Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed #4

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Gracious Heavenly Father, we pray that Your peace may descend upon us, Lord, to calm our minds, our souls, Lord. Just fill our spirits within us, oh God, and that giving—the body giving also away to it, Lord, that we might be perfectly still, as Your Word said, be still and know that I am God.

We realize, Lord, that unless body, soul and spirit comes under Your dominion we can not be still and know. There is no way, Lord. But we are to know, even in this hour, Father, when Paul said one day I will know as I'm known. And we believe that that is true in a great measure this side of the resurrection, even at this moment. And so we want to know You, Lord, whom to know arises life eternal. To know You according to this Scripture, it's the truth.

So Father we just humble our hearts before You and ask for Your grace and Your divine intervention. It's a complete mediation of the Lord and savior, Jesus Christ, the complete intercessory power. And Lord we look to heaven and ask that all heaven be be foe us this morning and all the grace of the power of God to help us, Lord, because we know this is that end time, and it's all needed. We need the full strength of God, the full armor.

So we dedicate ourselves and consecrate ourselves to You, that You might bless us this day. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

You may be seated.

Now of course we're dealing, I believe, with Christ is the Mystery of God Revealed, number 4. And before we start reading on page 28, paragraph 3, it's good to recall that Bro. Branham divided his message into three parts. Thus the great plan of God therefore contained the three-fold purpose. Three parts in a three-fold purpose.

Number one, God desired to reveal Himself. Number two, He desired preeminence in His church. Number there, He purposed a restoration.

Now remember that this is a prophet speaking, and so therefore the Word of the Lord comes to him not only as the basic principally revealed Word, but also the interpretation of It as we saw in the life of Moses, and we see in the lives of other men. The Word is given, but it's many times far beyond the mind of the one who is receiving It. In fact, it's always behind them—beyond the mind of the receiver, so that much is not

understood. And very correctly Bro. Branham said that had the man understood it, he wouldn't have dared say it, he would have actually not wanted to say it.

You say, "well, can a person defy God?" You see, that's the beautiful part of it, that a man who would like to defy God can not even defy God when it comes to this Word. Balaam couldn't do it, and he was not a true prophet of Almighty God, he was a prophet. So you can see the power of revelation. When God wants to do it God's way, He'll get it done.

So I'm saying here that Bro. Branham—being a prophet and speaking by revelation, revealing the Word to us—this revelation does not come like one, two, three portions of Scripture. This is God revealing to him what was in the back of His mind, or in His mind you may say, before there was any form of creation. This is that great master plan. So it's not that it wasn't revealed in here, it's all in here, and he goes to Scripture concerning it. But he just lets us know that this is what came to him from God. And you'll see today—I trust we'll get that far—you're going to see how tremendously important this message is. It's beyond me, it's beyond any of us, unless the Lord really helps us.

So those three great divisions, God desired to reveal Himself, He desired preeminence in His church, He purposed a restoration. Now these three divisions immediately set forth very evident truths.

Number one, if He desired to reveal Himself, He must create something with such attributes, or the ability to comprehend and apprehend the revelation of Himself which He would give to those creatures. Furthermore those creatures would have to have a need of it, or His purpose would be useless. In other words, He did not create them with the understanding of Himself, He created them in such a way that He would actually unfold Himself to them and they would have a constant unfolding of that One.

Number two. If He desired pre-eminence in the church so that He is the eminent or main character, He must form a corporate body from those creatures He made, of which He is indisputably the head and manifesting such majesty as to compel the members to respond to His position. That's right. He'd have to have a membership that would be able to respond to His position if He is going to have headship. In other words, they couldn't be scattered off and flung out, they would have to be a corporate body whose—had a single eye. And the single eye is always the revealed prophetic Word.

All right, the membership would need this to be complete. The membership would need this to be complete—that pre-eminence. Remember, revelation, pre-eminence, back to Eden—restoration. They come sequentially, one, two and three. You can't put two ahead of three. Well, you can put two ahead of three, you can't put two ahead of one. It's one, two and three. All right? He must form a corporate body then that would give Him the pre-eminence.

Number three, if He purposed a restoration, then it was already foreknown that His church—which He would predestinate—at one time or another had to stumble and fall. And this is known as the plan of redemption.

So, revelation and pre-eminence are concerned with redemption, or restoration. They have to be. And restoration would bring us into the image of Chris, or another plan of redemption would be necessary. Now this redemption we have must bring us into the image of Christ. It's got to get us right back there, because man fell from that image, He has got to bring us back. If it doesn't, then they require another plan of redemption. Showing that, many people who speculate on this and wonder if there's life on other planets, and will God have a further plan? It could not be redemption, it would have to be that which came out of redemption, as far as we can see from Scripture.

Now, Bro. Branham develops his theme. We notice that he begins to use the companion word to the word revelation, and that word is expression. So this revelation of God is by God expressing Himself, and He does it by deed and by Word in His own personal expression. In other words, He doesn't leave it to somebody else, He does it Himself. And that expression, of course, came forth in Jesus Christ, the Christ that we know as Jesus.

Now back in Eden, after He had expressed Himself as Father and was in fellowship with His children, enjoying the pre-eminence, His children disbelieved Him. That broke off the revelation, broke off the pre-eminence and demanded a restoration by redemption if indeed a restoration was possible. And you notice God made it known exactly, that is, He made redemption known exactly when it was needed. He did not put it there ahead of time.

Now I want to ...?... these words I'm saying are to make you think, because many people still can not understand a Word of the hour, a Word in season. They say, "here's the Bible. We believe in the plenary edition. Hallelujah. That's all there is to it. Anybody can go to there now, bless God, and get it."

Nobody can unless it's the hour for it. You can't do it. This is the fallacy of every single organization and every church in the world, outside of ours, and I can prove it if I had to, wanted to, if I took the time and spent the money. If you don't believe it just read their books. See? We're the only people taught that you look at what Jesus is doing now, and understand Hebrews 13:8. There's nobody else understands it as we understand it. Some had a little understanding way back but today we have the clear understanding.

His children disbelieved Him. That broke off the revelation, broke off the preeminence, demands a restoration by redemption, if indeed a restoration was possible. And God made it know that He was that Redeemer right at that time, and He set the revelation contingent and relative to redemption by saying that the serpent would be bruised and that also the heel of the redeemer would be bruised—God showing redemption by the cross. And this is what we must see.

Man, who is religious man—in other words, we're talking about now how they disbelieved the truth. And this is what we see all through Scripture and we see it today. That man, who is religious man, continually turns aside from truth and until revealed truth is accepted, God is unrevealed. And therefore He has no headship and no restoration is possible.

Now that's like a lead balloon, but I'm sorry. I'm not hear to argue the point, I'm here to teach the point, you do what you want with it. We've shown conclusively by Scripture after Scripture after Scripture, the Blood does not avail unless you walk in the light. And we are strong eternal-security believers, by the way. We don't believe you can fall away, we believe that God will rip you and bring you back to Himself if you ever were a part of Him. We care not how low a person sinks, we only realize this one thing; how far can God make you rise in Him. And He'll get you there.

That is exactly why today there is a Shout, a Voice, and a Trumpet, which the Shout is revelation, and it's pre-eminence and restoration all going on at the same time. You see them successively, God bringing the Word of this hour, the present Truth, which we were warned by Peter to look at and to revel in. Also, He will raise the dead, giving Him that utter pre-eminence, taking us back to the wedding supper, which will fulfill revelation—I mean restoration as we come down back here upon the earth.

Now with this in mind, we can realize more clearly why Bro. Branham could say what I'm trying to show you, is that the Bible is right. Everything taken to the Word and not distorted because we have God Almighty backing up and vindicating a prophet, which is what the others can not do. Now why did the others turn down a prophet is because they don't want to be un-vindicated.

God never un-Christianized anybody, people un-Christianize themselves. When did God ever walk out on the people? The people had to walk out on God first. Study your history and find out. God's not standing around with a baseball bat or an ice-cream cone to either beat you or cajole you into coming to Him. It's all foreknown, it's all in predestination, and those who can not see that can not see these things. There is no way.

And when a prophet brings the revelation and the truth of the Logos and it is made known, all disbelievers are harlots and prostitutes to God, and only a small bride will inherit the Kingdom. That's exactly what revelation teaches, you do what you want with it. The Bible says narrow is the gate that leads to life and immortality and very broad is the gate that leads to anyplace else, so when you see a broad thing happening—which is the churches coming together—you got to know it is not of God. Now you have to be insane sitting there, or you have to be self-deluded. There is—or Satan's got you completely in his clutches if you can not understand this: narrow is the way and Christ is the way. Narrow is the gate and Christ is the gate.

Remember the gates of Hell are against the teaching we have today, and that means the whole broad spectrum. You know what I told you a gate was? The gate signifies the aperture to an enclosure. And it's by that aperture that you get into the enclosure, where you are bound. The sheepfold has it, and the devil's fold have it.

Now, what are our gates? Our gates are Christ. He's got to be living, present Christ. What are their gates? The denial of the very thing we teach today, that the Lord has ascended with a shout, put Himself at the head of the church to raise the dead. Yes, He's here in the form of a Pillar of Fire by the Holy Ghost. You can do what you want with it, it's been vindicated. You can say, "well you go by pictures, you go by this, you-" We go by the Word of God. You do what you want.

One day you may die for it but you'll have the strength, don't worry. If there's no strength here, there's people die as heretics and they go for what they believe there. God doesn't let His people down, never has and never will.

All right. As it started with Eve, the first bride, it has continued through the ages—that's disbelief of the Word. She left the Word and God has got to get her back. Today with Bro. Branham, we'll look at where God wants that bride placed so she can be restored in spite of the fall and in spite of her description in Revelation 3:14 and 20.

How is it that the people that are—that I came out of myself, recognized as most spiritual people to ever be upon this earth until this time—can not understand what we're talking about; that the description of Revelation 3:14-20 absolutely describe the conditions of everybody and something has to be done about it. They say, "well, that's everybody but me." How can you be so ridiculous? You're there. You're there. Let me read it to you and find out what we are talking about. Revelation 3. Here's the church. Here's the Baptist, Methodist, Roman Catholic, Greek Orthodox, Pentecostal, and they're all Pentecostal today, there's none that aren't. They've all embraced the fact that the tongues are the evidence of the Holy Ghost. So here's the Laodicean Church:

14 ... These things saith the Amen (that's the One that's is going to close it off), the faithful and true witness, the beginning of the creation of God;

Where God began creating Himself in a form. And right down He said, "I'm that One and I'm here in My form today.

I know thy works, that thou art neither cold nor hot: I would thou wert cold or hot.

Yeah. You say, "I tell you what, these people are the hottest people under high heaven." Not according to God they're not. Well you're, "that's according to your assessment." Now you say, "now I don't believe it." Then the Bible's a lie. Then quit pretending. Church is in his whoredoms already. See, denying the Word.

Eve became a prostitute by denying the Word. She was a prostitute to her own husband. We got—I don't care—it's all right. No fuss with anybody, it's just the Word. You say, "well that's your interpretation." No it's not, it's what Bro. Branham said. A man that's vindicated. The rest of them weren't—they still aren't.

