophet of God that I met in the U.S. many years ago, relating a dream the Lord gave him about Heaven. He had just been through a personal tragedy, as he & his wife were caught in a big flood & he got lost from her. He finally found her at the hospital, but

she died shortly after from exposure & shock. WILLIAM BRANHAM ALSO GOT VERY SICK with tuberculosis from exposure & cold & wandering around in the wet & the water, & he nearly died too. In fact, I think he wanted to die because he'd lost his wife & child in the flood. But he said that while he was so sick in the hospital & telling the Lord that he wanted to die, he dreamed that he was walking across these beautiful flowery fields surrounded by wooded hills, & there was this beautiful little cottage!"

[19] Berg, David. 1975, Apr 6. THE CHINESE DEMON!--Spirit Gifts & Problems!--The Genesis Story Part 3. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1436. "WILLIAM BRANHAM WAS ONE OF THE HUMBLEST MEN I EVER KNEW, a little old country fellow from Kentucky! He just butchered the proper English & he was as common & as crude & as hicky as they come, but he had great gifts! He was a little tiny squirt too, a little bald-headed man just about the size of Ho here & about as baldheaded!--A little more baldheaded! And the Lord sent him across my path."

[20] Berg, David. 1979, December. Millions of Miles of Miracles. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_0897.

[21] See The Impact of William Branham's UFO Theology on Peoples Temple. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://jonestown.sdsu.edu/?page_id=110982

[22] Berg, David. 1986, Jan. WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY TO SAVE A SOUL? Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2089. "BUT ACTUALLY, I'M CONVINCED THAT THE HALOS REALLY REPRESENT YOUR GUARDIAN ANGEL! I think I told you that before, that Angels are flying saucers. They took a picture of William Branham one time & he had a halo, & he believed it was his Guardian Angel, one of the spirits of God, hovering over his head to protect him & keep him. So usually, I believe that halo represents at least your Guardian Angel! Of course, Angels can change form & everything. But I don't think you would have gotten much out of our story if we just had halos alone represent the Guardian Angel. Don't you think you get a little more out of it by seeing them usually depicted as Angels? I even let Eman put wings on Flame, although Angels don't even really have to have wings any more than you do! You're going to fly without wings!"

[23] Berg, David. 1986, Jan. WHAT DID YOU DO TODAY TO SAVE A SOUL? Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2089.

[24] Berg, David. 1984, Nov. HALOS!--On the Heavenly Posters! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1876. "EVEN THE OLD CLASSICAL ARTISTS' MASTERPIECES USED HALOS! They apparently had seen'm & they apparently had visions of them then. I think God gave some of those guys like Michaelangelo visions of those beautiful art masterpieces! You'll notice that on a vast number of them they had halos.

Remember that photo of William Branham with a halo over his head? (See BOTM 2, pg. 822 or WNE Pg.577) Well, they don't always look just like hoops necessarily, or rings, but what else is circular that I have told you is the appearance of certain beings which are always with us in their, you might say, transportation or energy form?--Flying saucers! And I told you what I think those are, in fact I'm convinced that's what they are!--Angels!"

[25] Berg, David. 1983, Sep. HEAVENLY COLOUR!--More Heavenly Art! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1626. SOME ANGELS' HAIR IS NOT BLOND, although when I saw my guardian angels that time--& it's funny, I can only remember one head & face really--he was blond. But they're not all blond. Dear William Branham said his angel was dark-skinned, black-haired & looked like an Indian from India! So I think his brown hair is okay!"

[26] Berg, David. 1983, Sep. HEAVENLY COLOUR!--More Heavenly Art! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1626. WHAT ABOUT THE ANGEL & THE SECURITY CENTER? The Angel is white, of course, but on all these angels slightly tanned bodies ought to show through. People usually think of angels with golden blond hair, but of course not all angels have blond hair, some even have darker bodies with dark hair. That angel that William Branham saw could have been his spirit helper instead of an actual angel, so that maybe is why it looked like an Indian man. But the popular conception of angels, of course, is white wings, white gowns & blond hair.

[27] Berg, David. 1982, Oct 31. MILLENNIAL SEEING IS BELIEVING! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1450. "THERE ARE GOING TO BE SOME ANIMALS IN THE MILLENNIUM, & SOME APPARENTLY IN SPACE CITY! You wonder how that can be? Well, I don't know! All I know is it was!--Ha! I didn't know how it could be 2125 AD either, but he said, "Well, it is!" (No.629) (Family: If William Branham saw his rocking chair, surely people would see their pet animals that they grew up with or loved very much!) I think some of them wouldn't be happy if they didn't, because they had some pet that was really dear to them."

[28] Berg, David. 1985, Mar 18. I PREFER THE NEW EARTH!--Regarding Heavenly Art! Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2120.