- So then because thou art lukewarm, and neither cold nor hot, I will spue thee out of my mouth.
- 17 Because thou sayest, I am rich, and increased with goods, and have need of nothing; and knowest not that thou art wretched, and miserable, and poor, and blind, and naked:

Now that's the condition God said. The churches will say, "we're not that way." The Bible said you'd say that. Now what's He say? "Behold I stand at the door and knock." And He's outside trying to get back in. Well ...?... can do that. Any Bible

student—well then why don't they preach it? "Well hallelujah, we're in God's pocket. Big revival coming." The Bible says no revival's coming. Misquote every single Scripture and say they belong to God. What God do you belong to?

Now that goes for everybody sitting here this morning, what God do you belong to? Are you quoting with the truth or against the truth? Where do you stand, in or out? Well you got to face up to fact, not some little tidily-wink experience you had. What's your tidily-wink experience? Ha! What's that go to do with it? Simon the sorcerer had experiences too, anybody gets experiences. I can bring you books here that make your hair stand on end, make you wonder what you got, if you have got something or not. What devils can do.

Oh, the church only wants to talk about devils can do the nasty rotten things like drugs and dope and all that stuff. Get to the fine point, the razor's edge, and see what Satan can do. Stand right like God as though he is God. And his ministers, angels of light, speak in tongues, prophesy. Get the people believing and even the sick are healed. Bones knit where you can't even see a break. Go to the Philippines, with spiritual healers. Go to Argentina, go to Brazil, where the spiritual healers are. Come to America to look around, see where it is. And you'll wonder if you know God at all when those guys get through with you. And if you don't know this Word you're already gone.

I can say with all my heart, though He slay me yet will I trust Him. Bro. Branham said stay away from that stuff. I won't even go to a man on TV or one of those men who preach the name of Jesus Christ or anything else and I know they are off the Word if I could get my healing. Would I use a man like that? I'd sooner die. You say, "God will make you eat you words." He's in the process of doing it, don't worry.

There's worse things coming upon the earth, brother/sister, you better be prepared for it. You think Bro. Branham was kidding you with this Word of God—kidding you? This is all prelude to the great, great tribulation's coming on the scene. Why? What are they turning down? What's going on?

It's got to be right where it was in the beginning. She left the Word and so did the Ephesian church and the Corinthian church left the Word. Let me read it to you. What did it cost you, read it the last time, read it again.

I don't like going to these sermons, takes me all year to finish one of them. Got to do it, got to do it. [2 Cor. 11:1-3:]

- 1 Would to God ye could bear with me a little in my folly: and indeed bear with me.
- 2 For I am jealous over you with godly jealousy:

What is the jealousy? The jealousy is of a man who doesn't know, can't prove that his wife has had an affair with another man but he is suspicious. So he takes her to the temple for the jealousy test. And there the priest takes the dust off the floor and puts it in the bowl, mixes it, and she's got to drink it. And if she's been unfaithful to her husband, this is said her belly will begin to swell like a pregnancy and she'll die—bust—literally

the bowels will burst and she'll die with it. All right, Paul says, he said, "I got this suspicion," he said, "you're messing around."

- 2 ...I have espoused you to one husband, that I may present you as a chaste virgin to Christ. (Now the espousal and the presentation absolutely depend on what is following.)
- But I fear, lest by any means, as the serpent beguiled Eve through his subtilty, so your minds should be corrupted from the simplicity that is in Christ.

Now let's go back to Galatians and find what he means. It's not too hard to find out what he means, so turn over to Galatians ...?... Alright, he says here in verse 8, chapter 1: [Gal 1:8-9:]

- 8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.
- 9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any man preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

He tells you right there, there's exactly what it is, fornication and idolatry, the whole thing. Getting off of the Word. Well you say, "who's on the Word?" Well who would you like to see on the Word? Well I know what you'd like to see on the Word. You'd like to see a nice group of men, or some college president, or some friend of yours, some nice person would tell you, "honey, you're wrong. You got to get a prophet." If you want to get something that's really real you better pray for a prophet, because the chips are down. You could get away before but you can't get anyway anymore.

Listen, when the chips are down this is judgment. Was all right before, it's not right anymore, because God said in His own Word, I'll sent Elijah or destroy everything. Now you take your pick! Now get your Elijah. Get your friend, get your preacher, get your president, get your pope, your bishop, anybody. Get him. Say, "I'm going to make you my Elijah."

Not me. You better have something that looks like Elijah before I'm going to take it. They don't even believe it. They say that's for the Jews. The same man taught you about the Rapture, saying you're going to escape the tribulation. You'll be like the Jews. He said, "you're going escape." The Bible said Elijah comes or all gets destroy. Now what side does Elijah come on? So where's your preacher now, your president, your Baptist, your pope? Where's your spiritual adviser now? You've been sold a bill of goods.

The Bible said He's got to—He said when He appears you got to see Him before you are changed. They quote John 3:2—1 John 3:2—quote it, quote it, until they are black in the face and they don't even know what they are saying. They're quoting their

own judgment and damnation, because the Bible says before you are changed you've got to see him. So let's see him. What does it mean to see him? Let's find out.

Some church dogma—I'm not satisfied with church dogma. Let me tell you something. 19 years of age, I think I was, October. The snow was falling in Calgary, Alberta, Canada. The revelation came to me, ask and you shall receive, seek and you shall find, knock and it shall be opened. Ever asking is receiving. Knocking—seeking is finding, and knocking is opening the door. When I knew that was that, I went before my face before God, and I received what I positively know to be the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

But I left that building crushed in my spirit, knowing—and I said, "oh God, what is wrong anyway? Something is wonderfully right and something is wonderfully wrong." And it took me over fifty years—about fifty years—no, it took me forty-something years to find out what was wrong. They were off the Word of God. They had what was right back there, enough to get us through, but they still weren't on the Word of God, because the Word of God wasn't restored and it must be restored. I ask you, who's going to do it? See, you can play with this message all you want, brothers, I'm going to preach it serious, sober and strong, because it's going to do my soul good. I feed the Christ in me, the inner man that way. That way I know I'm going to escape.

Soft pedaling isn't going to do it. There's been a letting down in this church. This church has got to come back beyond what it was even. Oh yes, I can preach sober messages for a while. I preach this doc—I devoted my time because my parish is almost around the world, these messages go out. Sure they do. I don't make any bones about it. You know and I know. But I tell you, it's you people I see day by day and I love and I'm worried about. Because there must be a rising above some of the things that are going on. There's not enough—I say with Bro. Branham, in my life and in your life there's not enough sincerity and sobriety. Because we are down to the wire, brother/sister, make no mistake about it.

Reading now from Bro. Branham's message:

²⁸⁻² *Now, we see His mystery* (This three-fold mystery that had the three parts.) *He had hid in His mind before the foundation of the world.*

Certainly. He had to have it back then or... He wouldn't be God if, you know, He was some kind of evolving sort of a thing. We might evolve but God doesn't.

...and let's begin at the--the 1st chapter of the Ephesians, to read. And now, as the Sunday school lesson goes on now, in this threefold manifestation of Christ, let's read. Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God... (Now, watch, it's not addressed to the world, but)... to the saints which are at Ephesus, and to the faithful in Christ Jesus:

So therefore as we said before, this is an exclusive revelation for an exclusive people. Nobody can be born again and not realize that this is the truth. Nobody can even go to church and even have a simulated rebirth and not know that it's the truth. Because you got literally billions out there, you—that—there's five billion people in this world today, let's understand there are not one billion so-called Christians, which take in Greek and Roman Catholic, and every Protestant. They're getting up there. It's over seven hundred and fifty million last I heard, but they're not a billion.

So there's a billion Christians. There's billions out there who wouldn't accept this for anything under God's high heaven. So you got to realize whether you understand predestination or not, this is an exclusive message for an exclusive people, or there's an exclusive people that take this message and therefore make it exclusive because the others don't want it. Anybody knows that. You go to any Bible school they'll agree with at least that much, whether you agree by the grace of God in the security or not.

In other words, these are the preachers of the vessels prepared unto honor, because God is revealing Himself here. This is the revelation, and the revelation are to the saints in Ephesus, not that there aren't saints in Corinth and down in Thessalonica and in Rome and in various many other places—they're there. But this epistle is addressed to them and it's to the Bride worldwide.

And it said you are an exclusive people because you have an exclusive revelation. You're the vessels that are prepared. And they would have to be prepared to get it, and that's understandable because the other vessels evidently aren't taking it so therefore they're not prepared. I know that question is up for argument right there but I'm not going to argue the point.

²⁸⁻³ How do you get into Christ Jesus? by joining church? By birth. By one Spirit (I Corinthians 12) we are all baptized into one Body. See? All right. That's the ones he is talking to there; that ain't addressed to the outside world. We can't talk to the sinner on this, 'cause he knows nothing about it. Paul didn't address it to no sinners. He said, "This is to that--that--that group there that's in Christ Jesus."

Now the carnal mind can not receive the Word anyway. That's why there's such division. If everybody that says he's a Christian was truly baptized with the Holy Ghost, there would be one mind because one Mind gave that Word and It's only got one revelation. You say, "what are we going to do, Brother Vayle? We'll just rely on the blood." The blood won't work without the revelation.

Do you really believe the Bible this morning? I'm not going to shout at you, I'm just going to find—do you believe—I just wonder. I'm not trying to downgrade anybody, take anything away from anybody. We're all on the spot this morning. I'm on the spot because this message is a tough one for me. I told you I'm laboring under certain points. The main point is Godhead. I may die without understanding what I want to know. All right, that's fine by me if I do. But it's getting clearer somehow.

Listen: [John 3:16-20:]

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.

Now the blood then doesn't specifically cover everything without a condition. There's got to be a believer there. He's got to believe. Now let's watch this.

17 For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.

That's the blood again. Without the shedding of blood there's no remission of sin. Therefore with the shedding of blood there is remission. Now watch:

18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already,

Now the blood is been shed according to this. This is the preview looking forward to what's going to take place and already having taken place. John based upon the fact that this is taken place because John wrote this after Jesus rose again, died and rose again.

18 He that believeth on him is not condemned: but he that believeth not is condemned already, because he hath not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.

Now there's a universal concept that Jesus died for everybody, and we accept that. We do not pull any punches on that, we go along. That's your Greek and your Roman and your Protestants, the whole kit-and-caboodle, and even, say, well, your Mormons—my Lord, what a bunch of us there are. Now listen, they believe that. Now, watch:

- And this is the condemnation, (In spite of the fact of the blood.) that light is come into the world, and men loved darkness rather than light, because their deeds were evil.
- 20 For every one that doeth evil hateth the light, neither cometh to the light, lest his deeds should be reproved.

Now I want to ask you a question. Who did the Roman Catholics hate? Lutherans. And they did their best to exterminate them. Millions, maybe well over a hundred-million they killed. Have the Roman Catholics changed their doctrine? No, because that's what killed the Protestants, their darkness. Now then, who hated the Wesleyans? Lutherans. Who hated the Pentecostals? Wesleyans. And whose going to end up hating this? Pentecostals. You say, "oh no!" Oh then, you don't—look it. Forget it.

I want to ask you, did Luther have light? Yeah. What do the Catholics hate? Light. Did Cain have life? Yeah, turned it down. What did he do? Killed the brother that took it. Now read your history. At the time of Luther there were many, many people who could have had the light, it was spread before them. Even Augustine had the

light and turned down the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Augustine, the man that said if God struck down Paul raging against Him, then the Catholic church can strike down anybody in order to make them proselytes of the church too. So now God murders. The Catholic church sanctions it.

Now, what happened in Luther's day? They turned down the light of the Wesleyans. When Pentecost came, who brought the guns out and shot the Pentecostals? Yes, they took shotguns and blew at them. And some were even killed. Wesleyans. Good old Protestants! Same whorish spirit that the Roman Catholics and the rest of them got. Now where is Pentecostal today? Everywhere. It's the end time church. Rome accepts them, everybody accepts them. Yoy accept what? The baptism of the Holy Ghost by speaking in tongues. And then honor a pope? Have Orders like they do, and still have the Holy Ghost? Come on, brother/sister.

If you can't see—listen, it says light, light. What is light? Now there you are, say that's a good question. Well it's the Bible. Well just a minute, aren't we all fussing about the Bible and arguing about the Bible? Then who's got a word? Call a great conference, who's got a word in the conference? Seven hundred men, seven hundred ideas, says... As the premier of South Africa said it, he said, "if Moses had been a committee, the Israelites would still be down in Egypt." Won't work.

God said "I'll send Elijah." God said He'd do it His way. You say, "I don't want it that way." Just like right here that says, Elijah's going to come. People say, "oh no, that's not light, because we don't know." You don't know—does that make it right? Maybe someone else does know. I think God does know. Why doesn't God then fill His Word out? See, that's the secret, that's the whole thing.

Now I got to talk this way to get all these veils off your faces, because I know it's difficult, and I'm not accusing anyone here of having a veil on his face. But I'm going to tell you one thing, if you're thoroughly veiled as that little song you sang this morning concerning Jesus Christ, then there are no other veils there, and if they are they got to fade and fade and fade till the one veil, Christ, is left. It's got to go, see?

All right.

Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ.

Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all spiritual blessings... (where about?)... in heavenly places in Christ:

Heavenly places. Oh, how I wish I had time. Here I've got it marked right here in my Bible about heavenly places. What is heavenly places? Heavenly places (just for a moment) is the believers' position in Christ (See?), where the believer stands in Christ, in heavenly places.

Now there is such a thing as state and standing, which is true. Your state may be pretty abysmal but your standing is always perfect because you have a representative. As Bro. Branham says, when you pray or when you speak even, no matter what it is, your life... God does not see you. He only hears you through the blood. He sees your representative, Jesus Christ the Righteous, which is a hundred percent true. Because, why do you have an intercessor? You have an intercessor to save you from going to the person. That one goes for you, and that one then pleads your case, and the man accepts the intercessor for you. So therefore we have an intercessor in Christ.

According as he hath chosen us... (Listen close)... chosen us in him before the foundation of the world,...

When did He choose us? Before the foundation of the world, when (at the time) His great hidden mystery, His great secret... He chose us in Christ before the foundation of the world.

... that we should be holy and without blame before him in... (What?)... love:

Having... (a what?)... predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to himself, according to the good pleasure of his will.

You notice the desire and purpose accomplished right in here. All the rest—now here's the desire and purpose. That God wanted to have us as His children by means of redemption, buying us back, and it was a plan that He had in His mind before the foundation of the world, and He wanted us predestinated acquisition. And what does He do? He adopts us. And that word adopts us means places us, and the placing is in Christ through the baptism with the Holy Ghost.

Now the desire and purpose of God was accomplished in this. Everything else that's in the Word of God is—are merely trappings or environment as Adam and Eve in Eden. What I'm trying to show you is this: the main thing that God wanted was Adam and Eve, but He wanted everything else for them. So He put Eden around there and put them in it.

So therefore here is what we're looking at. We're looking at the plan of God, not the extraneous, the trappings and the environment. We're looking at that one plan of God. What did He have in mind to have children, though fallen, would be thoroughly restored and fully restored to Him. Then everything else goes with it. That's why if you understand that, you don't have to worry about the future or the past or the present or anything else. You just have the one consideration of you in Christ and Christ in you, and you are there on the grounds of the revealed mystery. And I'm—why I say on the grounds of revealed mystery, that's where you put your faith because you have the truth of the hour.

²⁹⁻¹ Predestinated... There's the mystery. (Now he used the word predestinated, there's the mystery.) He'... Before Christ or anything else was ever on earth (You see His great mystery?) that He chose the Bride, knowing Eve would fall from disbelieving the

Word, knowing that she would fall, but He would choose a Bride that would not fall, that would hold to that Word regardless of what all the rest of the world had to say about It; they would hold to that Word. They are predestinated to stand there. The adoption of children by Jesus Christ predestinated the Church to that great alorious stand.

Now look-it. When you see—what's he saying here? He said He knew that Eve would fall. Now Eve was innocent, she had a pristine revelation. She didn't have anything to bug that revelation. She had nothing contrary to it. She was in the garden as an innocent person—not righteous, but innocent. Now then what happened? Satan comes to her in the form of the beast—the creature, the great beast—and he beguiles her. And he gets her off of that Word and she disbelieves the Word of God. Now watch, she falls. Adam falls with her. And everything single child of God through the human race has now fallen. For it says wherein Adam they all die, or they all fall, all separated from Christ. Now Christ is going to bring all those who fell back to a union in Him.

Now notice what it says here. God knew He would have a bride who wouldn't fall. She was already fallen. And when He got through with her by placing her as the legitimate sons which make her up, they—not one of them—could fall. So therefore you can not see the grace of God and the strength of God and the power of God and the salvation of God, the righteousness of God, the goodness of God, the mercy of God, hardly anything of God, outside you're fallen and receive grace. And then it's secured to you. That's why people who think they can earn their way to heaven will never get anything from God, because they deny the very purpose of God, which is revelation, preeminence and restoration.

So you see what he is saying here? Fallen sons are now placed by the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Now many people don't even believe any baptism with the Holy Ghost. Then how are they ever going to get near it? They can read this Bible like the Church of Christ, and categorically say, "only the twelve apostles had the baptism with the Holy Ghost. Nobody else gets it." And the whole Word is full of it!

You say, "why, how can they be so blind, Brother Vayle?" How can some of you sitting here be so blind, or hearing my voice out yonder? Oh no, we can't call the kettle black. I've been blind all my life for what most of these things, though I had a lot of truth. I'm blinded right now to some of the things the prophet said. I just sit here and say well, God, if you don't show me I'll never be shown. I don't have to know everything; you don't have to know everything. But you have to know what God's doing for this hour. Doesn't have to do it all to you and me—forget that, that's not true.

Only the very elected of Matthew 24 at the end time will not be deceived. Now let's look at that. Now brother/sister, come on. Let's go to Matthew 24 and read it. Let's talk sense this morning, not some silly thing here that isn't sense. In verse 24 it says: [Matt 24:24-26:]

For there shall arise false Christs, and false prophets (even lying prophets), and shall shew great signs and wonders;

insomuch that, if it were possible, they shall deceive the very elect.

Now that's not the antichrist per se, that's they, that's the company of people. Who are they? Those that prophesy. Sure. And pray for the sick and heal the sick. The Bible says so. Many will come in that day and say, "have we not prophesied in Thy name and cast out devils, done wonderful works." And Judas himself was there, an incarnation for Satan himself, and he cast out devils and raised the dead with the rest of them. Jesus didn't say, "all you eleven go out, but Judas, you bird, you stand there, you won't have a thing to do." He let him go out and do everything everyone else did.

When they came back and they said, "why, some of the people are doing the very things you told us to do. Should we call down fire upon them, make this a very exclusive club." "Why," he said, "you don't even know what spirit you're of." And Judas was of that bunch. He took the twelve aside, didn't say took eleven aside, he took twelve aside. Judas was there.

It doesn't say the devil heals the sick or raises the dead, just tells you flat that there's power out there. These men, like angels of light, point you eyes towards God, say, "We're of God." You start believing God and the results come, and they'll get judged on Judgment Day.

Now he said:

- 25 Behold, I have told you before. (That was in Matthew 7.)
- Wherefore if they shall say unto you, Behold, he is in the desert; go not forth: behold, he is in the secret chambers; believe it not.

In other words, you can meet with Christ out there in some far-off place, but the cute one is here about the chamber. The secret chamber means where three of four people get together and come out and to tell you something. A little low form, symposium or something. Yeah. Elijah's one man. It tells you there.

And now what I was looking at was this: they'll show great signs and wonders that if it was possible they shall deceive the very elect. In other words all but the very elect do not get deceived. So whatever light in truth there in at the end-time—and there has to be something, or where would deception come in? And it tells you right here that only a very few are going to believe what you are supposed to believe to get ready—get you out of the Tribulation, and not be deceived. Then how in the world can you have a world-wide ecumenical society, ecumenical group that's going to give you the truth? Can't do it.

Millions now living will never die—that's the biggest bunch of lies in all the world. Billions are going to die, and a mere handful's going to get out of here. That's the truth of the Word of God. Then somebody doesn't have the truth, and somebody does have the truth. And not one billion have the truth, and four billion not have the truth. If you could get one million out of one billion, you'd be doing good. Let's face it, Joshua and

Caleb were the only ones out of two million people, and that's over twenty years of age, that got into the—Canaan's land, which typifies in a limited, very limited, sense of the millennium. It actually typifies Exodus.

So what am I trying to tell you? Before it's all over this truth will lie trodden-down in the gutter, and stepped on and denominations will have taken what they want of it and preach it. And the whole thing will be a mess of perversion.

How many's going to make it? I don't know but it's going to be very few. How many where in the ark, and there were five billion on earth at that time? Come on, think about it. How many made the ark? Eight. You say, "Brother Vayle, I hope there's more than eight people in this building." I hope everyone in this building makes it. I really do, sincerely, because why would I want anybody not to make it?

I'm not God. I'm not the judge. But I want you to see something here, there is a Word here, there's a light that people have to turn down, according to Scripture, and people just, "Oh I can't just believe that." And that makes it right because you can't believe it?

This is a hundred percent wool suit. You ...?... say, "Brother Vayle, I don't believe the wool can be that fine, and that could be that light." I got news for you, I don't care what you believe, it's a hundred percent wool. Maybe not the four ounce, but it's pretty close to it. It's not a Louis Raw...?... six hundred dollar suit, it's a hundred-twenty-nine dollar suit. Mom knows the truth. She said, "I can't believe that." You don't have to believe nothing, it's still the truth.

I'm just letting you know how people are. They are so casual with the Word of God like casual about a suit. There's nothing to be casual about. It says this is the condemnation, light's come into the world, and men therefore can't have the blood because they turn down light. And all through history it's been shown.