[29] Branham, William. 1959, August 23. Palmerworm, Locust, Cankerworm, Caterpillar (59-0823). "Find me the word 'trinity' anywhere in the pages of God's Bible. It's a man-made scheme, an old dirty church rag wrapped around, to take the place of the sap Line of God's Holy Spirit. No such a thing."

[30] Berg, David. "ISLAM!--Chapter 1. 1975, May 18. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_0631. "NOW YOU KNOW THE CATHOLICS AND SOME ARE SO STRONG ON THE SO-CALLED TRINITY, but I don't

even believe in the Trinity. You can't find that word in the Bible, so why should I believe it? But I believe in the Father and I believe in the Son, Jesus, and I believe in the Holy Ghost."

[31] Branham, William. 1963, March 19. The Second Seal (63-0319). "The devil, as I proved to you the other night, is in a trinity, just like God."

[32] Berg, David. CLOSE ENCOUNTER! 1978, Feb 26. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_0710. YOU SEE, THE DEVIL HAS A TRINITY TOO, OF WHICH HE IS THE GOD, the Father. Then he has the Antichrist as his son, and then he has the Evil Spirit, the False Prophet. The Devil has imitated everything else--he's even going to imitate the death, resurrection and Second Coming of Christ in his Antichrist Son!

[33] Branham, William. 1963, June 30. The Third Exodus (63-0630M). Just—just like Hitler did, over in Germany, led them right into a death trap, them precious Germans. And they laid by the billions, or millions, piled up there on top one another. And that's exactly the same thing. And remember, I'm on tape. You'll see it, after, maybe after I'm gone. That's exactly what's going to happen. Them precious people will die down there, like flies. Starts a revolutionary, both white and colored will fight again, and die like flies.[7]

[34] Branham, William. 1963, August 18. The Uniting Time And Sign (63-0818). The Jew—Jews united themselves against Jesus, as their—as their Messiah. Therefore, we see what happened. We see the same thing now, communism uniting to destroy the church, after the church has united in the World Council of Churches and trying to destroy the Message, the Word of God.

[35] Berg, David. WORLD CURRENTS! 1986, Jan. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2092. THE LORD SAID THAT MARTIN LUTHER KING'S WORDS WERE SMOOTHER THAN OIL, BUT WAR WAS IN HIS HEART. (Psa.55:21) I was watching him on TV & he was so clever & slick & smooth & appealing to the American people. He was supposed to be a non-violent candidate, a preacher, peaceful, always talking about the Lord. And I asked the Lord, "What is he?" & just as clear as anything it came to me! I think I cut the Bible that night! I remember I was sitting in front of my Mother's TV & listening to him.

[36] Branham, William. 1963, July 21. He Cares. Do You Care? (63-0721). "And I think that Martin Luther King is Communistic inspired, which is going to lead about a million people to a absolutely a death trap. See? I don't say the Lord told me that. 'I' believe, see. And I believe it shouldn't be done."

[37] Berg, David. THE RAPTURE!--Part 22 of "The Garden of Eden!" 1981, May 12. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1190GOE. BUT I'M CONVINCED THAT THESE HERE SOUND TO ME LIKE REAL GENUINE JEWS WHO LOVE JESUS & who were the first Christian disciples & followers of Christ in the early

pioneer Christian martyrdom era, who suffered the horrible ten persecutions of the Roman Empire. And they're praising God, glorifying God, & here we have several angelic announcements by angels of God, like trumpeters, like heralds of the King coming out on the stage & announcing a new thing that's about to happen or has just happened. AND IN THE MIND OF GOD, AS FAR AS HE WAS CONCERNED, BY THIS TIME BABYLON HAD ALREADY FALLEN. She had fallen because she fell prey to the Antichrist government of the Tribulation, first of all during the first half of the Antichrist's reign & rule. The first three-&-a-half years of his seven-year reign he cooperates with Babylon, the false religion of the World. But then he turns on her & destroys her, his only competition left! (Rev.17:16) Now, the Protestants have called Babylon the Catholic Church, some have called Babylon ALL churchianity, but if you're going to picture this Babylon & you find out she was full of merchants & riches & great wealth & so on, you're not just going to have to include a few little obvious religions.

[38] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago, the Children of God's gospel of free love outraged critics. Under fire from deprogrammers and child-abuse authorities, the cult virtually disappeared. It's back--calling itself 'the Family' and saying it has changed. But former members are skeptical. : A True Conversion? Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-03-21-vw-13345-story.html>. "One such doctrine is that 'a small group of international Jews (is behind) a worldwide conspiracy' to discredit Christianity. In a 1982 letter to followers, Berg refers to Jews and 'their stooges, the Negroes' as 'the curses of the world' and blames both for 'nearly everything that's evil.'"