Look, I've got Luther's books. Lutherans don't believe like Luther. I got some of what Wesley said, I never saw the Wesleyans believe like it. And I'm way back in Pentecost, got baptized with the Holy Ghost nineteen years of age, about. That's fifty-three years ago. I'm going to tell you right now, when Joseph Stiles came on the scene—and we got his book right back there, if you want to read it. And I could rub your nose in it—and I mean that gentle and sweetly—I could rub your nose in that book and I mean rub it good. He led Pentecost right down the drain with Mr. Du Plessis, led it right down the drain. I heard Mr. Stiles years ago. He's dead now, and I'm not wanting to speak evil of the man because I got nothing evil against him. He did his job, but he was wrong. Been wrong, really wrong.

Same night I was baptized, some things true and some things wrong. Today by the grace of God I know what is true. Whether I'm a part of that Truth or not is another story. We can't boast of ourselves.

²⁹⁻² Now, you see the secret? What to? To restore fallen Eve, as she was a free figure of the church. And now notice, as God opened up

the side of Adam and took out Eve (And that is He took Eve out, see, from Adam's) by his own flesh and blood, and divided his spirit from masculine (from Adam's masculine spirit to Eve's feminine spirit) and feminish, to feminish and put it (the feminine spirit) in Eve, took the rib from under his (Adam's) side and made Eve out of it; (See, he talks about the spiritual aspect and the physical) so God did the same thing, taking out of the side of Christ the Blood and the water (and Christ is the Word), and taking the Word and making up His Church,

Now, look-it. Brother/sister, let's understand, if I'm a chicken I will eat chicken feed. If I'm a dog I will eat dog feed. If I'm a cow I will eat cow feed. And if I were a pig I will eat pig feed. And if I am a sheep, I will eat sheep feed. And if I'm bride, I will have to have Word to feed me. And it will not be corrupt word; it'll be the Word of God that's uncorrupted, because Paul mentions it. Now if you think that's not true, let's go over here to 2 Corinthians, where he mentions here in the third—fourth chapter, second verse. [2 Cor. 4:2:]

2 But have renounced the hidden things of dishonesty, not walking in craftiness, nor handling the word of God deceitfully;

Now remember at the end time there are men who are deceived and deceivers. And Paul said the Bride fell because of corrupted word. Her minds were corrupted. What corrupted the mind? The word was the wrong word. So all right, the Bride being the Word—miniature Logos if you want to put it that way—what will she have to have? The Word. See, the Bride restored back to Him again. He's got to have that bride brought back. The Bride is brought back to Himself again, redeemed by the blood that was drawn from His body.

Now I want you to notice the word redeemed. Don't ever forget, no matter what anybody tells you, and the legalists will tell you—that doesn't understand grace and the security doctrine—he'll tell you that you were a hog and turned into a sheep. He will tell you that you're a reprobate and got to be an elect son. That's a lie from the pit of Hell because the word redeemed means to buy back, and to back signifies previous ownership, and also signifies that the one that has the object must be redeemed. It's merely in custody of the object until the owner can get it back by a purchase price. And every type in the Bible shows it, that's why the land itself was redeemed and couldn't bypass the bloodlines.

So therefore, redeemed means to buy back what was formerly in the possession of the true owner. So these are sheep—as Peter said—which went astray, not hogs, not dogs, not chickens, not cows. Cows are a type of the footloose and don't know where they are going. Sheep are the type that can't even afford to be footloose because they don't know what it is. They'd only get lost so they got to have a leader. See? Okay, redeemed...

...redeemed by the Blood that was (drawn) come from His Body.

So, in other words, now the Bride is going to have life. And what is that bride? She's got to be Word-bride. And she'll signify it by the fact that she goes to the light, the light that shines in darkness and the unbelievers didn't like it. And remember the evil deeds of Cain were because he disbelieved God, wouldn't line up with the Word, and yet he presented a more beautiful, lovely sacrifice than Abel did. And the Bible calls it an excellent sacrifice, because Abel's was more excellent. And it's called the evil work of Cain—not killing his brother, but by trying to worship God when truth struck him he turned the truth down, from that moment on everything was gone. And in the sight of God he and his works were evil. So you could raise the deed and speak in tongues and cast out devils and do a million things, die, and you're still lost if you haven't got the Word.

Now let's get this straight. You can honor the blood until you've destroyed the power of the blood. Let's honor Him who gave His blood. And He's the Word. He is the living head of the mysteries. As Bro. Branham said, Christ is the doctrine, Christ is the Seals, Christ is everything, for God is in Christ. That's why in the beginning was the Word, the Word was in God and the Word was God. Don't try to make an emphasis where it doesn't belong, put the emphasis back on God.

You see it now? God's great mystery being unfolded that's been hid since the foundation of the world, (from before the foundation) but prefigured it all the way down through... And here in Ephesians and many other places... (You get the types. On that he said that's enough of that.)

30-1 Now, down through the ages He has been slowly unfolding this mystery. Can you see now?... (We'll go over it again.) What happened in the prefigure now? He opened Adam's side and took part of his flesh, which was Adam, to make Eve. (All right.) The Bride has to be the Word, for He is the Word.

And He's in here. The preeminent one, every verse... hey listen, any Bible student that believes anything at all, that's got any insight, just said, "look it," he said, "that's the revelation of Christ." He'll tell ya. Even the history, everything, because—see, what's history? The history is God dealing with Christ dealing with man and God, and man refuting God. Man's reaction. So there's nothing that hasn't been touched by the light of Christ, even the devil, bother. Let's face it, he doesn't operate without permission. All right:

The Bride has to be the Word, for He is the Word.

That's, Eve had to be human? Because she came from human. She couldn't be goat or chicken or something like that. God might have said to her—which He couldn't have said—could not might have said, or anything else. What if God said, "well," He said, "I tell you, I change my mind. Now I'll take Eve out, make her a mermaid. And that means Adam won't have to fish, he'll just send his wife out and get a fish." You think God does stupid things like that? I'm trying to bring a point across to you. She had

to be what Adam was. Then the Bride has to be what He is, because the Bible said she was in Him. And we're typing this thing in a figure.

So therefore if He is Word, He is literally a substance with the expression, or substantial expression with the thought, which is that Life of God there. We have even a printed page which will delineate it, describe it. How much more than a bride will have to be in there and a part of Him? See? But when God did that through human instrumentality—everybody goes, "huh."

Let me be very crass and carnal. Man is so goomed up as Bro. Branham would say, concerning His thinking, that the procreative act that brings God's children into this word as brought us, had been made a sensual, dirty thing instead of a righteous ordained act demanded and commanded of God. And the best the world can do is fun, fun, fun. Nothing allowed of God or ordained is dirty or unholy; it's what people do with it. And so you have a job sitting here because every act in your life and mine has been a fun, fun thing because children are born by sexual desire, and no other way, unless—no, no other way. Any way would pervert it.

Therefore man feel, "how then can this one have been in God somewhere?" Your body, my brother/sister, is not the seed, it is the carrier of the seed, it is the chemistry to give it aptitude, viability, mobility in this present world of necessity. It's viable and mobile in that other world, but here it has to have a covering. And the covering is allowed of God even as your spirit is allowed of God, but your soul is a gene from God, and when God put that in Adam, He never changed the form of life any more than you and I have our forms changed of life, which is called a human life.

So there is a mixture of God in man, and man looks at the part that's man and he can not believe, "could I have ever been in Christ." If you never were then you are not now, my brothers and sisters. You say, "Brother Vayle, I can't believe that." Then you see, you're not bride in the first place, you're not a child of God in the first place.

A little chick, baby chick, runs to its mother. A little baby kitty runs to its mother. A jackass—yeah—runs to its mother. And that's what God said. He said, "the birds of the air have their pack." And He said, "they know how to take it." And He said, "the ass knows how to go to Scripture." He said, "My people don't understand and they don't come. What is the matter?" And I'll tell you why. Because all Israel is not Israel. And all Christians are not Christians. And all reborns are not reborns. I could prove that by psychology. There's only one rebirth and that's, brother/sister, when you come to this Word.

Is it ready for turn-over? [Brother Vayle inquires about the tape.]

I'm slow this morning on purpose but I want you to understand this. Listen, the Bride has to be the Word for He is the Word. In other words, if He is the Word and I'm bride, I came out of Him, I got to be Word. Then Word upon Word will pile on you, see? You're going to feed your soul. Now all right, listen.

The Holy Ghost is the Word of God in you, that identifies Itself by accepting that Word. What is the Holy Ghost? The Holy Ghost is the Logos of God, that which came out of God being a part of God and expressing God is in you, and identifies Itself by accepting that Word. In other words, It knows if that Word is right or not, where the source is correct. Outside of that it can't be the Holy Ghost. If it says it is the Holy Ghost and denies one word of that Bible it can not be the Holy Spirit. That's the evidence, whether you believe it or not.

"Well I believe it cover to cover."

Do you believe it when it's manifested? That's another story. You say, "well, I'll tell you what, I'll believe." You? Oh come on. Come on. Come on. Brother/sister, I am weary of myself as a human being, and I'm weary of knowing the principles of this life, but what are we going to do about it? Let me read to you something, on the ninth chapter of the book of Romans: [Romans 9:1-5:]

- I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost,
- 2 That I have great heaviness and continual sorrow in my heart.
- For I could wish that myself were accursed from Christ for my brethren, my kinsmen according to the flesh: (Didn't say the spirit now; the flesh.)
- Who are Israelites; to whom pertaineth the adoption, and the glory, and the covenants, and the giving of the law, and the service of God, and the promises;
- Whose are the fathers, and of whom as concerning the flesh Christ came, who is over all, God blessed for ever. Amen.

What more could you want for that than that? What more could you want? Still lost. Still not a part of the Word. Then what about today?

"Why, bless God, I went to the alter when I was 16 years of age. Why I prayed at my mother's knee. Why I never knew a day when I was out there sinning. I want to tell you, yes sir, when I went to the alter as a good-old Methodist, I was thoroughly sanctified a Nazarene, absolutely positively I thought I was full of the Holy Ghost, but I laid aside sin, and I was not bound with sin in my heart."

Oh, that's a good one. I've heard that too and I watch them go into sin afterward.

"I spoke in tongues, went to Pentecostal church, I got all that, yes sir. I got every single bit of those things. And my mother was a good-old Nazarene, and my father, I tell you, he was a shouting Baptist, right down the line. I'll tell you, yes sir, I know the things of God. I'm a real servant of God."

You can have all of that and be a hundred percent lost. It says right here, all flesh. All flesh.

Look-it here, the Holy Ghost is the Word of God in you. What else could it be? That which came out of God and is God doesn't make Almighty God Himself in you, it just makes that which was, and identifies Itself by accepting that Word. If you'll walk in the light as He is in the light, you have fellowship one-another and the blood of Christ cleanse. What does it say? There's no cleansing blood without walking in the light.

"Well I did this, I did that, and I... I don't..."

Look-it, I would honestly say before you people here and it's a little bit ridiculous in this sense of the word, because it's—I don't mean—you know, just listen to what I'm going to say and put it together if you possible can. Look, I don't suppose there's one person sitting here that doesn't have finer qualities than I have. You have got great qualities. Love, kind—there's tremendous things about you. But you know something? If you don't have the light, the blood doesn't do anything for you, because you got to walk in the light.

You say well, "I am walking in the light." And hundreds of denominations fussing with each other and nobody vindicated. "Now we'll go across the board and we'll find something we all agree on. We can find ninety percent of what we agree upon." But what if the Word of this hour was not agreed upon? So they say, "I don't believe there is a Word fo0r this hour." Is that a fact? Then how come Pentecostal came when it came? How come Luther came when he came? How come Wesley came when he came?

There's seven ages and seven messengers and they take a period of time bringing up to the finalization, when the end of the seventh age Elijah has got to come or the Bible is all a lie. Then what good has it been to be nice people and kind people when we could have had a lot more fun being otherwise? Why deal with the spirit when the whole thing is in the flesh? That's what I'm trying to say.

Let's understand it, brother/sister. Can't do it. If it says it's the Holy Spirit, denies one word of that Bible, it can not be the Holy Spirit, and that's the first thing right off that. You can tell millions of Protestants right there and almost all the Catholics, both sides of the fence. They're gone. They're gone. They won't even look at it. Now what about the ones that fuss about it and no vindication, nothing to prove it? But you got to one place where I tell you what, we're all loving Jesus and we're all under the blood. What do you do with the Scripture that says if you turn down light? So you say, "well I think it's—I haven't turned down my light." What if your light is darkness?

Don't tell me the Roman Catholic didn't have light. Come on. Over the years of the Dark Ages they had great men of God like St. Francis Assisi. Sure. Way back there they had Martin, Colombo. Martin was actually a great prophet of God, didn't pull a punch. It's all been a tiny, tiny few through the ages. Over 700 million Protestants.

You say, "well do you, Brother Vayle, do you believe you got the truth?" No, I don't have the truth, that was given to me. No I never had a thing to do with it. I believe Elijah came.

The Bride has to be the Word, for He is the Word. She cannot stand on creeds; She cannot stand on denomination; She cannot stand on good behavior; She has to stand alone on the Word, because She's part of It; She was taken from Christ. See?

Now look at Christ. Christ was separate from sinners, that meant he stood alone all by himself, even from the disciples. He one day stood alone and proved it, and they crucified him.

How many of us stand with denominations and say, "well, I know I was taught right? I know I'm going to stick with what I believe." And this is getting the veils off of your faces whether you know it or not, get it away from your hearts. If this wasn't preached this way you could sit here this morning and every single time we come to church, and let those veils still hang there. There has to be a repudiation. There's got to be one single veil, which is Christ, which is revealed Word.

³⁰⁻² And to be sure that the whole Rapture now... Luther was a part; Wesley was a part;

Colombo was a part, Martin was a part. Iraneous was a part. Paul was a part. Every single church age has its part. See?

the prophets was a part. If they aren't a part... just in the revelation that they was making up the Body: (No other way.)

What good does it do for the Catholic Church go to South America and make those poor people down there believe in their three gods by pouring molten lead or something in their mouths but they wouldn't repent—or boil them in oil? What good does it do? You know how—what good it done for the Catholic Church? Made them a big church. And now you go to Haiti and you got voodooism right amongst the priests. You go to Mexico, you got the brand of what they believe down there as Indians mixed with the Catholic religion. There is no such thing anymore as the true Catholic religion. You find it and I'll eat it. That's why they said the thing in Latin all these years and fooled everybody. I'm preaching Latin this morning to some of you for all I know, so I'm sorry. I hope not, I hope not, I hope not.

But listen, through the revelation they were making up the body:

feet, toes, arms and so forth until the Head (which we get to that in a few minutes, see?) that makes the entire rapture.

And that's exactly true, because it's a body we're building to. And remember, headship is of God. The head of the Bride is Christ. So therefore we only come up to here, to the neck. The plans...?... which the head is placed upon which is the Christ. Now that's a spiritual process of revelation. So therefore the spiritual head has to come

to the spiritual body, so Christ spiritually in this hour is being revealed as He's never been revealed before.

Do you get what I said? The prophet said it, I didn't. I didn't say that, that's what the prophet said by vindication. And you'll get everybody else but us to agree and say, "oh no, oh no."

Now the physical part is going to meet Him in the air when the physical Head meets us. But it's the spiritual part here that gets everybody ready and in the resurrection takes us up there. See? Are you catching the picture?

It's the Body of the Word, which is Christ. Amen. Outside of that, you're lost.

Outside of what? You don't go by experience, you go by Malachi 4. Nobody wants to read that. Nobody want to read ther4es not going to be a great big revival with millions saved. Everybody wants to say that's the way it is. Great big revival, millions and millions saved. The Bible doesn't say that, but everybody wants to say that.

Now nobody wants to say, "hey, unless Elijah comes everybody's going to get destroyed." Nobody wants to say that. I wouldn't want to say that myself except it's in the Bible.

I don't care how good you are, or what your relationship is, or what your fellowship is, or what your organization is; you're lost outside of that Word being in you.

Now remember, he's speaking currently concerning the message of this hour, which we covered in *The Rapture*.

³⁰⁻³ "If ye abide in Me (the Word), My Word abide in you, then you ask what you will." because you and the Word are the same.

Now let's understand this, brother/sister, that nobody in his right mind spiritually will ever misplace this Scripture and make it say more than it says. The statement is enough. But let me look at this, but—bring your attention to this. *If you abide in me and my word abides in you*, that is what is paramount and what is the real thing, not what you ask. Now check your own church and your own experience. Just check it. And honestly before God, will you not admit with me that you have in your hearts and in your minds, not wanting to perhaps but inadvertently done it, you put the abiding into a little experience, and grinned and said, "now what me go for it. I'll start asking."

Isn't it really true, if you abide in Him and He abides in you, that you don't need to do much asking—if really any at all, except what He told you to? Because look-it, we as parents don't need our children to ask except at times that they really feel they need to ask. Does a child come say, "are you looking out for me?" You are so looking out for that child that when the child comes in with the ripped pants over his knee, he doesn't give a rip, except he might be worried that you might strike him. You're far more

concerned about the tear than the kid is. You're concerned about everything that happens to the child. How much more God, see?

It is...the asking is all right. Look, I'm not against it because it's in the Word, but I'm trying to show you where the importance lies, because you and the Word are the same. And if you and the Word are the same, then the Holy Ghost is working within you. Let me read you over here in Ephesians.

Should have let you read this sermon yourself, take it home, read it and get me off the hook. It's taken me so long to get through these. Now look at what it says here: [Eph 3:20-21:]

- Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us,
- 21 Unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

The literal translation, now unto Him who in the exercise of His power that is at work within us. He's exercising it. So if we are one, you can be very, very knowledgeable in this respect, that God wants to be working in you and working everything that He can work to your good to give Him glory. Well how much time do we spend upon asking, asking, asking, asking, asking? Worry, worry, worry. Fussing, fussing, fussing? Comparing, comparing? So you see what we are driving at. Now there He's got preeminence, as Bro. Branham said.

He has the preeminence. He's got the rulership. You're a--you're a prisoner to Him. The world is dead. You have nothing more... You see the rest of the people living the way they do, but yet you do not do it. You're a prisoner; you're yoked with Him. "My yoke is easy." (Yoked with Christ, with His Word.) (See? Under the token.) "I do that only which pleases the Father. And if you can't believe that I am He, then believe the Word."

So in other words, if we really understand and believe, we're going to see our position in Christ does not make us askers so much as we are simply takers by obedience to Him. Now let me show you something here in 1 John 5, so you get what I'm really talking about here. Now I don't say don't ask in prayer, but look, let's understand where the important thing is. Now, watch what he says in 1 John 5:14-15:

- And this is the confidence that we have in him, that, if we ask any thing according to his will, he heareth us:
- And if we know that he hear us, whatsoever we ask, we know that we have the petitions that we desired of him.

Now that's just a simple little statement there. See, you just can't believe it's so simple. Let's go to 1 John 3:18, and reading from there. (No, that's second chapter. Get me 18, right over here.) [1John 3:18-24:]

- 18 My little children, let us not love in word, neither in tongue; but in deed and in truth.
- And hereby we know that we are of the truth, and shall assure our hearts before him.
- For if our heart condemn us, God is greater than our heart, and knoweth all things. (Now what is condemnation, John said himself in John 3? They wouldn't come to the light.)
- 21 Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God.
- And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight.
- And this is his commandment, That we should believe on the name of his Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, as he gave us commandment.
- And he that keepeth his commandments dwelleth in him, and he in him. And hereby we know that he abideth in us, by the Spirit which he hath given us.

Now that tells you right there from the baptism with the Holy Ghost on, you are able to walk in light and be all and be pleasing to God, as Paul said, a bondservant of Christ, and you'll be doing those things that are pleasing. And out of that comes the fact of God Himself moving in your behalf at all times, all things working together for good.

So you can see, you've got to start with that revelation, brother/sister, that puts you under the custody of blood. The Holy Spirit constantly moving. Then with that, there's where your confidence goes out. The life begins to manifest itself, and the things of God come to you. Now I know this to be true, because Jack Palmer was out one time with Bro. Branham, and he said, "Jack," he said, "look it, don't keep asking God for things." He said, "that's not the way you do you." He said, "God will give you." See? Just waiting to give. If you being evil know how to give good gifts, how much more will the heavenly Father give you good gifts, of which one is the Holy Ghost?

So you see, we're looking at this thing of starting this church, we believe this church must be founded absolutely upon this revelation. And no matter if this revelation is delayed in manifesting itself, Christ delays the literal coming in the air to meet a bride, all of these things. You just keep moving and moving and moving, move on with God, with this Word, brother/sister. Don't stay away from this Word. If you're worried about not enough love in your heart, just fill your heart with this Word here because that's

where it's going to come out. Fill it more and more with the revelation, put your time upon it, put your life upon it.

That's why I say get a little bit worried... I know Bro. Klassan's a little bit more worried than I am about attendance. That every time that door is open people should either be lined-up to get in, or it should be somebody's well enough ahead so they wouldn't have to be lined up to get in, come to the house of the Lord. Whether it's a job in question, always try to get the job that's going to give you the time to worship God and come together, where you get the Word. You'll get, far as I know, the Word of the Lord here this morning in the pulpit, there'll be other time, see? We want it that way. If we can't have it that way, I don't want to come to church myself. Just stay at home. Now if you can't, not...

³⁰⁻⁴ Notice. Notice now, down through the ages, He's been gradually letting this out, slowly unfolding the mystery through the prophets and through the types. Now, we can just go on to that... and expressing Himself.

Now Christ is the mystery of God revealed, see? And He's expressing Himself. And he's giving us some backgrounding. Now watch, he's going to start with dealing with people.

He expressed Hisself in Moses. Look at Moses: borned in a time of persecution of the children (of Israel). He was borned to be a deliverer. He was hid in the bulrushes just like Jesus was taken down into Egypt. He came out; he went up on the mountain, come back with the Commandments. Jesus went up to the mountain, His first sermon (Sermon on the Mount), come back down with the Commandments: "You've heard them say them old times, 'Thou shalt not commit adultery.' I say to you, whoever look upon a woman to lust after her has committed adultery."