[39] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago, the Children of God's gospel of free love outraged critics. Under fire from deprogrammers and child-abuse authorities, the cult virtually disappeared. It's back--calling itself 'the Family' and saying it has changed. But former members are skeptical. : A True Conversion? Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-03-21-vw-13345-story.html>. "And in a 1978 letter attacking Israeli treatment of Palestinians, Berg (who claims Jewish ancestry) tells followers that 'every Jew is a terrorist, every Jew is a robber' and 'I think (that) if I could get over there and had a gun, I think I'd shoot 'em myself!'"

[40] Branham, William. 1964, December 27. Who Do You Say This Is? (64-1227). "God is a segregationist. I am too. Any Christian's a segregation. God segregates His people from all the rest of them. There—There has always been a segregation."

[41] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago, the Children of God's gospel of free love outraged critics. Under fire from deprogrammers and child-abuse authorities, the cult virtually disappeared. It's back--calling itself 'the Family' and saying it has changed. But former members are skeptical. : A True Conversion? Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-03-21-vw-13345-story.html>. "In fact, Berg

once wrote: 'Yes, I'm an anti-Semite because God is! Yes, I'm a racist because God is!' He added: 'If a people are hated, there must be some reason. . . . Why anti-Semitism? . . . Well, if you lived on Miami Beach like I did, you'd know why!'

[42] Berg, David. 1981, Nov 22. BEFORE & AFTER THE WAR!--The Safer Places.--World Series Ch.8 & 9. Accessed 2023, Jun 6 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1094.

[43] Berg, David. THE REALITY OF THE FUTURE! 1985, April. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_2162. "THESE WERE NOT CHURCH BUILDINGS, THESE WERE ACTUAL GROUPS OF CHRISTIANS IN EACH OF THESE CITIES. I believe it was literal. If you read Scofield, he'll tell you that these were church ages & dispensations, that they were not literal churches, that was just typology. Well, I'm broad-minded, we've accepted doctrines from all kinds of groups, & whenever they're right I'll accept it, I'll take it, I'll add it to my doctrine & our teaching, & I have. We teach some Mormonism, some Jehovah's Witness, some Seventh Day Adventism, some Pentecostalism, some Baptistism, some Methodism & some Catholicism. We teach a little bit of everything, we teach it all, we've got it all! We're the greatest, we've got the best of everything! Hallelujah?

[44] Endtime. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/Endtime>. The Family believes in a post-tribulation rapture. David Berg outlined the 16 major events of the Endtime as follows: 1. Last Days 2. Signs of the Times 3. Economic Crash 4. Rise of the Antichrist 5. Signing of the Covenant 6. Breaking of the Covenant 7. Abomination of Desolation 8. Great Tribulation 9. Atomic War 10. The Rapture 11. Marriage Supper of the Lamb 12. Battle of Armageddon 13. Millennium 14. Battle of Gog & Magog 15. Great White Throne Judgement New Heaven & New Earth

[45] Mann, Pete. 1962, Nov 8. Erupts Over Evolution. Miami Herald. "The Rev. David Berg, radio-TV director of the Soul Clinic, charged that the textbook used in a high school biology course presents evolution not as theory but as established fact".

[46] Berg, David. 1980, Apr 5. Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from https://www.xfamily.org/index.php/HomeARC_ML_1548. "I SAID, "I HAVE 19 MINISTERS HERE WITH ME TODAY WHO AGREE WITH ME." In the meantime I had gone before the Fundamentalist Ministerial Association, Full Gospel Businessmen, & recruited all the help I could get. I appealed to them for help & to come to the School Board meeting where we were going to come to a showdown where I was to have my last say. Out of 300 or more in the town, 19 of them showed up, God bless them!"

[47] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago, the Children of God's gospel of free love outraged critics. Under fire from deprogrammers and child-abuse authorities, the cult virtually disappeared. It's back--calling itself 'the Family' and saying it has changed. But former members are

skeptical. : A True Conversion? Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-03-21-vw-13345-story.html>. "Badgered by cult deprogrammers and condemned by New York's charity-fraud bureau, the Children all but abandoned the United States in the mid-1970s. The controversy followed them, but the sect survived and sociologists defended the group as authorities in several countries unsuccessfully leveled charges of child abuse."

[48] Branham, William. "I repeat, I sincerely believe and maintain as a private student of the Word, along with Divine inspiration that 1977 ought to terminate the world systems and usher in the millennium. An Exposition Of The Seven Church Ages9 -"

[49] Rivenburg, Roy. 25 years ago, the Children of God's gospel of free love outraged critics. Under fire from deprogrammers and child-abuse authorities, the cult virtually disappeared. It's back--calling itself 'the Family' and saying it has changed. But former members are skeptical. : A True Conversion? Accessed 2023, Jun 7 from <https://www.latimes.com/archives/la-xpm-1993-03-21-vw-13345-story.html>. Badgered by cult deprogrammers and condemned by New York's charity-fraud bureau, the Children all but abandoned the United States in the mid-1970s. The controversy followed them, but the sect survived and sociologists defended the group as authorities in several countries unsuccessfully leveled charges of child abuse.