What's he doing here? "Well," you say, "he's magnifying the law, and he's making the thing tougher."

No, he's warning you how these things come. He's telling you here, look, if you're going be looking upon women with the idea of the intention of a pleasurable time, because sexuality expressed is pleasurable, he said that's what you're going to end up as. It was given as a function of procreation. Now man doesn't want to look at that. He doesn't want that as an act of procreation, though procreation is involved in it. That's the idea. Procreation is not number one, it's simply an aftermath and too bad it's there, because this other we like better. Now he's telling you how to get rid of the lust and get into love, where men that will have their own wives.

How could they marry years ago, a man not even seen the woman and the woman not seen the man? And he might have been—why he was taught not to, that character didn't lay in—didn't lie in a voluptuous figure and a beautiful face. The parents were looking for someone that would be good, be a good mother. The Bible even mentions

that. It said Leah was tender-eyed, but Rachel, she had sparks flying. And Jacob was big enough nut to want the sparks flying. So God worked it so he got the sparks didn't fly. And who died first? It wasn't Leah that died first, it was Rachel died first. Well she had a couple of fine sons, that's true. She's the one that stole the idols. She was kind of a sexpot and a mess-pot. You don't find that about Leah, see?

Now arranged marriages were fine, because that was the tradition of the hour. That's why it was arranged to who you were married. Period. That was it. Because that was it. It's not in this land. You got to have papers and things. One time you didn't have to. That may be true and I'll not argue it, but you got to have them now. Otherwise society would completely break down.

You know man's got a job to do in society. Government's ordained of God. I can take you to Scripture and prove it in Corinthians. Government's ordained of God. They're ministers of God in a mundane world, the same as ministers are of spiritual here. But you see, what was it? They could marry back in those days and they understood there was an affinity between man and a woman. If there wasn't, how in the world...

There was a sexuality that God had ordained but wanted it placed a certain way. And Satan reached the woman through that. Anybody knows that by a study of Scripture. So you know, man got into that rut, polygamy and all those things. God had it ordained this way, that you could come together as a young woman and a young man, not even knowing each other. But that life which is a sharing—which is a sexuality shared—would hold the man and hold the woman if they had a modicum of anything, until they learned what their parents already knew, that the fiber was there in both of them for good marriage.

In America it's a good marriage if you got a lot of money. [Brother Vayle snorts.] These stupid old goats that made a lot of money, then they ditch their lovely poor old wives and got some young thing. Oh, they sure bred a nest of corruption. Look at it today, and those stupid women ran off try to marry counts out of Europe. No accounts, any phony baloney. Hog wash. The big dukes, and all that stuff. So what do you got? Nothing! Back there you had a real sanctified marriage. Now if we could have that today it would be great. It would be really great. Can't have it today. Society doesn't do it, see?

So that's the way it came down to, said, you heard you should not commit adultery. Now they that look upon a woman to lust have committed adultery in there. Bro. Branham said a woman presents herself, she's already committed adultery. Now it's open season, right? Years ago a man chased the woman, today a woman can chase the man. Adultery. Sorry about that. Where's the day of the—all women don't need to be little brown hens, nobody wants a woman to be a brown little hen, don't mean she doesn't show an interest in a man. She's available. A man's available. But God has the higher priority, and that's to see that each one gets the right one. And there's none of us have to be so stupid you can't get the right one. Proving it, I'm up here and I know I got the right one. You just got to be crazy enough to believe. And thank God I had a

moment of weakness in myself and more strength in Him when I did believe, and He worked it out. And He will continue to work everything out.

And if you go on in married life you'll find if your marriage has its basis in God you'll find greater appreciating, greater love, greater depth, and everything in there, you'll finally come to the end of your trail realizing that life was so spiritual if you'd only recognized it, and was so much better in the physical when it is spiritual. See? This you understand Scripture here, brother. Let's get what was in the prophet's mind and the mind of God. See? Okay:

³¹⁻¹ He expressed Hisself in Joseph: born amongst denomination, his brethren. (That's typing.) They hated him without a cause because he was spiritual. He saw visions; God was with him; he could interpret dreams, and his brothers hated him. He was sold for all--by his brethren by almost thirty pieces of silver just exactly like He was sold by Judas Iscariot, one of His brethren, by thirty pieces of silver.

³¹⁻² He was (Joseph) throwed into a ditch and supposed to been dead. That's right. The father and them was told that be was dead. And throwed into this ditch, taken up and went to the right hand of Pharaoh. In the dungeon how he suffered there, and--and there was two saved, the butler and the baker: one of them lost and one of them saved, rather. And the butler (was saved). One of them was lost and the other one was saved. Just as on the cross, when He was in His prison house, (Christ was in the prison house.) a tacked to the cross for our sins (we become a prisoner), one thief was lost and one was saved (See?), just exactly. (We there were a prisoner, too.)

³¹⁻³ Then he become at the right hand of Pharaoh, the king, that he dreamed (And that's Joseph did.) and had the vision that he would set at the king's feet, and all authority in Egypt was given to him. His vision had to come to pass. He might've studied of it many times while he was in--in that prison down there, his whiskers growing out, and so forth, but he studied that someday his vision had to come to pass.

Though it linger, it's got to happen (as I spoke last night, or night before, Wednesday night here at the service). See? It has to happen. When God says so, it's got to happen. It's a vindicated prophet, and it has to come to pass, 'cause it's God's Word, and the Word comes only to the prophets. The word prophet means a revealer of the Divine written Word, as same as it does a forth-teller (See?), a seer.

And a lot of people don't want to accept that, but that's the truth. Moses had to go to God to know what that Word said. Yup, he had to go. Now, not one word can fail.

Even Satan can come on the scene and impersonate to throw people off but not one Word of God will fail.

³¹⁻⁵ Notice in the seer how that when, you know, he's coming forth, he's divinely a-vindicated by foreseeing and it comes to pass. "If there be one who's a prophet, will speak to you and tell you certain things that's going to happen, and if it don't happen, don't listen to him. But if it does happen, then I'm with Him. You better fear him, because I am with him." See? That's exactly. There's the a-vindication. There, where you know whether it's the truth or whether it isn't. God is speaking back through His Word to His people, by people.

God is speaking through His word to His people, by people. People don't like that. Well they say it's okay if it's my preacher. What if somebody comes by and supersedes your preacher? All my instructors were superseded by William Branham. Of course I could be a perfect idiot, I don't know, but as I told you when I sat there and saw the mighty miracles and knew this was a man of God, something inside of me said if you ever listen to a man that's the man to listen to. It didn't happen to everybody. I told you one man heard a voice say to him that's the way the Bible does it, you can do it too, and he's done it. The Bible says it's going to happen.

See, brother/sister, you can't lump all things in one pot. That's where we went astray in Pentecost. I don't—I was Pentecostal for years and years and donkey's ears. Spoke in tongues, that was it! Then finally the Roman Catholic priest and nuns speak in tongues and say hail Mary and say the pope's infallible—that's evidence? Now they're trapped. Oh, you got a bunch in there that are pretty, they're shying away, but they're not shying far enough away. Come out from among them.

You say, "well just because you came out, doesn't mean everybody else got to come out." No? But we got Methodists sitting here, we got Roman Catholics sitting here, we got Baptists sitting here, they came out. You just got to keep coming out, that's all. When it comes right down to it, not too many Pentecostals here actually came. That's all the better. Call goes to everybody, not just one group, not just one people.

³²⁻³ Now, we notice that through the types... We can take even David (as I spoke of awhile ago) going off his throne, rejected by his own people, going up the same mountain (Mount of Olives) as he was going over to his prison. (See, David was kicked out by his son Absalom) He was going to his prison house because he was rejected of his brethren and of his own people. (His own son did it.) He went up weeping. That was the Spirit of Christ in him to be rejected as he looked up over Jerusalem and wept and said, "Jerusalem, how oft would..." (I done so-and-so, you know, gather you. That was the spirit of Christ in David.) A rejected king. Eight hundred years later, the Son of David stood on Jerusalem,

up there above Jerusalem, rejected, and wept over Jerusalem and said, "Now, your hour has come." That's right. See? (It had come.)

³²⁻⁴ All those things typed Him (just in type), but yet the mystery was hid. Them men didn't know what they were doing. They only knew that they were led by the Spirit to do something. Now, holding it back in the last days for the great revelation, but expressing it...(That's in a measure see, now holding it back to the last days.) Express Himself in Moses, and David, and Joseph, and Elijah and on down through. You--we could take each one of those prophets and bring their lives out and show it expressed Jesus Christ perfectly, exactly, yet never giving His secret in full, waiting for to make it known in the last days

Now keep in mind every time he says making it known in the last days, this message is current, so do your best to follow me. I wish I could say as Bro. Branham, I'm not going to watch that clock up there, but I am going to watch it because I don't want to go too long. All right.

yet never giving His secret in full, waiting for to make it known in the last days as He promised, waiting for it to be fully comprehended (Not just a mystery, great mystery, but known mystery. A mystery can be known.) (See?) before He could express it...

...waiting for it to be fully comprehended before He could express it.

In other words, at the time of the expression, the last day, that's the day of comprehension. If He told the whole thing, and He couldn't because the Bible is written in a mystery. And Jesus just thanked the Father for it, see, that it was written in mysteries. Now let's watch, this is very important, study-wise, so...

(How much time do you have in that tape? Five minutes? I'll never make it. You may get ready to turn over.)

Now watch:

³³⁻¹ Now, the coming of the Lord is in mystery.

Now listen carefully please. I'm taking word for word, so gear yourself.

³³⁻¹ Now, the coming of the Lord is in mystery. We don't know when He's coming, how He's coming, but we know He's coming, See? (Now that's a statement.) And so was all the mysteries of God waiting for this last day. After it's already been completed then He reveals, He shows what He's done. Oh, my. Never gave His mystery in full...(until the last day.)

Now did you hear what I read, because there's an absolute contradiction there if you don't know what's being said. Now listen:

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So everything else that's to be revealed in this day is waiting like His coming, right? Now listen:

After it's already been completed then He reveals,

To whom? Not to us, it had to be the world. God revealed to the world, "hey, they're gone." Won't work that way, because the mysteries go to the Bride, otherwise God is so messed up in His word, who needs Him? The prophet's messed worst than God and we're messed up worse than the prophet, because the prophet's supposed to have heard from God and we're supposed to have heard from the prophet. So who's going to get this thing right?

Never gave His mystery in full...

So he tells you He's been telling all along. God comes on the scene and does things. Here's the burning bush. Now God has done something. And Moses comes and looks at the burning bush and he says, "hey, that bush isn't burning up! What kind of fire is that anyway? I better check this out." He said, "I got a little bit of science in my background. I'm a renowned general that got kicked out of Egypt. Fled for my life," he said, "but I," he said, "come on, I got plenty on the ball. I got to check this thing out."

And a voice said, "stand—step—don't come any closer, Moses. This is Holy ground you're on. Take your shoes off." And then God begins talking.

Now notice, manifestation, explanation. That goes all through the Scripture. So therefore God reveals Himself by manifesting Himself, and somebody's got to explain it. Now He can either give it to a prophet that's really going to get it and give it right, or He can give it to someone like a wise man that can deal with it, or He can give it to a scribe that simply writes it. He's got three choices: prophets, wise men, scribes, so don't you get any other ideas.

Now if I got to hit you hard, please forgive me. I've got to get this across to you because when Bro. Branham says things, he'll say something [Brother Vayle mumbles inaudibly], and you got to [Brother Vayle mumbles inaudibly again]. You'll lose your faith, lose your mind, lose your shirt, lose everything, because he's right back to where you were. Confused. And there's no confusion at this time. We're Gideon's army, every man with the light, and every man an army in his own. ...?... with one head.

Now he said the coming of the Lord is in a mystery—it's a mystery. What is the real mystery? Appearing, which is that Coming.

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So all right. He said He would send the Messiah born of a virgin. The word in the Hebrew, everybody knows, is alma, which means a young woman. That's like Bro. Branham could say every man said, "well, my daughter's going to bear that baby." Getting the booties ready, and the birds eye—which is a type of cotton which you made diapers, made into diapers. "We're going to get ready for it." Now, do you thing that every man in that nation believed that his daughter was going to have a baby without male intervention? If he did why did the daughters get married? If I was back in Israel and you were back in Israel, we had daughters and we said, "my daughter's going to have a baby without male intervention, the first male that came by, fill him so full of buckshot he'd rattle!

So let's get down to nitty-gritty. Not trying to deny anything Bro. Branham said or anybody else said, but let's get down to facts. See, that's why the Jews didn't care two cents for the virgin birth on the idea that the monks in the monasteries had already had temple virgins, and babies came by them. And women would go there at night and the monks had secret passage, come up and seduce the women, they had babies, they were "well, had a baby by God." Had a baby by fraud, not by God. See?

All right. Now, it says Elijah must truly come. Now got to go back to the virgin birth. Now here he's an angel come and said it's going to be without male intervention, and he is born without male intervention. Now Elijah must truly come, then Elijah has got to come in order to interpret that Scripture. And it's got to be interpreted by manifestation. Then somebody's got to explain it or you misinterpret what's going on.

Moses could have said, "hey, I got a secret. Well I know what I'll do." He said, "my fine nature within me. Money, money, money. I'll just bring the folk down here and charge them ten dollars to see a bush that doesn't burn."

Why not? What would you do? Well you say, "well I'd believe it's got no..." you hypocrite. You would no more believe that if... in an off handed way you'd know it was some kind of a something but you wouldn't know what God from a tin horn, or a trumpet in a séance meeting. There's no way. God had to tell him.

So we had the ministry of Bro. Branham in this day, and men did not say, "William Branham, how can you do it? Why do you do it? What's in it?" They said, "Oh boy, is this great!" That's what they said about Jesus. He said, "for which good work do you stone me?"

Oh they said, "no work, my dear sir. No work, lovely rabbi. In fact, raise all the dead, bless God. Break all the fishes, feed us all. Amen, hallelujah, we love it. Why don't you learn to shut your mouth?"

"Well I'm explaining what's behind all of this."

"Shut-up! We don't want to know it."

Well you got the same thing right today. There's no man can tell me he knew Bro. Branham's ministry and something didn't come over him. There's no way! When a man stands, says, "I challenge you, bring me your worst case. I guaranty you twenty-four worst cases." In British Columbia, Vancouver—absolutely guaranteed! You show me one man or five million men to say that, and I'll start licking the shoes of every five million people till my tongue wears out and the last of—my tongue wears any—kicks my head in and kill me. I'll give my body to be burned if that can be produced. But it can't be done. Yet people think, "oh my, what is this preacher Vayle talking like? He must be some kind of idiot?" well I'm an idiot. That's all right.

Revelation 10:1, a mighty messenger comes down. That's got to happen. And when it does happen, who's going to tell us about it? There's got to be a prophet on earth, a Revelation 10:7 with all the mysteries. That's got to happen. It's got to be explained. Everything has to be. People don't want it. That's the trouble.

1 Corinthians 14 says that's which is perfect has to come. Then it's going to come. Who's going to tell us about it? Hebrews 6, the great apostasy has got to come, who's going to tell us about it? Antichrist must be revealed, who's going to do it? It's all been done and explained. They said, "well it's not in my church." Oh, wasn't in this church either. Wasn't in any church so as far as I know, it was all across the land, see?

All right, does A contradict B? A.

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All right. Now just a minute. What coming does this refer to, that must be made known to us after it's done? Can I get caught up in the air to the Wedding Supper and not know what's been done? I'd have to be sicker than a dog. My God, how stupid I would have to be.

You don't think I'd—didn't know that I put that little black pellet to ease my throat, a little lubrication? Certainly not, I can taste it now. Notice my tongue going around? I'm not unaware of that. I'm not unaware that you people came in church, I came in church, sat down and came up here. I'm not unaware of that. I'm not stupid, you're not stupid, we're not nuts. Then what could happen of the Coming and we not know it? Appearing. The very thing everybody talks about, all the theologians talk about, at least the protestant fundamental. The secret Appearing. Then if it's secret, who's going to tell us the secret?

If the Thunders must come, who's going to tell us the Thunders? If He that spoke from heaven one day speaks again, who's He going to speak to? Who's going to tell us?

Hebrews 12. Canvass your churches. Be nice to go like the Jehovah Witnesses and go around. Canvass them, find out who knows anything.

"Oh we don't really know too. Ignorance is bliss."

Well they finally took a picture of the Titanic after it went down. And what is this, fifty years later or better? More than fifty. What is it, seventy by now? Seventy by now, yeah. Seventy. Nineteen-twelve, yeah, seventy years. Because I knew a lady who was on the Titanic. And everybody thought it got split in two, but it didn't. It just ripped one of the plates apart. Swoosh. Went down. Then it broke when it went down. Now we can explain it because you see, it's been examined and looked at. But if they didn't look at and examine Bro. Branham, then who's going to explain it?

If nobody came and said, "what about this rabbi?" Who's to blame? You say, "Well, I tell you, I think God's to blame." Do you think God is to blame when the church wouldn't let God in? Do you think—the prophet in? Who turned the prophet aside? Everybody but the Pentecostals, then they threw him out. Now William Branham was that man, where do we stand? I don't know, except in my own mind I know this is what God predicted and God said it would happen.

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Now listen, he's talking about this thing here, the great revelation of this hour, how it comes. Even brought in the Coming. Now he said:

It's just like this, comparing the Seven Seals. Now, when God used Martin Luther for the coming out, for that first church (that church age), and when He used John Wesley, and He gradually brought them out and was revealing in them that church age. (In other words, whatever he said about that age came to pass in the church age, that sure did.) When we--anyone goes back through the Bible now and find out... But in the last days...

Now Notice:

³³⁻³ The reason that was such a tremendous thing, that He spoke of it here and showed those Seven Thunders and "Look" and "Life" my "Life" magazine there, packed that circle of cloud and light

They still don't know what's that all—what's it's all about. Nobody can explain it. Then it takes somebody else to explain it, right?

there that they could not understand and don't know it yet, but here telling, "Go there and wait for these mysteries to be revealed" and here months before it happened; and then it happened, and exactly the way He said it would do.

In other words Bro. Branham is saying, "I said this month before it happened I would meet with seven angels, who'd reveal the mysteries of the Seven Thunders. Yup. Now you see, there's the picture. Now we believe—you say, "well I can't believe that." Well you don't have to believe it. That's fine. Let's read something in the Scripture, can't believe this either. 2 Thessalonians 1. It says here—I'll just start at 6. [2 Thes. 1:6-12:]

- 6 Seeing it is a righteous thing with God to recompense tribulation to them that trouble you;
- And to you who are troubled rest with us, (That means relax. Relax) when the Lord Jesus shall be revealed from heaven with his mighty angels,
- 8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:
- 9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;
- When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

Now I just want to let you notice something here brother/sister, let's watch this Scripture carefully. It says in verse 8—first of all, it says in 7: *He's going to be revealed from heaven with mighty angels*. Now that's the picture right there. And it says in verse 8 *He's going to be taking vengeance on them that know not God*. And the word vengeance does not mean necessarily at that time to literally burn them up. See, it means to make a pronouncement, a judgment.

8 In flaming fire taking vengeance on them that know not God, and that obey not the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ:

Now that's after this appearing here in this seventh verse. Now:

9 Who shall be punished with everlasting destruction from the presence (face) of the Lord, and from the glory of his power;

That goes right down to the White Throne. So the same one that comes there at this time, with the angels, is the Judge who comes down and appears with the White Throne. Now watch. At the same time:

9 When he shall come to be glorified in his saints, and to be admired in all them that believe (because our testimony among you was believed) in that day.

Now watch, let's get this carefully. These two things can not come at the same time. That is the flaming fire and the admiration, because at the wedding supper He does not come back and destroy the earth, it's after three and a half years He comes back and destroys the earth. So this one that comes here in flames of fire, surrounded by angels, the Pillar of Fire enwrapped, surrounded by angels, It's the one that's going to destroy the earth—is the one that came to be admired in His saints to get us out of here. Now read your Scripture. Read it, it's not the same time. The rapture takes place three and a half years before He comes back in Judgment; we come back in judgment with Him.

This has to do with the One coming, who is the Judge, who pronounces judgment and vindication, gets the Bride out of here, then comes back and destroys those that won't go. Now keep reading:

- Wherefore also we pray always for you, that our God would count you worthy of this calling, and fulfil all the good pleasure of his goodness, and the work of faith with power:
- That the name of our Lord Jesus Christ may be glorified in you, and ye in him, according to the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

[2 Thes 2:1-2:]

- Now we beseech you, brethren, by the coming (His presence, that's the word presence there) of our Lord Jesus Christ, and by our gathering together unto him, (Now watch:)
- That ye be not soon shaken in mind, or be troubled, neither by spirit, nor by word, nor by letter as from us, as that the day of Christ is at hand.

Now listen, at that time there is going to be what? Now watch. Why would he say don't be troubled in mind, don't be shaken or troubled neither by a spirit, nor by a word, nor by a letter unless they were going to be there? I don't say, "hey now you folk, I tell you what. You look out for the snakes in Ireland." There aren't any snakes in Ireland. "Now look out that big chimpanzee at the North Pole is going to get you. There are no chimpanzees at the North Pole. Well you make God the butt of the joke, that the guy at the street corner in New York is going [Brother Vayle snaps his fingers]. You say, "what are you doing that for?" "Well," he says, "I'm scaring off the elephants." "Well," they said, "there ain't an elephant in two thousand miles." Said, "I'm doing a good job, ain't I?"

So God's stupid like that? Is this our religion? Is this what we believe here? Is this the kind of stuff we go for? All right then, why would he say it if it wasn't there? All right then, there is what? A peace. Be relaxed. No trouble. And remember, the spirit of God will be there, He will be there, so you don't need to worry about another

spirit. The Word will be there, which is the shout. You don't worry about another word. There's no letters as though somebody wrote letters, because it's all on tapes.

And you don't have to worry about guessing it because the day comes and you know it by manifestation because that is exactly the way it is. Because look, if this happens and we don't know it, where are we getting off at? If there's a resurrection we don't know it, where are we getting off at? Then this indeed is the mind age, the knowing of the things of Almighty God. See?

³³⁻⁵ Here come Luther through. He only preached justification, just pounded away in that age. He didn't know what the age was. Here come Wesley through. He pounded his age through. See? Lot of our false (teaching and churches) come from it. (That's true, it sure did. Jehovah Witnesses, British Israel, Seventh Day Adventists, all those things.) The other churches...

The only church that came out that was true in this hour was Pentecost, and it organized and hit the skids because; no further light. Reverant George Upton, I think he is dead now, told me and I was just a kid. I heard him preach, he didn't tell me—I was just a kid and heard him preach. And he said, "listen, our forefathers came out of Methodism and Nazarene and these other churches." He said, "we came out because there was light." And he said, "we followed that light." He said, "by the grace of God, let us not close our eyes in case there be future light and we fail to follow it and die like they did." And they did exactly what Upton said they shouldn't do and he was right with it. He should have known something when a man can come on the scene.

You know why they didn't like it? I'll tell you why. Because this man had oranges that out-oranged the Pentecostal oranges. This man out-powered the power of Pentecost. I'm not ashamed to say it, I was with them. Years after Bro. Branham came on the scene I still remained an independent Pentecostal. That's a whole lot better than organized Pentecost, it sure ain't the truth either. And you're up for worse damage than ever if you don't know what you're doing because then you have all your mind, your own mind because God to you instead of—well it's horrible. It's horrible. I'd just like to know that God does things and certain way and if we see it praise the lord and just stick with it. Okay:

The other churches raising up. And here come Pentecost, pounding away. They organized and went right back into death again (as we'll get to it in a few minutes), right back into death.

And then, comes the revelation of the mysteries to reveal what it's all been about, where these little doctrines, like Luther brought out catechism and everything else; and Wesley brought this, that, and the other, and these other things; and Pentecost brought organization just the same, and "Father, Son, and Holy Ghost" baptism and things, not knowing any different, 'cause... Then come back in the last days and pick up all these mysteries and clearly explain it, reveal it. (So therefore you've got to understand there's

manifestation there.) Why? It's all the last days when this great mystery that God had in His heart is being revealed.

Now he's telling you flat there that Christ was coming up by the Holy Spirit, by revelation manifested and proven this was indeed the Christ. At the end time He's got to come to headship, which means headship is that Holy Spirit Himself—must come into full preeminence at the last day, and full revelation as full as God intends it to be and gives it to us, and He Himself is doing it. Now that's what you are looking at, brother.

That's why we speak on the Presence and the Appearing and people don't understand us. It's all of the last days when this great mystery—what is it? God revealed in Christ. The very mystery of God exposed in Him who came down. We got a picture of Him! Yeah. Pillar of Fire over here.

You say, "I don't believe that." Don't have to believe nothing. I'm gullible, yup. I'm a sucker for it, that's the way it goes. I'll just stand—I'm sorry about that. Just leave me alone.

Here's where 1 Corinthians 3 is fulfilled: that which is perfect is come, nothing more to be added. Here's where Hebrews 6 comes: the last message. Here's where Hebrews 12 comes: the One that spoke in heaven will speak upon earth. Here's Revelation 10: the mighty One comes down. Here's Malachi 4:1 and 5 and 6: sending Elijah. Here's Luke 17:30: the Son of man revealed. Here's John 14:12: the mighty works of Almighty God demonstrated. Here's Matthew 12: Christ appearing to the Gentiles in the form of the Holy Spirit, proved in Scripture by Scripture. Showed it to you word by word. See? That is really true. Here it is, all of it.

Now listen:

34-1 Do you get it? If you fail, come back to this tape again. I don't know how much longer I'll be with you. Remember, this is the Truth of THUS SAITH THE LORD. It's the Truth. It's the Scripture.

What is it? The mystery at the end time, the complete revelation. God Himself fully full God. The Token itself. Not a little bit. Like I said before in...

I'm sorry I'm going to take your time. If you're tired, you want to go home, leave, it's okay by me. I got no problem with it. Got to do the rough thing today, I'm sorry about it.

But look, if Adam was the salmon and Eve was the female salmon, and Eve could produce one trillion eggs and Adam would fertilize her one trillion eggs, those trillion salmon would have the life of Adam, not of Eve because she got a life from Adam, and physical bodies to match that little bit of life, but the source of life would still be Adam salmon stand—swimming around right there. Now put it on Adam as a man, except the serpent got in the mess. It's too bad he did or we'd have the same picture today. You'd have Adam typing Jesus the Christ. You'd have him typing Elohim. You'd have him the Father, and that life of Adam in five billion children at the time of the flood, and five

billion more now is ten billion, and at least twenty billion in-between, lets say. That's thirty billion people. Let's say one trillion just for fun of it, get back to the salmons.

And here is Adam with one trillion children. Adam would still stand there as the source of life and they as the inheritors of a part of that life, and that's the way it is today with God. He's here! Elohim. God. Life. The source. That's why the baptism gives way to the baptizer. You say, "well Brother Vayle, I understand you." Thousands out there don't. They get the tapes and they still look glassy-eyed and they can't figure it.

Let me tell you, when Pillar of Fire was here with William Branham over here, Pillar of Fire/William Branham. Let me tell you one thing absolutely flat, and get this. He was not down in Africa as the Pillar of Fire standing here—Elohim—before the destruction of Sodom, as He was in their hearts by little tiny measure of life. Not with seven trillion.

Like the seven mysteries of the Seven last Seals, the mysteries of them... The Seals had done been broken; every age had come down, and there they left a lot of scattering. And God, not willing that it should be scattered, He comes back and picks up those things, those doctrines they started, and brought it on out and revealed the whole thing, (Why? Because He's going to restore) same thing (Now listen. Now watch what I'm going to read:) He's doing now in revealing the mystery of Christ, how He was God's threefold purpose for the Church. Oh, my. Letting them out, reveal...

Now he's telling you absolutely flat here, that as the seals came forth, this is now coming forth. See? This comes out of Seal number seven, the Roman candle. He called the seven seal the Roman candle. It's a Roman candle out of the seals, and is the complete revelation of the mystery of God. 1, revealing; 2, preeminent head of the church; 3, taking us back to Eden. This is the Appearing. He is here Himself appearing, He has manifested Himself, proving Who it is and explained it through a voice of a prophet. That's why it says [1 Thes. 4:16] *For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout...* And that is not said to be the voice of the Lord. Then whose voice is it? What voice has God always used? Prophet. Vindicated prophet. Then after that comes all kinds of superficial counterfeits. Now:

34-3 "Reveal," Webster says, is "to make known--make known, and especially," Webster said, in Divine truth"--that revelation means. Revelation, it is Christ's way of making Himself known to His Church.

That's enough for this morning. I wanted to get you down here. I didn't get you down 12, 13, 14 pages like I had hoped to. Okay. This is August 10, we start here, finished off.

I hope you caught enough this morning. This has been real important what I brought in the last fifteen minutes. And I trust that you have been blessed by it for this

particular reason, that you'll have greater faith than you ever had before, because brother/sister, faith is a revelation, and if you gained in revelation you've gained in faith. Maybe not the faith that says gimme, gimme, gimme, gimme Lord, but you got the faith that says take me, Lord, I'm going to be part of that Rapture. I'm going to be that life. I'm going to be part of that throng. I'll be part of that speckled bird. I'll be what You want me to be because it's growing in me to be that very thing.

Let's rise at this time.

Gracious heavenly Father, again we're, Lord, sorry to take people's time like this, impinge on their time, but oh God, what can I say, Lord? You made me the way I'm made and I'm not going to fuss about that, but I might fuss about the fact what I done with what You made, and I haven't done too well.

But Father, I do believe this morning Word have got down to where we wanted to get, and very grateful to see that here is something coming out of the Seals that we did not really know existed as it existed, yet we've known it all the time. But now in a better and more perfect form we see Christ the Head. As Bro. Branham himself said, "I must decrease and He must increase, and if that great one coming after me is a man then I wasn't that one that was to come."

All of these things indicate, Lord, that we see that You are the preeminent one. You are here, Lord. You are bathed in that Pillar of Fire, going to take us into the millennium, Lord. You're going to do it in spite of ourselves, because, Lord, we didn't ask to be here but we are here. We didn't ask to be born again but we are. We didn't ask to know You, Your prophet and these things, but here we are. And we thank You for it.

Now Father God in heaven I pray that we shall not lose from this moment on any truth that we have lost by the counter-plunges of statements that have been made by crossed swords, and they are only crossed in our minds because of the wrong doctrine, the wrong teaching. Take all the veils out of our hearts and minds, oh God. Take what ever thing comest but the revelation, the Holy Spirit.

And Lord, He's here today. We know that in our hearts He's here in that measure to receive that final end time revelation, to get this as we ought to get it. And Lord, you know the call on my heart, that I might know these things as I should know them for the sake of the people. Not to be proud, Lord, but just believe Him, Lord. That's part of a ministry, that's part of this life. That's part of it all.

God bless each everyone in divine presence, Lord. Satisfy every heart and every need. Teach us Lord to ask, but ask according to Your Word as the Spirit within us talks to us and leads us and guides us. Heal every body, Lord. As the prophet said, Your servants are entitled to a healthy body, Lord. Where did he leave that with just preachers and ministers? No, he couldn't do it because everyone that's a child of Yours is a servant. Even though he is a son he's a servant unto you, Lord. So there's not one of us that's not entitled, oh God, unless something is there for very special dispensation which You would reveal to us, as You did to Paul. That means the rest of us are free to believe, Lord.

Help us therefore, in our freedom, to have a freedom of faith as we've never had before, to count these things done even though they're only done in the fact of Your mind and Your Word. And I don't mean only as though that were nothing, but I mean, Lord, they are invisibly done. Help us to bring them into manifestation or visibility, that we might glorify that great name.

Thank You for bringing us this far, Lord. We can not praise Thee enough. We appreciate it and we love You. In Jesus name we pray, Amen.

Do you love Him this morning? Honestly, before God, do you feel you understand more than you understood before? [Congregation says amen.] You must understand more and more. This must become your life, not just a part. This must become your life, spiritually speaking, your way of understanding.

All of these words means so much, that's why I take so much time on it. But don't let anybody ever throw you for a loop, or ever discourage you about what you are learning, on the grounds that this is the only Truth, the only thing that has a modicum, and I just use that to salve the people's feelings—a modicum of actual demonstrated reliability, and take it right to the Scripture. There's nobody else—no other person done it or will do it.

We don't do it ourselves, it's not ours, but we have a part in it. We have a part in it. So the Lord bless you. Let's just go singing take *The Name Of Jesus With You*.